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Howdy Brothers!

This years Spring ordeal theme will be Wild West, so round up your lassos, unhitch the horse and don't forget your cowboy hat because were gonna have a wild time, ya'll. There will be some rip-roarin' activities and some hootin' good food from the wild west. Can't wait to see you there at the spring ordeal.

*Headin out yonder,
Austin Shission, Ordeal Committee Chairman*

Lowwapanew's Twentieth

This year marks the twentieth anniversary of the founding of Lowwapanew Lodge 191. In honor of this landmark, we are asking you to create a lodge flap which celebrates the history of our lodge. For any questions, please feel free to contact any member of the Lodge Executive Committee! Submissions are due as soon as possible to Lodge Chief Sam Levandowski. We look forward to seeing your lodge flap design!



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Chairman Still Needed!!

The school year may be winding down, but that does not mean that the OA is winding down as well. We, in the Communications Committee, are busy working to always make the website better and completely updated! Just recently we launched our totally new design which looks better than ever and we updated our photo gallery! So make sure to check out the new website and awesome pictures!

We are also looking for a chairman of the Publications (Smoke Signals) half of our committee, so if you or anyone you know is interested please let us know! If you have any questions please email me at szaydon@gmail.com or Brian Henning at eaglebound@verizon.net

Written by: Sal Zaydon, Communications Committee Chairman



Chiefly Speaking

It has been a crazy start to 2011. The pavilion project is finally approved and work will begin shortly. We are truly setting the foundation for the next century of scouting, and helping in a project such as this is something you don't want to miss out on! I hope to see many of you there in attendance at the upcoming Goose Pond Ordeal and NE-5B Section Conclave. Both of these events are sure to be a blast.



Deadlines and prices are as follows:
 Goose Pond Ordeal - \$22 dollars for members and brotherhood candidates-
 Deadline: May 31st
 NE-5B Conclave at Camp Trexler- \$30-
 First 25 registered receives a free tee shirt -
 Deadline: May 15th

Written by: Sam Levandoski, Lodge Chief

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Advisor's Minute



As you can see from this jam packed electronic edition of the Smoke Signals Your Lodge is very busy. I hope you have taken advantage of this and joined a Committee and have become active. We need you!

We are planning some exciting things for the future, including the Goose Pond pavilion project, completion of the screens and speakers at the Service Center, the Conclave at Camp Trexler, the Goose Pond Ordeal in June and so much more.

So come out and get active, you will meet some of the greatest people, have fun and learn a little on the way!

Written by: John Croom, Lodge Advisor



Branden Bender
VC of Program



Brian Henning
VC of Administration



Ray Posluszny
Secretary



Michael Shostek
Treasurer

Ceremonies Committee Not Only for Actors

Have you been looking for an awesome way to get involved in Lowwapanew Lodge? Then look no further! The Ceremonies Committee is always looking for new members. As a member of the Ceremonies Committee, you can assist in bringing in new members to our Lodge. We always need performers to fill the roles of the Ceremonial Principles. However, if performing isn't your thing, don't be discouraged! We also need help preparing the Ceremonial Site, including building the Fire of Cheerfulness. Who doesn't love to play with fire?! If the Ceremonies Committee sounds like a good fit for you, feel free to attend one of our meetings, the dates of which are available on the calendar portion of the Lodge website, lowwapanew.org. Also, feel free to contact me for more information at j_l_hughes@comcast.net. See you at the next Ceremonies meeting!

*Written by: Jordan Huges,
Ceremonies Committee Chairman*

Election 2011: Mission Accomplished

With the 2011 elections season having drawn to a close, I am pleased to report that this year's elections have been a great success with over 75 youth from our council being elected to become a part of our brotherhood. On behalf of Dr. Morton, Mr. Croom, and myself, I would like to extend my humble thanks to all youth and adults who dedicated themselves to the success of the 2011 elections. If you were not a part of the Elections team this year, please contact either Dr. Morton or me so we can put you on a roster for next year's teams. Thank you again for your dedication; keep up the great work!

*Written by: Jake Martin,
Unit Elections Committee Chairman*

Ordeal Rapidly Approaching and Help is Needed!

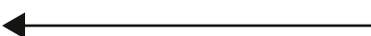
The Goose Pond Spring Ordeal is about a month away. It will be held at Goose Pond Scout Reservation on June 3rd, 4th, and 5th. If you haven't signed up yet please do so soon! You can sign up at the council office. The Spring ordeal is not just for newer arrowmen to advance. It's a time for everyone to do cheerful service together. There will be a lot of cheerful service along with drumming, ceremonies, patch auctions and much more.

Also, help is always needed at the ordeal. Elangomats are always needed. As an Elangomat you are a friend to the candidates and you help guide them along. You can also become a ceremonialist. As a ceremonialist you would help at with the pre-ordeal, ordeal, and brotherhood ceremonies. Other options are to be on the food committee and help prepare meals or be a drummer on the drum team. If you don't think any of these options are for you, I still invite you to come out and have a fun time with fellow arrowmen. Once again the spring ordeal is June 3th, 5th, and 5th.

Written by: Austin Shission, Ordeal Committee Chairman



2011 Fellowship Weekend



2011 Monitor Project



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Lodge Dues and Event Form

Name: _____ Youth Adult

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Ordeal

Phone: (____) _____ - _____ Email: _____ Brotherhood Vigil

Lodge ID #: _____

(Found on the Mailing Label)

Dues:

I want to pay my dues: _____ years x \$10.00 per year = \$ _____

Conclave: _____ people x \$30.00 = \$ _____

Goose Pond Ordeal: _____ people x \$22.00 = \$ _____

Please Make Checks Payable to:

Lowwapanew Lodge 191

After completing this form please mail to:

Lowwapanew Lodge
c/o Northeastern PA Council
1 Bob Mellow Drive
Moosic, PA 18507

IMPORTANT LODGE DATES

Lodge Executive Committee Meetings:

The 4th Wednesday of Each Month at the Scout Service Center at 7:30 p.m.

May 25, 2011

(No LEC Meeting in June)

July 27, 2011 (at Goose Pond)

August 24, 2011

September 21, 2011

October 26, 2011

General Lodge Meetings:

June 5, 2011 - Goose Pond (Goose Pond Ordeal)

August 21, 2011—Camp Acahela (Acahela Ordeal)

November 23, 2010—Service Center (Election of Officers)

Activities and Other Important Events:

June 3-5, 2011—Goose Pond Ordeal Weekend, Goose Pond

June 10-12, 2010-NE-5B Conclave, Goose Pond

July 16, 2011—Lodge Summer Picnic

August 19-21, 2011-Acahela Ordeal, Camp Acahela

December 28, 2011—Holiday Banquet

Stay tuned for more important Lodge events at www.lowwapanew.org