

MASSAWEPIE STAFF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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Beaver Weekend 2003 & MSAA Annual Meeting

Hold the date!! Beaver Weekend this year is Friday, May 30 through Sunday, June 1. The Massawepie Staff Alumni Association will also hold its annual meeting on Saturday evening of Beaver Weekend at the Loren R. Hakes Campfire Circle, after a day of hard work on several new projects. With the turnout we had last year, and some new recruits, the Alumni Association will be able to make even greater strides for camp this year.

This year's projects include renovating some of the cabins on cabin row. The cabins are in great need of the 3 R's: Repairing, Remodeling and Re-roofing! There is always help needed on trail crews, tent sites and skill trades as well! As we get closer to the date we will be able to provide further details as to the extent of the projects and if any tools will be needed. There will also be the opportunity to re-mulch the campfire circle, so if your "skills" are limited, we still have plenty for you to do!

We are looking forward to seeing you all there. Bring along a new recruit, your scouting spirit and memories to share! We can keep growing and forming new and lasting traditions in the spirit of Massawepie.

If you have any questions, please feel free to e-mail mpulvino@rochester.rr.com or give Mark Pulvino a call at 585-671-3961

Alumni Association Financial Support of Massawepie Scout Camps

The Alumni Association has raised several thousand dollars through dues, member contributions and sales of our special Massawepie 50th anniversary patch. One of our missions is to financially support the facilities and programs at Massawepie. In fulfillment of that mission, we have made the following contributions to support Massawepie.

We first contributed slightly more than \$500 to reach our goal of raising \$22,000 for the Loren R. Hakes Memorial Campfire Circle at Massawepie. In addition, we contributed \$350 to dedicate a "Square Yard" in the Alumni Association's name as part of the Otetiana Council's "Square Foot/Square Yard" campaign for Massawepie. "Square Foot/Square Yard" donations will be used to create an endowment for maintenance and equipment purchases at Massawepie. (See article on Page 2).

In the near future, the Association will consider making a contribution towards the construction of a new Rifle Range at Massawepie. More information about the new Rifle Range will be contained in future newsletters.

2003 Happy Hour Event!

Kick off the New Year with the Massawepie Staff Alumni Association!! Thursday, January 23rd marks the date for the Alumni Happy Hour event! This year's event will be held at the Road House Grill located on Jefferson Road (Henrietta) across from Kinko's and Hooters. The fun begins at 5:30 PM.

Definitely an adult event, reminiscent of our "evenings" at OPD! Come help us celebrate the past years successes: the 50th Anniversary and reaching our fund raising goal for the Loren R. Hakes Campfire Circle! You take care of your drinks, the Alumni Association will take care of the munchies. To RSVP please call 374-5770 or e-mail us at MassAlumni@aol.com

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[www.MassStaffAlumni.org!](http://www.MassStaffAlumni.org)**

"Dedicate a Square Foot" for the New Massawepie Endowment

As part of Massawepie's 50th anniversary, Otetiana Council created a new endowment fund dedicated to providing equipment and maintenance for Massawepie in perpetuity. All friends of Massawepie are invited to invest in the next 50 years of Massawepie by dedicating a square foot or square yard at Massawepie for yourself or someone you know. The Alumni Association and several Massawepie Staff Alumni have already made contributions to this endowment.

The intent of this endowment is to help fund regular replacement of some of the more expensive camp program equipment (sailboats, canoes, rifles, mountain bikes, etc.). Currently, there's never enough money in the camp budget to buy these items until after something breaks (if then)! Your donation will provide better equipment for future generations of Scouts, Staff, and Scouters at Massawepie.

To donate, send a check for \$50 (for a square foot) or \$350 (for a square yard), payable to "Otetiana Council, BSA", to the Association address (on the front page.) Please note "Massawepie Endowment" on your check, and include your address. If you are dedicating this to someone else, please include their name and address as well. You will receive a certificate acknowledging your generous support of Massawepie.

Massawepie Summer Staff

One of the most important parts of a successful summer program at Massawepie is a quality staff. The Council is always looking for summer staff, particularly those who are 18 years of age or older. If you know someone who might be interested in working at camp this summer, please encourage them to contact the Massawepie Camp Director, Steve Weisenreder at (585) 241-8530.

Staff Alumni Association Recognition

The Otetiana Council's Executive Board has asked representatives of the Massawepie Staff Alumni Association to attend the Executive Board's January 13, 2003 meeting. The Alumni Association's efforts in organizing and running Massawepie's 50th anniversary celebration and its financial contributions in support of Massawepie will be recognized at that meeting. The Association's officers will also make a presentation to the Executive Board regarding its future plans. President Kathy Elliott, Vice-President Mark Pulvino, Treasurer David Lippitt, Executive Committee member Peter Collinge and Staff Adviser Don DeClerck will represent the Association at this Board meeting.

Alumni Association 50th Anniversary Patches Still Available



Were you thinking of buying a 50th anniversary Massawepie Alumni patch, but never got around to it? Did you buy a patch or patches, but wished you could have a few more? Here's your chance! The Alumni Association Executive Committee has reduced the price for the remaining patches to \$8 each; \$7 each for 5 or more (shipping within the U.S. included).

Why buy an Alumni Association Massawepie 50th Anniversary patch?

1. It's the best looking of all of the 2002 Massawepie patches, and the best-looking Massawepie patch in recent years.
2. All proceeds help support projects at Massawepie. Sales of patches to date helped make our final payment toward the Loren Hakes Campfire Circle, and helped to "dedicate" a square yard for the new Massawepie Endowment.
3. It's a unique keepsake of Massawepie's special anniversary. (The 75th anniversary in 2027 is a long way off!)
4. The current reduced price is an excellent deal, and no further price reductions are planned.
5. These patches will make great gifts for future Eagle Scouts, staff members, or other Scouts.
6. A limited number of the 464 patches produced still remain, and no more will be produced.

To purchase patches, send your mailing address along with a check payable to "Otetiana Council, BSA" to the address on the front page. Please note "Massawepie Alumni patches" on your check.

Alumni Association Executive Committee & Officers

The Alumni Association would like to expand the number of members on its Executive Committee and will be soon looking for new officers.

In addition, it is looking for members who would like to help out with leading specific activities and events. If you are interested in being considered for an Executive Committee position or helping the Association out in some other way please contact us by e-mail or write us at the address on the front page.