

The Aquehongian
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AQUEHONGIAN LODGE #112

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June 2003

Chief's Drum



Dear Brothers,

I have spent much time pondering the most challenging pillar of the Order of the Arrow, Service. As brothers, we are called to the task of selfless devotion to the welfare of others. Few, however, ever rise to meet this challenge. After much thought, the answer is clear.

The problem lies in the challenge itself. There is no such thing as selfless service. The term selfless service implies we are to gain nothing and find no reward in our actions. This would give us little, if any, reason to perform acts of service. So then why do some people repeatedly sacrifice their time and efforts in service? There must be some deeper reason that moves us.

As brothers, we should actively seek to help others. Why? Service brings benefits not only to our neighbors and community, but we must also acknowledge what it does to us as individuals. We should be

motivated to do service for a selfish reason, it makes us feel complete.

There are those in the lodge, who come every month and spend time working and sweating along side me and others. Their reward is the way their actions make them feel. They are able to find that which was lacking in their lives, the joy of receiving a sincere "thank you" for all that you have endeavored.

So now I ask you, many of you have been in the lodge for a while and never been to a single service day. Why? Is it because you don't want to help others? think your time too valuable? see little point or reward in going? You will never know what you are missing until you discover it, and you will never realize how much you enjoy it until you try it.

Take a chance.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Joseph P.

Upcoming events

May 27 LEC 7:15 pm
June 8 Lodge Meeting - Elections 2-4 pm
June 17 Spaghetti Dinner / LEC 6-8 pm
June 28 Dorney Park \$25.00

Sept 5-7 Conclave
Sept 21 Lodge Meeting

Joseph P Lodge Chief
Eric B Secretary

William M Publishing Chairman

Jerry Sullivan Publishing Advisor



Advisors Alley

Greetings to all Lodge members,

At the time of this mailing there are new Ordeal and Brotherhood members in the Lodge. The entire Lodge membership welcomes you. The OA is more than the sash and a patch. We hope you can make the commitment to help the Lodge run as it should.

There are many events coming up, the Lodge meeting on Sunday, June 8, 2003 from 2 - 4 pm. Make a great effort to be there for the officer elections. The slate is listed later in this edition. It is important for you to vote for the Lodge members who will represent you.

The spaghetti dinner fundraiser / LEC will help fund the trip to Dorney Park. Which incidently is on Saturday, June 28th, 2003. This trip will cost \$25.00, send your payment as soon as possible. A tear off is in this edition and payments can be collected at the June 8 Lodge meeting.

The National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) for 2004, need people to sign up. A \$100.00 deposit is necessary in September to secure your spot. This event will take place in Ames, Iowa.

Lodge Meeting June 8, 2003 1 - 3 pm

Officer nominations:

Lodge Chief:
Joseph P
Ian K
Neil S

Vice Chief of Administration:
Daniel S

Vice Chief of Operations:
Andrew M
Vincent D
Mathew D

Secretary:
Vincent D
Mathew D
Michael L

Treasurer:
Jared V

The June Lodge meeting's highlight will be the officer elections to determine the officers for next year. Votes for officers may only be placed by **YOUTH** members of the Lodge. Let's have a great turnout and get the elected members who will serve you, **THE LODGE** member.

At this Lodge meeting, there will also be additional sign up sheets for LEC committees. If you signed up for a committee and never heard another word, it is because we may not have seen you!

Come out, elect the officers, hear the committee reports, and have a great summer.



Dorney Park June 28, 2003

The place to go for all Lodge members

Questions?
Contact Staten Island Council

\$25.00, your bathing suit,
change of clothes, and
spending money

Water shoes recommended

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Memo: Aquehongain Lodge 112
Youth's name, Troop number

Dorney Park sign up (tear off):

Name: _____

Address: _____ Zipcode: _____

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Brotherhood Weekend 2004 at TMR

Brotherhood Weekend 2004 will be on April 23-25, 2004 at the Hearst Cabins at Ten Mile River Scout Reservation. Why are we talking about next year? The following requirements are necessary....

- ⇒ Ordeal membership for 10 complete months
Currently registered with a Staten Island Council unit and Aquehongian 112 Lodge (dues paid up to date)
- ⇒ Write a letter of rededication (explain the obligation in your words, how you use the obligation in your troop and in daily life, and your plans for giving service in the Lodge program)
- ⇒ Complete the Brotherhood weekend and hike
- ⇒ Complete the Brotherhood Ceremony

This is an exceptional weekend! We render service to our own summer camp which is where the Lodges history originates. Have a

ceremony on the breath taking Indian Cliffs, and have great food ALL weekend long.

Keep an eye out for flyers & mailings

Spaghetti Dinner - LEC June 17, 2003 at Berlin Lodge

Tuesday, June 17, 2003 at Berlin Lodge is the final gathering / LEC meeting / Spaghetti Dinner.

The dinner costs \$10.00 and will provide funds for the different events that will be coming up.

The dinner will start promptly at 6 pm. Bring your families, friends and fellow lodge members to dine and bid adieu for the summer.

Conclave 2003 at Camp Sequassen, CT

Owaneco Lodge 113 will be hosting this years Conclave in Connecticut on September 5-7, 2003. We have some spots available at this time. Read on to see if you are interested in going.

The Conclave is a gathering of the Section Lodges. This occurs annually with each Lodge taking up a responsibility to make this weekend a success. This year

Aquehongian Lodge will be providing the four editions of the weekends newsletter.

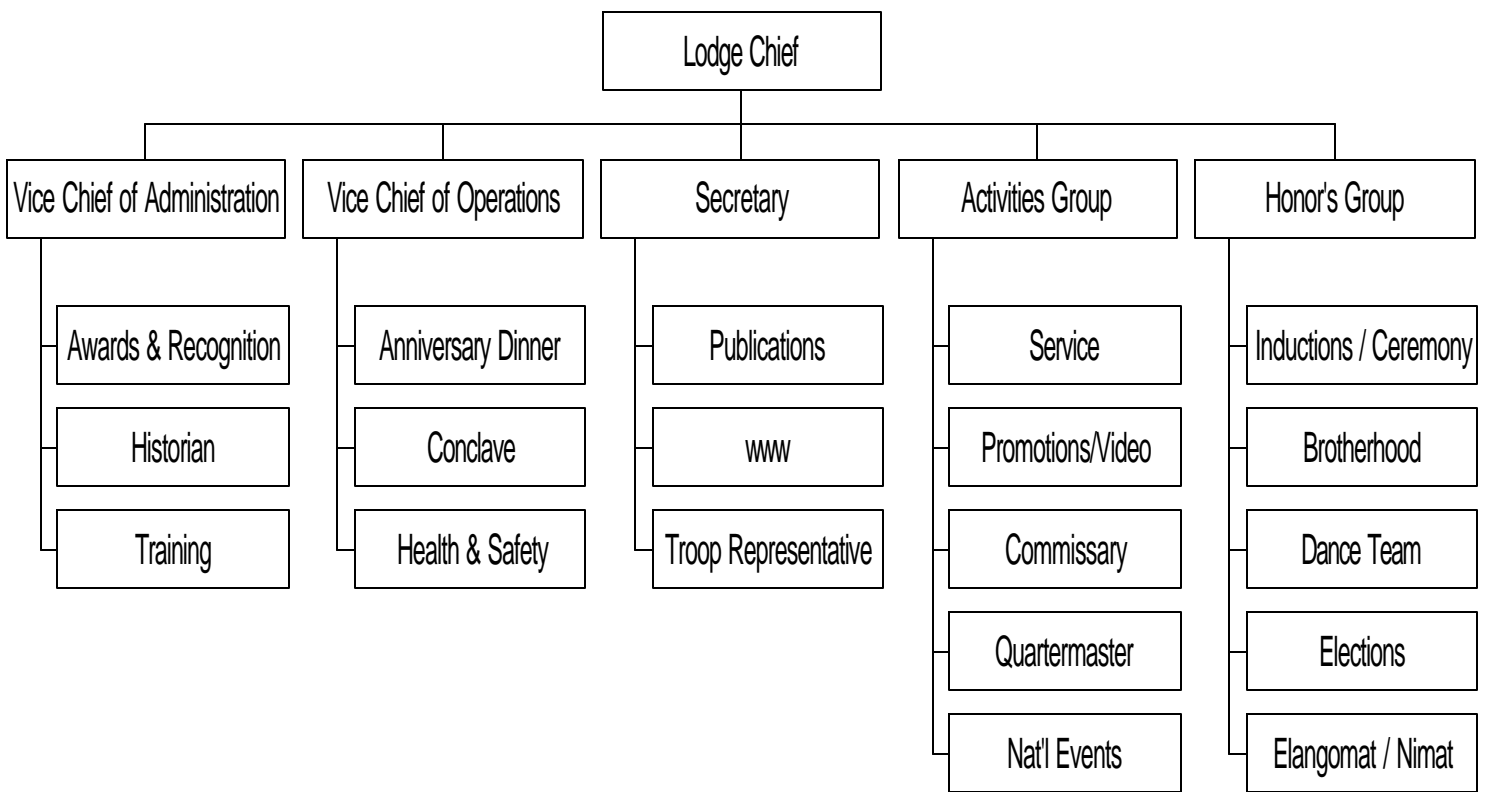
Besides reporting the events, members of Aquehongian Lodge will be participating in training events, afternoon activities, and generally having a weekend of fellow ship.

If you have decided to attend, please call Joe B at 718 984-8769.



Aquehongian Lodge 112 Structure

The different committees report to the individuals who are elected or selected to these positions. The Lodge Chief, Vice Chief of Administration, Vice Chief of Operations, Treasurer, and Secretary are elected positions. The Activities and Honor's Master are selected by the elected officers.



How to choose a committee

First decide what you are interested in doing. Then look up and speak to the members of that committee, which can be found at LEC meetings (last tuesday of the month) or at Lodge meetings. Ask the other members in your troop who are also involved in the OA who they can reach out in joining committees.

There are many tasks in AQ112 Lodge which will prepare you for future endeavors whether it be college or work related efforts.



Treasurer's Tale

Hello, my name is Jared V and I am the treasurer for this year. This year has been a great year for AQ 112! There have been many awesome events that have occurred this year, such as overnight service days, the Ordeal and Brotherhood. I have enjoyed being your treasurer and am looking forward to next year. I have many new ideas for the Lodge including exciting new fundraisers as well as a new bankbook idea for the committee members. NOAC and many other events await you next year. I urge you to get involved and stay involved.

Congratulations to the New Ordeal class and everyone enjoy your summer!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Jared V.

65th Anniversary Dinner

The Lodge's 65th Anniversary dinner celebration will occur on Saturday, November 8, 2003 at the CYO Center at Mount Loretto, Staten Island. This dinner will cost \$25.00 to attend. The invitation to this event will be sent to you in the very near future. Keep your ear to the ground and be a part of this gala celebration.

The Lodge will be honoring Joseph Csatari, who is the artist responsible for the Higher Vision painting. The original is presently displayed at national BSA headquarters in Texas. A copy / print of this painting may be viewed at Berlin Lodge.

National Order of the Arrow Conference

There is a Lodge contingency going to NOAC in 2004 to Ames, Iowa. We will need a \$100.00 deposit by September and will have group meetings, fundraising for airfare, and trip planning. This event attracts thousands of youth from all over the USA, to participate in events, training, and activities. There is something to interest everyone.



Membership requirements

In order to become Brotherhood, sit on a Lodge Executive Committee, or hold an office in the Order of the Arrow; your dues must be paid to date. Dues are \$8.00 annually and may be paid up to one year in advance. Additionally, you must be a registered member of a boy scout unit in the Staten Island Council.

You can pay your dues in different ways;

Come to the lodge meetings and pay your dues to the membership committee folks. Send your payment with your name, current address, and telephone number on a

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Commissary needs you.....

Like to eat? Want to start a career in food service? Need references for culinary arts schools? Want to complete the cooking merit badge.

This is the committee to join! Come to Lodge events and sign up.

Web Committee

The website is <http://www.aquehongian112.org>.

There's also an electronic mailing list that Aquehongian brothers can join to find out about the latest events within the lodge. In order to join the mailing list, go to the website and click on the email-list link. From there, follow the directions. The committee is looking for brothers to help maintain the site.

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Limited Edition Lodge Flaps - don't hesitate!

These lodge flaps will be available for purchase at the June Lodge meeting. The price is \$10.00 and will defray the cost for the Indian Summer contingent.

Add this patch to your collection before they are sold out!