



# THE OWL

RANACHQUA LODGE NO.4 W.W.W.

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## Lodge Election Results

## From The Chief

### LODGE OFFICERS:

Kevin B.  
Chief

Scott G.  
Vice Chief

Sean B.  
Secretary

Chris B.  
Treasurer

### CHAIRPERSONS:

VACANT  
Publications Chair

Michael N.  
Activities & Service  
Chair

VACANT  
Camp Promotions  
Chair

John D.  
Ceremonies Chair

VACANT  
Membership Chair

Gabriel L.  
Unit Elections  
Chair

### ADVISORS:

Donald Thomas  
Supreme Chief of  
The Fire

Jaime Feliberty, Sr.  
Lodge Advisor

Yehudy Diaz  
Staff Advisor

The election of officers for 2008 was held on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. Here are the results:

### **For Lodge Chief:**

Kevin B. ran unopposed and was elected to his second term as Chief. Kevin is a Brotherhood member of the Lodge and an Eagle Scout serving as the SPL of Troop 240. He attends Fordham Prep.

### **For Lodge Vice Chief:**

Scott G. ran unopposed and was elected as the Vice Chief. This is Scott's first elected position, having previously served as Chairman of the Ceremonies Committee. He is a Brotherhood member of the Lodge and a Life Scout serving as an Instructor in Troop 182. Scott attends Lehman High School.

### **For Lodge Secretary:**

Sean B. ran unopposed and was elected to his second term as the Lodge Secretary. He is a Brotherhood member of the Lodge, and a Star Scout serving as an APL in Troop 240. Sean attends Fordham Prep.

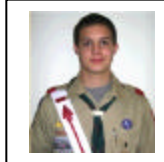
### **For Lodge Treasurer:**

Christopher B. was elected to his first full term as Treasurer after having been appointed to the position in June. Chris is a Brotherhood member of the Lodge and is a Life Scout serving as a JASM in Troop 182 (after being SPL for 3 years.) He attends Regis High School. John D. also ran for Treasurer.

Thank you to all brothers that ran for office, and congratulations to those chosen to serve.

Hello, everyone!

I would first like to congratulate all of the newly elected Officers: Scott, Sean, and Chris. I feel that we can have a tremendous year and make long strides forward as a lodge. I encourage everyone to become active and to spread the word about our events and meetings.



I hope that everyone has a Happy Holiday and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Kevin

**Extra! Extra! Extra!**

### **Greater New York Councils Camping Kickoff And Training Extravaganza**

Borough of Manhattan Community College  
Saturday, January 12, 2008 at 8:00 AM

The 5 NYC Lodges have been requested to give service to the Council by acting as host for this event. For further information and registration, please contact Shelia Debroux at GNYC, (212) 651-2955. Please specify that you are from Ranachqua Lodge and will be attending in order to give service.

We hope to have a large contingent from the Lodge to assist in this important event. Camp promotion is the very core responsibility of the Order of the Arrow.

See you there!

# LODGE NEWS

## New Committee Chairmen

The Lodge currently has six standing committee whose Chairmen are also voting members of the Lodge Executive Committee. Lodge Chief Kevin B. announced the appointment of three of these chairmen at the Lodge meeting of December 9.

Gabriel L. (Brotherhood) will stay on as the Unit Elections Committee chairman, continuing the responsibility he undertook earlier this year.

Matt A. (Vigil Honor) has resigned as Publication Committee Chairman. Matt is now attending college at C.W. Post on Long Island and found it too difficult to manage the Committee long distance. No replacement has yet been named. If you're interested in working on *The Owl* or the website, contact Kevin.

John D. (Ordeal) has take on the Ceremonies Committee chairmanship, replacing Scott G. who was elected as Vice Chief. John is new to the Lodge, and this is his first Lodge leadership position.

The Membership Committee chairmanship remains unfilled. Lodge Secretary Sean B. will supervise the committee's work in the interim. The Finance Committee is chaired by the Lodge Treasurer, Chris B., and will be creating the 2008 Budget shortly. Look for it on the Website.

Michael N. (Ordeal) was appointed as chairman of the Activities and Service Committee. The committee will be looking for Elangomats for the Ordeal. This is Michael's first leadership position in the Lodge.

Michael H. has moved, and resigned the Camp Promotions Committee chairmanship. This important position remains opened. Anyone interested in this committee should contact the Lodge Chief as soon as possible. We need to get Camp Promotion Troop Visitation teams up and running quickly.

Anyone interested in working on a committee should contact either the Chairman or the Lodge Chief. Your service to the Lodge and the Council will be appreciated.



## Bronx River District Merit Badge Fair

Saturday, January 5, 2008 – 8:00AM to 4:00 PM  
St Helena's Church – 1315 Olmstead Avenue, Bronx, NY 10462

Contact Person: Joe Carballo, 718 863-6618



## Fall Service Weekend and Ordeal

The 2007 Fall Ordeal and Service Project was held on the weekend of October 12-14, 2007 at Alpine Scout Camp to great success with 11 new lodge members inducted and a considerable amount of service rendered to the camp. A Brotherhood Conversion and Ceremony was also held. Congratulations to the new Brotherhood members, and a sincere welcome to our new Ordeal Brothers!

## Lodge Rechartering

Ranachqua Lodge rechartered with a membership of 106 Brothers, down slightly from last year. The percentage rate of Brotherhood conversion remained about the same, somewhat lower than the hoped for standard.

## 2008 Annual Dues

The Lodge approved an increase in dues for 2008 at the December 9th meeting. The dues were raised for the first time in many years to \$15.00 in order to help offset spirally costs of mailing, printing, etc. The dues form is available online, and is also in *The OWL*. Please make every effort to get your payment in quickly, and to encourage other Brothers to do so. Remember, National OA policy states that only current, active, dues paid members of the Order of the Arrow may wear the Lodge flap or sash. The increase was necessary despite an increase of resale revenue generated by the Lodge's new issues in 2007. Speaking of resale items, it was also announced that the Lodge reached its target of raising some \$800 for ceremonial team costumes and props through the sale of the special S31 fundraiser flap. However, the sale of neckerchiefs still lags slightly below the break-even cost.



# RANACHQUA LODGE #4 2008 DUES FORM



Annual Lodge dues are \$15.00, and are payable on or before December 31, 2007. New or returning Brothers paying in October, November, or December 2007 are covered for 2008. Members who are on active duty in the military or are full-time college students are free. Please note your status on the form. Former members who are not registered in Greater New York Councils – The Bronx and wish to support the Lodge may pay the \$15.00 as a communications fee to stay in touch with what’s happening in Ranachqua. See “Out-Of-Council” below.

Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Date of Ordeal \_\_\_\_\_ Brotherhood \_\_\_\_\_ Vigil \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip+4 \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation / Special Skills \_\_\_\_\_

Special Status (College or Military): \_\_\_\_\_

Boy Scouts of America Registration Number (PID) \_\_\_\_\_

--This is required information, as you must be registered with the BSA to be active in the Order of the Arrow. The PID is the long number on your registration card

Pack # \_\_\_\_\_ Troop # \_\_\_\_\_ Team # \_\_\_\_\_ Crew # \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

District Level Scouter (Position) \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Council Level Scouter (Position) \_\_\_\_\_

Out-Of-Council (Council and Unit/Position)\* \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Per National OA policy, you must have a primary registration in Greater New York Councils – The Bronx to be a member of Ranachqua Lodge. Former members of the Lodge who are no longer registered in the Bronx may pay the \$15.00 as a communications fee. You will receive *The Owl* and other Lodge news. However, this does not entitle you to the privileges of Lodge membership.**

Make checks payable to Greater New York Councils, BSA and mail to:

Ranachqua Lodge #4  
PO Box 258  
Throggs Neck Station  
Bronx, NY 10465-0258

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**Look for articles from all the Lodge Officers in the next issue of *The Owl***

**Happy Holidays and a Great New Year!**

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