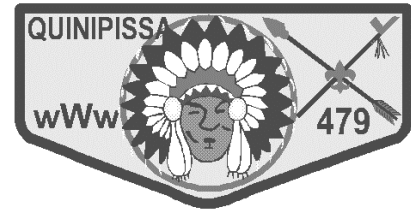


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From the Editor...

Hello Fellow Arrowmen,

I hope you enjoy this issue. *The Drumbeat* is looking for a few good journalists. If you are interested in being a reporter for *The Drumbeat*, email me, Randall Hart, at crash86@bellsouth.net, or Yvonne Taylor at ynt_99@bellsouth.net.

*Brotherly yours,
Randall Hart, Editor*

Fall Ordeal and Fall Fellowship are soon!

See our Web Page for
more information.



From the Lodge Chief

My Fellow Brothers,

I would like to begin by inviting all of you to Fall Fellowship. There many things planned, such as a costume party that will make this a fun and unique Fall Fellowship. I would make every effort to be there. Please see the insert in this Drumbeat for more information.

Officer elections will also be held at Fall Fellowship. Elections are held once a year, and this is your opportunity to run for that office you've always wanted. Being a Lodge Officer is a very serious job, but also a very fun job. Anyone interested can contact me if you have any questions. Also, see the insert inside this Drumbeat about job descriptions.

I look forward to seeing each of you at the Fall Ordeal and Fall Fellowship.

*Marcus Plaisance
2003 Lodge Chief
Quinipissa Lodge #479*

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Officers' Corner



Hey Everybody!

Fall Ordeal and Fellowship are coming soon and I need Arrowmen that are interested in being on the ceremonies team. If you are interested in joining the ceremony and/or dance teams, give me a call at 225/ 774-1116 or email me at sasquatch133@hotmail.com.

Phillip Hart
2nd Vice Chief



Hey Everyone,

I hope to see all of you at Fall Ordeal. The summer has been busy and two additional committees were delegated to my lodge position. In preparations for Fall Ordeal two volunteers will join the many youth leaders to make it a success. Warren Quirett is the new Safety chairman and Sean Miller is the new Elangomat chairman. Both of these Arrowmen need your help and support and will be calling you. I would hope that you plan to help with Fall Ordeal or Fall Fellowship. If you have not been contacted about either of these activities, please call me or email me at spt_thewolf@hotmail.com.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Steven Taylor
3rd Vice Chief



Fellow Brothers,

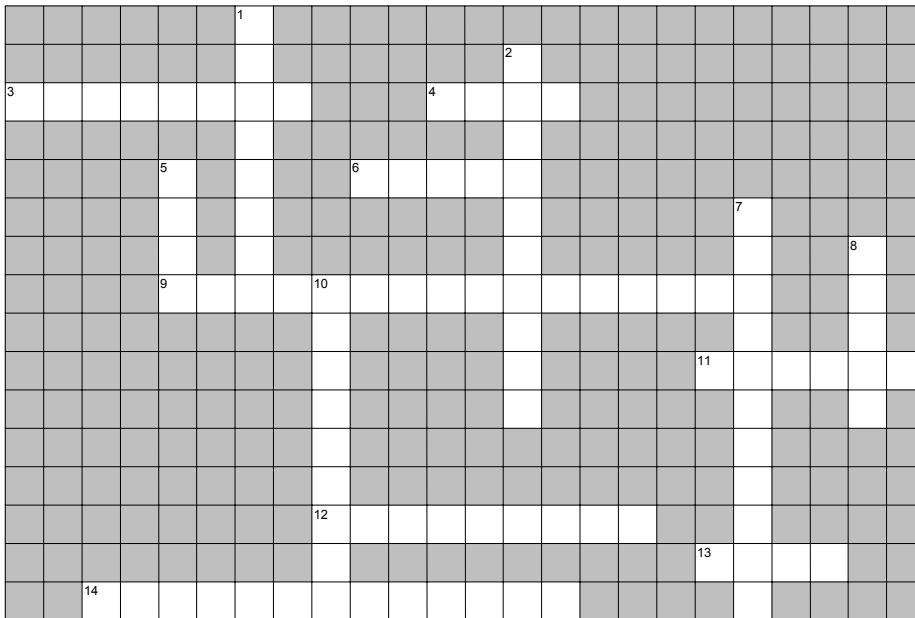
Welcome back from your summer vacations. This year has been going great for the trading post. It would be great to hear some suggestions from you for new items. You can email me any ideas that you may have at cornstarch@cox.net.

-Lee Ard
Lodge Treasurer

QUINIPISSA LODGE 479

FUNnies

September's Crossword Puzzle



Across

3. A Scout is...
4. What Members Need to Pay year.
6. The Highest OA Honor
9. What We Give
11. The Induction of New OA Members
12. Friend
13. What Every Arrowman Receives
14. Founder of the Order of the Arrow

Down

1. Section's Version of National Event
2. When We're Together, We Enjoy This.
5. Acronym for National's Big Shindig
7. Our Lodge Newsletter
8. A Brotherhood's Friend
10. National Vice Chief

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INDIAN SUMMER FEEDBACK

Indian Summer

By Kyle Morrow



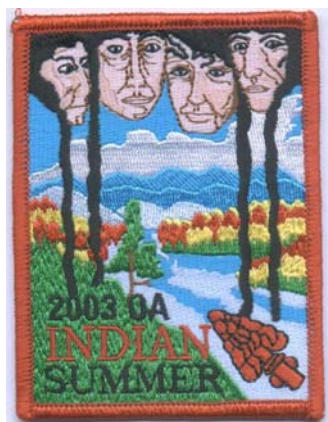
I had a great experience at Indian Summer, which was held August 2-7, 2003 in Asheville, North Carolina. Not only did I learn, but I also made friends. I learned more in my room than in the classes. The guys felt that they should share their new abilities with the entire room. It was a great week of learning and fun, not only in mind but also in spirit. An experience I wish everyone could realize.

They talked about how the Native Americans lived and compared them to our way of life. The way the Native Americans recognized each other was in a brotherly matter as if they were linked to each other. That's what I learned there and would hope that more people would go there next time.

Indian Summer

By Kevin Morrow

I went to Indian Summer. Indian Summer was a conference held in Asheville, North Carolina this August for the sole purpose of teaching Arrowmen Native American dancing and Order of the Arrow ceremonies. Participants also learned how to make their own regalia, Indian dance costumes, and a bit of history of the style in which they were particularly interested. After experiencing one of the classes, I noticed that it was very in-depth, not leaving out any detail that would be useful for the many potential dancers and/or drummers attending the conference. Also, I noticed that the organizers of this conference were emphasizing brotherhood and cheerful service. Many of the activities going on revolved around the “Brotherhood of Cheerful Service.” This was the first Indian Summer, and hopefully not the last. A person could learn a lot from this conference, whether or not they are interested in Native American dancing and Order of the Arrow ceremonies.



Indian Summer

By Carla Morrow

Indian Summer – A time to learn about the Native American culture and crafts, the significance behind the Order of the Arrow Ordeal, Brotherhood, and Vigil ceremonies; a time to learn oh so much more.

The National Committee for the Order of the Arrow held an Indian Summer Conference in Asheville, North Carolina in August 2003. On the first night, everyone was assigned a Native American Nation, Tribe, and Clan. It was in our Clans that we would meet Arrowmen from all regions of the country and reflect on our day’s activities each night. It was a place where I learned that I am not alone. I was of the Southern Woodlands Nation, Seminole Tribe, and Raven Clan. Each Clan was given a coup stick on which to place our personal coups. Each of our eight members donated something personal to represent themselves for the coup stick. Some even made special items to place on it. At the closing show, 15 coup sticks were presented to the conference. I am proud to say that my Clan’s coup stick was one of the 15 chosen.

Although I enrolled in the Independent Study program of the conference, I was introduced to many aspects of the Native American culture, their crafts, and their significance in our Order of the Arrow ceremonies. I gained knowledge in all types of dancing, each piece of clothing needed for each style of dancing, and all aspects of ceremony performance. I had the opportunity to “jump” into all types of classes from group dancing to ceremony performance to how to judge grass dancing to ladies clothing to crafts to...the list is endless. Most crafts sessions had materials provided. I heard that over 500 horse dance sticks and 250 mirror boards were made in the five days of the conference and there were only around 700 participants.

The conference held two Pow-Wows, a Northern and a Southern. I learned here that the Northern tribes always place the drum off to the side and the Southern tribes always place the drum in the center of the dance arena. A Long House Dance was also held where the 2002 NOAC Group Dance Team champions thrilled the audience with their winning performance.

My attendance at the Indian Summer Conference was an eye-opening experience for me. I hope to repeat it someday. Unfortunately, due to the upcoming National Events – 2004 NOAC at Iowa University, 2005 National Jamboree, and 2006 NOAC – the next Indian Summer may not be until 2007, which everyone knows is the World Jamboree in London, England. This was a unique opportunity for all Arrowman and it was unfortunate that more from our Lodge could not attend. But the three who did attend are now able to bring ideas from the conference back to our Lodge. If you get the opportunity, stop one of us and ask. We will be more than happy to share. Maybe next time, you will go and share the experience – an experience of a lifetime – an Indian Summer.

Service Opportunities

By Steven Taylor

Although during Spring Ordeal we focused on setting up for Summer Camp, there are many year round service opportunities that our lodge sponsors. Our biggest events each year are completed during Fall and Spring Ordeals. There are approximately 6 service days a year at Camp Avondale. Troops and Packs have joined our Lodge on these days. Arrowmen are an extremely important part in getting projects completed. Our camp rangers oversee all projects. We met on Saturday, September 6, to plan the projects for Fall Ordeal as well as make a list of possible projects for the upcoming year. As a reminder, the Service chairman is Sean Chaney and his adviser is Bob Hughes. They are not able to do the projects alone. The March service day was a success due to Arrowmen, advisers, camp rangers, and a cub scout pack. Special thanks for all the tools donated that were used that day. The earth moved in front of the dining hall because of the equipment used. And in May, Arrowmen worked diligently to prepare for Spring Ordeal. Lunch is served to all who volunteer on service days. Please plan to help us set up for Fall Ordeal and Fellowship. Many thanks to crew 169 for the new water tower down by Lake Istrouma. If a chapter is looking for something to do they can adopt a service project. If there is any scout, troop, or crew that is looking for a service project, you can call me or email me at spt_thewolf@hotmail.com and I will help find you one.

Did you know. . .

Chapter Chiefs can be elected during Fall Fellowship?

The 1st Vice Chief, currently David Chaney, oversees Chapter Chief elections after the Lodge Officer elections during Fall Fellowship. If the Chapter wants to hold their election for Chapter Chief they can. The Lodge elects six officers and six chapter chiefs each year. If you have questions, please contact David at vicechief1st@yahoo.com.

The Quinipissa Lodge 479 website has upcoming events "pop up" messages?

The idea from our Lodge Chief, Marcus Plaisance, prompted him to contact our Website Adviser, Craig Robichaux, and now we have that "pop up" message. Check out the website in the next couple of weeks for the most recent information on Fall Fellowship, Lodge history, the Drumbeat and our Lodge Planbook. Our website address is <http://www.oalodge479.org/>.

Upcoming Events

September

25-28 Fall Ordeal

October

17 Pat's Coats for Kids Kick Off

31 Fall Fellowship

November

1-2 Fall Fellowship

1 Dues (\$8) due at the Scout Office

14-15 Lodge Officer Training

December

1 Quinipissa Lodge Recharter deadline

3 Pat's Coats for Kids Final Pick Up

January

10 Annual Banquet

February

7 Council of Chiefs – Camp T. L. James

TBA General Lodge Leadership Seminar & Training Day

March

12-14 National Leadership Seminar

April

16-18 Conclave – Camp T. L. James

*LEC meetings are usually held at 2:00 p.m.
on the first Sunday of each month.*

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