

Nendawen Lodge 618 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
August 12, 2006

Attendance: There were a total of 16 OA members in attendance at this LEC meeting. James Kane, Jonathan Fletcher, Michael Harlow, Travis O'Dell, and Jordan Stiers were not in attendance.

**Approval of April 4, 2006 Minutes**

A motion was made by James Kochman to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2006 LEC. The motion was seconded by Zack Baker and was approved unanimously.

**Lodge Officer Updates and Reports**

**Elangomat Vice-Chief** – Zack Baker announced that he was planning to start the Extended Elangomat System up and running. He is working on lining up Elangomats and having them stay in contact with the clan they help. They will try and urge the ordeal members to attain Brotherhood membership and to stay active.

**Dance Team Vice Chief** – Michael Chambers announced that since the last committee meeting, the dance team danced at all of the call-outs during summer camp. Also, dancers will be called after signing up at OA callouts. Construction of new regalia, including new traditional and fancy dance bustles, has begun and will continue in future Dance Team meetings. Also, Johnathan Chambers placed in the top ten in old style, and Michael Chambers placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Fancy dancing at NOAC.

**Camping Promotions Vice Chief** – Michael Harter announced that the ice cream socials were successful this year. They went through 6 tubs of ice cream. Talking points for the social were work in camp, Ordeal Weekend, Fall Fellowship, and Winter Banquet. He gave an overview of officer responsibilities and urged all arrowmen to attend the banquet by stressing that this is the time they have the biggest say about what's going on in their lodge. Call Outs went smoothly except the first week when there was a minor setback. We missed several boys from troop 231. We, however, overcame and ended up getting the boys called out. The rest of the summer went well and 125 candidates were called out. He hasn't really been getting much support for the guide; He has only received 5 replies from scoutmasters. He feels that we need to either send out another round of letters or have them available at the winter banquet and ask all adults to take one then.

**Chapter Chiefs** – Kevin O'Rear and Mr. Gray visited troops 16, 30, 1020, and 40. Mr. Gray visited 105, 549, and 529. He contacted all scoutmasters on his contact list, but only visited those with eligible scouts.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Goals for the Year**

Each LEC member set goals for themselves at the January LEC. Zach Baker's goal was to get the Extended Elangomat program up and running. He is having some difficulties due to participation of Elangomats but he has started with the group of elangomats at this Fall Ordeal and he will use them as the first Extended Elangomats. Michael Harter's goal was to hold Brotherhood ceremonies at Summer Camp and to complete the "Where to Go Camping Guide". Brotherhood classes at Summer Camp went well but no ceremonies were done. None of the participants have gone through the ceremony so the classes did not produce any more Brotherhood members. No more Scoutmasters have contacted him about the guide; he is going to retry sending out info and talking directly to district camp advisors. Chapter Chiefs need to write call logs.

### **NOAC**

We had 13 participants at NOAC this year. The extra patches will be sold for \$10 at a later date.

### **Lodge Lodge**

Nothing has been decided because Scott Clay was unable to attend and brief us.

### **Puzzle Patch**

Brian would like to have more of the LEC wear the set he gave them.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **LLD**

5 members of the LEC were interested in going. We will open this to other Arrowmen also.

### **Lodge History**

Sam Cogar will begin compiling the history of the lodge to be posted on the website.

### **Anniversary Patch**

Brian McQueen has finished the anniversary patch and they are being sold for \$10 apiece.

### **Ceremonies Vice-Chief**

Due to Jeff Blaker's resignation, James Kochman moved to approve James Kane's recommendation of Sam Cogar as the new Ceremony Vice-Chief. Zach Baker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

## **Open Forum**

### **Chapter Chiefs**

Chapter Chiefs need to visit all troops sometime during the year regardless of whether or not they have eligible members. A new Promotional video needs to be acquired to show to those troops that are not having elections.

### **New Patches**

The LEC would like to think about starting an Endowment Patch and a Service Patch. Also a patch that is specifically designed for fellowships was discussed.

### **Donations**

Nendawen Lodge is thinking about sending donations to the Gulf Coast area and its Lodges. Another service idea that was presented was that each member that comes to a lodge event could bring a can of food with them for the lodge to donate to Food Pantries.

### **Ceremonies**

Sam Cogar wants to have Ceremony Weekends to get the grounds ready and some extra practice.

### **OA Troop Representative**

The OA Troop representatives need to participate at round tables.

### **Lodgemaster**

The Lodgemaster program (similar to Troopmaster) will be released in September. Bill Gray is working on getting a laptop donated to the lodge. Brian and James will get the program running together when it is released.

### **Remarks**

“Shut your mouth when you are talking to me.” James Kochman

“What a beautiful day.” Bill Gray

“Peanut butter penguins.” Zach Baker

### **Adjournment**

James Kochman motioned to adjourn and was seconded by Kevin O’Rear. The motion was passed unanimously.