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Winter Banquet: Food, Fun and Confetti



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On December 28, 2005, over 120 Arrowman gathered for great food and fellowship at Liedle's Restaurant in Stratford. The evening was full of food, fun and of course fellowship. The evening's festivities included a silent auction, year in review video, and a keynote speech delivered by Mr. Lou Salute.

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Members check out the silent auction

Congratulations to Mr. Chris Fagan, who was awarded the James E. West Fellowship Award, and Mr. Bill Chin and Ed Wolf, Jr. who were both awarded the Founders Award.

Patches! Patches! Patches!

(And one is FREE!)



Like Patches? Want one for **FREE**? Starting this year, This patch will be available **ONLY** to Arrowmen that serve as an elangomat for one of the ordeal weekends. Anyone who wants to be an elangomat or has a question, should contact Andy Vill at vill@owaneco.org.

Still want to help Scouts in New Orleans? Or do you want some PEZ? Owaneco still has Hurricane Katrina fundraising and PEZ themed NOAC patches for sale. Please contact Dr. Bob Kravecs at kravecs@owaneco.org if you are interested in buying either of these patches.

2006 Lodge Calendar of Events

Date:	Event:	Location:	Date:	Event:	Location:
April 22	OA Work Day	Hoyt	August 25-27	Conclave	West Point, NY
May 12-14	Ordeal Weekend	Camp Sequassen	September 15-17	Ordeal Weekend	Camp Sequassen
June 9-11	Ordeal Weekend	Camp Sequassen	October 27-29	Fall Fellowship	Deer Lake



A Message from the Quinnipiac Dancers

The Quinnipiac Dancers report that things are going well! We have completed 5 performances for cub packs and PTA's and have 4 to go. At our weekly meetings we continue to improve upon our dance technique and outfits. Chris Lewis, an alumni of the dance team, treated us to a Hoop Dance after being away for 5 years. The performance was superb.

Lights, Camera, Action! The Team has been asked to participate in the Grand Show at the upcoming Council Extravaganza. Plans are underway to put on a spectacular show and we are honored to be part of this highlight of the Extravaganza. In addition, we have been asked to set up our Tipi Village in the Midway. This will be open for tours where visitors can see something of what life might have been like in the 1870's or 80's. The dancers are required to make an authentic outfit and be able to act as guides around the village. Here we will feature demonstrations on tipi life, muzzle loading firearms, Indian weapons, dance outfits and more. Come on in when you visit the Midway!

The Quinnipiac Dancers are an active and enthusiastic committee in Owaneco Lodge. Membership is open to anyone who is an active OA member and interested in Indian culture. You don't have know anything about Indians, we will teach you everything. Our meetings are every Sunday evening in Hamden and are ongoing. If you are interested in joining, call the Team Chairman, Russ Olson.

Your Owaneco Lodge Leaders

Lodge Chief	Charlie Johnson
Vice Chief—Chapters	Sean Murphy
Vice Chief—Program	David Chick, Jr.
Vice Chief—Inductions	Zach Silver
Lodge Treasurer	Dan Peck
Lodge Secretary	Dan Miller
Lodge Advisor	David Chick, Sr.

Lodge Communication Upgrade

Over the last 6 years, the Observer has been the main means to inform lodge members of what is happening within the Lodge. The Communications Committee is preparing to improve the way in which information is distributed to our membership.

At NOAC this year, key leaders will be making a massive software transition that will allow us to manage our membership information better. Part of this transition will include gathering email addresses from lodge members so that we can send lodge mailings digitally rather than through the mail. In fact, this is the first 'test' newsletter sent through e-mail and postal mail. The lodge is looking to increase the rate at which information is distributed to our members, and were looking to see what impact e-mail has on our distribution of information.

While a physical newsletter is the best way of reaching out to our membership, it takes a great deal of time, effort and money to produce. We are increasing our online presence at **Owaneco.org** and through e-mail. Feel free to send comments and suggestions to Communications chair Ed Wolf at wolf@owaneco.org.



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