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Aquehongian Lodge #112

December 2002



Chief's Drum

Dear Fellow Brothers,

I am excited to be chief of Aquehongian Lodge 112, and I would like to thank all my brothers for the support and encouragement that I know they will give me and the rest of the board members this year. In my first letter, I would like to address the subject of **PRIDE**. The members of Aquehongian Lodge 112 should all share a strong sense of pride. We will soon be the only lodge to service all of the GNYC camps. No other lodge can boast the same honor.

We should be proud of what we, as brothers, have accomplished, but we must work to keep our deserved sense of pride. Unfortunately, I have noticed a severe drop in enthusiasm and attendance at lodge functions. Many people are proud to be members of the Order of the Arrow, the order of elite campers and scouts, but they do not find enough time and energy to devote to the lodge. I realize it is not always easy, but the success of our lodge depends on **everyone's** contributions and efforts.

To those faces that I see time and time again, I extend my deepest gratification. You have helped make the lodge what it has become today. I can only hope that your enthusiasm will inspire others. Imagine what we can achieve with every member's support and dedication!

The lodge is not run by one person. It is composed of all our brothers. I, alone, cannot raise Aquehongian Lodge 112 up to a model lodge, worthy of everyone's respect. I need your help. We must work hard in service, but also enjoy ourselves in fellowship.

Now is the time to weld tightly every link of brotherhood. Come to the meetings, volunteer for our workdays, participate in our fundraisers, and deepen your friendships with other members. This is the year to strengthen our lodge and the pride we have in it.

Only together can we be proud of what we do and who we are!

Yours in brotherhood,

Joseph

12/14/2002

Service Day at Pouch Camp, 9am

12/15/2002

December's Lodge Meeting, starts at 1pm for Fellowship

12/17/2002

LEC meeting

1/18/2003

Service Day

2/8-3/2/2003

Winter Weekend, all OA members and Troops in the district are invited for winter camping fun in TMR, see attached flyer.

3/16-17/2003

Service day

3/17/2003

March Lodge Meeting

4/25-28/2003

Brotherhood Weekend, TMR

5/16-18/2003

Ordeal Weekend, Camp Pouch

Advisors Alley



Aquehongan Lodge 112 Order of the Arrow Staten Island Council GNYC, NY

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It is time for the holiday. The Lodge calendar starts to fill up now; a service day at Camp Pouch on December 14 at 9am (lunch supplied), our combined holiday party / Lodge Meeting is on December 15 at 2pm. Come and enjoy games, fun and food on December 15th. We will need input from you about where you would like to go on our bus trip on June 28th. The Lodge supplies the bus when we go and it is up to you to let us know where you want to go.

A group went to Alpine for the November service day on November 23-24, an overnight and enjoyed the climbing center and participated with dirt biking.

Here is a list of things going on in 2003 - up to July. Let your troops know what we are doing!

January 18 - Service Day at Pouch Camp at 9 am - We will feed you

February 28 - March 2 - Winter Weekend at TMR - lodging and food at \$25.00 each. This is a district event which is open to troops - SO let yours know. Information is available at the Roundtables - or call the Activities chairman, Danny Sullivan

March 15 - Service Day at Pouch Camp with an overnight. Need ideas for the afternoon and evening program. This will be at no \$\$ cost to the member.

March 16 - Lodge Meeting at 2pm

April 25-27 - Brotherhood at TMR - We need staff AND Brotherhood candidates. Bring a brother. Staff cost \$25.00

May 16 - 18 - Ordeal Weekend at Pouch Camp - We need everything from Elangomats, to RIT, to quartermaster, to anything you want to be! Staff cost \$20.00

June 7 - Fishing Derby at Pouch Camp - Hundreds of cub scouts need your help!

June 8 at 2pm - Lodge Meeting at Pouch Camp

June 28 - BUS TRIP TO

July 4 - Assist at the Seaview Hospital BBQ 10am - 2pm

To make this Lodge and Lodge activities work we need everyone to take an active part. Belonging to the Lodge is more than a flap on your uniform.

Yours in service,
Ron Cullenen
Lodge Advisor
718 948-1007

Announcements:

Holiday Party / Lodge Meeting December 15, 2002

The Lodge Holiday party will be held prior to the Lodge Meeting at Berlin Lodge at 2 PM. Refreshments will be served by the Commissary Elves. If you need information for any of the upcoming events - this is the meeting to go to. The new year is around the corner.

Lodge activities will start on a slow burn and the heat will be turned up for the warmer weather. Remember, Winter Weekend, Brotherhood Weekend, Ordeal Weekend, Indian Summer AND Conclave cover each month from now until September!

Lodge Event Calender

December, 2002

14th – 9am, Service Weekend at Pouch Camp

15th – December's Lodge Meeting, starts at 1pm for Fellowship

17th – LEC meeting

January, 2003

18th – Service Day

February, 2003

28-3/2 – Winter Weekend, all OA members and Troops in the district are invited for winter camping fun in TMR, see attached flyer.

March, 2003

16-17th – Service day

17th – March Lodge Meeting

April, 2003

25-27th – Brotherhood Weekend at TMR

May, 2003

16-18th – Ordeal Weekend at Pouch Camp

June, 2003

7th – Fishing Derby

8th – Lodge meeting, 2pm

28th – Bus Trip

July, 2003

4th – Seaview Hospital BBQ

August, 2003

2-7th – Indian Summer, Ridgecrest Conference Center, in Asheville, North Carolina

September, 2003

5-7th – 2003 conclave: Lights, Camera, Conclave! In Connecticut. \$25 per member.

November, 2003

8th – OA Lodge Anniversary at CYO hall in the South Shore

Indian Summer 2003

August 2 - 7, 2002
Ridgecrest Conference Center
At Asheville, North Carolina

" Do you like fun? Do you like learning? Do you like Indian lore? Well if so, the Order of the Arrow has the perfect conference for you! It is the National Order of the Arrow Ceremony and Native American Indian Conference, or in short, the Indian Summer.

Now, who exactly can come to the Indian Summer? Well, any Arrowmen with an interest in learning more about American Indian culture and Arrowmen who wish to expand their skills and understanding of the Order's ceremonies are invited. The conference is projecting about 1,000 Arrowmen to participate in this event.

Additional information will be made available as the year progresses.

Sign up for this event at any LEC or Lodge Meeting.

Come Join the Elections Team

Brothers, we are short people that go on the elections for the lodge. If you enjoy traveling, meeting other units, and are interested in providing support for the elections committee - we desperately need you to help us.

So, if you can be generous with your time, please contact Nick at or email me at. Please if you can help us out!!

Brotherhood Weekend

at Ten Mile River

April 25 - 26, 2003

All Ordeal members are eligible for Brotherhood Conversion this spring at Ten Mile River Scout Reservation. A mailing will be sent to all eligible scouts with the information necessary to sign up. Your dues must be paid to date in order to convert.

Conclave 2003

Our next Conclave will be held on September 5-7, 2003 in Camp Sequassen, Winsted, Connecticut. This year I, Joseph, am the Conclave chairman and Conclave Vice Chief (CVC) of Publications. This year once again we are doing publications for the Conclave. Last year Danny did a great job. The National Vice Chief Riley said that it was one of the best Conclave newsletters he has ever seen.

This year I hope to make the Conclave newsletter just as good. To make this happen I need help from the lodge. If you would like to help out or just want more info about the Conclave call me at.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Joseph

Section NE-2C Conclave 2003 "Lights, Camera, Conclave!" Sept. 5-7, 2003 Camp Sequassen, Winsted, Connecticut Owaneco Lodge #313 Cost: \$25 for the early bird; \$30 late payment

News from our LEC Chairmen

Hello my name is Vincent and I am the Chairman of National Events/NOAC 2004. There are many important events coming up in the following year, first there will be Philmont Break. Philmont Break is a chance for any person between the ages of 18-25 to spend the whole month of March in Philmont!

Following this event there are other activities or National Events coming up this summer such as INDIAN SUMMER taking place in North Carolina from August 2-7. It will be a fun filled week of Indian culture such as Dancing, Ceremonies, and learning to make regalia for dance and ceremonial team costumes. There will also be other fun events. There are only a limited number of seats left.

Also there are Northern Tier Trail Crews and Philmont Trail Crews you could attend this summer, but the only requirement is to be between the ages of 16-21 while being on the trail. If interested in any of the events please contact me.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Vincent National Events / NOAC 2004 Chairman



Winter Weekend

At Ten Mile River
Scout Reservation

February 28 - March 2, 2003

Administration cabin accommodations

4 meals - 2 crackerbarrels

\$25.00 per person

A Staten Island Council Event

Aquehongan Lodge 112 will be providing the food for this event. We will be needing brothers to assist with the details before the event - and with the food preparation, service and clean up.

There will be activities available for everyone to participate in!

There are accommodations for 80 persons. Do not hesitate to sign up for a great weekend. Call for Lodge member information.

For group reservations call

Make out checks to: BSA GNYC, SI COUNCIL

Memo- Winter Weekend

**Staten Island Council
Boy Scouts of America
Attn: Winter Weekend Registration
P.O. Box 131472
Staten Island, N.Y. 10313**

Committee's R' Us

Service Day IDEA

There is a service day every month. There has been a dismal turnout for these projects. If we try to have one representative from each unit attend one service day per year. That would change the faces and distribute the load evenly among the represented units. Please note the front of the newsletter for the dates and places.

The World Wide Web at the WWW

"The Web Committee is looking for youth to help out with the Aquehongian Lodge 112 website (<http://www.aquehongian112.org>). All interested should email webmaster@aquehongian112.org. All brothers with email addresses are encouraged to join the electronic mailing list, aq112@bsa-siny.org. If you are interested, please email webmaster@aquehongian112.org requesting to join the e-list. We look forward to a yr. of expanding the website to include more information about the lodge, Order, and Council."

Commissary Toaster

A thanks to all of those members who made the Pancake Breakfast on November 16, 2002 a success. Again, our cooks were able to make designer pancakes for all to enjoy.

Please come and lend a hand with the Holiday Party at the Lodge Meeting on December 15, 2002 at 2pm.

The Commissary Crew

A message from the Membership Committee

The mailing label affixed to this mailing has your expiration date as it is recorded in the membership list. If you notice that it has expired, please bring your dues at the annual fee of \$8.00 to the next Lodge Meeting. *Remember that you are not eligible for Brotherhood conversion or Vigil Honor selection and may not hold an office or LEC position if your dues have lapsed.*

If you are more than two years in arrears, please submit a payment of \$16.00.

Should you be unable to attend the Lodge meeting, you may mail the dues with a check made out to **Aquehongian Lodge 112** and sent to:

Please attach a note with the following information:

Name, current address, telephone number, Lodge level (Ordeal, Brotherhood, Vigil), your age, and your affiliated unit.

Lodge members must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America.

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