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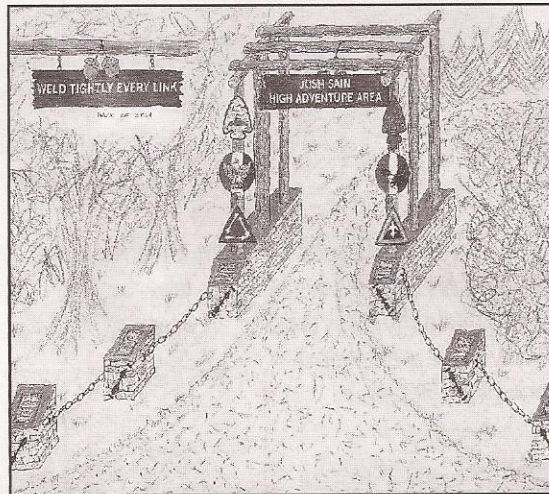


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ORDER OF THE ARROW

Josh Sain Memorial Gateway

Our Lodge has unveiled the design for the Gateway to the Boxwell High Adventure Area to be constructed in honor of Josh Sain. Josh was a member of our lodge who was both lodge and section chief, and went on to be the 1997 National Vice Chief of the Order of the Arrow, and the only National Officer in the History of the Order to be unable to complete his term in office because of his death. Josh was an example of cheerful service to all of us in Wa-Hi-Nasa and to the whole country, so it is altogether fitting and proper that we should honor him in this way.



Gateway Project. Look at the sketch of the planned gateway. We are searching for donations of any material which could be used in the project.

Specifically we are looking for telephone poles or something similar, several feet of large chain (like anchor chain), large (16 ft. by 20 in. by 1.25 in. or thereabouts) cedar planks that would be the sign itself, blocks of limestone, cement, tools (wheelbarrows, shovels, pry bars, et. al.) and anything else that may be helpful. If you have an ability to acquire these materials cheaply or through donation or know

Truly he exemplified the spirit of the Order, and he touched many people all over the country with his love and enthusiasm. The Construction Crew of our lodge is directing the very large

someone who can, please contact Raymond Gregory at 615 452-8266 or email to: RGregory6@aol.com. Your help in finding resources is the crux of this project for now. Thank you for any support you may lend to this effort. ♣

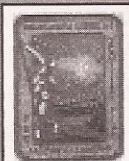
2001 Conclave A Success

Every arrowman in Wa-Hi-Nasa should be proud of the fine job they did in hosting the 8 other lodges of our section. The Middle Tennessee Council thanks you, Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge thanks you, Section 6N thanks you, & all 712 arrowmen at the conclave thank you. The willingness to serve, the example of cheerfulness and the perspiration of April 27 - 29 made the weekend a huge success. As they say in Hollywood the movie's not over till the credits are rolled. The credits from the 2001 Conclave are: The 2001 conclave was produced by The Physical Arrangement Group lead by Matthew Murphy, Mark Johnson & Steve Miller. This hard working group had a supporting cast of a 100 arrowmen to produce an exceptional event. From Thursday morning to late Sunday afternoon these guys set-it up, moved it, took it down, cleaned, & cleaned it again. Key assistant producers were Rick Moore who handled electrical issues all weekend, the ever

reliable Steve Belew, numerous picnic table movers including David McLelland & Matt Clothier and a host of clean up people including Ian Romaine and Brad Goodwin. Friday night activities were rated as the best in the last 24 conclaves thanks to Rob Martin & Ben Whitehouse.

The registration brain trust of Craig Salazar and Boyd Williams with help from 20 people including Mr. Doliana, Carol Moore, Tracy Belew, & Patrick Allison worked wonderfully with a smile on their face. Thanks! Way To Go! Thanks to Tracy Belew for getting those great looking ".org" collared shirts out to the masses.

Training was presented & bailed out by Daniel Reynolds, Steve Reynolds, Lee Thackston, Dusty Vaughn, & Andy Verble and others. Food Preparation and serving was extraordinary thanks to Morris Smiley, Dr. Bill Holland, (continued on page 2)



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2001 Conclave a Success

Col. Schiermeyer & Marilyn Conant, William Simmons, William, Donovan, Matthew & Terrance Roberts and many more. Over 3000 meals were served during the weekend. The dishwashers and dining hall cleaners worked & sweated all weekend. The chapters that cleaned up & helped serve were key to the weekend. Some dishwashers needing special credit - are Larry Carpenter, William Simmons, Jason Grafton, and more...

The Hospitality House was completely organized and run by Garrett & Wayne Palmer, John Metcalf and William Roberts. The food was good but the fellowship was great. Staffing this area were Frank Bush, Seth Simmons, Josh Carter, David Garrett, Bob Cottrell, Kent Galyon and the Upper Cumberland Chapter.

The Lodge officers helped in many ways. From "Dirty deeds done dirt cheap" a.k.a throwing the Lodge chief, new section chief and lodge adviser in the lake to celebrate on Sunday to organizing and moving the lodge, they worked all weekend. Jonathan, Daniel, Jimmy, Jacob, Robin & Peter are the "super six". A special thanks goes to the great packet stuffer & chauffeur Helen.

Key areas included:

- Concessions: The entire Walton Trail Chapter, George Warde, Peter Capp & others.
- Health Lodge: Dr. Gary Mueller and Mrs. Mueller.
- Trading Post: Bill Schwartz, Billy Schwartz, Gordon Vaughn & numerous others.
- Shows - Chris Davis, Marcus Lucas, Carl Head.
- Publications - Robin Armstead and Steve Clothier.

Quest chairman Jonathan Wright and Coach Andy Verble did "okay" that weekend. They brought home the grand prize, the big enchilada, the very coveted Quest Trophy for the third year in a row.

Thank you to Joe Long, & Ron Turpin who supported our lodge through out the event. To Ron Turpin, Bill Freeman, John Boy, and William (the rangers) the camp looked wonderful. You guys were Hospitable with a capital H for the workdays, and the conclave. Thanks for letting us test the nice new parking lot at Cub World and the Pirate Ship's floating ability. The commissioners' staff that kept the 8 visiting lodges happy was lead by John Harrison. Greeters Ian Romaine, Steve Reynolds, David Reynolds, Matt Clothier and a bunch of good arrowmen from Dan Beard started everyone off smiling. NAE & Ceremonies went well with help from Bill Hildebrand and Scott Rappold. The COOL Committee with Daniel Cottrell and Paul Todd serving as co-adviser kept everyone bathing in cleanliness.

Kent Galon did a fine job with the rock contest for the Josh Sain Gateway. Lifeguards Jonathan Nation, Brian Rappold, Joe Doliana, Clay & Ray Capp are to be commended on their safe swim defense plan at Cub World. You really had to be there to understand this one. If you were not there, plan now to attend the 2002 conclave in nearby Louisville, Kentucky.

Of course the ever diligent conclave chairman James Cartwright did everything asked of him & more. His adviser Chris Snoddy should also be commended. These Arrowmen worked tirelessly for over 18 months. Without their effort and leadership the Conclave would not have been the success it was. 🍷



Fall Fellowship

Some lodge events are about training. Other lodge events are about service. There has never been a lodge event where death was on the line...until now. OA members, break out your magnifying glasses and trench coats, Fall Fellowship 2001 is to die for. The past 4 years have seen excellent fall fellowships, however, they have all followed the same basic principle. For the past 4 years, Wa-Hi-Nasa has had a conclave in the spring and a mini conclave in the fall. Although there is nothing wrong with this, the current officers feel it is time for a change. Jacob Thorington, the officer in charge of Fall Fellowship, offered to speak with the Flying Eagle to help explain the changes.

Flying Eagle: So what will Fall Fellowship be like, since you are changing everything around?

Jacob Thorington: Fall Fellowship will be entirely different from anything this lodge has seen before. This year, we are going to have a Murder Mystery Weekend.

Flying Eagle: What exactly is a Murder Mystery Weekend?

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Brothers,

I am at a point in my life where change is the only thing constant. The time I am living in is a time in which I must force myself to both learn from not only what I am experiencing, but also what has happened in my past. This is a new time for me and I would like to explain it through my experiences in the OA and the BSA.

Many times I have told people that I have only been in roughly five positions in which I believed I was ready for and that I wanted to be in, but something always happened to "force" me into the other seven or eight positions. One time I was the Assistant Senior Patrol Leader and my SPL never showed up. I also remember one Chapter meeting where a Lodge Officer informed me right before we walked into the meeting that he was going to nominate me as Chapter VC. I have had to learn how to do my job while holding every position I have been, including Lodge Chief. That is one of the beauties of this Scouting program; it takes boys and puts them in positions they are not ready for. Then the best adult leaders and Advisers help the boys learn through the experiences. I have been learning lots over the past few years.

Now I am starting a new time in my life, where I have enough past to reflect and learn from. I have always tried to

look back to see if there were any lessons I missed, but as time passed it became easier. Because of this time of reflection I have been going through recently, I have made some decisions and changes. The day before this past semester, I dropped all my classes and took up different classes, causing not only a change in the degree I will receive in a couple of years, but also the college I am a part of within Tennessee Tech University.

One thing I have decided to change is my level of involvement in the OA. Many think I am very involved in the OA right now; I know my girlfriend does. I believe I have invested very little into the OA in comparison to what has been invested in me. There is a saying that I have heard and used many years, "You will get out of the OA as much as you put into it." I believe this is very true. So, now I am working to invest more, or give back. The way I am doing this is very simple:

First, I am doing my job right now.

Second, I am training people where they can replace me.

Third, I am helping all the people in the positions I have been in.

I believe that there is a way you can receive more from the OA, and simply put "give more of yourself." I encourage you to evaluate where you are in your life; then go and talk to someone who you respect about how you can get more involved.

I cannot tell you what the future will hold for our great lodge, but I can assure you of two things. The first is the fact our lodge must change to continue to grow and reach even more youth. Secondly, with your help our lodge can overcome all obstacles. Now I must ask you, what are you doing to make Wa-Hi-Nasa and the whole of Middle Tennessee Scouting better?

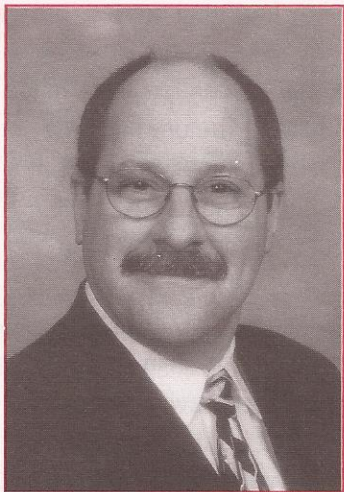
Jonathan Nation

Lodge Chief

Ordeal Weekend – Your New Beginning

We have had our Spring Ordeal and on the weekend of August 10 we completed Fall Ordeal. As a new member, you have opened the door to many new opportunities. Your election says you are a recognized leader in your troop. In return for this honor you should dedicate yourself to becoming an even better leader. You are part of an organization that is dedicated to helping scouts succeed at every level. You will have training opportunities available to you at Order of the Arrow University. You can serve your troop as a source of information as Troop OA Representative. In each district there is an OA chapter that helps with district functions, camporees, Cub Scout crossovers and day camps. There are leadership opportunities as a chapter officer lead-

ing at the district level. There are opportunities in the lodge as a chairman or lodge officer. Leaders at the chapter and lodge level have training opportunities at National Leadership Seminars and at the National Order of the Arrow Conference. Your help will be needed for future ordeals. You can be an elangomat or become a member of a ceremony team. Others can't enter the order without the help of their elder brothers. Just remember what the Order is - Brotherhood. Cheerfulness. Service. Look around at your next OA event. Notice the college students and those old gray haired guys. OA can be a long-term commitment to those values and result in many years of great times in service to others. Welcome to your new world of opportunity.



ADVISER'S CORNER

The cover story and front page illustration of this Flying Eagle features the construction of the gateway to the Josh R. Sain High Adventure Area. That article talks about the construction process and our requests for your help with materials and labor. But I want to talk about something a little different. I

want to talk about Josh. As the National Vice Chief of the Order of the Arrow, Josh did us all proud at the 1997 National Jamboree. His keynote address to the assembled masses brought down more applause than that of the President of the United States. Two weeks later, Josh was sitting on the floor of my house playing Nintendo with Peter Capp, who was seven at the time. Josh ate Chili, told jokes, and we talked late into the night about careers, and Scouting, and girls. He told me how proud he was to have been Senior Patrol Leader of his Brownsea Troop. He loved the role that the leader takes on. He was good at it. He was happy with it. He wasn't doing as well understanding girls during that time. Josh was a fabulous, motivating guy; he was also extremely human. He was what every younger man who met him wanted to be.

Josh traveled to both coasts and met all kinds of people; he was celebrated as a hero everywhere he went, yet he always loved coming home to Manchester and going on a hike with his Troop or doing a little hunting with his Dad. While he was National Vice Chief, Josh worked very hard with the OA Trail Crew at Philmont. As such, he had the right to wear gold shoulder loops and a purple patch of the National Committee on his shirt. But Josh spent two weeks in the wilderness with his crew working elbow to elbow with them to carve trails through the rock. He ate with them, laughed with them, cooked and sweat with them. And not until the crew got back into the base camp after two weeks in the wilds, did any of them know that he was a National OA officer. Josh was like that. He took quiet Tennessee values with him wherever he went. He learned that at home.

All of you know about the new OA Troop Rep program. What you may not know is that Josh was one of the pioneers of that program. He came to our troop one night to speak at Clay's Eagle Court of Honor and gave a brilliant and motivating talk, then, while he helped me load up his truck with all kinds of patrol flags, tables, and troop cere-

monial gear, he convinced me to start a pilot program to test out the OA Rep Program. Thomas Snow of our Lodge became the first official OA Rep in the Country. Each of you knows that as National Vice Chief, Josh had the opportunity to spend many weekends with famous and powerful people. He was just as likely to be eating dinner with an astronaut, a US Senator, the director of the CIA, or some Pentagon Brass, as he was with any of us. But I remember many days when he ate with me for lunch, and in fact, I had lunch with him the day he died. And just as much as you think he might have had lofty thoughts on his mind, you'd be right. He did. That day, we spent at least six hours together and we talked about all kinds of hefty topics about religion, politics, and the OA programs being rolled out. But, he was also very down-to-earth, and he wanted to talk about certain people and why they do what they do, why leaders in Scouting aren't always like they are in the Handbook, and how to improve the Fall Fellowship.

Josh was very special, and his lionhearted love of life also made him extremely approachable. He was a great leader, a brilliant orator, and a bigger than life example of what a young man could become. But, he was also a great friend, an honest teacher, and a magnetic personality. He named his dog Baden, after Robert Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of the world Scouting movement. The last three chiefs of the great Wa Hi Nasa Lodge all had personal and longstanding relationships with Josh. Brad, Clay, and Jonathan all ran with Josh and spent endless hours together with him. The moment is upon us to complete the plans these three chiefs have put together to complete Josh's memory...by finishing the construction of the memorial to him. Josh knew at a deep level that the way to keep Scouts in Scouting was to use the magic of the OA and the thrill of High Adventure to keep young men happy and engaged in the program.

We celebrate Josh's life by putting in place a combination of the two, the OA's piece of the Council's high adventure program. Whomever the youth of our lodge select as your next chief will probably not have had a deep relationship with Josh. The torch is being passed and it is time to make the memory of this great Scout a reality. Please read over the cover article and find a way to remember Josh by helping the OA to build this gateway to high adventure, keeping the teenage Scouts who are following in Josh's footsteps on the high road of Scouting.

Brother Capp

Wa-Hi-Nasa #111 Awards Form

___ **Vigil Honor** - The Vigil Honor is the highest honor the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon its members for service to the Lodge, Council, and Scouting. Any Arrowman who has been Brotherhood for a minimum of two years is eligible for nomination and consideration by the Vigil Honor Committee.

___ **Josh Sain Memorial Award**- The Josh Sain Memorial Award, formerly known as the Allogagan is the highest award presented by Wa-Hi-Nasa for exceptional service to the Lodge.

___ **Unsung Arrowman** - The Unsung Arrowman award is presented to a member that has been active for at least two years. During these two years, he must have attended at least 80% of the Lodge events. He also must not have held any lodge position, including Lodge Officer and Chairman, since his induction.

___ **Tom Parker Memorial for Excellence in Camp Promotions** - This award is presented to a youth member who makes outstanding contributions to Camping Promotion on the district or council level.

___ **Excellence in Ceremonies** - This award recognizes a youth for outstanding contribution as a member of a ceremony team that has performed at Lodge and district events.

___ **Excellence in Native American Events** - This award recognizes a youth who has furthered the Native American culture within his chapter or Lodge.

Date: _____

Name: _____ Youth or Adult: _____

District: _____ Unit: _____ Age: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Ordeal: _____ Date of Brotherhood: _____

Current registered Scouting position: _____

Rank in Scouting: _____

REASONS FOR NOMINATION:

1. How has the Arrowman served his troop? (please include leadership positions)

2. How has the Arrowman served his Chapter and Lodge? (Not including Lodge offices and Lodge Chairmanships.)

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4. List the Lodge events that the Arrowman has attended. Please describe how the Arrowman participated in the program of each event.

5. I feel he is worthy of this award for the following reasons:

For the Vigil Honor nominees, please list several personality traits / and suggestions for his Vigil Honor name.

Submitted by: _____ Date: _____

Please mail all forms to: Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge
c/o OA Secretary, Award Forms or Vigil Nominations
PO Box 150409
3414 Hillsboro Road
Nashville, TN 37215

LODGE UNIVERSAL REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Troop: _____

District: _____ E-mail: _____

Rank in Scouting: 1st Class Star Life Eagle Youth _____ Adult _____

Dates: Ordeal _____ Brotherhood _____ Vigil _____

Office: Lodge _____ Chapter: _____

Mark item(s) you are registering for:

_____ Fall Ordeal \$14 • Event Code 94

_____ Fall Fellowship \$14 until August 22, \$20 until September 3,
\$25 late registration • Event Code 960

_____ Winter Banquet \$14 • Event Code 970

All Fees based on Postmark Date

Please Mail form and Check to:

Middle Tennessee Council
OA Lodge Event/Registrations
P.O. Box 150409
Nashville, TN 37215

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Jacob Thorington: (laughs) You'll just have to come and find out. But seriously, it means that a "murder" will be committed. The weekend in a nutshell will be similar to a James Bond – Mission Impossible – Sherlock Holmes movie that each member will act in. Members will try and solve a murder.

Flying Eagle: Your idea sounds quite elaborate. What else can you tell us?

Jacob Thorington: Well, I can't say much more than that, but I can say that the weekend is almost completely planned and Summer camp has not even started [at the time of this interview]. Rob Martin is currently polishing off a five act play for the weekend, and that will be cool. We are trying to provide an elaborate show to move the mystery along. Anyone who comes should expect to see not one show Saturday night but 5 shows spread throughout the weekend, culminating Saturday night with the best show Boxwell has ever seen.

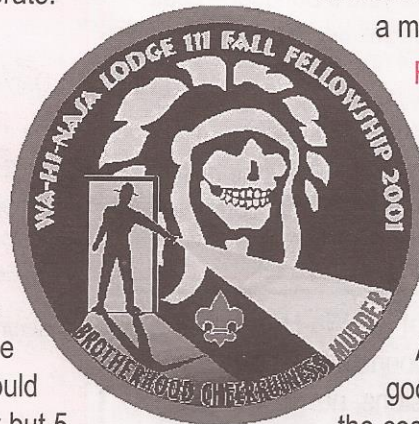
Flying Eagle: Fascinating! Why don't you tell us about the time and other details?

Jacob Thorington: Oh yeah, I always forget to mention

that. The location will be at Boxwell, as I mentioned earlier, but we have to use Camp Craig due to the type of weekend we have planned. The date to remember is September 7 – 9. We also need plenty of volunteers. So if you can act, operate shotguns, or just plain want to help out, give me a call. I will be working at Boxwell this summer or you can call my house at (931) 728 – 4187 and leave me a message.

Flying Eagle: Great, do you want to mention a price?

Jacob Thorington: I sure do. The price has been a point of confusion but this is the official price release. For those who pre-register, the cost is \$14. The deadline for pre-registration is August 22. After August 22, the cost will be \$20. This will be good until September 3. After September 3, the cost will be \$25. It is very important to pre-register. It saves you \$9 and it helps us work out the details. There is a registration form published in the newsletter. Make sure it is filled out, marked for Fall Fellowship, mailed and postmarked to the address shown before August 22, or September 3 at the latest. Check out the patch - hope you like it. 🦅



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Fall Fellowship • September 7 – 9

Winter Banquet Set

This year's Winter Banquet has been rescheduled for the traditional first weekend in December. Due to numerous conflicts and problems with the previous "between the holidays" date, the year end awards-fest and chow down will be held December 1, 2001. The event will be at the Smith Springs Church of Christ in Antioch, near the Hickory Hollow mall.

Remember, guests are welcome at the Winter Banquet, so tell your parents, grandparents, siblings, girlfriend, Uncle Mort, or anyone else you'd like to bring to mark their calendar to attend the banquet. There is also a rare and wonderful phenomenon surrounding this year's Banquet – negative inflation! That's right! This year's Banquet fee will be \$14. That's a buck less than last year.

This year, we're also planning on having a Winter Banquet activity patch for all attendees! What a deal! A buck less and a patch! Plus, if I bring mom, maybe she'll give me her patch! Be sure to check the next issue of the Flying Eagle for more details of the festivities that comprise the Winter Banquet.

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Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Calendar 2001

September 7-9	Fall Fellowship
December 1	Winter Banquet

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