First I would like to congratulate all of this year’s new arrowmen. I would also like to thank all of those who attended the Lodge Leadership Development and the Fall Fellowship. As we reflect on the fun times we had at these events I encourage you to look toward the upcoming lodge events; particularly the winter banquet. As you mail your registration in for this grand event make sure you remind the other members in your chapter to do the same.

The year that lies ahead of us provides us with an opportunity to bring our Lodge to new heights. However the most important part in achieving the goals for this upcoming year is the participation of our members. Get active with your chapter and their events. Take a role in the planning of an event. Join a team or committee, go to the meetings and have a blast. Our lodge is having blood drives hosted by individual chapters in March. This is an example of how you can get active and serve your community. Also this year our Lodge is going to be supporting Scout Reach. If you are a strong leader or interested in helping build new troops in urban areas contact me via e-mail.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Winter Banquet and I would like to challenge you to get active on a committee but also to get someone else active as well. Always go to your chapter meetings to stay updated with new fun lodge events and continue serving your community cheerfully in a scoutly manner. I wish you all a joyous holiday season and a happy new year.

Yours in W.W.W.,
Drew Sansevero
Lodge Chief

Sylvester Elected NE-2C Section Chief

On August 28, 2004 Section NE-2C elected the leaders that will support the lodges of our section over the upcoming year. Kevin Sylvester, former Lodge Chief of Owaneco Lodge, has been elected as the 2004-2005 Section Chief. Kevin is an Eagle Scout and Vigil Honor member of Owaneco Lodge, and has served as Lodge Chief and Section Secretary. He has been awarded the James E. West Fellowship Award by the lodge and has served on the National Leadership Seminar staff. He is also an Assistant Scoutmaster with Troop 32 in Southington, CT. Kevin has attended the 2003 Indian Summer and 2004 NOAC at Iowa State University and will be serving on OA Service Corps staff for the 2005 Jamboree.

John Chick, also from Owaneco Lodge, was chosen to serve as Section Vice Chief. Most notably, this election meant that Owaneco had to appoint a new Lodge Chief. Drew Sansevero from Keewayden Chapter was selected by the Supreme Chief of the Fire to become the new Lodge Chief. Drew comes to us with years of experience in both scouting and the Order. As an eagle scout, Drew has what it takes to effectively communicate with the youth of the lodge and represent our lodge to the Council Executive Board. Congratulations to Kevin, John and Drew on their new positions.
2004 Fall Fellowship: Owaneco Gets a Clue

On Friday, October 22, sixty-seven Owaneco brothers gathered at Deer Lake Scout Reservation in eager anticipation of the Fall Fellowship. By the end of the weekend, they were most certainly pleased with all the goings-on of that mysterious event. As the kitchen staff served a delicious cracker barrel of spicy hot chicken wings and other tasty treats, we all watched Deathtrap, an intense mystery thriller starring Michael Caine and Christopher Reeve. Everyone enjoyed it, and was quite surprised at the end. Then, we watched the hilarious antics of Inspector Jacques Clouseau in A Shot in the Dark. By the time people began to move off to bed, everyone knew that this would certainly be a weekend to remember. After a delectable breakfast and a showing of Without a Clue, we spent the morning in service to the camp under the direction of Ranger Mark. Then, after lunch, the afternoon festivities began. A large board game tournament was held, where players tried their hands at various mystery games such as Clue, 1313 Dead-End Drive, and (the ever popular) 221b Baker St, while others enjoyed outdoor sports. The highlight of the afternoon was the premiere playing of a life-sized edition of “Clue.” Chapter representatives took control of one of the six lodge officers who played the suspects in the game. A fun time was had by all. In the evening, seven brothers sealed their membership in a very simple, but moving Brotherhood ceremony. This was followed by a delicious chicken dinner with all the fixings, including a mysterious, green caviar (which some people called a brand new adhesive compound!!). The climax of the weekend was a showing of the movie Clue which everyone enjoyed. Sunday morning’s breakfast and Scout’s Own service were followed by chapter meetings and a brief lodge business meeting. Afterwards, everyone departed for home. Special thanks to Mr. Poggio and his crew for their excellent cuisine!

Another Successful LLD

From October 8-9, Owaneco’s leaders gathered at the Hoyt Scout Reservation for a weekend of training and fellowship. Sessions were held on topics involving New Members, Chapter Management, and Brotherhood Conversion. On Saturday night, a brainstorming cell was held to envision where lodge wants to be in 3-5 years. This was followed by an intense game of OA Jeopardy. Owaneco had two very special guests and this year’s LLD. Ed Lynes, Northeast Region Chief, and Brian Cutino, NE-2B Section Chief, were both in attendance and we would like to take this opportunity to thank them for coming. By having trained leaders, we can ensure another successful lodge year! Special thanks goes to the Powahay Chapter for providing the food for the weekend.

Your Owaneco Lodge Leaders

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Thank You Mr. Glassman!

This November former Owaneco Staff Adviser, Mr. Jonathan Glassman, will be leaving the Connecticut Yankee Council to peruse other career goals. Mr. Glassman is an Eagle Scout and Vigil Honor member of our lodge, and is currently serving as a Field Director for the Connecticut Yankee Council. Before coming to Connecticut Yankee, Mr. Glassman served as a District Executive with the Theodore Roosevelt Council on Long Island. Prior to his commissioning as a professional Scouter, Mr. Glassman served in a variety of volunteer positions including Assistant Scoutmaster and Order of the Arrow Chapter Adviser.

On behalf of Owaneco Lodge, it is only right to extend our greatest appreciation for all that Mr. Glassman has done. His hard work, sacrifice and dedication towards our lodge and scouting is why the scouting program thrives. Thank you for all of your dedication and support to Owaneco over the years Mr. Glassman! You will be greatly missed.

Left: Mr. Jonathan Glassman: Former Owaneco Staff Adviser

Section Conclave a Huge Success

At the 2004 Conclave Owaneco Lodge had great attendance. The lodge put on the show Arrowman Squares, which was similar to the TV show Hollywood Squares. To top the weekend of training and fellowship off, our former Lodge Chief, Kevin Sylvester, was elected as the Section NE-2C Chief. John Chick was elected as the section Vice Chief. Unfortunately Sean Murphy lost for Section Secretary. Owaneco Lodge is proud of all three of you. We would also like to thank Robert Kravec, a former Owaneco Lodge Chief, for his service in section leadership over the past 4 years.

September Ordeal Brings 56 New Members

The September Ordeal at Camp Sequassen was very successful. We inducted 56 new members and had 2 Brotherhood conversions. With more than 123 members attending, all the planned work was completed on time. As usual, the weekend was full of fellowship, service, and above all fun.
OA & You: Summer 05’

The Order of the Arrow has many major opportunities for you to become involved in this summer. For the first summer, the OA will sponsor programs at all three of Scouting’s high adventure bases: Philmont, Northern Tier, and Florida Sea Base. This summer, you can also spend a week in Virginia and be an active Arrowmen at the 2005 National Jamboree. And its never too early to plan, so start filling out the forms NOW!

The Order of the Arrow will have a major presence at the upcoming jamboree. A Service Corps of 150 Arrowmen will provide assistance and support to all aspects of the national event. In addition, the Order will conduct and staff three programs: American Indian Village, The Outdoor Adventure Place (TOAP) and an OA Show. While serving on Jamboree staff, you can meet Arrowmen from across the nation and become an integral part of the Jamboree’s success.

Want an excuse to get out of the house for two weeks this summer? Why not attend one of the Order’s national high adventure programs? Why not travel to Northern Tier in Minnesota. Here you will canoe the northern boundary waters and provide lasting service to portage trails that thousands of scouts will travel. Want to travel to Philmont? No better way than with OA Trail Crew. Provide cheerful service on the trails of New Mexico and take a trek with the friends you make from around the country. How about taking a dive into the Florida Keys? You can spend your time at the Florida Sea Base and become scuba certified while you preserve coral reefs.

These opportunities are not available to you forever. When you hit that magic adult number of 21, your adventures greatly diminish in the Order. You can find more information on all of these national programs at www.oa-bsa.org . Please visit the national website and plan on attending one of these programs this summer.

Got Leadership? We Need You!

Did you know that the Order of the Arrow Troop/Team Representative is a junior leadership position that can count toward rank advancement? Owaneco Lodge is looking for scouts under the age of 18 who are currently members of the Order of the Arrow and are willing to serve as liaisons between the OA Chapter and their troop. General responsibilities include: attending OA events, attending OA chapter meetings, etc.

The Order of the Arrow is Scouting’s Honor Society, created to recognize the Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. The OA serves as a resource for local Troops through its camp promotions program and as a means of retaining older Scouts’ interest in the Boy Scouts of America. Scouts are attracted to the Order of the Arrow because of its emphasis on Youth Leadership Training through the principles of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. The OA can be a tremendous source of opportunities for interested members. Without Troop Representatives, it is very difficult for other members of the OA to get important information.

If you are interested in becoming a Troop Representative, please contact your Chapter Chief or Chapter Adviser. For more information on the Troop Representative program and the position’s responsibilities, visit www.oa-bsa.org/programs/ttr .

Looking Ahead: 2005

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Memories From NOAC 2004

During the week of August 1st 2004, Owaneco lodge sent a contingent of 53 scouts and scouters to NOAC, the National Order of the Arrow Conference. During the seven day excursion there was tons of fun had by all. At NOAC, Owaneco members participated in a range of events. Patch trading, training, ultimate Frisbee, dance events and religious services, were just a few of the many events that took place.

NOAC was more than just a big fellowship for Owaneco Lodge. It was an opportunity for the lodge to compete for nationally recognized awards. At the conference, our lodge’s ceremony team was awarded ‘Honor’ for the Ordeal Ceremony. Congratulations goes to the competing team was Dave Chick, Kevin Sylvester, Charlie Johnson and Sean Murphy.

Another accomplishment for the lodge was placing first in the ultimate Frisbee tournament. With over 10 games played, and 20 team members, Owaneco won its victory under the stormy clouds of the Iowa sky. Even though the game had to be called, due to a tornado warning, Owaneco won with a lead of two points.

Most notably, Owaneco’s Quinnipiac Dancers preformed extremely well at all Native American Dance events held at NOAC. More than 20 dancers from the team preformed in the individual competition. All of the dancers poured their heart and soul into their outfits and dancing techniques throughout the year, and their performance truly showed at NOAC. Owaneco is proud of each and everyone.

    Dan Fagan, who competed individually in the fancy dance category, was placed in the top 10 in the nation, and was able to dance on stage at the Native American Show. The lodge truly united and cheered for Danny that night! We are very proud of you Dan and are confident that you will be a strong contender at NOAC 06’.

As a team, the Quinnipiac Dancers also competed in the group competition. The team performed remarkably, and was one solid group on the floor. The lodge thanks them for their efforts and support. Also, under the leadership of Russ Olsen, brothers performed in the Northern Style Drum Competition and were recognized as second in the nation. Owaneco congratulates all members of the dance team on all of their successes. The lodge is confident that the Quinnipiac Dancers will take what they have learned at NOAC, and build upon their success. Owaneco cannot wait to see them all compete again in 2006. Again, thanks for your hard work and effort, and Happy Anniversary!

Like all good things, they must eventually come to an end. NOAC was a great opportunity for our lodge members to gather knowledge on improving the lodge, and to have some fun. The conference ended with a spectacular closing ceremony, firework, ice cream and a trip to Cedar Point. A special thanks must go to Mr. Wardwell, Charlie Johnson and the NOAC subcommittee for all their hard work on putting this trip together for the lodge.
NLS: The Ultimate Leadership Training

For many leaders in the Boy Scouts of America, training is something that comes as part of the job. Whether it be Junior Leader Training, Woodbadge, or the Lodge Leader Development, training gives us the foundations upon which we are able to become effective leaders. For the OA, The National Leadership Seminar is the Ultimate and most comprehensive training opportunity available for Order of the Arrow leaders.

The National Leadership Seminar is a weekend conference on the skills and attributes of leadership. It is intended primarily to enhance the leadership skills of the Order of the Arrow's key youth and adult members as they seek to improve their services to the Boy Scouts of America and the greater community. It is recommended that youth participants be at least 15 years of age or a lodge officer. Completion of the Lodge Leadership Development Course is desirable. The seminar is an intensive experience in learning about the nature of leadership and practicing some of the skills that a leader uses. While it is designed to be fun, the course challenges participants mentally as well. Participants should be developmentally, physically, and mentally prepared to actively engage in an exhausting, invigorating weekend.

The NLS experience will surely be one that you will never forget. Interacting with National officers, Section officers, and leaders of lodges and chapters from across the region is probably the most important aspect of the NLS program. It is a truly valuable experience that I hope every lodge leader has the opportunity to attend. If you have never attended NLS and are interested in going, contact your Lodge Chief, our Section Chief, or visit the Northeast Region Website at www.northeast.oa-bsa.org.

You will not be disappointed! -Colin Pinnavaia: Past NE-2C Chief

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In recognition of the Order of the Arrow's heritage of service, the National Order of the Arrow Committee created a new three-year Leadership in Service Program which was announced at the 2004 NOAC. The Order strives to strengthen Scouting's foundation of service by further fostering in Arrowmen the ethic of servant leadership. By promoting and rewarding service that benefits the Boy Scouts of America's outdoor program, and the communities in which Scouts reside, the Order will be acting to support Scouting at the most important level.

Arrowmen must complete the following requirements each year in which they earn the award:
- Give 8 hours of service participating in a lodge, chapter, or council service project benefiting a local council camp (lodge induction weekends do count). Service may be split over two or more events.
- Give 6 hours of service doing a community service project planned and run by the lodge or chapter.

The timeline for the Leadership in Service Award is a graduated system that encourages Arrowmen to continue their service from year to year. Requirements for the award can be met during the calendar years of 2005, 2006, and 2007. Service from a previous year cannot be carried over to meet the next year's requirements. Arrowmen of all ages may earn the First Year award in 2005, 2006 or 2007, the Second Year in 2006 or 2007, and the Third Year Award in 2007 only.

More information can be found at www.oa-bsa.org.