

Kuskita

Chiefly Speaking

Greetings Fellow brothers,

I would first like to thank all of my fellow arrowmen for electing me for a second term as your 2009 Lodge Chief and I would like to thank the 2008 executive committee for all the hard work they put in to make our events possible. We all had a great time at Big 3 this past August. We elected new officers for the 2009 year and enjoyed each others fellowship as we worked hard on various service projects thorough out the weekend. We inducted 66 new ordeal members and 21 new brotherhood members! I would like to extend my deepest thanks to all the ordeal members, for coming out and doing their ordeal. I hope to see you at our Brookie brotherhood weekend in November 21st-23rd.(you can make reservations by contacting Craig Spink). We have decided on a space theme with a bunch of fun activities such as Rocket races and a bunch more. So come out and have some fun with your fellow Arrowmen. Our next Executive Committee meeting is October 25th, 2008 in Rae's cabin at 1 o'clock. Others members are invited to put in their input on various topics that we will be going over.(All E.C members are required to attend, if any E.C member can not be there please contact me at 724-845-8361). I hope to see alot of our members at Brookie Brotherhood weekend and if any anyone has any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

WWW,

Dominic Paunovich *Kuskitannee Lodge Chief 2009*

Program Vice Chief

I look forward to seeing all members at the Brookie Brotherhood weekend. The program committee is working hard to make the weekend successful and fun for all. The weekend is going to have a space theme, including out of this world games, food, and fun. If you have any space themed ideas, let me know (my contact information is below). I hope to see all members, new and old, there to join in the fun.

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WWW

Nicholas Kasunic

Membership Vice Chief

Membership is doing well. I am pleased with the number of people that came out to take their ordeals and brotherhood tests at this last BIG3.

The next event coming up is the Brookie Brotherhood Weekend and I would like to see all those ordeal members who have been in the lodge for at least ten months come and take their brotherhood test. But don't forget that even you new ordeal members are still encouraged to come and participate in all the events. Every one should come and enjoy the fun.

Yours in Brotherhood,

WWW

Alex Connell



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"It is easy to be
brave from a safe
distance."
~AESOP

Administrative Vice Chief

No article submitted

Chris Covert

Secretary/Treasurer

I am excited about this year's newly elected executive committee. All members have fresh new ideas and were all looking forward to implementing new change in the Order of the Arrow. I encourage all Ordeal members to pursue and achieve Brotherhood. With Brookie Brotherhood Weekend coming near, I hope that all Order of the Arrow members will attend and enjoy our fellowship with one another. Good luck to all of this New Year!

Your Secretary/Treasurer, Ryan Moon.

Lodge Chief Adult Adviser

Greetings to all members of Kuskitannee Lodge 168,

As I start my third year as Lodge Adviser, I am looking forward to a new and exciting year with new youth and adult leaders. I can see the potential for a great year for our Lodge. I am also looking backward at the past two years, analyzing what worked and what did not so we can learn from the past. Last year was a good year but it may have been better. We struggled to fill the youth leadership positions with people committed to attend the meetings and fulfill the requirements of their position. We also struggled to find adult advisers for all the open positions. We are off to a good start this year with respect to both youth and adult leadership positions. We still need help though! To our youth members, please join committees on the Executive Committee and help run the lodge. This is a youth run organization and we need you to step up and help lead. To our adult members, our youth leaders need your help and support. Please help us make our Lodge better!

Yours in Brotherhood,

Craig Spink, Lodge Adviser

Glacier Ridge District Vice Chief South Chapter

I am working on one of many camp promotion teams. We are planning to visit all of the troops and packs that usually do not attend Bucoco or Agawam for summer camp and are undecided at this point to tell them how great it is to be a camper at Bucoco or Agawam. If you live in Glacier Ridge and are interested in helping with these camp promotions, then let me know.
Michael Kasunic

Glacier Ridge District Vice Chief North Chapter

No article submitted

Jon Green



King Beaver District Vice Chief

Hi, this is Will Hughes I'm the DVC for King Beaver. It's my first time and I plan to do my best during my term.

William Hughes

**Ceremonies**

No article submitted

Jack Libengood

Activities

No article submitted

Sean McGregor

Brotherhood

No article submitted

Kenny Greene

Camp Promo

I love camp!! And all of you should to. But don't take my word for it. Have one of our world renown camp promo teams come to your troop and show you how great Camp Bucoco is. If you would like to schedule a camp promo presentation please contact me at (724) 355-7225. Camp is great!!!

Yours in Brotherhood,
WWW
Alex Connell

"Put a circle not a heart around the ones you love, because a heart can break but a circle goes on forever."

~Anonymous

Conclave

No article submitted

David Spink

Elangomats/Ordeal master

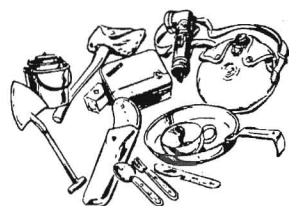
No article submitted

Aaron McAfee

Vigil Honor

No article submitted

Chris Covert



Service

Brothers,

As always, there is a lot of great service being done around the camps. I would like to thank everyone who put in hours at Big 3 and I would especially like to thank those of you who come up to camp on Saturdays to do service.

While there are always opportunities to serve at Camps Bucoco and Agawam, service to the community is one thing that only comes up every so often. Now is the time for us as brothers to serve our community with our lodge community service project. We will be conducting a food drive. Sometime within the next few weeks (or possibly the past few weeks,) your District Vice Chief will get in touch with your OA troop representative. Your OA troop rep. will then direct the project at the troop level. Troops will collect food and will drop it off at a local food bank, as directed by the DVC. If your troop hasn't been contacted by your DVC, please give me a call at (724) 654-5439. It is important that we get every troop involved so we can make a great impact in the lives of the needy living in our council.

If you have any questions at all, or if you wish to help with the service committee, don't hesitate to call.

WWW,
Patrick Wilver

Publications

Hello, from the publisher. How do you like my first Kuskita? Is there anything that you would suggest be changed? Are there any pictures or quotes you would like to see in it?

Since this is my first Kuskita; so all of these questions, if answered, would be a big help. Also, in the future I plan to have a page for pictures from our events, and to have a picture of all of the authors of the articles beside their name. Any constructive criticism to make the Kuskita the best it can be is graciously accepted.

You can contact me at lucas2414t@hotmail.com

WWW,
Tyler Lucas

Lodge calendar:

October 25, 2008	EC meeting Rae' Cabin (1PM) and Camp Promo dinner
November 14-16, 2008	Brookie Brotherhood weekend Bucoco
January 18, 2009	EC meeting CSC
February 7, 2009	Lodge Banquet River Valley
February 20-22, 2009	Winter Fellowship Agawam
February 21, 2009	Business meeting
March 22, 2009	EC meeting Rae's cabin
April 18, 2009	OA Social
April 24-26, 2009	Spring Ordeal Bucoco
April 25, 2009	Business meeting
May 24, 2009	EC meeting Rae's cabin
June 12-14, 2009	Conclave at Custalogatown
August 21-23, 2009	Big 3 Bucoco
August 22, 2009	Business meeting
September 11-13, 2009	LLD Bucoco
October 25, 2009	EC meeting Rae's cabin
November 20-22, 2009	Brookie Brotherhood Agawam
November 21, 2009	Business meeting



Dinner at Big 3

Sign up for the Brookie Brotherhood weekend now!

Our Big 3 weekend is November 14-16, 2008 at Camp Bucoco. We are planning a great weekend to start our new year! We will have Brotherhood testing, Special award selection and training! Our theme is SPACE! Please come and help us do service and have a lot of fun! Setup starts at 5:30 PM and registration starts at around 6:30 PM.

If you are eligible for Brotherhood, now is your chance to come take the test and seal your membership. If you can't make it for the entire weekend, come up Saturday at 2:00 PM to take the test and attend the ceremony Saturday evening. The fee is \$20 if you only come up for the testing, the ceremony and dinner. We need YOU to become Brotherhood so we can make Quality Lodge this year. Brotherhood eligible members will be receiving a letter and a phone call very soon. The Brotherhood questions are posted on the Lodge web site (www.kuskitannee.org) on the resources page.

Registration fees for the weekend: members registered by October 30: \$18.00 per person with super early bird discount. If you register by November 7 you pay \$23.00. After November 7 or at the door you must pay \$28 for the weekend. If you are taking the Brotherhood test and staying for the weekend add \$14.00 for your new sash. See you there!

Brookie Brotherhood signup

Return this form to Craig Spink

Name: _____

_____ Sign me up as a member for the whole weekend

_____ I am taking the Brotherhood test and staying all weekend

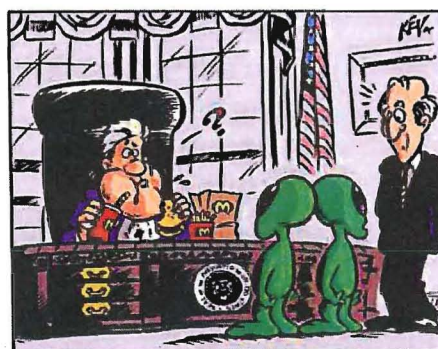
_____ I am taking the Brotherhood test but coming up Saturday

Want to save a stamp? Try our new on-line sign up page! Go to www.kuskitannee.org and click the link for details and on-line registration for the Brookie Brotherhood weekend!

You can mail a check (payable to Kuskitannee Lodge 168) or pay at the door.

Mail to: Craig Spink 145 Dwellington Dr., Valencia, PA 16059.

Make checks out to Kuskitannee Lodge 168-MTC



UH... YOU WOULDN'T POSSIBLY HAVE
ANOTHER LEADER YOU COULD TAKE
US TO, WOULD YOU?

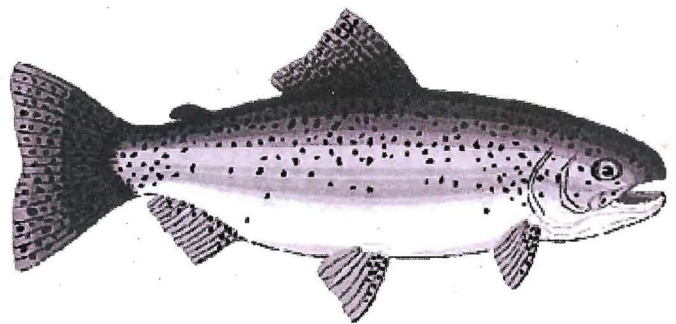
Congratulations and thanks to all our new Ordeal members and our members who became Brotherhood members at the Big 3 weekend! New members bring in new ideas and becoming Brotherhood helps the Lodge grow and expands our roster of potential leaders! Thanks for helping our Lodge get better!
Craig Spink, Lodge Adviser

New Brotherhood members:

Todd Armentrout	Zack Dorsch	Andrew Lowery	Ethan Sedlacek
Jacob Baehr	James Dudek	Daniel Lowery	Joshua Sedlacek
Dustin Barnes	Fred Dzugan	Evan Lucas	Alexander Sena
Matthew Bobic	Luke Dzugan	Andrew Machemer	Carl Shaw
Chris Boggs	Kenneth Edinboro	Matthew Marterella	William Sipe
Andrew Brock	Trevor Emerick	Sean McGregar	Walter Skibicki
Larry Brock	Adam Etzel	Cody Moody	Matthew Slagle
Jacob Brown	Howard Ferrenberg	Simon Neubert	John Spigelmeyer
Kelvin Brundage	Thomas Hermanowski	Brandon Nicklas	Anthony Stimmell
Mark Brundage	William Hughes	Konstantinos Petridis	Joseph Stitt
Josh Burd	Austin Hyde	Robert Rankin	Paul Swank
Austin Burns	Michael Jerasa	Andrew Reubi	Stephen Timko
Jeffery Chestnut	Garrett Jones	Tommy Robbins	Gregory Waslo
Robert Chestnut	Nathan Kerstan	Brian Robinson	Kevin Weigle
Perry Christy	Alan Klingensmith	Mike Robinson	Stephen Wolford
Sam Cleary	David Knize	Seth Schiever	
Ryan Coennen	Zachary Knize	William Schnur	

New Brotherhood members:

Benjamin Allman	Kevin Lesniak
Eric Anthony	Barb Libengood
Jesse Boak	Tyler Lucas
Josh Broad	Phillip Lucas
Benjamin Clark	Nick Marinaro
Nathan Conroy	Benjamin McKnight
Richard Everly	Luke North
Robert Gallentine	Kyle Sarver
John Green	Garrett Shaw
Jason Hicks	Charles Smith
Dillon Hogg	M Stephenson
William Hughes	Sam Stuckey
Emil Ihnat	Alexander Szakelyhidi
Logan Kallop	Paul Tomosky
Mike Kasunic	Sam Weisz
Kevin Knechtel	Zach Will



NOAC 2009! We finally got information from National!

NOAC is the National OA Conference. It will be held August 1-6, 2009 at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. We are guaranteed 17 attendees but we will try to bring everyone that wants to go. In 2006 we brought 30 brothers! We will be defending our two consecutive National Championships in Northern Drum (2004 NOAC and 2006 NOAC) so we will need to start practicing!!! There will be dance competitions and ceremony competitions, lots of training and fellowship and of course super shows!

The cost will be \$395 per person plus transportation. We should assume a total of around \$500-550 per person. If we want to make a stop along the way and add a day or so to the trip it will cost more. We will travel as a lodge in a caravan or in a bus depending on how many people are going and whether we hook up with other lodges in our section to combine transportation.

Sign up now to reserve your spot! We will need a \$100 deposit from everyone interested in attending by February 1, 2008 to hold your spot. If we have more people signed up than we are allowed to bring, youth members will get first priority followed by adult advisers to the lodge. **Payment of the \$100 deposit does not guarantee that you will go to NOAC!** Your deposit will be refunded if we don't get enough slots. So far we have all the necessary adult slots filled but we hope we can add more.

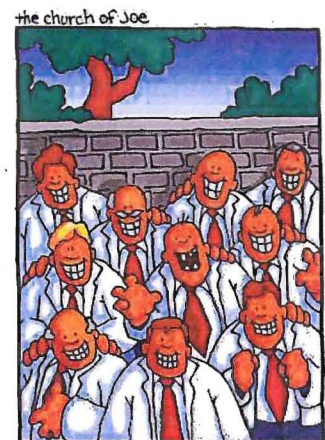
"If your actions
inspire others to
dream more, learn
more, do more and
become more, you
are a leader."

~John Quincy

Adams

NOAC is a great adventure! You will meet arrowmen from around the country. You will see the best dancers, drums and ceremonialists competing in National competitions. You will see and maybe meet all the National youth leaders. You will witness great shows. Don't miss this opportunity! Contact Craig Spink to reserve your place. I can be reached at alchemist@wowoatam.com or at 145 Dwellington Dr., Valencia, PA 16059, 724-898-1574. Check the Lodge web page for an on-line sign up page. I will take reservations immediately but they will not be firm until I get a check for \$100 made out to Kuskitannee Lodge 168-MTC. The payment schedule for the rest of the fee would be an additional \$100 per month due at the end of February, March, April and May. We will try to hold fundraisers to help keep the costs down.

Craig Spink, Lodge Adviser and Dave Spink, NOAC and Conclave Chair



Nine out of ten dentists
recommend brushing your teeth.

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