



The Flying Eagle

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LODGE CELEBRATES LIFE OF HOWARD OLSON

“Iconic Figure” Changed Lives

Howard Olson, former Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge and section adviser passed away October 31st at the age of 80.

Those who had the honor to be advised by him will never forget how a quiet, unassuming man could offer such direct and profound advice that often began with a simple question; “Got a minute?”

“For four decades, Mr. Olson has been the iconic figure of our lodge. His concern, wisdom and dedication to the Order for so many years has no equal,” said former Lodge Adviser Chris Snoddy.

Mr. Olson wore many titles and earned even more awards during his many years of service to Scouting in Middle Tennessee. These awards include the Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver, Silver Antelope, and the OA Dis-

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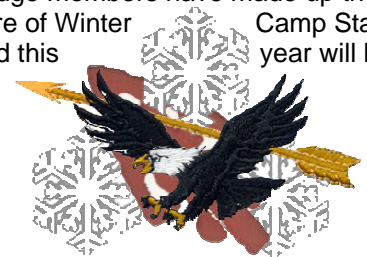
Winter Banquet Brings the “Ties” Together

December 6th is the date of Wa-Hi-Nasa’s Winter Banquet, hosted by Jackson Park Church of Christ in the Inglewood neighborhood of Nashville. The Winter Banquet is a great time for food and fellowship. We will be recognizing Arrowmen who have faithfully served the lodge in the passed year. We will also induct the 2009 Lodge Officers.

This year, there is a theme with this event: “Ties of Brotherhood.” To honor these ties, men are asked to wear a tie with their uniforms. So dig out your best, or coolest, tie and join the fun at Winter Banquet. To register, go to the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge website, <http://www.wa-hi-nasa.org> or send in the registration form included in this edition of *The Flying Eagle*. Early bird registration for the event costs \$16 and ends November 17. Hope to see you there!

Winter Camp Almost Here!

The weather is turning a bit colder and that can only mean one thing - It’s Time For Winter Camp! Make sure you plan to be at Boxwell on December 27-31. Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge members have made up the core of Winter Camp Staff and this year will be



no exception. Those interested in helping staff Winter Camp should email wintercamp@wa-hi-nasa.org and plan to arrive at Boxwell on December 26th at 1 PM. There is still need for staff in all program areas, especially adults to instruct merit badges.

A pre-camp day of service is scheduled for Saturday, December 13th to make ready for camp. Come out and help have a “Wild, Wild, Western” camping experience and help Wa-Hi-Nasa continue this popular Middle Tennessee Council holiday tradition.

Premier Year for ArrowCorps¹¹¹ Program A Success

Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge continues to play a key role in the development of Latimer High Adventure Reservation.

Through the ArrowCorps¹¹¹ program, the lodge constructed almost a half-mile of Bee Creek Trail this year alone. This trail is a vital connection of Latimer property to the surrounding areas. We have had over 15 crews go to



Latimer in this inaugural year. These crews have provided over two-thousand hours of service to Latimer in clearing the Bee Creek Trail, Rose Cave Trail, new mountain bike trails, and other service needs of this reservation.

Our work at Latimer is far from over. New crews are needed to con-

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Chiefly Speaking

It has been a wonderful and exciting year. One moment we were work-

ing together at Winter Camp, and now our year is coming to a close as we prepare for our annual Winter Banquet. Recapping the year, we have had some landmark events transpire since December of 2007. We had our largest Winter Camp of over 600 campers and staff.

We successfully implemented our new five year strategic plan. We successfully started our ArrowCorps¹¹¹ service program for the council's new Latimer High Adventure Res-



ervation. We also sent thirty five Arrowmen to the national service project ArrowCorps⁵. This helped our Council earn the National Trailblazer award given for this project. We could not have done any of these things without the dedication and support of the Arrowmen in our lodge.

Another new program this year is our service to the Council's Cub & Family Weekends. During the first four weekends of October, Arrowmen of our lodge attended the Area Cub and Families and participated in a service crew or helped out the events in other aspects. At the Area One Cub and Family, our lodge created an evening show and performed at the Saturday night campfire for about 1,700 Cubs Scouts and their parents. Thank you to all the Arrowmen who attended these events and/or helped out the Cub and Family events in any way. You have represented our lodge well.

Also, we started a lodge-wide One Day of Service Project. Arrowmen helped to build

and maintain trail benefiting the Bridgestone/Firestone Wilderness Area.

As my term as Lodge Chief nears its end, I can not help but look back at the year. It has been a wonderful experience, and I would be lying if I said I didn't learn anything. I owe a great thanks to all the chairmen of the lodge as well as my fellow officers. I also owe thanks to the advisers of the lodge. They have given me and the other youth of the lodge needed guidance for the tasks ahead. It has been an honor serving my fellow Arrowmen, and I believe that next year will be just as great, if not greater, than this one. I hope and look forward to see everyone at this year's Winter Banquet on December 6.

Yours In Service,
Jake Jones
2008 Lodge Chief

ArrowCorps¹¹¹

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continue the creation of Latimer. Ask your chapter chief to schedule your next service trip to Latimer. You can also recruit a crew and set up your own service weekend at Latimer. Email arrowcorps111@wa-hi-nasa.org for more information.

On behalf of the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge, thanks and gratitude is extended to every Arrowmen who provided service in some way to the support and development of this project. Without your help this project would not have been as successful as it has been.



Zack Whitehead and the other Legion Commanders at the Fall Fellowship argue over who will be the next Emperor of Boxwell.

Fall Fellowship 2009 a Memorable One

During the weekend of September 19-21, over 150 Arrowmen came to Boxwell Reservation for the 2008 Fall Fellowship. Festivities started Friday night when Arrowmen were divided into Legions for the next day's games. Each Legion had a



commander who was fighting to be the next Emperor of Boxwell.

Saturday morning started off early as the Legions gathered at the flag pole with their flags and cheers to start off the days events. Arrowmen then went to activities such as archery, hatchet throwing, canoe race, javelin throw, and others. After lunch Arrowmen competed in quest events for their legion. Events varied from Root Beer Chug to relay races to Scouting trivia. After an afternoon rest time Arrowmen gathered for dinner and the closing ceremony. At the closing ceremony awards were given to winning legions of the days events. Then, the legions competed in a few remaining events. After all of the competitions, one legion commander stood above all the others. Congratulations to Michael Moore and his Legion who won the overall competition. Following the ceremony, Arrowmen enjoyed the Lodge's first Toga Party.

Sunday morning began quickly with the second set of Officer Questions. Shortly after voting began and we were visited by the National Chief and Vice-Chief, Jake Wellman and Ben Stillwell who encouraged everyone to attend the 2009 National OA Conference at Indiana University. The Lodge then elected its officers for 2009. A huge thank you to all those who came and helped and participate in the weekend.

NOAC SCHOLARSHIPS

Partial need-based scholarships are available for youth to attend the 2009 National Order of the Arrow Conference at Indiana University. For more information, contact Contingent Adviser Ben Whitehouse or email: noac@wa-hi-nasa.org.

Adviser's Corner

The Lodge has lost a legend. Over the past 40+ years, many brothers in our Lodge and in our Section have been fortunate to have worked with Howard Olson. To many he was a friend, mentor, consultant, adviser, and brother in the OA and Scouting.

He was extremely passionate about the OA and it was evident through his many stories about Lodge history and Section events. He was truly a positive example and influence to the OA and Scouting. He will forever be a cornerstone of our Lodge and we have been truly blessed to have been able to have known him.

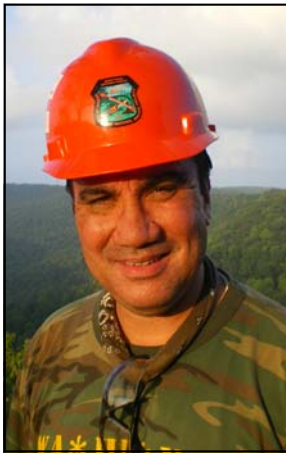
To follow in Mr. Olson's footsteps, it has been an honor to serve as the Lodge Adviser for the past three years. Serving as your Lodge Adviser has provided me with numerous opportunities to work with many talented youths and adults who are committed to the success of Scouting and to the Order of the Arrow.

I am grateful for the opportunity to add to and continue our Lodge's rich legacy of servant leadership to Scouting. The past three years have been fun and exciting, and my experiences totally exceeded my expectations of what our Lodge is capable of accomplishing.

When I assumed this position, my



Order a 2009 NOAC Flap Set while paying your dues! See the enclosed annual dues registration form for more details!



passion for the Lodge was very strong, and since working in the Lodge Advisers role with the Council Executives and the many Lodge members, my passion for the Lodge has grown even stronger. I also have a greater appreciation for the Lodge and its history in the Middle Tennessee Council.

It has especially been a pleasure to work with the following three Lodge Chiefs: Jeff Finley, Tyler Stein, and Jake Jones. Each Chief was faced with different challenges, and each provided his own unique leadership style to successfully provide solutions and direction. Each brought qualities to the Lodge Chief position that pushed me to try harder and become a better leader. I want to thank each of you for helping make these years a success for our Lodge.

There have been many friendships established along the way and I treasure each and every one. The experiences have enriched my life and I look forward to continuing as an active member in our respected Lodge.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Yours in Service,

Robert Guisinger

2008 Lodge Officers Elected



Lodge Chief Nate Dainelson

Nate, 19, is an Eagle Scout from Troop 185 in Winchester, Tennessee. Nate is currently a sophomore at Motlow State Community College. He enjoys playing ultimate frisbee, spending time with friends, relaxing, and backpacking.

In Scouting and the Order of the Arrow, Nate has had many accom-

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2009 Lodge Program Preview

The 2009 year looks to be a year like none other in the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge. All Arrowmen will be given opportunities to have fun and participate in multiple ways this year.

Our year kicks off with Arrowmen Development Corps, March 13-15. We will return for the to the Smyrna National Guard Armory for a weekend of fun and great training for each and every Arrowmen.

On April 17th-19th, we will travel to Camp Davy Crockett in East Tennessee for the SR-6 Conclave. This is a great time where all the lodges in the section come together for an awesome weekend. Our Lodge will also seek to retain the Quest for the Golden Arrow trophy another year.

The weekends of May 29-31 and August 14-16 will be our Spring and Fall Ordeals. These are two important weekends for our Lodge as we induct new members into our Order. There are also ways for every Arrowmen to come and help.

Nearing the end of the year will be the Fall Fellowship from September 18-20 and the Winter Banquet in December. These two events are designed for fun and fellowship.

We will again finish the year with Winter Camp. The Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge will be providing a staff for this council event. Winter Camp staff is a great way to get involved.

Our Lodge also participates in National events as well. The National Order of the Arrow Conference is an amazing event when all the lodges in the country gather from August 1-6 at Indiana University for a week of shows, games, training, and fun. The Lodge is taking applications for this event so be sure to sign up.

In 2009 we will also continue ArrowCorps¹¹¹ project. This project provides a way for us to provide cheerful service to our council through building trail at the new Latimer High Adventure Reservation.

Each and every Arrowmen is encouraged to come and participate in any lodge, section, or national event that may interest you. The first step is to be sure and return your annual dues by sending in the enclosed form. Dues are only \$11 through the end of the year.

Howard B. Olson

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tinguished Service Award. In addition to being lodge and section adviser, he was Scoutmaster of Troop 92 in Nashville, Southern Region Area VI Vice President, and a Middle Tennessee Council board member for over 40 years. Mr. Olson worked for many years as a financial adviser with Merrill Lynch. He proudly served in the United States Marine Corps and credited his experiences in the Corps with teaching him many of the same skills that he used to advise and train so many in Scouting.

Having been diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1955, Mr. Olson never complained of his illness. Despite many signs of exceptional pain, he always loved travelling and visiting other lodges throughout the section. Former Lodge Adviser and current National OA Committee Member Ray Capp stated, "Overcoming great obstacles, Howard, literally showed us how to really walk the walk in a lifelong commitment to mentoring young men to be the best they could be." Even after stepping down from his formal advising positions, he could often be seen sitting in training

sessions conducted by Arrowmen that he himself had trained, quietly taking notes.

Former Lodge Adviser David Garrett, who served as Lodge Chief while Mr. Olson was Lodge Adviser stated, "He is the reason that Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge has been a leading lodge in the nation for so many years. He brought a sense of professionalism, a major commitment and determination to help the youth be the best officers they could be. He expected it of us, and he expected it even more of himself. His mentorship to youth, Scouters, and professionals is the secret behind why so many from Middle Tennessee have been recognized on the local, regional and national level."

Mr. Olson leaves behind his wife, Glora Olson, children Chris, Gary, Vincent, and Ramona, along with many other grandchildren and extended family.

In 1995, the OA lodge building at Boxwell Reservation was renamed in his honor.

The greatest legacy that Mr. Olson leaves behind is in the boys he helped grow to become men, and the men and women he helped become better advisers. Sadly, no one will ever hear that distinct, quiet, yet



Mr. Olson delivers the Adviser's Minute at the 1977 Winter Banquet.

powerful voice ask the profound question: "Got a minute?" All of Wa-Hi-Nasa - all of Scouting is grateful that he was there for so many years. We can only hope to continue his legacy of excellence in service.

2009 Lodge Officers

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plishments. In addition to his Eagle, he received the Vigil Honor in 2006. He has gone to NOAC, worked Winter Camp Staff, attended Philmont three times and has attended every Conclave during his time in the Order. The past two summers Nate has worked as the OA Camp Representative for Camp Craig. Before his election to chief, Nate's lodge positions included Lodge Vice Chief, Conclave Chairman.

This year, Nate would like to obtain Quality Lodge, have a great year, and support his fellow officers.

Lodge Vice Chief (Activities) Matt Brown

Matt is a 15 year old Eagle Scout out of Troop 1 in Brentwood. He is currently in his sophomore



year at Brentwood High School. In his free time, Matt enjoys spending time with friends, basketball, and ultimate frisbee. This year Matt looks forward to having a great fall fellowship as well as supporting his fellow officers.

Lodge Vice Chief (Training) Trey McClain



Trey, 18, is a senior at David Lipscomb High School. There he is Student Body Vice President and captain of the wrestling and football teams. Trey is an Eagle Scout from Troop 243 in Nashville and lives in Cottontown. Trey enjoys hiking, comics, movies, and poetry.

As Lodge Vice Chief of Training, Trey looks to have a successful Arrowmen Development Corps and make this a fun year.



Lodge Vice Chief (Service) Forest Rice

Forest is an 18 year old Freshman at Tennessee Tech University in Cookeville. He is also an Eagle Scout from Troop 406

in Hendersonville. In his spare time Forest enjoys spending time with friends, camping, and playing his guitar. In the Order, Forest has been an active member of his Chapter's Ceremony Team. In 2009, Forest

wants to successfully plan and carry out the Ordeals while having a great time.

Lodge Secretary Caleb Wilson

Caleb Wilson is a Life Scout of Troop 72 in Rickman, Ten-



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2009 National OA High Adventure Programs

Looking for an escape from the summer blues? Always wanted to go to a National High Adventure Base but never had the opportunity? If your answer is yes, the Order of the Arrow has the answer for you.

Each summer, the Order of the Arrow offers a number of different High Adventure opportunities. Whether its wetting your appetite by going for a plunge in the Atlantic Ocean with the Ocean Adventure at the Florida Sea Base, hiking Philmont Scout Ranch, or following canoe routes American Indians and European trappers first established in the lakes of Minnesota. Whatever your summer aspirations may be, these National High Adventure bases have put together a multitude of options for you.

Along with a week-long trek completely designed by your crew, each Arrowmen will perform lasting service to Scouting's National high adventure bases. Plus, every participant will have the opportunity to work

closely with Arrowmen from across the country.

This is an experience unlike any other afforded to you in Scouting. This time next year, you could tell you friends you spent the summer climbing into Cypher's Mine, watched the Northern Lights from a canoe or went scuba diving in the Florida Keys.

These OA programs are the most cost efficient way to visit these high adventure bases. You can experience two weeks at Philmont or the Northern Tier for \$200, or Sea Base for \$400. You are responsible for arranging your own transportation arrangements and cost.

These programs help to insure that the future of scouting has a place to live, work and interact. This summer, try something new, high adventure OA style! For more information about these High Adventure programs, please visit <http://adventure.aa-bsa.org> or talk to your lodge chief. Your destiny awaits you!

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nessee. He just started his Freshman year at Livingston Academy. In 2008, Caleb served as Summer Camp Kick-off Chairman and Strategic Plan Chairman. In his spare time, Caleb hangs out with friends, enjoys outdoor activities, and watches movies. As the 2009 Lodge Secretary, Caleb looks forward to producing quality publications for the Arrowmen of the Lodge.



Lodge Treasurer Michael Murphy

Michael "Smurf" Murphy is a Junior at Lebanon High School. Michael is a Vigil Member of the Lodge as well as an Eagle Scout from Troop 595 in Leba-

non. He is also an active member at Immanuel Baptist Church and the Youth Leadership Wilson Program. In his spare time, Michael enjoys spending time with friends, camping, and cheering on the Titans. Michael looks to manage the budget and fulfilling other duties of the Treasurer.

Wa-Hi-Nasa's Vigil Class of 2008

Congratulations to our Vigil Honor Class of 2008. The following members were called out for the Vigil Honor at Fall Fellowship:

Shawn Bowman
Corey Barry
Taylor Fox
Tyler Stein
BJ Matheny
Josh Wilson
Dan Rule, Sr.
Craig Parks
Don Driscoll
Bill Gregory
Paula McClain

Interested in Summer Camp Staff and Supporting the OA?

Then consider applying for an OA Representative position. The OA Reps. represent and promote our Order to troops and campers at Summer Camp as well as other various duties. Interviews will be held at the 2008 Winter Camp. Applicants must be at least 15 next summer and be a registered OA member.

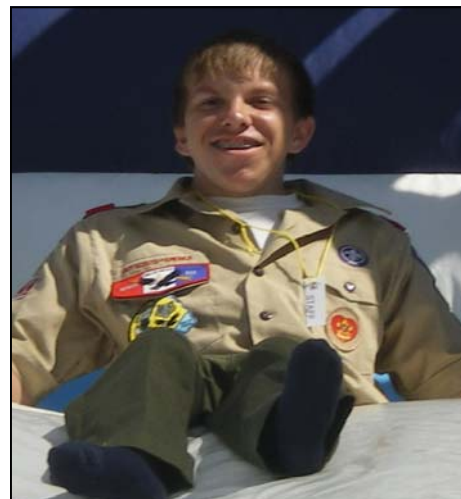


Arrowman Spotlight

James Milam is a 15 year old Life Scout from White House, Tennessee. James recently began his sophomore year at White House Heritage High School. There, he is a vital part of the marching band where he plays trumpet. In addition to the marching band, James also is a member of the Forensics Club. Outside of school, James likes to fish, hang out with friends, watch TV, attend band competitions on the weekends, and enjoys football and basketball.

As a member of Troop 459 out of White House, James has served in almost every leadership position from Quartermaster, all the way to Senior Patrol Leader. James has thoroughly enjoyed his time as a Scout as he recalls his trip to the Lost Sea Cave, "...the best trip I have ever been on."

James went through the Ordeal in the Spring of 2007 and received his Brotherhood at Spring Ordeal of 2008. James has been an active Arrowmen, attending the majority of the events. His favorite out of the year is the Arrowmen Development Corps in Smyrna. This year James wants to be more active and take on new leadership opportunities with the lodge. Great job James!



James Milam has a blast on the slide and serving Scouting at the 2008 Area I Cub & Family Weekend.

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The ~~Ties~~ of Brotherhood - Lodge Winter Banquet
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Wild, Wild, West! Winter Camp
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2008-09 Lodge Calendar

Winter Banquet	December 6, 2008
Winter Camp	December 27-31, 2008
Arrowmen Development Corps	March 13-15, 2009
SR-6 Conclave	April 17-19, 2009
Spring Ordeal	May 29-31, 2009
National OA Conference	August 1-6, 2009
Fall Ordeal	August 14-16, 2009
Fall Fellowship	September 18-20, 2009

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