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Winter Banquet Concludes the Year 2003!

They say that true character is defined when one is put through tough situations. Who said this and what was going on in their mind, I do not know. However, this holds true for all those who bent over backwards to help me put on a great Winter Banquet, and for that I am much obliged. It was about two and a half months ago that the event took place; and though the pictures and food may have been forgotten, the memories of what the event meant to the lodge will carry on year after year. Some people who I would like to recognize for their exceptional help and service to the lodge include people like Mr. Jim Reed. He was my adviser, and he offered me ideas as well as his help in acquiring needed materials. I would also like to

thank Mr. Jonathan Nation for providing the right impetus in the direction of promotions. Without those two key people, Winter Banquet would have not have run as smoothly. I would also like to thank Mr. Ian Romaine and Mr. David Williams for the technical portions and script wrap-up. I would also like to thank Mr. Tyler Belew for being the master of ceremonies for the evening. Last, I want to thank James Cartwright for getting me a list of awards and the people who earned them so I could make out a program. There are others I would like to mention but there isn't enough paper in the Flying Eagle to do so. So, thanks to everyone else. Some major points of interest that were given that night were

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Previous Unsung Arrowman recipient TJ Moore presents Jimmy Bumpus with the Unsung Arrowman Award

OAU To Begin 2004!

What a great event OAU is. What is OAU, you ask!? OAU is the Order of the Arrow University, and this will be its sixth year in existence. It is our yearly training event in which we have mixed a little of a college atmosphere with our own style of doing things. At OAU, you can experience college dorm life, great food, and the camaraderie of being in different societies. What makes it even better is that it is all jam packed into one weekend and only costs \$25. There are several new things happening this year

at OAU. We have changed the Ordeal Management degree to Event Management and have added a new class to teach you of the other events that our lodge puts on each year. We have also created a theme for the Saturday evening activities. This year there will be a Halloween theme with the events being ones that might be seen at such a party. One of these events will be Bobbing for Apples, and we will also have a piñata.

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2003 President of OAU Franklin Curtis hands a diploma to a proud graduate of the university.

The First Ever Flying Eagle Puzzle

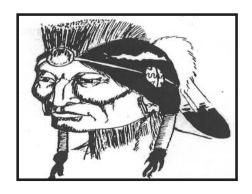
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Franklin Curtis is led in the Order of the Arrow Obligation by former lodge chief Tyler Belew

The Wise Babbler's Ceremony Advice

Being on a Ceremony team has to be one of the most rewarding jobs that the Order has to offer (and that goes for any job). To be involved in the beginning of a candidate's experience is a truly wonderful experience; however, a common misconception about ceremonies is that once you have memorized your stuff that is it; your work is done. This is not true! It is the effect you have on a candidate by learning your lines and then creating true feeling behind the words which makes being on a ceremony team spectacular. To assemble a team find a group of people who get along together well, then do things as a team before you begin to learn lines. Then, as you are learning your lines, you should begin building your regalia, making sure to craft it piece by piece. However, regalia is a very personal and solemn thing, not a costume (and must never be called a costume). The regalia should reflect you, just as you should reflect the principal you portray. There is no doubt about it; you will have fun while performing a ceremony! But always remember, the most important thing about ceremonies is the effect you incur upon the candidate by causing them to truly understand the principles of our Order. This is what makes a ceremony great! -David Allison Lippoe Wewingtonheet (Wise Babbler)

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the reemphasis on the Vigil Honor by Robin Armistead. TJ Moore presented the Unsung Arrowman award to Jimmy Bumpus. The last major recognition was the presentation of the 2004 Lodge officers and the rememberance of 2003. Once again I would like to thank all those who made the 2003 Winter Banquet a sucess. If you enjoyed events like these, I would thouroghly encourage you to come out to this year's Fall Fellowship; it's gonna be a blast!

Yours in Service, Kevin Miller 2004 Vice-Chief of Activities

"Aming" for Iowa in 2004

No, the word is not misspelled. I am talking about Ames, as in the college town. Home of the Iowa State Cyclones. What is going on in 2004 you ask? The National Order of the Arrow Conference will be occurring from July 29 to August 5. NOAC is the granddaddy of them all. It is a national event with tons of fun, training, and other unique experiences for less than half the cost of Philmont or National Jamboree.

Seven thousand Arrowmen from all over the country and around the world come together for the college life. There are awesome shows, great competitions, and a marvelous festival: Founder's Day. For more information, be sure to attend OAU. If you have already made up your mind or want more info now, call Jared Willis at (615)453-6269.

Onward to Ames!!



Former National Chief Clay Capp poses with Wa-Hi-Nasa's own national lip-syncing champions

Chiefly Speaking



2004 is going to be a great year for Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge. With great leaders in place and wonderful advisers supporting them, our Lodge is headed for a bright future. However, twenty people cannot make Wa-Hi-Nasa successful by themselves; these young men must have your cooperation and participation in order to succeed. Please use this issue of the Flying Eagle in order to collect these men's contact information. If you have any questions or would like to help these young men, please email them. As many Arrowmen know, the success of the Lodge is based mainly on the success at the Chapter level. Most Order of the Arrow (OA) Lodges cover the same geographic area of one BSA Council, and each OA chapter covers the same geographic area of one district. Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge has seventeen chapters within the Middle Tennessee Council, each with its own Chapter Chief and Adviser, Wa-Hi-Nasa has focused on many things over the past years including American Indian Events (AIE) and Ceremonies, and has successfully boosted those programs. This year shall be known as the "Year of the Chapter" and the Lodge, specifically its leadership, will do all it can to improve them. The Chapter is usually the first encounter a scout has with the Order, and thus I want to make the Chapters the strongest

possible. In order to measure the improvement of the Chapters, my first goal is for seventy-five percent of the Chapters to obtain at least Standard Chapter and thirty percent attain Honor Chapter through the Chapter Achievement Program (CAP). Each Chapter will have at least one Lodge Officer visit their meeting within the year. The first event for 2004 is Order of the Arrow University, OAU. This training event gives Arrowmen a first-hand look at how the Order works and provides them with training they can use in their Lodge, Chapter, and Troop, However, OAU does not stop with the first year. Every Arrowman is invited to return the next year to work on their Masters degree. The Masters program focuses more on leadership. Once an Arrowman has earned his Masters degree, he is able to begin work on his Ph.D. The Ph.D. program is more individualized and is not completed at OAU, rather it is worked on throughout the rest of the year. OAU is set in a college atmosphere in which all of the students sleep in dorms and go to classes that they pick to earn specific degrees in Chapters, Ceremonies, etc. This year's OAU will take place at the Smyrna Air National Guard Base on March 26-28. You can get a more information about OAU from the OAU pages: more information will be added as OAU draws closer. I hope to see everyone at this and every event. Our Lodge is prepared for a great and productive year in 2004. I encourage you to aide in its success by attending every Lodge event, your local Chapter meetings and events, and helping in any way possible. I look forward to working with my fellow officers, and I want to thank them and their advisers for the hard work they have already done.

> Yours In Service, Franklin Curtis Lodge Chief

Chapter News

Anawaha:

The Anawaha Chapter closed out 2003 with a final service project where we purchased 2 Christmas Dinners for local families in need, which we were all glad to do. During the meetings, which are the first Thursday at the Madison Street Church of Christ at 6:30 PM, we are working on unit elections. Our ceremonies team has performed several crossovers and served as the color guard at our district banquet. With the coming of spring our branch of service and activities is really starting to become active. We plan to conduct a spring camporee, and we are getting ready for our memorial day service project.

Atohuna:

We as a chapter were proud to serve our district by working at the Pow Wow. Through our chapter meetings, we discussed this and many other events, so make sure to come. Also make sure to be on the lookout for information on our District Camporee. Our chapter is going to be the host, so we have much that needs to be accomplished. Meetings are at 6:30 PM on the first Tuesday of every month at First United Methodist Church on West Main Street in Lebanon.

Chewalee:

The chapter has found a new advisor, Dr. Steven Guerin. We started the year rolling and have completed one unit election and have most of the others scheduled to be performed. We also have laid the groundwork for the district spring camporee that our chapter is responsible for planning.

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There will also be a competition for the best costume so show your creativity, but keep in mind the scout oath and law. The four societies will also have new appellations based on Halloween characters. They are the Dracula, Wolfman, Mummy, and Frankenstein Societies.

Also, awards will be presented based on academics, intramural competitions, and the Saturday evening activities. Points will be awarded to the societies that take the top spot in the three categories, and an award will be given to the society with the best overall score. Recognitions for the costume competition will be distributed on the categories of best overall. best youth, best adult, and most original. OAU is a blast; however, it is also

a place to which you come to learn skills and knowledge that will help you in your chapter, troop, and your own personal life. You will learn skills of leadership and goal setting. You will have gained the knowledge of very experienced trainers. For those of you who have never been to OAU, there is a lot that you can expect. I know that you will have a great time and that you will learn more than you know what to do with. Choose a major that interests you the most and do your best to soak everything that you can from your classes. If you have been to OAU before, then there are still new things being offered to you. You can earn your Masters or pursue your Doctorate if you have been to OAU for more than two years.

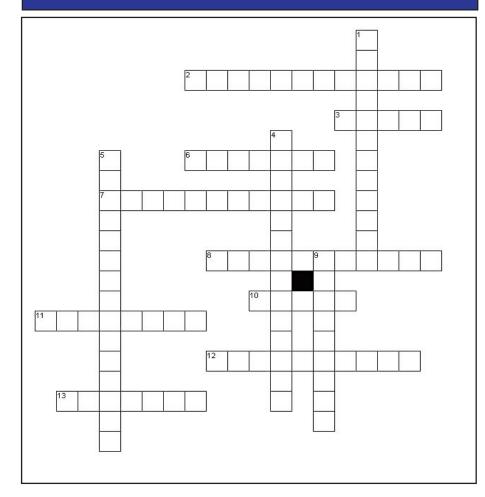
I look forward to seeing everyone there. It is my hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to further your knowledge of the OA and vourself, and then after doing so. take what you have learned and utilize it in your troops and chapters.

> Kyle Duckworth Vice-Chief of Service



Matt Clothier proudly waves the Nutiket Society flag.

Wa-Hi-Nasa Crossword Puzzle for March 2004!



CLUES

- 2. The Guard of the circle symbolizes this important principal of the OA
- 3. The OA body that operates on a council level
- 6. The Chief is a manifestation of this principle
- 7. The Tribe of Delaware Indians in the Ordeal legend
- 8. The Medicine Man represents this aspect of the ideals of the OA
- 10. The Son of the noble chief
- 11. The name of our lodge
- 12. A member undertakes an ordeal and then is inducted through the means of this
- 13. The OA group that resembles the lodge but operates on a district level

Down

- 1 The Delaware Indian word for Cheerful
- 4 The Indian word for Brotherhood
- 5. In the legend the Indians were of this type
- 9. A person who serves with scouts as they go through their ordeal

In order to see the answers to this crossword puzzle grab the next issue of the Flying Eagle.

The 2003 First Ever Winter Camp

Of the first year of the Middle Tennessee Council Wa-Hi-Nasa Winter Camp, I can say nothing but good things. It was a great success, and my adviser Ian Romaine and I could not have hoped for better. To all of my staff, for the time you volunteered and the astounding efforts you put forth, I thank you. None of what we as a lodge accomplished would have been worth it if you the members had not been there to support and carry out the daunting task. But as good an event as it was, that was only the beginning; it is now our task to take what we have learned and experienced and apply it to making this next Winter Camp even better (if that is possible). A quick recap on the inaugural experience: Arrowmen arrived on Friday, December 26 and work began, setting up tents, getting job assignments, and learning the secrets to staying warm. On December 27, campers arrived for the first time ever, parking cars, pitching tents, and also, learning the secrets of staying warm. Sunday is when the real fun started though, with a multitude of merit badges in the morning and a plethora of activity in the afternoon. We had everything from Horsemanship merit badge to a root beer chugging competition, and we wrapped the day up with a great worship service by Dominick Azzara in the evening. And this was only day one. Day two was the rough day, cold and wet, but the staff stuck in there and the campers followed suit. Day three the weather was back on our side. and we were able to wrap up an excellent event with an equally excellent closing campfire ceremony put together by Ryan Belew and his adviser, Rob Guisinger. At the campfire we recognized all of the Scoutmasters, merit badge counselors, and staff that came out to volunteer their time for the camp. We recognized the leaders who took the plunge into Old Hickory for the Polar Bear swim. And lastly, we distinguished

guished the one that excelled in both physical and mental challenges, Troop 341, whose members were presented with the Winter Camp shield that will be posted in the Stahlman dining hall for all to see. On Wednesday, December 31, we wrapped things up and headed out, year one down and many more to go! Again, my thanks to everyone who came out and helped, to everyone who came out and participated, and to everyone who did anything to make this camp a success whether your face was seen or your name recognized or not. I hope to see all of you again in '04 and many more I hope.

> 2003 Winter Camp Director, Tyler Belew



Where there is work to be done, there is an OA member.



Now you know this guy is thinking Winter Camp is the place to be!



Eager scouts learn about the customs of Native Americans.



Now this is service: being fed not only great food, but being served by your own 2003 Winter Camp Staff!

Meet Your Wa-Hi-Nasa Officers!

Name: Franklin Curtis Job: Lodge Chief

Description: Franklin Curtis is an Eagle Scout out of Troop 341. He is currently a senior at Wilson Central High School and is planning to attend the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. He is the president of Mu Alpha Theta and a former member of the Wilson Central Swim Team. He looks forward to working with all of his officers making our Lodge the best it can be.





Name: Colin Klaus Job: Secretary

Description: Colin Klaus is a student at Blackman High School in Murfreesboro. When he is not doing scouting activities, Colin can be found playing his trumpet, working in a church activity, or just relaxing in his home. Colin is a member of Troop 398 in Murfreesboro, where he is currently serving as the SPL. Colin has held other positions for the Lodge and is looking forward to the challenges he will face this year.

Name: Kyle Duckworth Job: Vice-Chief of Training Description: Kyle has attained the rank of Eagle Scout and has been awarded the Vigil Honor this past year. Some of Kyle's hobbies are wrestling and playing trumpet. Kyle is also zealously involved with band and manages to maintain a 3.85 GPA at his high school, Cheatham County High.





Name: Nate House Job: Treasurer

Description: After serving in scouting since he was six years old, Nate has become an Eagle Scout from troop 224 in Cogioba district and a brotherhood member of Wa-Hi-Nasa lodge. While serving the OA through means like ceremonies, Nate has had ample experience and history with money in the Lodge. Most importantly, Nate is looking forward to the challenge and the great learning opportunity of serving as the Lodge Treasurer in the year 2004.

Name: Jeff Finley Job: Vice-Chief of Service Description: Jeff is a sophomore at Hillsboro High School. There he is a venture crew member of crew 221. To Jeff the OA has always been a point of intrigue. Over the course of Jeff's career in the OA, he has been Chapter Chief, Conclave Chairman, and now Vice-Chief of Service.



Chapter News Continued

We will be holding our meetings at First Presbyterian Church in downtown Columbia. We meet the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm. Our next meeting will be on March 4 where we discuss holding more unit elections.

Kitan:



Nendawen:

After receiving multiple awards at the Winter Banquet, the Nendawen Chapter is continuing to grow this year. Our meetings are well attended. and more OA members have gotten involved in various committees. We have been gaining a reputation for providing ceremonies and AIE (American Indian Events) demonstrations of drumming and dancing.

Currently the chapter is working on regalia, crafting a new drum, and gearing up for Conclave.

Wdee:

As you may know, we have a long list of events that are not only exciting, but are very educational in the OA world. The opportunity to meet people in our Lodge, Section, and Nation through these events is truly fantastic. Knowing this, we would love to have you join us for our times of fellowship and service. Just a reminder, the main chapter meeting is on the first Thursday of every month at 7:00pm at the North Blvd. CoC. Also, our chapter has instituted a fun night where we

Job: Vice-Chief of Activities Description: Kevin is an Eagle Scout out of troop 263. His hobbies include playing around, practicing guitar, and sleeping in late on the weekends. One of Kevin's favorite phrases that is appropriate to the OA is that one man can not make something great. It is only an individual acting through a group of people that can cause an

individual to do something great.

Name: Kevin Miller



Lodge Adviser's Corner



The great automobile manufacturer of the past century, Henry Ford, once said, "Whether you think you can or whether you think you can't, you are right." While Ford may have exaggerated slightly, I like his positive manner of thinking! When you have the faith and determination to do what is necessary, often you will succeed in your endeavor. Perseverance certainly is a key element in doing anything worthwhile. Grantland Rice, for whom a football bowl game was named in prior years was fond of saving. "Winning comes second. Wanting to, comes first." So it is with our own work in the Order of the Arrow. We must first develop a positive attitude, earnestly believing that we have the ability to accomplish our goals. We then must persevere (work long and hard), giving the task the time and attention necessary. Then, when we develop the positive attitude, "wanting" to succeed, winning, or succeeding in reaching our goal only comes naturally. In order for our Order to serve our members in a positive way, we must be diligent in carrying out our duties. This year, many of us have accepted new and challenging positions of responsibility, whether in the Lodge or in the Chapter. I challenge you, whether you are a youth or an adult, to develop the positive attitude that is necessary in order to accomplish new and more lofty heights than ever before reached! So it has been in our very initial stages of our year. Our First Annual Winter Camp was a striking success! Past Chief Tyler Belew, Adviser Ian Romaine, Chief Franklin Curtis, Adviser

Steve Miller, and numerous other Arrowmen worked diligently, both in planning and carrying out a fabulous program! You should see the evaluations, both from youth and leaders!! What a credit to the Order and to Scouting!! We also have had a very successful Lodge Officer Training at the Fehrman Training Center where youth and adult advisers have worked hard, planning for the coming year. Now Vice-Chief Kyle Duckworth and Adviser Carl Head are finalizing plans for an Order of the Arrow University (OAU) which will be second to none! If you haven't registered, do yourself a favor---get your registration in quickly so you won't miss the weekend of learning and excitement! By the way---Conclave and NOAC are just around the corner! Get your registration in if you haven't already. If your unit has not had an election this year, please mention it to your leader. We have election teams in every Chapter waiting to come in to hold elections. Remember that unless we are diligent in conducting elections in every unit, there will be youth who will never have the opportunity to enjoy the challenge and the opportunity to be an Arrowman! So, do your part! Accept the challenge. As Henry Ford said, "Think you can [and

> Lodge Adviser, Chancellor Bob Corlew

be] right!"

Don't see your Chapter?
Make sure to remind your
Chapter Chief to turn in their
article. This is a great
opportunity for them to
advertise what they are
doing locally and get more
people involved.

Final Chapter News Section

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go out and just have fun. The event is bowling this time around so come to the next meeting to find out more!

Wewoapisak:

The Wewoapisak chapter has started out to a great year. T.J. Moore, the current Chapter Chief, has arranged many activities for the Chapter members, including service projects and fun activities like cookouts. The next activity is the Chapter's first service project at Room at the Inn on March 6, 2004. To find out about this and other Lodge and Chapter events, attend a Wewoapisak Chapter meeting at the Hermitage District Round Table every second Tuesday of the month.

Witschindin:

The Witschindin Chapter is all set to continue our tradition of service and improvement. With our members becoming greater in experience and greater in number, we've got the foundation for a great year. Already we've had a chapter lock-in, which was a blast. We had 13 youth and about 7 adults attend the lock-in, which doubled as an informational meeting. We talked about all the upcoming events of the year and had a guest speaker, Mr. Bushnell, come and give us a talk about getting our regalia up to date. He offered both his time and service, along with much needed materials, to help us on our way to getting our ceremonies team ready with authentic regalia. Thanks a lot to Mr. and Mrs. Bushnell! Witschindin has also begun our unit elections for the vear and has many of the crossover ceremonies planned. We're setting our expectations high hoping to make this year our best so far.

Wulalowe:

Our chapter has grown! We have recently gained a few new guys who also have started helping with our ceremonies team. I hope that we keep this enthusiasm, and with it go full steam ahead into this new year!



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Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Calendar 2004

March 26-28 OA University
April 23-25 Section SR 6N Conclave
June 4- 6 Spring Ordeal
July 31- Aug 5 NOAC
August 13-15 Fall Ordeal
September 17-19 Fall Fellowship
December 4 Winter Banquet

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