



Flying Maqkwokani

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A Letter From The Chief

Hello Maqkwokani Chapter Arrowmen,

The past year has been great! I am not sure that I could have asked for too much more. We worked well together, and accomplished great things. I think that our chapter is one of the best and will remain one of the best for a long time.

Let's make sure that we work hard this summer to get the required Brotherhood membership for Quality Chapter. That is one of the hardest requirements, but for the past three years, we have been able to reach it. Encourage the Ordeal Members in your units to get their Brotherhood during the summer or at Spring or Fall Conference. Make sure you set them up for success—they are going to be the ones taking over after you!

Although we don't meet for a while, please note that there is still a lot to be done with Spring Conference and Fall Conference. Section Conclave will be shortly after that. Watch the website for info about that. I hope that we can get a good attendance rate at

all the events that are coming up. Then after that we have LLD (Lodge Leadership Development).

I want to give each of you a mission this summer and as we begin next year. Take a new member "under your wing." Help them learn what the OA is all about, invite them to the chapter meetings, get them to go to the lodge events, have fun, and just experience what the OA truly is. Each ordeal member was elected for a reason, and unless we help them right away in the beginning, we will never know their full potential.

Thanks for a great year and I know that the leadership team of next year will do a great job. Think about becoming a chair if you have not done so already, I know there are a lot of qualified people in our chapter for the positions. With that I hope that all of you have a great summer!!!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Dan Carriveau
Maqkwokani Chapter Chief

Spring Conference

Spring Conference is two months away yet (June 13-15), but we still have quite a bit to prepare for. Right now, the most important positions for our chapter to fill are the Nimats.

As of yet, no one has said that they would like to become one. The Nimat program is a great program that really helps confused ordeal members move to not-so-confused brotherhood members. If you have any interest in meeting and guiding the new members of our order, please talk to Dan.

Patch Design

Our lodge is looking for suggestions for the new 2009 Awase patches. Any ideas, sketches, drawings, etc. can be handed in to our chapter chief.

Chapter Elections

The end of the OA year will be coming to an end in a few months, and as such, we should begin to think about who we want running next year's chapter. Dan, Dave, and Kevin have done a great job managing the chapter this year, and your hard work, combined with their goals have made this into a really productive and fun year.

However, it's soon time for them to step down, and for you to fill their place.

The first position that needs to be filled is the Chapter Chief. His job is coordination. He needs to work with Kathy to plan the monthly meeting agenda and the yearly camps. He also sets goals for the chapter, and works to accomplish them.

The second position that needs to be filled is the Chapter Vice Chief. He works underneath the Chapter Chief, and with the Chapter Chairs to accomplish the tasks at hand. His roles are varied, and depend upon the needs of the chapter and Chapter Chief. He also fills in as Chapter Chief, in the event that the true Chief is absent.

Section Conclave

Once each year, our lodge gets the chance to work with the other seven lodges from three states in our section to organize a weekend camp. Any arrowman from any chapter is welcome. That camp is Section C-1B Conclave.

This year's Section Conclave will be on September 12-14 at Camp Decora (just out side Lacrosse, Wisconsin). Events will include lessons on how to drum, bead, make rigalia, become a better ceremonialist, games, cards, movies, and with any luck, a massive round of ultimate frisbee.

This year's theme is "Creating One Brotherhood," so come and join us as we celebrate the mystical bond of brotherhood that makes all men brothers.

If you are interested, please talk to Dan or Chris, our events chair to get signed up.

The final position is the Secretary. He takes the meeting minuets, keeps track of the attendance, and makes sure that the "white cards" are taken care of.

After the elections, it is the job of the new Chapter Chief to fill the Chapter Chairs.

Please start thinking now about your interest in any of these positions or chairs. If you have any questions, talk to the person currently holding that position.

Let us lead off on a strong foot to have a successful next year!

Updates On The Chapter Website

Be sure to visit the chapter site at www.flyinghawk.org often for any questions that you have and important updates and events.

Chapter Look-Ahead

May 8	Chapter Meeting 7:00 - 8:30 FVTC
May 18	Lodge Executive Meeting 1:00 PM Design Air
June 13-15	Spring Conference, Gardner Dam
Aug 22-24	Fall Conference, Lodge Elections
Sept 12-14	Section C-1B Conclave