

# The Wulamoc

"He who speaks Truly"  
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## Vigil Callout

## Banquet '97

In a solemn ceremony, five of our bothers were brought forth to be recognized as candidates for membership in the Vigil Honor. Though an unusually small group, these brothers have all proven themselves worthy beyond a doubt of membership in the highest degree of our order. Congratulations go to:  
*Brendon Battenfelder*

*Eric Baughman  
AJ DiAntonio  
Neville Austin I  
Bob Hinderliter*



This year's Annual Lodge Banquet was perhaps one of the most memorable in a very long time. The Kimberton Firehall was quite busy on the night of March 8<sup>th</sup> as members of the lodge got ready for this years banquet.

In addition to the traditional "history of Octoraro Patches" display, an architects rendition of Fort Trailblazer was proudly displayed by Clarke Green. Once again, the Vigil Honor distributed Door prizes to the lucky few, and sodas sold out in record time. There were no surprises during the meal; the same high quality food that we have come to expect was once again served.

What made this banquet truly memorable, however, was the entertainment following the meal. The evenings festivities were started off by a trio of dances from the Red Hawk Drum Group, each in a different style: Traditional, Women's Shaw and Grass Dance.

Following the Dancers, our special guest speaker, Curtis Zuhniga, who had flown all the way from Bartlesville, Oklahoma, gave an inspiring talk. Many subjects were covered in his speech, not the least of which is the nature of our organization, and how that nature relates to that of his own people. The Chief of the Delaware people, then stepped down from the podium to

make room for the usual announcements and festivities, which were concluded by the 1997 Vigil Call-Out.

Our thanks go out to all of the people who helped to make this banquet the enormous success it was.

## Special Section: Lodge Officers, 1997

It's that time of year again. When the Lodge hopefuls begin to break out the old campaign posters and speech writing tools and try to become your new leaders for the next year. In order to help you make an informed decision on the future leadership of the Lodge, this special section has been created. Read on for more information.

### Lodge Chief

#### The Office:

*The Lodge Chief is the heart of the Lodge. In order to be eligible to run for the office of Chief, a candidate must have previously been elected to a vice-chief position. The Chief is responsible for running the Executive Committee and ensuring that the Lodge will continue to run in a smooth fashion.*

#### The Candidates:

##### John Callahan

John Callahan is an Eagle Scout with Troop 16, and is currently serving the Lodge as the Program Vice-Chief.

John received his Vigil in June of last year, and has served on the executive committee since his induction as an Ordeal member . He has previously served as Projects Chairman for two years. He has served his troop in many positions, ranging from Senior Patrol Leader to JASM to Patrol Leader, Den Chief and Guide.

He has served on the staff of Camp

### Vice-Chief

#### The Office:

*The responsibility of the Vice-Chief is to help the Chief in all areas possible. There are two Vice-Chiefs, Administrative and Program. The Administrative Vice-Chief is in charge of the following Committees: Unit Elections, Projects, Ordeal, Where to Go Camping and Ceremonies. The Program Vice Chief is responsible for the committees of: Winter Camp Staff, Conventions, Program Development and Nominations. Both Vice-Chiefs make sure that each committee does its job responsibly and well. Both are responsible for the duties of the chief, should the chief be absent.*

#### The Candidates:

##### AJ DiAntonio

AJ is an Eagle Scout with Troop 78. He became a member of Octoraro Lodge in 1993, and has recently been selected as a Candidate for the Vigil Honor. AJ has served his troop as a Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, and is currently the Senior Patrol Leader.

Horseshoe for five summers, and will be serving as the Director of the Nature department this year.

### **Richard "Stick" Smith**

Stick has been in scouting since 1989, and has since become an Eagle Scout with Troop 2. He has served his troop as Den Chief, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader and Senior Patrol Leader. He is currently an Assistant Scoutmaster.

Stick became an Ordeal Member in September of 1991, and received his Brotherhood a year later. He became a member of the Vigil Honor in June of 1995. He has served the Lodge for two years as Brotherhood Chairman and is currently serving as the Administrative Vice-Chief.

### **Corresponding Secretary**

#### **The Office:**

*The Responsibilities of the Corresponding Secretary include all aspects of published communication among the lodge. He is responsible for the publication of the newsletter, as well as any pamphlets, thank you notes or other letters that must be sent by the lodge.*

#### **The Candidates:**

### **Andy Coe**

Andy has been in scouts for 7 years, and is now an Eagle Scout with troop 31. He currently serves his troop as an Assistant Scoutmaster. He has also served as Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Junior Assistant Scoutmaster and Troop Guide.

AJ has served the Lodge as Vice Chief in the 1995-1996 season, and as the Conclave Chairman during this past year. He has received his troops Scout of the Year award two years in a row, and is the youth recipient of the Founders Award for 1997. He will be working this summer as the Handicraft Director at Camp Horseshoe.

### **Mike Patton**

Mike is a Life Scout in troop 140. He has served as Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader Guide, Quartermster and Senior Patrol Leader. He took his Ordeal in April of 1995 and became a brotherhood member in April of 1996. Mike is currently serving the Lodge as the Horseshoe Trails District Unit Elections Chairman.

### **Matt Griffin**

Matt is an Eagle Scout with Troop 49. He is currently the Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and has previously served as Assistant Senior Patrol Leader and Patrol Leader. Matt took his Ordeal in June of '93 and received his Brotherhood Membership in '94. He has served the Lodge as Camp Promotions Chairman for two years.

### **Recording Secretary**

#### **The Office:**

*This secretary's duties include keeping accurate and simple minutes of meetings, as well as keeping track of lodge attendance.*

#### **The Candidates:**

### **Tim Zupko**

Tim is a Life Scout in Troop 78. He is

Andy took his Ordeal in September of 1992 and received his Brotherhood in April of 1994. He is currently serving the lodge as a Youth Trustee.

### **Treasurer**

#### **The Office:**

*The Treasurer keeps accurate records of Lodge inventories, insignia, emblems and supplies. He arranges for the payment of bills and maintains financial records for the Lodge.*

#### **The Candidates:**

#### **Josh Thresher**

Josh is an Eagle Scout with Troop 149. Since joining Scouts in 1991, he has served his troop as a Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, Quartermaster and Instructor.

Josh took his ordeal in September of 1992, and received his brotherhood in June of 1993. In 1996, he became a member of the Vigil Honor. Since his induction, he has served as an Assistant Brotherhood Chairman, and is currently serving his third term as Treasurer.

currently serving his second year as a Patrol Leader, and has also served as an Assistant Patrol Leader. He received his Ordeal Membership in April of 1994, and seal his Brotherhood a year later.

Tim currently serves the Lodge as Recording Secretary.

#### **AJ Patton**

AJ is an Eagle Scout with Troop 140. He has served his troop as Patrol Leader, Troop Historian, Junior Assistant Scoutmaster and is currently an Assistant Scoutmaster.

AJ received his Ordeal Membership in June of 1994, and his Brotherhood a year after that. He is currently serving the Lodge as Camp Promotions Vice-Chairman in charge of Horseshoe Trails District.