

Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge No.111 -- Middle Tennessee No.560 -- Vol. 142 No.1 -- March 2006 -- Ian Weir, Editor

## Winter Camp Brought an End to a Great Year

Well the months of hard work and planning from my chairmen, their advisors, myself and my advisers has paid off. All the hard work came down to one week. The week we had all been anticipating for for a year and I can honestly and proudly say that Winter Camp 2005 was a HUGE success. It was the highest attended winter camp yet. We had a record number of both staff and campers. The week was packed full of fun and fellowship. Every arrowman that worked had a great time. The afternoon activities rocked, the evening shows awed, and our training blew the scout's sock off! Our service crew, the guys behind the scene, did some unbelievable work and kept things running smoothly. Our registration guys also did a great job. And the kitchen crew did an awesome job keeping us full of good food and hot chocolate.

Everything about winter camp was great. The food was awesome, and the fellowship in the dinning hall was great every meal. During the week we were lucky enough to have a dance team from Ittawamba come down and put on a show for us. The dancers were unbelievable! We also had an OA cracker barrel that was highly attended. All of our staff members were in good spirits the entire week. We, as a lodge made a very good impression on the council and all the troops that came out to winter camp. I would like to thank everyone that gave up half of their Christmas break to serve the council and the lodge by working at winter camp 2005.

Thank you to everyone that helped to make Winter Camp 2005 a huge success.

Spirits are high as Winter Camp brings 2005 to a close.

-lan Weir 2005 winter camp chairman



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# **Josh Sain Gateway Dedication**

On December 3rd, family and friends of the late Josh Sain gathered at Boxwell Reservation for a dedication ceremony and cutting of the ribbon. Among those in attendance were Josh's parents, John and Melba Sain, and Josh's sister. Former National Chief Clay Capp, former Southern Region Chief Jim Chetham, and former Lodge Chief Brad Goodwin all spoke at the Winter Banquet, which immediately followed the Dedication ceremony. Capp, Chetham, and Goodwin all shared about their personal friendship with Sain, and about the example of leadership he gave to them and many others. The gateway stands at the entrance to the High Adventure Area at Boxwell Reservation. In addition to serving as a wonderful entrance to the high adventure facilities, the gateway will serve as a bus stop for the summer camp shuttle. The lodge officers will do the additional landscaping to improve visual appeal and to accommodate this bus stop, as a special project during the spring.

# Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Seminar

On March 3, 4, and 5, fellow brothers gathered at Boxwell Scout Reservation for the annual Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Seminar. Time has allowed me to look back and reflect on this weekend. Friday night started with an exceptional motivational speech on leadership by Mr. Lou Holtz. This was followed by a game of OA Jeopardy run by the staff. Much thanks to the individuals who pieced together the questions and ran the show. Saturday began with a wonderful meal; I would like to give my thanks to the individuals who cooked all the great food throughout the weekend. Shortly after breakfast the training sessions began; throughout the day, different sessions were taught on the nuts and bolts of Leadership. I would like to thank the individuals who helped teach throughout the day. Finally the day was finished with a viewing of "Miracle." Sunday wrapped up with an evaluation session about the weekend. The final evaluation score for the weekend was a 4.3 out of a 5. I would like to thank all the individuals who participated this weekend. Also, I would like to thank my advisor, Mr. Ben Parker for all his encouragement and help through the planning and execution of WLS 2006.

Yours in WWW,
- Ryan Davidson
2006 Vice Chief of Training

# **Spring Ordeal**

Well it's about that time of year again. The time of year when we role up our sleeves and do a little work for the council. That's right we are only a few short months away form the spring Ordeal! You might say to yourself "hey I'm already in the OA. Why do I need to go to another ordeal? Though the question you should ask yourself is why NOT go to the ordeal? Ordeals are not limited to just candidates. There are plenty of things to be done by members such as being an elegomat, working in the kitchen, ceremonies, construction crew, members crew and much more. You can come out to cheerfully serve and to have a good time. There will be a cracker barrel both nights, and who knows maybe even a swim party Friday night. So if you want to help out the council, the lodge, and Camp Boxwell come on out to the spring ordeal and lend a hand. If you are interested in working at the ordeal please contact Danny Waltman at vicechiefofservice@wa-hi-nasa.org

Yours In Service.

- Danny Waltman

# **Chiefly Speaking**

Dear Brothers,

We are now entering into the busiest season of the lodge calendar. Just around the corner are several events and opportunities for you, as arrowmen, to participate in. The new training event, Wa-hinasa Leadership Seminar or WLS which was held on March 3rd-5th, provided many of you with the skills to lead and the know how to get involved. With the training event over, it is now time to put our skills into use.

Section Conclave is an event that I look forward to every year. It is a time to gather and compete with 600 other arrowmen from Tennessee, Kentucky, southwest Virginia, and northern Mississippi. This year, our lodge is in charge of the Show for Saturday night of the Conclave, and we need lots of help. There are iobs available from operating Audio/Video equipment, building fires, taking pictures for the slideshow, and ushering the masses at the show, to playing a role in the 90th rededication ceremony. If you would like to get involved with the show, please contact me at lodgechief@wahi-nasa.org. If you would like to have more information about attending, please contact Nate Danielson, our Contingent Leader, at conclave@wa-hi-nasa.org.

Only one short month after conclave is our annual spring ordeal. It is a good time to put in a few service hours for our beloved boxwell, or just to come and hang out, eat good food, and enjoy some new things we have planned for the cracker-barrels. Positions are available for elangomats, members work crews, registration, kitchen staff, and a host of other cool jobs. If you are interested in helping out, or just want to come and need more information, contact Danny Waltman at

vicechiefofservice@wa-hi-nasa.org.

One of the best ways to train new lodge leaders, and to spark an interest in the OA that will last a lifetime, is to ensure that attendance at the National Order of the Arrow Conference reaches maximum capacities. I have set an aggressive goal of taking 75 members to NOAC to represent Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge. The 2002 and 2004 NOACs continue to be a couple of my

greatest scouting memories. It is the most fun that you can have in 1 week, and I can almost guarantee it. If you have not signed up for NOAC 2006, then I highly recommend signing up as soon as possible. It is worth every penny. For more information, please visit www.event.oa-bsa.org

Our theme for this year falls in line with the Idea of training leaders for the future. Our theme is "Building the foundations for a stronger future." Just as laying the foundation for the Josh Sain memorial gateway was not easy, our task of training the next generation of lodge leaders will incur hard work, and dedication to our principle. This theme does not only apply to our spring training event, but it means that there will be quality training at all lodge events.

While training gives the skills needed to lead, it is all in vain if they are not used. So, I challenge you to get involved. Call or e-mail one of the Lodge Officers to see how you can help. This is a call to service. Answer the call, and it will rock your world. I hope to see you at Conclave.

Yours in Service, Jeff Finley 2006 Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Chief

## **Unit Elections**

It's time for some new members in the lodge. It's time for unit elections! As each chapter knows the first of the year is the best time for unit elections. Unit elections are important because Each year we are potentially electing a lodge chief for the future. We want every deserving scout to have the chance to join the order of the arrow. So we encourage chapters to begin scheduling unit elections now so we can have an outrageous attendance at the spring ordeal. If you have any questions about unit elections please contact: unitelections@wa-hi-nasa.org

## **Conclave 2006 Sure To Be A Blast**

Have you ever been to sweet camporee and competed against other troops? Well you have a chance to take that a step further. Conclave 2006 is in Eudora, Mississippi and is hosted by Ahoaloan Nachpikin. Conclave is like a big camporee but better! Conclave gives arrowmen the opportunity to compete with other lodges in the Quest for the golden arrow. (Which Wa-Hi-Nasa will win). On top of the guest there are also many great training opportunities. Conclave training is held Saturday morning. The training offered at conclave is some of the best training you can get for the order of the arrow. There are many different sessions offered, without a doubt there is something for everyone. Then in the afternoon THE QUEST BEGINS! This is when all of the lodges get together to compete against each other in many different competition games. If we win, we get to take home the golden arrow. Wa-Hi-Nasa's goal this year is to take no less then 111 arowmen to conclave. We will need all the help we can get to reach this goal. Bring as many arrowmen as you can. No arrowman will be disappointed in the conclave experience. If you want to go to conclave but you don't have a ride no worries, call me, Nate Danielson at 1-931-962-4864 and I will find you a ride to conclave. We Never Leave an Arrowman Behind!!!

Yours In Service, Nate Danielson

# **2006 Summer Camp Staff Opportunities**

There are a few good opportuntiles remaining on our 2006 Summer Camp Staff!

> Green Bar Trading Post E-Con Scout Craft Water Front Cubworld Instructor

Simply go to www.mtcbsa.org and print off an application, fill it out and mail it to Camping, Boy Scouts of America, 3414 Hillsboro Road, Nashville, TN 37215

We will let you know within 15 days if we'll hire you. You must be a registered scout or leader in BSA and you must be 15 years old by June 4, 2006.

# **Calling All Elangomats**

As we are preparing for the spring ordeal we are looking for Elegomats to help out at the ordeal. Being an elgomat is a very important job. The elegomat is the first OA member that the candidates work with. The Elegomat can shape a young candidate into a good member. We plan on having a large ordeal so we will need a good number of volunteers to have enough Elegomats for the spring ordeal. If you are interested in volunteering to be an elegomat at the spring ordeal please contact Jonathan Azzara at elangomat@wa-hi-nasa.org

# **Ceremony Teams**

The spring ordeal is fastly approaching and now is the time to get your ceremony team ready. The ceremonies are one of the most influential and important parts of the ordeal. The ceremonies are the first real O.A activity candidates see, the ceremony can make a huge impression on the candidate We are looking for both pre-ordeal and ordeal ceremony teams for the spring ordeal. If you have a ceremony team new or old we would like you to come out to the spring ordeal and give a hand. If your team would be interested in doing a ceremony for the ordeal please contact ceremonies@wa-hi-nasa.org

Don't See Your Chapter? Make sure to remind your chief of the great opportunity they have to get members involved by submitting articles to the Flying Eagle! Next submission deadline - April 21

## **Advisor's Corner**



Are you ready......

As we begin the new year, we look forward to the many events that are scheduled for 2006. Your chief, Jeff Finley has been busy working with his vice-chiefs, secretary, treasurer, and other youth chairmen on this year's events.

Our first event, WLS (Wa-Hi-Nasa Leadership Seminar) was held March 3rd through 5th at Boxwell Reservation. The weekend training was offered to help youth and adult arrowmen develop better leadership skills.

In April, the section Conclave will be held in Eudora, Ms. This event brings all the lodges in our section together to compete in the Quest for the Golden Arrow award. This award is presented to the Lodge who scores the most points during the weekend competitions. Our lodge finished second place last year. I invite all arrowmen to attend this year's conclave and help us win the Quest for the Golden Arrow.

This summer is full of opportunities for brotherhood and fun. The Spring and Fall Ordeals will be an opportunity to greet new arrowmen, watch our ceremony teams perform, and provide service to our camp. Every Wednesday evening during Summer Camp we offer a cracker barrel at the OA Lodge. Come out and enjoy the program and ice cream. Also, if you are an Ordeal member and eligible, this is a great time to seal your membership in the OA by going through Brotherhood,

This year we will travel to the Michigan State campus in late July for the National Order of the Arrow Conference. This event brings arrowmen from all over the country together for 5 days of training, brotherhood, service, and fun. If you have never experienced this event, you should consider attending this year. It is a fantastic experience that you will not forget.

Our Fall Fellowship will be held in September at Boxwell. This year's theme is a pirate theme with lots of games, food, and fun. Besides the fun, this event is extremely important to attend because we elect the new Lodge officers for the next year. Come out and support the lodge and vote for next year's officers.

The Council Jamboree will be held in mid October. This council event brings Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venture Crews together for a great weekend. Our lodge is planning on being a part of the Jamboree. There will be more details to follow.

Our year will wind down in December at the Winter Banquet. At this event, we recognize our chapters who have met requirements to earn recognition. Individual arrowmen may also be recognized for their achievements during the year. Also, the newly elected Lodge officers will take their respective positions and assume their responsibilities.

This year will mark our 4th Winter Camp to be held December 27th through the 30th at Boxwell. Each year, the Winter Camp attendance has steadily increased from the previous year. Come out and be a part of this growing tradition that is sponsored by our Lodge.

I look forward to seeing you at these events.

Robert Guisinger 2006 Deputy Supreme Chief of the Fire



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## Section Conclave - April 21-23, 2006

### Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Calendar 2006

April 21-23 Section Conclave
June 2-4 Spring Ordeal
July 29- Aug 5 NOAC
August 11-13 Fall Ordeal
September 15-17 Fall Fellowship
December 2 Winter Banquet
December 27-30 Winter Camp

Conclave Eudora, MS
Ordeal Boxwell Reservation
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Banquet TBA
Camp Boxwell Reservation

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