

THE FLYING EAGLE



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ORDER OF THE ARROW

Conclave Y2K Pioneering New Frontiers

Section Conclave 2000 at Camp Davy Crockett in East Tennessee is coming upon us. This spectacular event will be held April 28-30. The Conclave will bring together arrowmen from eight different lodges from Tennessee and Kentucky. At last year's Conclave, Wa-Hi-Nasa proved it's worth by capturing first place in the Quest for the Golden Arrow in addition to harvesting the Josh Sain All Around Best Lodge Award. Since we have finally captured the travelling Quest trophy, we need to defend it with all our might against the seven other lodges hungry for the glory associated with being the keeper of this statue. Therefore, we need as many participants as we can take. However, Conclave is not just a get-together to compete for the Quest trophy; there are many more activities including a 5K run, beadwork, ceremonies competition, Native American dancing and drumming, training sessions given by some of the most successful arrowmen around, patch trading, and spectacular shows and campfires.

On Sunday morning, we will elect new section officers. Their main responsibility will be the 2001 Section Conclave. However, these new officers will not be the only ones charged with ensuring the 2001 Conclave is suc-

cessful. The role of host lodge is vital. That role will fall on Wa-Hi-Nasa's shoulders next year, so we need to take as many as possible this year to come away with impressions and ideas so that we will "be prepared" when it is our turn to serve as host.



Registration cost for the Conclave is \$30 which should be sent to the scout office with the enclosed form. Also, due to the distance to the event, Wa-Hi-Nasa has chartered a bus to Conclave. Cost for the ride is \$20 round trip fare. Considering the soaring gas prices, this is a great deal. If you have previously sent in your Conclave registration but did not include the bus fare, please send in another registration form with only the bus fare. The bus will leave Jet Potter Scout Center at 6:00 pm on Friday, April 28. The bus will next stop at Mr. Hose in Lebanon near Exit #239B of I-40 at 6:45 and at the south entrance of J.C. Penney at the Cookeville Mall around 7:15 – 7:30. Please wear Class A uniform on the bus ride. You may catch the bus at any of the three ports of call. If you are attending the Conclave but unable to ride the bus, you are required to file a tour permit with Mike Smith or Annette Whitley at the council scout office. 🏹

NOAC in Knoxville The Nation Comes to Tennessee

July 29 – August 3, 2000, thousands of arrowmen from across the country will come to Tennessee for the National Order of the Arrow Conference being held at the University of Tennessee. This will be the third time UT has hosted the great event. NOAC is the ultimate OA event. There is everything that makes the OA fun – sports such as basketball and volleyball, drumming and dancing, beadwork, training by the best trainers in the nation, patch trading, and more fellowship than you can imagine. There is Founders Day which is comparable to our council's Scout-O-Rama, except instead of the displays being put on by a troop, each booth or activity is the brainchild of an entire lodge, and there are about 500 lodges! There will be exciting large scale shows every night. There will be question and answer sessions with the national officers and top brass in the OA and scouting. We will stay in college dorms, eat in the cafeteria, and generally live a college style life for a week. The cost of the event is \$330 per arrowman. This includes your transportation, all your meals for the week, room, two Wa-Hi-Nasa NOAC contingent flaps, and more fun than you can imagine. A \$100 deposit is due now to reserve your spot, and the balance is due by May 26th. Space is limited so send in your deposit with the enclosed registration form to the scout office today to be sure you don't miss the biggest show in our Order coming to our great state! 🏹



Ordeal of a New Millennium

What are you doing on the first weekend of June? If you didn't answer "Helping at the Spring Ordeal", then you need to change your calendar and plan on coming out to Boxwell Reservation! As always, our Lodge will be inducting it's new members in a series of two Ordeals, the first of which will be the Spring Ordeal on June 2-4. This is a big weekend for the OA as we will induct approximately 200 new members and prepare Boxwell for Summer Camp, and we need as many people to help out as possible! There are over 70 positions available, so we need your help. We need ceremony performers, elangomats, kitchen staff, construction gurus, or just hard workers. No matter how you choose to contribute, we need you. Don't have any ideas as to how you can help? Feel free to call Chris Hubbard (931-728-6082), Chris Snoddy (615-361-7983), or Clay Capp (615-297-8718) and they will get you something to do. It's a new millennium, so let's make this an Ordeal to remember! 🏹



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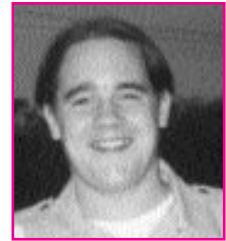
Order of the Arrow University Celebrating Two Years of Higher Learning

By Michael Mendenhall

As darkness fell over the Smyrna National Guard Armory on March 24, 2000, a group of scholars began gathering around the doors of the main building. Although wearing uniforms, these people were not soldiers, but Boy Scouts. This motley group of a few individuals soon became a large crowd, gathering around the registration table in panicked confusion as they tried to understand the cryptic directions to their lodgings. In this way, the second annual Wa-Hi-Nasa Order of the Arrow University began. After finding their rooms, the new students very quickly began their classes. By 9:00 pm they had already split into various groups based upon their area of study. Following a cracker barrel and an inspirational movie ("Rudy"), everyone slowly drifted to their rooms where they began the loud and disorderly process of getting to sleep. On Saturday morning, although the oatmeal seemed rather dubious, breakfast as a whole was tolerably edible, and the students began the day enthusiastically. Well energized, the scholars embarked on their course of learning interspersed with plenty of time for craft activities, athletics, brotherhood and fellowship. The courses of study included Bachelors degrees in Chapters, Ceremonies, Communications, Ordeal Management, American Indian Events, and Lodge Adult. For those who had degrees from last year's OAU, Masters degrees were available in Ceremonies, Youth Leadership, and Advising. Saturday evening included a wildly popular game show entitled "Who wants to win a \$111 patch?" hosted by Marcus "Regis" Lucas II which delved deep into OA trivia including policies, history, and ceremonies. There were some close calls, but nobody could quite get to the \$111 flap plateau. Saturday night's cracker barrel was a little on the "wild" side with a dead fish centerpiece, hard boiled turtle eggs, and other "think-outside-of-the-box" style treats. Attendees were faced with the choice of trying new things or going to bed without a snack. Sunday morning's commencement exercises, complete with the universally recognized graduation theme song, recognized all who had persevered the training by presenting them with a diploma and patch. Armed with freshly honed skills and knowledge, these graduates now set out to enhance their lodge, chapter, and troop programs. Thanks to all the hard work of the event staff and congrats to all the graduates. Now do I move that tassel from left to right or right to left? Hmmm.



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Fellow Arrowmen,

I would like to thank all of those who labored to make OAU a fun, informative weekend. It was a showcase of our lodge's superlative training ability. Our forward-thinking members of years past positioned us to be successful in this area. The lodges that visited were very impressed by the curriculum, format, and results.

When a scout is first made an arrowman, he is exposed to a wider world of scouting through the OA lodge than he saw in his troop, much like a scout's first trip to a council jamboree. The same thing happens at an arrowman's first trip to the Section Conclave. A wider world is opened and possibilities realized. I encourage all Wa-Hi-Nasa members to join us on the bus to the Conclave. This year's Conclave is being held at Camp Davy Crockett April 28-30. Participants will see scouting fellowship at its finest and can be a part of the crew that fights for our lodge to retain the Quest for the Golden Arrow, the trophy given by the section to the lodge that proves its quality and teamwork in a variety of competitions.

An unusual challenge awaits us. Our council will host the National Meeting of the Boy Scouts of America on May 22-26. As the service lodge to the host council, we will have the duty of supporting this convention. The eyes of the scouting world will be upon us. Tyler Belew (931-362-9347) and Kent Galyon (931-433-1848) will be leading our efforts. Please call either of them if you wish to be a part of our mobilization efforts to support the National Meeting. Each chapter will be responsible for a specific part of our overall service.

I would like to charge all Wa-Hi-Nasa arrowmen to turn around and give service to his chapter and troop. Call a chapter officer or chairman to see what you can do to bolster your chapter's programs. Go to your next troop meeting, and show your troop members an example of cheerful service. Motivate your Scoutmaster to appoint an OA Troop Representative. As arrowmen, it is our job to promote cheerful service everywhere.

Chy T. Capp

Clay Capp
2000 Lodge Chief

Do You Have Your Bars?

Brotherhood candidates, the time is drawing near for you to take the next step of membership in the Order of the Arrow. Brotherhood inductions will be held at Spring Ordeal, each Wednesday night at Summer Camp, Fall Ordeal, and Fall Fellowship. The requirements for Brotherhood are to be an active member of the Order of the Arrow for at least ten months, to know and accept the obligation, the song and the admonition, to write a letter of intent, and to be currently registered in the lodge. You will find all of these requirements explained in your OA handbook. The cost for Brotherhood is \$15.00.

Pop Quiz

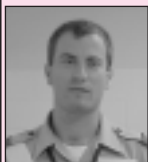
Test your knowledge
of the OA

Prior to Lee Thackston's promotion to Section Chief, who was the last Wa-Hi-Nasa arrowman to "wear the dangly"?

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Rash of Promotions Three Wa-Hi-Nasa Arrowmen Snag Opportunities

When Section Chief Jim Cheatham of Ittawamba Lodge was elected Southern Region Chief at the OA National Meeting in Dallas, Texas, the door of opportunity opened for three Wa-Hi-Nasa arrowmen. Lee Thackston of Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge has been promoted to Section Chief from his former position as Section Vice Chief. Jonathan Nation, who was serving as Lodge Vice Chief of Activities, has taken over as Section Vice Chief, and Brian Rappold, the Lodge Brotherhood Committee Chairman, is now also a lodge officer having accepted Jonathan Nation's former job of Lodge Vice Chief of Activities. Congratulations to Jonathon and Lee for doing such an exemplary job of advancing their position and to Brian for being tapped to take up the slack! It is good to see the tradition of Wa-Hi-Nasa leadership excellence carried beyond the lodge to serve scouting everywhere.



Lee Thackston



Jonathon Nation



Brian Rappold

New Officer Profile

Brian Rappold is a member of Troop 101 in Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He is a senior at Northeast High School, and plans to attend Montana State University in Billings for a degree in Environmental Studies. He is an Eagle Scout and Vigil Honor recipient. He has served on Boxwell Summer Camp staff for four years, and as the Lodge American Indian Events Chairman in 1999. Brian attended the 1997 National Jamboree where he served as a Patrol Leader. Brian has attended NOAC in 1996 and 1998. He served on the Philmont OA Trail Crew. In addition to becoming our new Lodge Vice Chief of Activities, Brian will retain his responsibilities as Brotherhood Warrior.

ADVISER'S CORNER

Seeing as how this is a youth-led organization, I am going to do something that may be a little bit of a surprise to you: talk about adults.

You have all heard the aphorism:



"Children are to be seen, not heard."

In the OA, it is: "Adults are to be seen, not heard."

Well, let me tell you what adults are really good for and what you should use them for. You should be talking to them, picking their brains, and listening to their feedback on your plans and ideas. We adults have all made a lot more mistakes than the youths and can tell you what probably will not work. Adults in the OA would like to see the youth succeed and will help you if you ask them.

When every adult scouter signs up to be a volunteer scout leader, he or she goes through Basic Leader Training and learns about the aims and methods of scouting. One of the aims of scouting is to help youth develop in a whole variety of ways and one of the methods of Scouting is to accomplish this aim by association with safe, quality, worthwhile adults.

We are blessed to be eaten up with this kind of adult population in our lodge. If you want to be a doctor, we have ten or twelve of them. If you want to be a teacher, we have more than that. In fact, just about any career or hobby you want to pursue has a number of adult arrowmen also interested in and committed to it.

Beyond that, the lodge has assembled within itself some of the highest quality adult members that I have had the pleasure to work with as we try to develop the youth, which is, after all, what we are here to do.

I implore our youth members to seek out and befriend some new adults at the next event, get to know them and specifically tell them how they can be of service to you on your committee or for your OA objectives.

Adults, I know some of you are as shy as the day is long, but break out of your shell and talk to a kid. See how you might further their goals in the lodge.

In closing, there is one adult I would like you to go out of your way to get to know better in particular. He is the man after whom our lodge building is named: Howard B. Olson (above is a picture of me making the sign to the Howard B. Olson Lodge gateway). A few years ago, when I first came on the scene, I was a little intimidated by the aura surrounding Mr. Olson. I thought that he must be busy, certainly very important, and needed no more to chit-chat with me with me than to poke a sharp stick in his eye. But I tried to look at him as a human being and began a wonderful friendship once I discovered that my reluctance to reach out to Mr. Olson was the only problem. I have found him to be exemplary, honest, engaging, funny, and uplifting.

Adults and youths, make it your business to get to know an older arrowman, maybe a bald one or a graying one. You will be glad you did.

Ray Capp, Adult
2000 Lodge Adviser

Chapter News

Allouchit Chapter

Over the past two months, the arrowmen of Warioto District have done three Arrow of Light ceremonies, four crossover ceremonies, three camp promotions, five OA elections, and a great opening campfire at the district's Winter Camporee. Thanks to all who helped make these activities successful.

Anawaha Chapter

Anawaha Chapter unit elections are underway, and the call-out ceremony for those elected will take place during the second weekend of April at the Spring Camporee. Thanks to those who have helped with the elections.

Atohuna Chapter

Our chapter meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm. We meet at the First United Methodist Church in Lebanon. We hope to see you at our next meeting and at the Section Conclave.

Cherokee Chapter

On Wednesday, April 12, we will hold a practice session for the call-out ceremony at 5:30 pm at the camporee site. We will also practice setting up the teepees. If you can attend this practice session, call Mr. Harrison at 859-6746. We will have food for all those who report in advance. Call-out is that weekend, and we will need everyone's help. There is a pow-wow afterwards with free food. There is not a chapter meeting in April due to the Conclave. The next meeting is on May 25 at 9:00 at which we will have pizza. The meeting will be held at the scout hut behind the Hendersonville Library. There is a ceremonies team practice on May 15 at 7:00 at the district roundtable. We hope to see you at these upcoming events.

Chewalee Chapter

Our 2000 officers are Chapter Chief J.C. Anderson and Chapter Vice Chief Alex Abernathy. Filling new positions in the chapter are Kevin Golasich as Ceremonies Chairman and John King as Elangomat Chairman. The Chapter Secretary is Robert Wiseman, and advising all of these fine leaders is Kent Galyon. Our chapter hosted the Spring Camporee at Camp Arrowhead and held our call-out ceremony at the event.

Elk River Chapter

Elk River Chapter has been very active lately, with cub scout crossovers and unit elections. Our next chapter meeting will be held at the First Christian Church in Tullahoma, on April 13 at 6:00 pm at which we will shoot black powder rifles and pistols at a

local shooting range.

Wdee Chapter

Wdee Chapter has a district JLT coming up. We have recently had a large increase in participation, and are in the progress of forming a chapter Web site. We have successfully visited every troop in the district for unit elections. The chapter will be performing a campfire and crossover ceremony at the upcoming Cub and Partner Campout, and will be working at a recruiting Adventures Day.

Wewoapisak Chapter

Wewoapisak Chapter 2000 officers election results are in! New officers are as follows: Chapter Chief Charlie Pitcock, Chapter Vice Chief Shawn Hartsell, and Chapter Secretary Brandon Rook. Congratulations to the new officers. We look forward to a great year in 2000 to bring the chapter back to an active status. We will need the support of all members to achieve this. Chapter meetings coincide with district roundtable on the second Tuesday of every month at Andrew Jackson Elementary School at 7:00 pm. If you have any questions, or would like to help us re-build the chapter, please contact Charlie Pitcock at 754-9215, or Chapter Advisor Daniel Cattrell at 832-4346.

Witschindin Chapter

We need volunteers to be on staff at the ordeals and other events. We have the third largest chapter in the lodge, so we need to supply at least one ceremony team. If you are interested in performing on a ceremony team, contact Ian Romaine at 615-331-6391, or Eric Warren at 615-833-8915. Our next chapter meeting is May 22 at Arlington Methodist Church. If anyone has any ideas for a chapter service project, please call Matt Clothier at 615-331-3339 or e-mail mrclothier@home.com with your ideas.

Wulalow Chapter

March was the month of changes for our chapter. Our new meeting location is Camp Tubb. We have a new Chapter Advisor, David Conan, and our new Chapter Secretary is Garrett Martin. With 18 members in attendance, the March 12th meeting produced plans for a crossover team and call-out ceremony.

Pop Quiz Answer

The most recent
Wa-Hi-Nasa Section Chief was
Josh Sain in 1996.

Wa-Hi-Nasa Hosts the BSA National Meeting to be in Nashville

Fellow arrowmen, our lodge has a great service opportunity coming up May 22-26 of this year. The National Meetings of the Boy Scouts of America is going to be held at Opryland Hotel in Nashville, and the lodge has been asked to supply volunteers to help do tasks ranging from setting up exhibits to ushering people to their seats for meals. If you volunteer, you will satisfy one of the requirements for the "Year of Service" award and special ghost flap. You will also receive a special volunteer work crew patch for helping out. Letters will be mailed out in following weeks with response cards. If you wish to help with this event, fill out the card and return. If you have any questions, please e-mail 2000 Council Service Chairman Tyler Belew at TCBY121@cs.com. Let's show the nation our cheerful service! 🏹

New Name – New Look www.wa-hi-nasa.org

by Dusty Vaughn

Have you been waiting for an update on the lodge website? Do you know the 2000 lodge officers, advisers, and committee chairmen? Do you know what they look like? How about when, where, and what the next event is? If you have been asking yourself these questions, then the new Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge web site is for you! The site includes patches, downloadable forms, links, committee pages, chapter pages, and lodge history. You can find old publications and past award recipients. If you have a hard time finding what you're looking for, head for the new site map. The site is constantly being updated with new information and features. Much more is planned for this site. Committee chairmen, your page is for your committee. Contact the Webmaster, Dusty Vaughn, to have additions and changes made to your page. To find the new lodge site, point your browser to <http://www.wa-hi-nasa.org>. If you have any questions or comments, e-mail the Webmaster Committee at webmaster@wa-hi-nasa.org. 🏹

Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge • 2000 Calendar

April 28 – 30, 2000	Section SR 6N Conclave Camp Davy Crockett
May 22 – 26, 2000	BSA National Meeting Opryland Hotel
June 2 – 4, 2000	Spring Ordeal Boxwell Reservation
July 29 – August 3, 2000	NOAC University of Tennessee, Knoxville
August 11-13, 2000	Fall Ordeal Boxwell Reservation
September 8 – 10, 2000	Fall Fellowship
December 2, 2000	Winter Banquet

2000 Lodge Officer Directory

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Brian Rappold	Lodge Vice Chief of Activities	931-65-8665
Marcus Lucas II	Lodge Vice Chief of Training	615-963-6280
Daniel Reynolds	Lodge Secretary	615-367-9746
Jimmy Schiermeyer	Lodge Treasurer	931-393-0371

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