



# In The Woods

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## Ordeal Candidate Interview

Today we went around to the many service projects, and found an Ordeal candidate taking a rest from the hard work. We decided to interview him, although he could not speak.

We asked him how he liked the food, and we gave him our advice not to eat too much during the day, because of the large, rewarding dinner afterwards. As I waited for a response, he glared at me angrily and returned to work.

We will try to catch up with him after the Ordeal is complete. Good Job to all the Ordeal members, and welcome to the lodge!

## The Trading Post Dedication

Today the the new trading post was unveiled and was dedicated to Henry Hansen on May 15<sup>th</sup> 2010 for his dedication and service to our council. Henry Hansen has devoted his entire life to scouting, as he did to this campground. This trading post was dedicated because it had major renovations done to it, such as it being doubled in size, and many other new things were added, so much that it would take too long to type in this article. The new trading post didn't cost too much either because the material used to build it was donated to it. There were many people to thank for the constructing of the trading post. These people sacrificed their time to help make building it possible. We don't want to say names because there was so many people who made this possible that we may miss someone, but whoever helped, you know who you are so we thank you very much for your dedication. Because of you , we have an awesome trading post in our camp that we can be proud of. However, it is not completely done yet. There is still some more work to be done inside, for example, getting snacks, drinks and other souvenirs to sell to fellow scouts, still need to be brought in. But don't worry, because that will soon be brought in and the trading post will be up and running in no time at all. Next time you come to Roosevelt, come visit the trading post. We think you'll really like it.

## Lodge Calendar

June 4-6, 2010	Service Weekend, Pine Hill SR
June 11-13, 2010	NE-5A Conclave, Pine Hill SR
July 24-August 4, 2010	National Jamboree, Fort A.P. Hill, VA
September 10-12	Service Weekend, Pine Hill, SR
October 8-10, 2010	LLD Weekend, Roosevelt, SR

## New Ordeal Members

Todd Batten	Jonathan Ratcliffe
Mr. Todd Batten	Gregory Reardon
Bradon Boyce	Thomas Runyon
Matthew Burkhead	Jacon Similia
Brandon Christina	James Staley
Adriano Colombo	Thomas Traina
Zachary Fitzgerald	Nicholas Tropiano
Kevin Harris	Justin West
Joseph Hooker	
Charles Hughes	
William Hyder	
Samuel Justice	
Michael MacAdams	
Jacob Manning	
Kirk Manning	
John Mathew	
Douglas Napier	

## New VIGIL Members

Joe Landolfi  
Mike Koloski  
Francis Cincotti  
Mr. Mike Whitling  
Mr. George Shute  
Mr. Tom Rathof

## Quote of the Weekend

“He who serves his fellows, is of his fellows greatest.”  
-Mateu

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## New Brotherhood Members

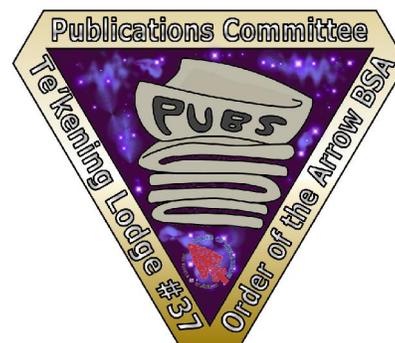
Youth:  
Alex Skelly  
Chris Bossert  
Joseph Wright  
Daniel Loughne

Adult:  
Walter Tarr  
Thomas Skelly

## Committee Reports

Aloha. We're kicking off the new year with a bang here at the kitchen with a large number of changes still to come. As such, the food service committee will be recruiting a large number of members as a part of a new plan to help things run more smoothly here. If anyone is interested, please speak with David White. Other than that, we hope for another successful year and we'll try not to leave any fingers in the chile.

David White  
Kitchen Chairman



### Apatukwe Chapter Report

Apatukwe still meets the first Monday of the month at Avalon Elementary School at 7:00pm. Also unit elections are almost done.

### Kon-Kon-Tu Chapter Report

Kon-Kon-Tu still meets at the scout store same time as round table. Also unit elections are almost finished.

### Lekau Chapter Report

Since the first of the year we have had 4 chapter meetings. Attendance has been a challenge, despite the planning meetings held last fall at Roundtable and the promotions to Scoutmasters. A new e-mail contact list and promotion of the Facebook group will strengthen communications and hopefully improve chapter attendance. Contact Chapter Chief David Latimer at [djlatimer@verizon.net](mailto:djlatimer@verizon.net) or Chapter Advisor Jim Latimer at [jlatimer@eticonn.net](mailto:jlatimer@eticonn.net) to be added to the list, or look for us or the Chapter Group on Facebook.

### Unilachtego Chapter Report

The Unilachtego chapter is doing extremely well, we recently held a call out ceremony at our district camporee and based off of the feedback received we did extremely well. This has definitely left a good impression with the units in Old Colony District. The chapter is staying strong with our mission to become more active within our district and council.

Yours In WWW,

Walker "Texas Ranger" Green



### NE-5A Concl ave

Each spring, at a nearby Scout camp, the Lodges of our Section meet at an annual **Conclave**. The word "conclave" means "a secret gathering", but don't let the name fool you — hundreds of people will be there, from nine lodges.

We're currently a member of NE-5A (North East Region, Section 5), which includes the following lodges: Ajapeau 33 (Bucks County Council), Te'kening 37 (Southern New Jersey Council), Na Tsi Hi 71 (Monmouth Council), Hunnikick 76 (Burlington County Council), Japeechan 341 (Jersey Shore Council), Yokahu 506 (Puerto Rico) and Arawak 562 (Virgin Islands).

In just a few short weeks over a hundred Arrowmen will converge on Pine Hill Scout Reservation for the annual Conclave. This year's conclave is shaping up to be one of the best ever with a lot of Food, Fun, Fellowship and Training on tap for participants.

Some of the training cells 16 in all include Cub Scout Interactive, Publications 101, A how-to on camp promotions, High Adventure Preparation and even a Meet The Man session with some distinguished guests. If you haven't already signed up do so ASAP!!!

Also make sure NOT to miss the show on Saturday night! It's going to be one for the history books!!!

Remember folks we are Seven Strong Lodges, Seven Lodges Strong!

-Herb Dodds

### **Fire Ring Restoration**

Camp Roosevelt's fire circle is being cleaned up this weekend, and getting ready for the weeks of summer camp. Fellow Arrowmen, and with the help of the Ordeal candidates are busy cleaning the steps and the main fire ring. There, they are raking leaves and clearing debris from the seating area, as well as pulling weeds from the main circle. When we arrived, the place was pretty much cleaned up and under control. Good job everybody.

-Steve Gallagher

## Lodge Awards

*On December 29, 2009 at the Elmer Grange Te'kening lodge held its annual lodge awards dinner, the evening began with a buffet dinner and a large assortment of door prizes that lasted through the evening. Following the dinner the lodge held a brief meeting and then presented awards to those who were selected by their fellow award recipient's.*

### Silver Oak

Dale Kengetter  
Steve Decker  
David White  
Walker Green

Mr. Herbert Dodds  
Mr. Anthony Galizzia Jr.  
Mr. Dennis Burnett  
Mr. George Hoffman

### Vigil

Joe Landolfi  
Mike Koloski  
Francis Cincotti  
BoDean Messier

Mr. Mike Whitling  
Mr. Ted Atkinson  
Mr. George Shute  
Mr. Tom Rathof

### Founders Award

Mr. Anthony Galasso

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## Chiefly Speaking

Today, I took the path less traveled by.

While walking along the lake front trail alone in the solitude of my own thoughts I noticed the surroundings around me. I could see the light shimmering off the lake, glistening like a freshly cut diamond. I could hear the birds singing their afternoon songs, filling the woods with a sweet symphony of tunes. The dead leaves and sticks crackling underneath my feet were like the sounds of a small fire. On my travel is when I again realized an arrowmen's unity with nature. "We, who loves the woods and camping"...a quote I will never forget.

We are a service organization based off the ideals of scouting; Camping, Leadership, Service name a few. It is with the Order that one can truly find happiness in solitude, self-sacrifice, and cheerful service all of which in the glory that nature is.

Keep this in mind and the next time you find yourself venturing around camp; take the path less traveled by, reflect back on your Scouting Career, and observe your surroundings for you will truly discover what the Order is all about.

In Cheerful Service Always,  
Nicholas S. Cincotti

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## Thoughts of a Vice Chief: Upon a Lofty Journey

This weekend marks a weird time for me, as I am celebrating both an end and a beginning. I am celebrating the completion of a century of Scouting with the rest of the lodge and council; and I can say without a doubt that I am enormously proud of the work I have done alongside Troop 166 (Cherry Hill, NJ) and Te'kening Lodge 37. At the same time I am preparing for the start of my college education at Dickinson College in the sprawling metropolis of Carlisle, Pennsylvania (think middle of nowhere). This is the last Lodge Weekend that I will be able to attend this year, and it is sad that I will not get another chance to participate in another Lodge function before I leave for school. That in itself makes me think about how strange it will be for me to not be around for every weekend or conclave that we have.

Despite my uncertainties, I know a part of the Lodge will stay with me even in the cow pastures of Carlisle. When I go to tackle an immense term paper, I will remember the endurance needed to pass the tests of the Ordeal weekend. When I have to conduct my own research to pass a science course, I will remember the problem-solving skills I discovered while running service projects and Lodge functions as a Vice-Chief. Field trips will pale in comparison with weekends at Roosevelt and conclaves in Puerto Rico. When I am dealing with the cardboard that is college food, I will miss the stellar cooking of culinary masters like Steven Bennett, Dean Cooney and Dave White. And if I persevere to the point where I have earned my diploma, then I will remember the people and values of the Lodge and of Scouting that gave me the tools to get there.

That is why I encourage all Arrowmen to get what you can out of your time in the Lodge. There is so much to experience and so much to learn, and even more to benefit from. I will always be active in the Lodge no matter how small the level; but no matter what that level is, the Lodge will always be with me.

## The Dirty Sash

What is “The Dirty Sash?” Well it is one way you can tell an Arrowmen who provides service. We will feature articles from around the Council on service projects and activities done during non lodge weekends as a way to share what our Brothers are doing to better our council and local communities. We want to hear from you. So if you have an article and photos you would like to have published, email Herb Dodds.

During the recent Old Colony District Spring Camporee @ Camp Grice members of the Unilachtego Chapter stepped up to the plate and cleared the fire circle of debris, weeds and other hazards. It started with an idea from a camporee staffer which was passed onto Vice Chapter Chief Walker Green who then rounded up volunteers from across camp, there was a sense of fellowship as Arrowmen and non Arrowmen alike bonded together to accomplish one common goal. Thanks go out to the troop’s for sending volunteers to help out.

-Herb Dodds



## Breakfast for Your Brain: Food for the Hungry Mind

You know that zombie like trance you drift in and out of during your morning commute? It’s your brain telling you it’s still asleep. That’s because just as you need to feed your body every morning, your brain needs to be fed so it knows when to start working.

Reading is like fuel for your brain. Studies have shown it helps stimulate the mind, allowing it to stay sharp even at an old age.

Making “In The Woods” a part of a well balanced morning ritual gives your brain the boost it needs to start the day. Plus you’ll get up to the minute lodge news in the time that it takes to eat breakfast.

Did you know that your brain starts deteriorating at age 25? And that your brain shrinks 0.22% in mass each year after age 30.

-Herb Dodds

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### Make Me a Ditch

The barns near the entrance of camp are being worked on this weekend. A new ditch will be dug connecting the two barns, preventing further flooding from occurring. The equipment lying around and the mess will also be removed to allow the ditch to be dug and will also make the barns a better site to see.

-Jim Grelli