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Lowwapaneu Lodge 191 ~ Fall 2017
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Letter from the Chief

by Matt Smith

Brothers,

Let me thank you from the bottom of my heart for an amazing year in Lowwapaneu Lodge. We “paved the way to 50” and it was because of all the cheerful service you’ve provided this year.

Together, we welcomed 80 new Ordeal members, helped 60 brothers seal their bond in brotherhood, and called upon 10 brothers to keep their Vigil.

Together, we provided countless hours of service to our council, through our work at Ordeals, serving on camp staff, and help at Cub Scout Day Camp and Harvest Fest.

“Thank you for the best year in the history of the lodge.”

Together, we will achieve more in the years to come. Once again, thank you for the best year in the history of Lowwapaneu Lodge.



LOWWAPANEU LODGE 191

ORDER OF THE ARROW

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for Founders Award
by November 1st.
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The Fall Ordeal

by Matt Colavitti

Brothers, this past August the Lodge had its Fall Ordeal. New candidates in the Order spent the day performing cheerful service, and attending ceremonies. Those arrow men who came spent the day performing service to the camp and having a great time. Events included games, drumming, apple pie, and much more. Throughout the weekend the services performed for the camp included a wide variety of work. Everything from taking the tents down to pack the summer camp away, to painting the new shower house to prepare for the next season, contributed to a whole weekend of service performed. I'd like to thank all of those who were able to attend and especially those who helped the new candidates enter the brotherhood. I encourage you all to help out at next years to make it the best one yet.



Unit Elections

by Jacob Rogers

This years unit election training is coming up very soon in December. It's a great training to go to if you're interested in helping with unit elections this season. This training isn't very long but you get a lot out of it. We teach you the process of a election to help you feel more confident and comfortable when doing one. Also we do a mock election where you get a feel for it in a fun way. Its a great experience and a great committee to get involved in. The guys that go out to the unit elections are the first these new brother see. This is a great thing because now at future events they feel more welcome when they see a familiar face. I hope to see you all at our training, it will be a great time and I'm looking forward to a great Unit Elections season with you all!

Our Brothers in PR

By NE5 Secretary Matt Smith

As most of you know, Hurricane Maria recently devastated Puerto Rico. As a result of the devastation, Scouting in Puerto Rico is essentially "out of business" because of major damage to the Council's Office and Camp. As of right now, it is looking as if there will be no camp season for Puerto Rico in

2018. Section NE-5 is currently working on plans to help our brothers of Yokahu Lodge and the Concilio de Puerto Rico. Please keep our brothers in your thoughts and we will keep you informed on Section NE-5's plan as more information becomes available.

Harvest Fest

by Joe Colavitti

As you know the fall season is fast approaching. This means as well that it is once again time for the annual Council Harvest Fest at Camp Acahela on October 28-29. The Order of the Arrow will be there to help out with the activities such as hay rides, parking, supervise bounce houses, and fill in as needed.

We will again be running the Native American Village, and Native American Activities will be present for some drumming and festivities.

Any help from available arrowmen would be greatly appreciated. I thank you all for your dedication to the lodge, and look forward to a great upcoming year.



The Order at the National Jamboree

By: Joseph Norvilas

This past summer, the Boy Scouts of America held the 2017 National Jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. Multiple Scouts from Lowwapaneu lodge had the opportunity to attend this once in a lifetime event. Over 30,000 scouts from across not just the USA but the world attended. This event would not have run so smoothly if it were not for the Order of the Arrow. The OA sent a large delegation of Arrowmen to help staff the Scout Jamboree. They called the Delegation "Operation Arrow". They held many vital jobs such as crowd control, trail guides, and lead in many Native American Activities. Our very own Section Chief Jeremy Bedient and Section Vice Chief Ben Oswald had the distinct privilege of serving on the Operation Arrow Staff. All of the participants could not thank the Operation Arrow staff enough. If you ever have the

opportunity to serve as part of the Order of the Arrows Service Corp, I highly recommend it.

By: Caleb Lavelle

I had a great time at The National Jamboree this summer and got a chance to pursue a lot of new activities. Some of my favorite parts were learning how to skateboard, seeing the President, and meeting people from all over the country. I also got to meet the national chief of the Order of the Arrow. To give back to the community we made a hiking trail for the national park service. Overall it was a fantastic chance to try new things and meet new people. I'm really grateful to have had the opportunity to attend, and I would definitely recommend it to anyone who was considering going. Not only is it a chance to have fun, but it's a chance to give back and represent our Order as well.





Merit Badge College

by Chris Higgins

Hello Brothers! Service is one of the main points of our order and our council has given us a place to cheerfully serve the scouts in our council. Lowwapaneu Lodge has been asked to help with the annual Merit Badge College course this January. We will need people to help with sign in, checking pre-requisites for badges, and helping any counselors that need help. Merit Badge College is hosted at Kings College in Wilkes-Barre and will be on January 6th and we will start at about 7:30. If you want to come out for some cheerful service contact me at lhigginch@wallenpaupack.org.

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The Holiday Banquet

By Zach McDonough

As our year comes to a close, we still have many fun events to look forward to. My personal favorite is our annual Holiday Banquet. The Holiday Banquet this year will be on Wednesday December 27th at Al Mia Amore. This event is full of comradery and fellowship. At the holiday banquet there many things going on. This is when we install our new lodge officers, have many recognitions, patch auctions, a slide show, and much more.

The holiday banquet is a lot of fun and I hope to see you all there!



Order of the Arrow

Holiday Banquet

All Members of Lowwapanau Lodge are invited to attend the Annually Holiday Banquet. Brothers are also encouraged to invite family members and friends to this evening of cheerful fellowship. Highlights of this year's banquet include: recognition of the new Ordeal, Brotherhood, and Vigil members; special guests; entertainment; lodge plans for the upcoming year; fellowship; James E. West and Founders Award presentations...and more.

When: Wednesday, December 27th, 2017. Gathering at 6pm Dinner at 6:30pm

Where: Al Mia Amore Restaurant (*formally The After Five*)
(Located near Schiff's & Johnson College. Take I-81 to Dickson City exit 190. At the end of the ramp, turn right onto Main St. Go a few hundred yards and watch for the Al Mia Amore approaching quickly on your right. Park across the street in the Professional Plaza lot.)

Cost: \$27 per person if paid by Dec. 15th

Deadline: If paid after Dec. 15th cost is \$32 a person.

Reservations to the Service Center close Dec. 20th
Submit the form below or register online at lowwapanau.org

Order of the Arrow Holiday Banquet Registration Form

Name(s) _____

Phone: _____ Troop # _____

Number attending _____ @ \$27.00 each
(*\$32 after Dec. 15*)

Total Enclosed _____

Make checks payable to: Lowwapanau Lodge 191
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Reservations close on December 20th



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Upcoming Events

October 28th - 29th ~ Harvest Fest at Camp Acahela

December 27th Holiday Banquet

November 22nd General Lodge Meeting (GLM)

Lodge Executive Committee Meetings ~ Every fourth

Wednesday of the month 7:30pm @ Scout Service Center

Native American Activities Meeting ~ every first Tuesday of
the Month 7:00pm @ Scout Service Center

Find more information at www.lowwapaneu.org

July 30 - August 4, 2018 ~ Indiana University

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