

ASHOKWAHTA TEHTAS

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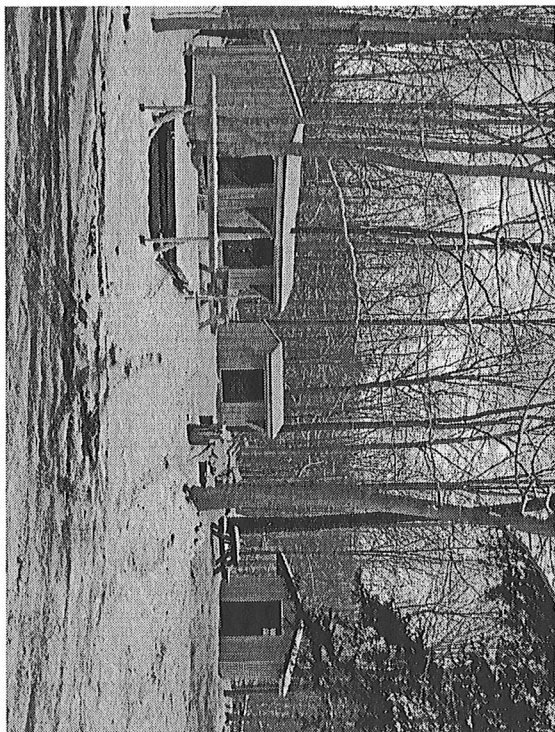
Come one Come all to the Ashokwaha Winter Banquet and Patch Auction!

Every year the lodge holds a Winter Banquet that wraps up the calendar year and gives us an opportunity to get together. It is at this banquet that we also have our annual patch auction. The patch auction provides the funds that the lodge uses for donations and functions throughout the year.

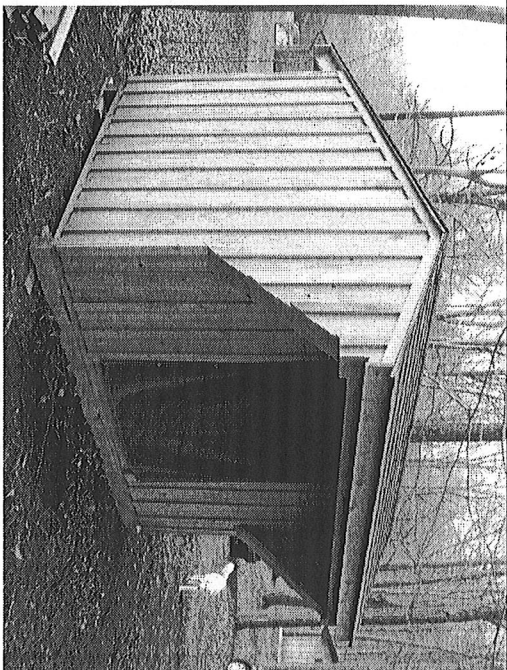
In order for our auction to be successful though, we need your help. I invite everyone to attend the Winter Banquet on January 8th at the Batavia Party House and to bring their pocketbooks too! If you are a youth in the lodge, bring your family and let them see firsthand what we are as a lodge are all about! Parents, if you or your son is into patch collecting this is a great way to add to their collection. Many historic patches will be available at the auction and all proceeds go to your lodge. If you are not into patch collecting feel free to talk to anyone in the lodge who is and they can tell you what it is all about (chances are you can find these people hovering over the patches on display).

Having your own patch collection is like having your own little collection of history. It is a hobby shared by scouts and scouters all across the Nation. If you have ever been to a National Jamboree you have seen how many members involved in the scouting organization are avid patch collectors. I personally have my own little collection and hopefully I will be able to add to it at the Winter Banquet. I hope you do to

Yours in Brotherhood,
Jake Horner



Three of the six new lean-to's, plus the rebuilt hut



A closer look at one of the new lean-to's in the Tana-Wis-Qua site, also known as "Staff Row". The new restroom by the health lodge is visible in the background, to the right

Iroquois Trail Council is proud to announce that a new camping experience is available at Camp Sam Wood.

TANA-WIS-QUA

This newly developed campsite is available for use starting January 1st. The Tana-wis-qua campsite was largely funded by Ashokwahta Lodge and built by the lodge members called the Dewalt Crew.

The site contains 6 lean-to's, with 4 bunks each, and a rebuilt larger hut that also contains 4 bunks. All units have a door opening that is covered with fire retardant canvas that can be slid shut to keep out the weather.

Total bunk space for the site is 28 cots.

Rental fee will be \$50.00 per week-end

Contact the Batavia Office to reserve
(585) 343-0307

Words from the Lodge Adviser

Dear Lodge Brothers,

The lodge can use extra help running elections for the units in all 3 districts. If you think you can help to run an election, or if you are willing to assist with some, contact Kyle Smith, Jake Horner, or Mr. Kohmann.

It would also be great to have anyone interested in helping attend the monthly LEC meetings at the Batavia office. At the December meeting we reviewed the revised unit election sheets. It is important this year for us to get complete information on those that are elected as candidates.

With the implementation of Lodgemaster, we need birth dates, complete addresses, and e-mail addresses if at all possible. We also need to remember that there were over 25 youth elected to be candidates last year that did not attend an Ordeal week-end. They will need to be elected again this year if they wish to be Lodge members.

Sincerely,

Ron Schmidt
Lodge Adviser



Ashokwaha Lodge #339

ANNUAL

WINTER BANQUET

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND PATCH AUCTION

Saturday, January 8, 2011

Batavia Party House

5762 East Main Road
Stafford, NY 14143

5:00 PM Social Hour

Dinner at 6 PM

\$16.50 per person

Parents are welcome

All reservations due Dec 28.

It's time for Unit Elections

To all Units:

Elections for Ordeal Candidates for 2011 are now being scheduled. All scouts meeting the requirements are eligible. Any Scout elected as a candidate last year and who did not attend either the 2010 Spring or Fall Ordeal weekend will need to be nominated and elected again per the induction guidelines.

Please contact me via e-mail to let me know when you would like to schedule an OA election to take place for your unit. Let me know what day of the week your unit meets, what time your unit meets, and the location of the meeting. Please include an e-mail or phone number and I will try to assign a youth member in your District to contact and coordinate with you for the best available date to hold your election. We would like to start conducting elections soon.

Also, the election committee is always looking for both youth and adults (drivers for youth) to help conduct these elections. Please contact Kyle Smith if you are interested in serving on the unit elections teams.

The more Lodge Brothers we have canvassing units, the more potential candidates we will have for our lodge. Remember, you can not conduct the election for your own unit

Jak Kohnmann
Election Committee Adviser
Ashokwaha Lodge #339
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Unit Election Teams Needed

Calling all Lodge Members:

Are you looking to become more involved as a member of Ashokwahta Lodge? We are in need of lodge brothers to act as unit election teams. Being part of the unit elections team isn't difficult. You simply need to be able to contact Scoutmasters and set up a date for elections; coordinate transportation to the units scout meeting; and, show a DVD that explains what belonging to the OA means.

The rest is easy. Run the election and tally the votes. Then announce the candidates. After that, the only thing left to do is simply obtain the candidate's information and return the unit elections form to the Lodge. You might be asking yourself if you're qualified for this position. All youth members of Ashokwahta Lodge are qualified to supervise and perform unit elections. If you are interested in serving on a unit elections team please contact me at 585-624-5096.

Yours in Scouting,
Kyle Smith
Vice Chief



Ashokwahta Lodge #339, BSA

Annual Winter Banquet & Patch Auction

Saturday January 8, 2011

5:00pm \$16.50 per person

Batavia Party House

Name: _____

Unit: _____ Phone: _____

Number of reservations _____ x \$16.50 = _____

Total = \$ _____

Phone reservations accepted at Batavia Office (585) 343-0307

_____ I am enclosing a check for \$ _____ to pay for # _____ banquet reservations (checks payable to Ashokwahta Lodge, #339)

_____ Charge my credit card for \$ _____ to pay for # _____ banquet reservations.

_____ Visa _____ MC Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

Event Code 339B

Mail reservations to:

Iroquois Trail Council, BSA

45 Liberty Street, Suite 2

Batavia, NY 14020

Calendar of upcoming Events

- Dec. 15 LEC Meeting
- Jan. 8 Lodge Banquet and auction
- Jan 19 LEC Meeting
- Jan 21-23 Conclave planning conference
- Feb 16 LEC Meeting
- Feb 23 * Chili dinner Camp Program kickoff *
- Mar 16 LEC Meeting
- Apr 19 LEC Meeting
- May 17 LEC Meeting
- Jun 3-5 Spring Ordeal Weekend, Camp Sam Wood
- Jun 21 LEC Meeting

* to be held at the United Methodist Church, Rte. 63, Batavia *

The Lodge Executive Committee (LEC) meetings are usually held at the Batavia Service Center, located at 45 Liberty Street in Batavia (side door). This meeting is for Lodge Officers, Troop Representatives, and any interested members.

The LEC meetings begin at 7 P.M. and end around 8:30 P.M.

Mailing List and Dues Payment

Members who have not paid dues, as per the guidelines of the Ashokwaha Lodge, will be dropped from the mailing list soon. Those members no longer current with Lodge dues will be considered inactive for the mailing list for the Spring 2011 OA Weekend. Payment of the 2011 dues (\$8.00) will continue active membership for those members who have remained current in dues. Payment of 2010 and 2011 dues will bring current any inactive member — \$8.00 per year or \$16.00 total.

Reminder : If a fellow Arrowman tells you they are not receiving the newsletter, please have them update their home address by calling Judy Anderson at the Batavia office (585-343-0307).

Missing Regalia

When inventory was taken this fall of our regalia for ceremonies, we seem to be missing some pieces that we previously had. We now have only 2 pair of leggings, no aprons, and no breast plates at all. I have pictures of our dance team from recent years, that show we had them at that time. Does anyone know what happened to them or who has them stored. If you know anything about them please contact the office or Mr. Drury.



Buy Back Your Lost & Found Items

At the end of both the Fall and Spring Ordeal weekends, several items were left behind by lodge members. These items were taken to the Batavia office. A special e-mail was sent to all members to claim any lost items from the Batavia office.

As very few of the items were actually claimed, the remaining articles of clothing and equipment will be available and up for bid at the patch auction during the Winter Banquet.

Rumor has it that there are scout shirts, flashlights, jackets and other unclaimed items. As no one has claimed these items, they will all be offered to the highest bidder at the Winter Banquet.