Hello Brothers!
The year is almost at an end and unit election season is fast approaching. The theme for the year “We are the Present they are the Future” has an ever-important role in unit elections. We are now improving committees, and lodge operations for those arrowmen yet to get inducted into our order.

Owaneco is on the right track for success! At the NE-2C section conclave, Owaneco Productions put on a stellar performance, and because of it, we won the Uncas Spirit award for 2006. The Fall Fellowship was a great success despite the power outage and pouring rain. The Lodge Leadership Development Conference was led by the lodge’s training chairman Kevin Sylvester, and a lot of new arrowmen were trained to be better leaders both in and out of scouting.

Owaneco is keeping very involved with the council. We have pledged a donation of $1,000 to the Gate project at Camp Sequassen. This money will be used to aid the construction of the new entrance to camp. We have submitted an application to National for a service grant to refurbish the Hoyt Training Cabin. This upcoming spring we will be helping the council in their “Can-Do Campaign” to help to feed the less fortunate people in our local communities.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Winter banquet on the 28th! I also look forward to the coming New Year and it’s promise for continued greatness. Have a happy and safe holiday season.

Yours in W.W.W.,

Andy Vill
Lodge Chief

NY Conclave A BASH!

On August 25-27, the 2006 Big Apple Bash Conclave was held at West Point Military Academy. At the conclave, all of the events and meals were based around the greatest city in the world, including a LIVE morning news broadcast of Good Morning NE-2C. In attendance at this year’s conclave was the OA National Chief Sean Murray and the Northeast Region Chief Jon Fuller, a special treat for all. A conclave is a great opportunity to meet new arrowmen, and advance your knowledge in the order. If you have never been to one, be sure to check out next years conclave!

Jon Fuller and Sean Murray broadcast LIVE from NE-2C Studios
The Order of the Arrow has had a long-standing interest in coordinating a national service project, utilizing the infrastructure and leadership established over many years of success at the Boy Scouts of America’s high adventure bases. Working closely together, the United States Forest Service and the OA have chosen five project sites, spread across America, that will be the focus of our combined efforts. ArrowCorps5 (pronounced Arrow Corps Five) will provide a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for each participant to set an example of leadership in service to those who treasure our national forests. The service projects will take place at the following locations:

- **Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri**
  - June 7-14, 2008
- **Bridger-Teton National Forest, Wyoming**
  - July 26 - August 2, 2008
- **Manti-La Sal National Forest, Utah**
  - June 14-21, 2008
- **Shasta-Trinity National Forest, California**
  - July 12-19, 2008

### September Ordeal Cleans Sequassen

The September ordeal was held at Camp Sequassen, and many service projects were completed. Brush was cleared and disposed of, and camp-sites throughout Sequassen were cleared of trees and debris —thus expanding their usable space. The hard day of work ended with a delicious banquet in the dining hall to welcome all the new ordeal members. Everyone sat intermixed and ate a family style meal. There was an enjoyable weekend in review slideshow and other evening activities. Overall there were 70 new ordeal members and 3 new brotherhood members.

**LEFT:** Candidates clear brush from a trail in North Sequassen.

### A SPAMtacular Fall Fellowship

On October 27-29, the fall fellowship took place at Deer Lake with a theme of Monty Python. There was plenty of SPAM to go around at every meal, and it turned out to be a “Completely Different” fellowship. On Saturday, members bonded as chapters and as fellow brothers in the Order as we had a chapter “Flag Making Contest”, a spam-eating contest, board games, and a coconut carving contest. Special thanks to Mr. Golrick and his kitchen crew for the Python-inspired meals that were prepared. **RIGHT:** The real Knights of the Round Table.

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Memories From NOAC 2006

During the week of July 27th — August 4, 2006, 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. The lodge placed first in the ultimate Frisbee tournament. With over 10 games played, and 20 team members, Owaneco defended its title as NOAC ultimate Frisbee champions for the second NOAC in a row.

Most notably, 4 of Owaneco’s Dance Team members preformed extremely well at all Native American Dance events held at NOAC. 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.

Shane O’Brien, 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 Shane that night! We are very proud of you Shane and are confident that you will be a strong contender at NOAC 08’.

Like all good things, they must eventually come to an end. The trip ended with a trip to the Henry Ford Museum and a Mud Hens Game in Toledo Ohio. 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 and ice cream. A special thanks must go to Dr. Bob, Tom Early and the NOAC subcommittee for all their hard work on putting this trip together for the lodge.

Special thanks to Mr. Chick and Mr. Guarniere for the UPGRADE!
A Message from the Quinnipiac Dancers

Hey, Brothers, we just wanted to let you know what’s happening with the Dance Team so far this year. We started in September and had 13 new members visit us at the first meeting. This is a great showing! The meetings have so far have focused on learning the basic steps and beginning construction of new outfits. In early October we went to the Spencer Pow Wow in Spencer, MA. This was a full weekend of camping, craftwork, and dancing. The event is sponsored by the AIS, a hobbyist organization of Native American enthusiasts. Besides the dance sessions, they feature various seminars on outfit construction that are always good.

In November, 17-19, we plan on attending the Shu-Shu-Gah Lodge Indian Seminar at camp Alpine in Alpine, NJ. This is a BSA/OA sponsored event and has been growing since its start 4 years ago. Besides the craft and dance classes on Saturday, they feature a terrific pow wow that night. Last year we had 14 dancers attend and we are looking to better that this time. Our very own drum, the Vermillion Singers were one of the 4 drum groups that kept everyone dancing.

On December 16 we will be running our very own pow wow in Hamden, CT. This is the second year for this event and we are planning to make it even better! Never been to a pow wow? Why not come to this one. It is FREE and you will see some great dancing. Also, all who attend are welcome to the evening feast, also no charge. It is Indian custom that all visitors should be fed and given a good time at a pow wow. We are continuing this tradition. The doors open about 12:00 so come and enjoy for as much time as you can. It will be at the Hamden Library, Dixwell Ave. More info: Dean Paquette, 203-283-1561.

Our performance season starts this January. As you know, we hire ourselves out to any group, scout or otherwise, that wants some entertainment for their special events. We have done Cub Scout Blue and Gold’s, Pack meetings, Eagle Banquets, PTA meetings, Library Associations, and many others. The performances last about 45 minutes and are tailored to your audience. Interested or know someone that is? For more information call Nancy Olson at 203-281-5419.

Brothers, the Quinnipiac Dancers are an active committee in your Lodge. We want YOU to join us for all the fun in exploring Native American Culture together in the form of their song and dance. The Dance Team not your thing? That’s OK. But are you INVOLVED in the Lodge in some other way? If not you owe it to yourself to get on board in some aspect. The Lodge is YOURS and if you don’t participate you will certainly miss out. So get to your Chapter meetings and offer to help. Also get to a Lodge activity. Be part of the FUN!

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