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Perfect Fun at Boxwell this Fall!

2007 Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Fall Fellowship
September 14—16, 2007

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Are you a new ordeal member seeking an opportunity to meet other arrowmen in our lodge, or an active member of Wa-Hi-Nasa awaiting the perfect chance to catch up with your brothers in scouting? Either way, Fall Fellowship is the perfect event to become active in the lodge and meet new people.

Fall Fellowship 2007 is September 14-16 at Camp Stahlman. Each year the Fall Fellowship has a theme. Example themes are western, World War 2, Medieval, and last year's Pirate theme. This year the theme is **High Adventure**. Just knowing the theme can spark ideas about the activities at this year's Fall Fellowship. Shotgun shooting and canoeing are some activities promised at Fall Fellowship. Friday night is the first opportunity to meet new friends at the cracker barrel. Food, fun, and a movie about NOAC 2006 will all be available Friday night at Fall Fellowship. Saturday is action packed with arrowmen participating in high adventure activities and the lodge beginning its election process with nominations for lodge positions. If you would like to have a choice in who is the next lodge chief, then come to Fall Fellowship.

Also, amongst the fun and fellowship, some fellow brothers who have fulfilled their obligation and devoted much time to the lodge will be honored during the Vigil Callout ceremony. The Vigil candidates for the year will be honored for their hard work and determination to serve with a cheerful spirit. Sunday ends with the election of the 2008 Lodge Officers. Chapters, based on the number of arrowmen from their chapter who are present, will get to cast 1-10 votes for each candidate, so sign up for Fall Fellowship to increase your chapter's number of votes.

You will walk away from a perfectly fun weekend with memories that will last and friends that will last. The cost is \$22 before the event so sign up today. Log on to Wa-Hi-Nasa.org for more details. If you have specific questions you can contact vicechiefactivities@Wa-Hi-Nasa.org.

2008 Lodge Calendar

Wa-Hi-Nasa Leadership Seminar	March 14—16
Section SR-6N Conclave	April 18 - 20
Spring Ordeal	May 30 - June 1
Fall Ordeal	Aug 8 - 10
Fall Fellowship	Sept 19 - 21
Winter Banquet	Dec 6

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Chiefly Speaking



Brothers,

Our lodge leadership has been busy learning and seeing new ideas at the recent National Conservation and Leadership Summit. We were busy all week formulating our lodge's plan for the next five years. Coming soon will be our vision for our lodge for 2008-2012. As soon as it is finalized it will be shared with all lodge members soon. This new plan will take great strides towards the integration of lodge service and service to scouting and the council.

While the allure of NCLS to some was the promise of meeting attractive college females, I could not be distracted by such endeavors. I was on a mission to crack the vague and stilted language of the OA's own Five Year Strategic Plan, and figure out how we could make it work within our lodge. While talking to many National Committee Members and National Officers, I began to realize that much of this plan was already in full effect in the Wa-Hi-Nasa lodge. However, this does not mean that in the following years we should aim to maintain the status quo. On the contrary, these next few years will be an opportunity for us to expand our programs and provide more service to the council through programs.

Make sure that you all come to Fall Fellowship the weekend of September 14th for the unveiling of our approved Strategic Plan, in addition to a thorough walkthrough of the National Strategic Plan.

Yours In Service,

Tyler Stein
2007 Lodge Chief



Spring Extravaganza

Mark your calendars!

*A weekend of fun and great training
for ALL arrowmen!*

March 14-16, 2008
at Smyrna National Guard Armory

You won't want to miss it!

We'll post details about how to register, etc. on the web site in the coming months, so watch the web site (a good idea anyway – there's lots of great stuff on there!)

<http://www.wa-hi-nasa.org/>

Adviser's Corner



SALT

On July 31, the last night of the National Conservation and Leadership Seminar, I had the opportunity to listen to our National Chief speak. In his speech, he related a story about the importance of salt to the human race.

Here is my twist on the story and how it relates to our lodge.

Salt is a major ingredient that is used to

season our food. When we use salt to season our food, it usually takes several shakes to spread multiple granules of salt onto the food. Everyone's tastes are different, so not everyone will require the same amount of salt to provide the added seasoning to satisfy their taste buds.

In the early days, Salt was used to preserve foods. Early settlers did not have the convenience of cold storage from refrigerators or freezers as we have today. They would use an abundance of salt to cover their meat to preserve it for later consumption.

Salt can help to improve the taste of your food. It can also be used with water to create a mouthwash for sores you may have in your mouth. Simply rinse your mouth out with this salt and water solution to expedite and improve your oral health.

We have identified three attributes of Salt: 1. it seasons, 2. it preserves, 3. it improves. So how is salt related to our lodge? Why is it important to our lodge? Do we need salt in the lodge? Do we have salt in the lodge?

Consider each member a granule of salt. We need salt for the same reasons mentioned above. We need to constantly season our younger members for them to one day lead the lodge and chapters as youth officers and chairmen. Seasoned older arrowmen can provide help in continuing this seasoning process.

We need salt to continue to preserve our values not only in our Lodge and Chapters but also in Scouting and our Society. Our values must be maintained and passed on in our future.

Every year we should not be complacent to just do what was done the year before. We should strive to improve on what we did last year.

Salt is comprised of tiny individual granules and one granule is a start, but will not provide enough to recognize a huge difference, however, when we use multiple granules of salt, we begin to realize a difference and see results.

I challenge you to band together like salt and help season our lodge, work to preserve our values, and participate to improve our lodge and the members in it.

Yours in Scouting,

Robert Guisinger
2007 Lodge Adviser

ArrowCorps⁵

Are you looking for a once in a lifetime service learning fun adventure for the summer of 2008? Then you need to check out ArrowCorps⁵. It is the largest service project ever undertaken by the Boy Scouts of America to date. Five thousand arrowmen will blaze trails, remove invasive species, restore natural habitats, and perform other conservation related projects at five of the United States most beautiful National Forests. The selected Forests are: George Washington and Jefferson National Forests in Virginia, Mark Twain National Forest in Missouri, Bridger-Teton National Forest in western Wyoming, Manti-La Sal National Forest in southeastern Utah, and Shasta-Trinity National Forest in northern California. One thousand arrowmen will work at each park during the summer for one week. Each park has specific projects that will improve its natural beauty and ecosystems.

Is work the only thing to do? No! One day of the action packed week has been set aside for recreation. Some recreational activities include fishing, canoeing, white-water rafting, horse-back riding, hiking, and touring local historical sites. A fun time has been promised by each site commissioner.

Wa-Hi-Nasa has looked at going as a lodge to the George Washington and Jefferson National Forests. Combined, both forests stretch from one end of Virginia to the other. They cover 1.8 million acres of land. Thanks to ArrowCorps⁵ five miles of horse trail will be added to these forests, invasive plants will be removed, minor trail will be refurbished, and a new trail leading for the parks marina to the ocean will be constructed. Sign up today to experience a service project like no other. Visit www.event.oa-bsa.org for more details about each site. Also look for more information about this exciting program in the summer of 2008 in future editions and on the lodge website.

ARROWCORPS⁵
A HIGHER ADVENTURE

Blazing Ordeal in August

105 degrees and new 105 members clean up Boxwell

Strange lodge fact: The Fall Ordeal is really in mid-August.

Wa-Hi-Nasa lodge had one the hottest and safest ordeals in several years on August 10-12 at Boxwell Scout Reservation. Ranger Steve Belew said that the 3 camps could not be cleaned up and closed without the help of both the candidates and members. Ranger Steve also stated "that he and council appreciate all the work of so many arrowmen!"

In lingo of one summer camp staffer "the plats were tilted, the mats were stored and the cots were moved" For those not so familiar with summer camp take down there is a lot to do. Over 830 wooden tent platform need to be tilted and have a heavy concrete block placed under it. A regular tent platform may weigh as much as 80 pounds. Over 890 canvas tents are checked and folded correctly before being stored. Over 1500 steel & thick plywood cots weighing over 40 pounds also must be stored.

The ceremony bug has really bitten the chapters between the council office in Nashville and Boxwell. All three chapters that performed so well at the Fall Ordeal are in the zone east of the council office the fine chapters that did so well are Hermitage, Cherokee and Walton Trail.



The Quick Facts:

New Members inducted - 105

Members helping at the Ordeal - 108

Elangomats serving - 20

New Brotherhood members - 15

Current lodge membership - 897

Percentage of eligible members who are Brotherhood-
50%

High Temperature for the weekend - 105 degrees

Temperature in the swimming pool during the weekend
82 degrees

Cold Drinks sold at trading post during the weekend
543

Watermelons consumed - 14

Tent Plat forms tilted for the winter - 615

Gallons of water consumed - unlimited

Number of Ordeals attended by Howard B. Olson
???

2007 Lodge Awards Form

The 2007 Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Awards Form is now available at wa-hi-nasa.org website! This is a most important aspect of Lodge membership. Please reflect on your experiences this last year and if there were Arrowmen who truly embodied our purposes of:

- Exemplifying the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives
- Developed and maintained camping traditions and spirit
- Promoted Scout camping
- Crystallized the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others

then please print out and complete this form and submit it to the address on the form or even better... bring it with you to Fall Fellowship on Friday, September 14 and turn it in at the Registration table.



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Upcoming Events

Fall Fellowship (Boxwell)
Winter Banquet (Smith Springs Church of Christ, Antioch)
Winter Camp (Boxwell)

September 14-16
December 1
December 27-31

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Next Submission Deadline: **October 1, 2007**

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