

# Smoke Signals

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"We are ready for any unforeseen event that may or may not occur." - VP Dan Quayle

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## The Fall Fellowship - Ordeal Combo Event Time To Gather the Clan at Portaferry

BY: ANDY GIANFAGNA

Are you ready to get together for a fun weekend of Fellowship and Service? If you are, proceed to page 2 and skip the rest of the following propaganda. If not, read on and be swayed to attend the "Combo" event. I mean come on, the "Combos" graphic with the 219 on it... that's just enough. Get online and e-register right now!

I assume you didn't actually call the council office or get online to e-register yet, that's why you are still here reading this article... so here's your second chance. Call the Council Service Center at 1-877-243-8259 or get on the web and go to [www.lodge219.org](http://www.lodge219.org) to pre-register right now. I'll give you 10 minutes to go ahead and do that right now.

Great! Now that you are all pre-registered, you will be happy to know that you just saved \$5 by letting us know you are coming in advance! I guess you could probably go out and celebrate, perhaps buy some Combos or something...

By now you are probably wondering, "What the heck is this guy talking about?" Well, now its time for the important details... As you know, the Fall Ordeal was scheduled for September 19-21st, but was cancelled due to the im-

pending Hurricane Isabel. If you pre-registered for that event, you would have received a call from the Council Office Staff about the cancellation. Let's thank the Council for their hard work on getting the word out... ::Clap::Clap::Clap::

Because of the cancellation, we are combining the Ordeal and Fellowship into one event. Here's another twist, it's going to be at **Portaferry** instead of Woodland, where we were originally holding the Fellowship!

Don't miss this event! In addition to our tradition of awesome food, patch auctions, and camp service, the Activities Committee has organized soccer and frisbee tournaments, a pie eating competition, and

once again, Capture the Flag! According to Nate Sachs, the VC of Activities, "It's the Seals versus the Marines and this time the Marines will not be holding back!"

Registration will go from 6-8 PM on Friday; the weekend will conclude on Sunday morning at 10:30. A cracker barrel will follow registration on Friday. It's only **\$13** for regular members, **\$25** for Brotherhood Candidates, and **\$30** for Ordeal Candidates! See you there!!!  
...e-register now if you haven't yet...



# Service Day at Camp Woodland

## A Letter From the VC of Service

Dear Arrowmen

I know you are all disappointed that the Ordeal was cancelled as of late, but there is still plenty you can do! Since there was a bunch of rescheduling, and our Fellowship for the 24-26th of October was over shadowed by our need for the Ordeal, Woodland has lost its opportunity for valuable service. Now, as far as I can remember the OA is a Brotherhood of CHEERFUL SERVICE!!

Inherent in our nature as the Order, we decided that **October 11th** will be a SERVICE DAY where the Brotherhood can come together to CHEERFULLY serve our Council!! Our faithful Woodland needs to get torn down for the upcoming winter season, so we need Arrowmen, lots of Arrowmen, as many as we can muster! I promise you will have fun; SERVICE is always fun!

Oh yeah, don't forget the food! The Order always has great food and this wont be a disappointment.

We will be starting at **10 AM**, giving you tons of time to sleep! It's a one day thing, so just show up at 10, do what you can, and then we eat! So tell your friends, and come down to Woodland on October 11th to lend your hands in service to our Council! Did I mention it's fun and free?

Yours Always in Brotherhood,  
Kyle Brewer  
Vice Chief of Service

## Letter From the Chief

Fellow Arrowmen,

The summer has gone fast -- it's once again time to switch gears and go full speed into the Fall Scouting season. Starting off we have the Fall Service Day at Camp Woodland October 11th and then the Fall Ordeal/Fellowship at Camp Portaferry on October 24-26.

Our Activities and Inductions committees are busily planning these weekends to ensure that you have a great time! Don't forget to pre-register by October 14th for the Fall Combo Event to get your early registration discount! You wouldn't want to miss the chance to pay Five Bucks less on each registration, would you?

On another note, this summer has been a busy one, especially if you were one of those Arrowmen who had the opportunity to represent Lodge 219 at Indian Summer 2003 in Asheville, North Carolina, or as a delegate to the 2003 NE-3B Conclave at Camp Russell. At both events, Lodge 219 Arrowmen improved their skills and strengthened their knowledge of the Order.

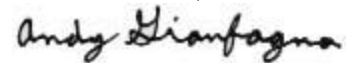
And now a word for all of those look-

ing to get more involved in our lodge... Yes that's right, we are looking for dedicated, eager to serve, and dependable Arrowmen to fill leadership positions in our lodge. Have you been active in the LEC for a while? Perhaps its time to think about running for an Officer position! New to the OA? Want to serve on a lodge committee? This fall is your chance to get involved in the 2003-2004 administration. Another way to get involved and affirm your dedication is to take the Brotherhood Trail at Fellowship! See the section on Brotherhood Membership in your OA Handbook for more details.

Let a Vice-Chief or myself know if you are interested in taking on a leadership role! We need your help to ensure the future success of Scouting and the Order of the Arrow!

With that said, I hope to see you at the lodge functions this fall. Take care.

Yours in Service,



Andy Gianfagna

## The Amangi Mawinsin In Review

BY: NATE SACHS

On the weekend of June 13-15 Arrowmen met at Camp Woodland for the Amangi Mawinsin, the annual Great Gathering of the lodge. The weekend was a great opportunity for members across the council to get better acquainted and to serve together.

After a Friday evening arrival and registration, attendees enjoyed a cracker barrel and a round of board games. Saturday's events began with camp ser-

vice during which tents were raised and Camp Woodland was prepared for summer campers. Thanks to all who pitched in to support our camp. In the afternoon, Arrowmen played soccer and enjoyed some fellowship with other members.

A delicious dinner was prepared by the outstanding kitchen committee on Saturday night. Dinner was followed by the first ever lodge-wide Capture the Flag game. Members divided themselves into teams of Seals and Marines. While the Seals became this year's champions, the Marines dedicated themselves to a future return challenge.

The evening closed with another cracker barrel and a patch auction. Sunday morning after breakfast and a few last minute meetings, Arrowmen returned to their homes. A hearty thanks to all the teams that made the weekend a big success.

## Upcoming Events:

**October 11, 2003:** Service Day at Camp Woodland, 10:00 AM

**October 24-26, 2003:** Ordeal-Fellowship Combo Event at Portaferry

**November 14-16 2003:** LLDC. (For Officers and Chairmen)

**January 10, 2004:** LEC. (For Officers and Chairmen)

**January 2004:** Winter Banquet - Date TBA.

**June 4-6, 2004:** Amangi Mawinsin at Camp Woodland