



## Section NE-3B

Council of Chiefs Meeting Minutes  
Revolutionary Trails Council Scout Office, Utica, NY  
October 14, 2006 - 10:00 am

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### I. Opening

- A. The meeting was opened by PJ Berger at 10:05 am, followed by the Obligation.

### II. Secretary's Report

- A. A motion to accept Conclave Minutes was made by Half-Moon and seconded by Ga-Hon-Ga. The motion passed
- B. The current website is under construction. Hopefully it will be finished soon, but without a website team, it will be difficult. Once finished, there will be regular updates at least monthly, and as often as bi-monthly in place of the E-Newsletters. Zach asked that Lodge Chiefs contact him with information about anyone interested in helping out

### III. Lodge Reports

- A. Otahnagon just held their fall fellowship 22 new members went through their ordeal, 6 members took the brotherhood trail, and 1 vigil was awarded. The lodge is applying for service grant to fund their upcoming service project, but will be doing the project (est. cost of \$5000) with or without the grant (\$2500). They will be holding their LLDC in 2 weekends. They are 4 requirements short of QL
- B. Onteroraus held their ordeal weekend the 11-12 of August. They have 80 new ordeal members. Their LLD was held in September. They will be holding a "Lock-in" in March.
- C. Half Moon held their fall weekend in September. Next Saturday is fall family day. For a Service project they will be organizing something to benefit toys for tots. They will be holding a lockdown on December 27<sup>th</sup>. They are starting a new Cub Scout program through which they will assist packs in organizing Arrow of Light ceremonies and creating an OA presence there. Their winter banquet will be held on January 13<sup>th</sup>. They are hoping for 100 attendees. They will not be making quality lodge.
- D. Ga-Hon-Ga held their fall fellowship in September. As of last CoC meeting, they have 164 paid members, and are working on increasing that number. They are also working on getting brotherhood conversion. They hope to be able to increase Cub Scout involvement and have received a few requests from packs to help with crossover and Arrow of Light ceremonies. They will be holding their banquet January 12<sup>th</sup>.
- E. Kayanernh-Kowa held their fellowship last weekend. The event was combined with a camp staff alumni weekend. An ordeal induction was not held, but around a dozen members took their brotherhood trail. They formally elected two youth members who had been temporarily appointed to their positions. Their banquet will be held January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- F. Tahgajute had a fellowship in September. They also worked on their service project in September. They are going to be holding elections this fall. They are planning a brotherhood ceremony for the 27<sup>th</sup> to meet the brotherhood conversion QL requirement. They are also planning a Cub Scout event.
- G. Kittan already held their fall ordeal weekend, and have a Lodge Fellowship coming up they have determined their Conclave Coordinator and Adviser.

### IV. Conclave 2006

- A. The key parts of the Conclave report were explained by PJ. These included the areas needing improvement as well as the areas which were good.
- B. PJ asked if anyone had evaluation sheets left over that hadn't been turned in. No one did.

### V. Conclave 2007

- A. Rotary Scout Reservation is 1300 acres with 5 cabins (1 with an enclosed porch). There is a COPE course and climbing wall, a waterfront for swimming, canoeing, and sailing,

and Rifle and Archery ranges. There are several large, open fields available for recreation. The camp capacity is around 300 people due to dining hall and sleeping concerns (sleeping accommodations consist of lean-tos and platform tents).

- B. Conclave Theme
  - 1. Many Ideas for the Conclave Theme were proposed, including “Super Size: Larger than Life”, “Backwards – Mixed-up”, Hawaiian, Caveman / Prehistoric, Oriental, Jungle Safari, Hobo, Historical, Star Wars, and Lucky 7. Star Wars, Lucky 7, and Backwards – Mixed-up seemed to be the most popular. After some discussion, it was determined that no one was against a Star Wars theme.
  - 2. Half Moon made a motion to approve “*Arrow Wars: Episode MMVII*” as the theme for the 2007 Conclave. The motion was seconded by Ga-Hon-Ga. The motion passed.
- C. The patch design was tabled until we have a design proposal fitting the theme
- D. The Service Lodge presented their tentative menu
  - 1. Friday Optional Dinner: spaghetti & meatballs, garlic bread, salad
  - 2. Friday Cracker Barrel: cheese, crackers, pepperoni, wings, chips, pizza bites
  - 3. Saturday Breakfast: eggs, sausage, bagels, cereal, fruit, OJ
  - 4. Saturday Lunch: hotdogs, burgers, macaroni and potato salad, chips, fruit, juice
  - 5. Saturday Dinner: turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, dinner rolls, cookies
  - 6. Saturday Cracker Barrel: veggies & dip, mozzarella sticks, ice cream
  - 7. Sunday Breakfast: French toast, sausage, cereal, fruit, OJ
  - 8. Sunday Lunch: 2 sandwiches (PBJ, Turkey, Ham), chips, drink, cookies
  - 9. A motion to approve the menu was made by Ga-Hon-Ga and seconded by Tahgajute. The motion passed.
- E. It was decided that memorabilia for this years Conclave would be similar to previous years, specifically the 2006 Conclave.
- F. Budget (see Appendix A)
  - 1. Half Moon made a motion to approve the budget as presented. It was seconded by Onteroraus. The motion passed.

#### VI. CVC Assignments

- A. Publications – Kayanernh-Kowa
- B. Recreation – Onteroraus
- C. Special Events – Half Moon
- D. Friday Night Show – Otahnagon
- E. Saturday Night Show – Tahgajute
- F. American Indian Affairs – Ga-Hon-Ga

Half Moon made a motion to approve the proposed CVC assignments. The motion was seconded by Ga-Hon-Ga. The motion passed

#### VII. Conclave Backdater

- A. Concerns were raised about the date choice for the May 12<sup>th</sup> Onsite. Concerns included that it was scheduled during “Prom Season”, that the Service Lodge had a Council event following weekend, and that the Conclave Adviser cannot attend.
  - 1. It was determined that earlier would work better, but that May 5<sup>th</sup> wouldn’t work because both Half Moon and Tahgajute had events.
  - 2. It was moved (along with deadlines the same day) to April 28<sup>th</sup>, although the Section Adviser will be unable to attend.
- B. The Drop Dead date of August 1<sup>st</sup> will be enforced. If someone shows up to the Conclave that wasn’t registered by then, they will be sent home.
- C. This year, instead of a generic Advance Book, the Section will be producing both a Leader’s Guide and a Participant’s Guide. Each will contain information targeted at the planned recipients.
- D. A motion to approve the backdater was made by Ga-Hon-Ga and seconded by Tahgajute. The motion passed.

#### VIII. Section Planbook

- A. PJ reviewed the main points on the projector.

#### IX. Training

A. Training was held on Lodge Annual Reports.

X. Lodge Assistance Program

- A. The Lodge Assistance Program is a quality Section requirement. The program is important to provide help to Lodges. No Section visitations have been done yet for this year, but 3 are scheduled.
- B. Upcoming Visitations:
  - 1. Otahnagon Lodge visit planned for October 28<sup>th</sup>
  - 2. Kayanernh-Kowa lodge Visit planned for November 11<sup>th</sup>
  - 3. Half Moon visit planned December 16<sup>th</sup>

XI. Upcoming CoCs

- A. A CoC Meeting and Section Retreat will be held Jan 20-21<sup>st</sup>.
  - 1. The location will be announced during Lodge Calls
  - 2. There are no known conflicting Lodge Events at this time.
- B. There will be a CoC meeting at the onsite which has just been moved to April 28<sup>th</sup>.

XII. LLDC / TTT

- A. There will be no fee for the LLDC. It will be held December 2<sup>nd</sup> with a snow-date of December 9<sup>th</sup> in the Price Chopper Community Room in Schenectady, NY.
- B. TTT being held at the same time. The Section will not be holding a LLDC in future years. The goal of the Train the Trainer is to prepare Lodge Leadership to train within their own Lodges.
- C. Lodge Chiefs were asked to have an attendance estimate by the end of November, as Section Staff will be asking about it during Lodge Calls.

XIII. SOS

- A. The Section Officers Seminar is an annual training event for the Section Officers, Advisers, and Conclave Coordinator. It's an intensive training weekend that focuses on the Section Officers Responsibilities. It will be held this year November 3-5 at Camp Alpine, New Jersey.

XIV. OA High Adventure

- A. OA High Adventure is an Inspirational Program and great chance to make friends and become more involved. The programs themselves are relatively cheap, but transportation is not included. The Section will be giving away a customized Nalgene Bottle to all High Adventure Participants. If three people from your Lodge go, Lodge Chiefs are eligible to win a free iPod from the Northeast Region.
- B. The Region has been encouraging each Section to appoint a High Adventure Chairman to oversee High Adventure Promotion within the Section and the Region. If anyone is interested, contact PJ.
- C. Scholarships may be offered to waive the registration fee for the High Adventure Events
  - 1. If interested, contact PJ by December 2<sup>nd</sup>

XV. Jamboree

- A. The World Jamboree will be held in England in the summer of 2007. It is a truly once-in-a-lifetime opportunity (scheduling is such that everyone has only one chance to attend as youth). Scouts from around the world will be present. There are still slots available.
- B. Contact Mike DeRyder (Assistant Scoutmaster for the troop with encompasses all of the Lodges within the Section) if interested

XVI. Adviser's Minute

- A. There's been a lot of discussion today. Everyone is here representing their Lodges. Be sure to relay back the discussions to your LECs. Coordinate with each other and with the Section Leadership to promote the Conclave and promote prior to the Section Retreat in January

XVII. Closing

- A. A motion to close the meeting was made by Half Moon and seconded by Ga Hon Ga. The motion passed.

## 2007 OA Section NE-3B Budget

	Fee \$33		
Number of Participants		250	300
<b>INCOME</b>		<b>2007</b>	<b>2007</b>
Registration Fees		\$8,250.00	\$9,900.00
Seed Money		\$700.00	\$700.00
Trading Post		\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
Patch Auction		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<u>\$14,450.00</u>	<u>\$16,100.00</u>
 <b>EXPENSES</b>			
Awards and Recognition		\$100.00	\$100.00
2007 Seed Money		\$700.00	\$700.00
Trading Post (COS)		\$2,850.00	\$2,850.00
Postage		\$50.00	\$50.00
Printing		\$100.00	\$100.00
Refreshments / Fund - Food		\$4,500.00	\$5,400.00
Rental Fees		\$200.00	\$200.00
Camp Use		\$350.00	\$350.00
Transportation		\$600.00	\$600.00
Section Officer		\$2,710.00	\$2,710.00
Section Guests*		\$165.00	\$165.00
Insurance		\$687.50	\$825.00
University Patches		\$0.00	\$0.00
CVC Budgets			
Friday Shows		\$100.00	\$100.00
Saturday Shows		\$100.00	\$100.00
Publications		\$100.00	\$100.00
American Indian Affairs		\$50.00	\$50.00
Recreation		\$100.00	\$100.00
Special Events		\$100.00	\$100.00
Training		\$150.00	\$150.00
Contingency		\$737.50	\$1,350.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<u>\$14,450.00</u>	<u>\$16,100.00</u>
 <b>SURPLUS (DEFICIT)</b>		<u><u>\$0.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$0.00</u></u>

\*Paid for from Section contingency in 2006, needs to be budgeted in 2007