



The Flying Eagle

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NOAC 2009 WAS A BLAST!



This past August, 76 members of our lodge went through an intense 5 day experience at Indiana University at the 2009 National Order of the Arrow Conference or NOAC. This year's theme was "The Power of One" which concentrated on the difference one person can make. Nightly arena shows centered on the history of the OA and individuals who have made a difference in the lives of others.

Contingent members had plenty to do at the conference. Every morning we had training on just about any topic imaginable – from patch designing, surviving in the wild, scuba

diving, to how to how to host a section conclave (a very timely topic!). Each afternoon, contingent members participated in athletic competitions like dodge ball and basketball. Our Lodge Brotherhood Ceremony team performed at the conference.

Always a highlight of the week is our lodge pizza party. We had on hand as special guests Jack O'Neil, the 2009 National Chief and Dan Higham, 2009 National Vice Chief. Dan Higham told the assembled lodge members "One reason that I came to your party was because of the hospitality that your lodge showed at the SR-6 Conclave."

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Are You ArrowSTRONG?

The 2009 Fall Fellowship is almost here! Be sure to come to Boxwell September 18-20th for our lodge's preeminent event. Throughout the weekend we will be focusing on the "pillars" of what it means as an Arrowman to be ArrowSTRONG in Scouting and our everyday lives.

The weekend will feature plenty of physical and mental team competitions and tests of leadership. We will have games such as a scavenger hunt, tug-o-war, dodgeball, archery, hatchet throwing, frozen marble, brown bag special, root beer chug, and an outdoor skills competition. At this Fellowship – we have a brand new, never before seen event we call H.R.F. Its a large obstacle and relay race sure to be a fun and exciting adventure unlike any other.

These competitions will be conducted through your

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Chiefly Speaking

Dear Brothers,
This year has been a very good year so far. Just like the eagles we have soared through this year very fast. We have done some amazing service for our council and it has just been great.

We have three more main events to look forward to this year and they are Fall Fellowship, Winter Banquet, and Winter Camp. I would like to encourage everyone to attend these last three events. During our Fall Fellowship we will be electing our new officers for the 2010 year and we will also be having a lot of fun at this one. For all of the new ordeal members – remember – it's a Fellowship not an Ordeal! At winter Banquet, we will be giving out all of our awards from the year to the people that deserve them. If you would like to nominate somebody for an award please visit our website, www.wa-hi-nasa.org, and nominate that person. Last but not least is our Winter Camp. We need everybody on deck for this event. If you have never worked at a Winter

Camp, you are certainly missing out. I encourage everyone to work at Winter Camp if right after the holiday, you are in Tennessee and have no prior engagements.

Now that I have gotten the business part out of the way, I am going to do this last part a little different.

SHOUT OUTS!!!! I would like to send a shout out of thanks to the following people... Taylor Fox, Forest Rice, Trey McClain, Matt Brown, Caleb Wilson, Michael Murphy, Zack Rice Kayla O Neal, Jamie Tate, the 2009 NOAC Contingent, Alex Hill Section Secretary, the 2009 Lodge chairmen, chapter officers and advisers. Without all of these people, this year would have been very difficult and I really want to thank them. Oh Yeah and Ian Romaine (congrats on the DSA by the way), Ben Whitehouse, Will Gentry, Paula McClain, Gordon Vaughn, Shawn Barnes, Craig Salazar, and Chris Snoddy!

Thanks for a great year everybody lets keep up the good work!
Yours in Service,
Nate Danielson



Contingent members showing off their "super powers" at NOAC

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The last day of the conference, Founders Day, is always a special treat. Our lodge hosted a "Nashville Star" themed karaoke booth and gave away Goo Goo clusters to OA

members from across the country. Each lodge also put on their own booth with give-aways, games, and other activities.

Our lodge got plenty of special recognition at the conference. Lodge Adviser Ian Romaine received the OA Distinguished Service Award. Former Lodge Adviser Ray Capp was announced as the next OA National Chairman. The lodge website, www.wa-hi-nasa.org was recognized as a "National Honor" website. *The Flying Eagle* was also recognized as a "National Exemplary" newsletter. Both recognitions were the highest accolades awarded for publications and we were the only lodge in the nation to get top honors in both categories!

Special thanks goes to our Contingent Leader, Taylor Fox, who pulled together one of the largest contingents the lodge has taken to NOAC in recent memory. Thanks to everyone who made this NOAC special. The next conference will be at Michigan State University in August 2012. See you then!



Lodge Vice Chief Matt Brown and Lodge Chief Nate Danielson form a wall to protect the Southern Region Chief during the inter-Regional dodge ball tournament at NOAC.



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chapters as well. The chapters who do the best will come out on top and win the overall championship for the weekend. Chapter Chiefs get your guys to the Fellowship and Arrowmen, come out and support your chapters!

Another event on Saturday has been made especially made for Adult OA members. They will be having a special cook-off!

Also on Saturday afternoon, chapters may bring their ceremonies teams to be evaluated. Events will wrap up on Saturday night with the campfire filled with ArrowSTRONG skits and awards. Continuing on to the late night events and Sunday will begin the election process for the 2010 Officers and each and every Arrowman should be in attendance so that your voice may be heard in selecting the Lodge's leaders for the upcoming year.

Registration forms for the event may be found on the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge website, www.wa-hi-nasa.org and on the general event registration form included with this newsletter. Be sure to turn it in and be a part of a spectacular Fall Fellowship!



Adviser's Corner

At the end of the NOAC museum, there was a room dedicated to reflection. Several questions were posted around the room to prompt you to think about how the power of one has affected our Order. The question that stuck out to me was "Who got you here?" So who has brought our Lodge to where it is? In this reflection, I could not help but think of Mr. Olson. Through basic, yet important management and life lessons that he shared with his youth leaders, he brought our Lodge out of the wilderness and started us onto the path that we are on now. One of those youth leaders was David Garrett, who as Lodge Adviser brought the Lodge the real importance of developing not only his generation of youth leaders but multiple generations at the same time. To the Lodge Defender, Chris Snoddy, who has spent countless hours over the years making sure our Lodge is directed down the right path. To Ray Capp and Rob Guisinger, whose legacy I am fortunate to inherit. These are a few of the hundreds that have not only meant a lot to me, but to our Lodge as a whole.

The real point of this room was to allow each person to reflect upon what their contribution can be. So in reflecting on this, my question to you is "What will you do to help our Lodge grow and continue in

the great tradition that has come before us?" I understand that not everyone will have the opportunity to be the Lodge Chief or the Lodge Adviser. But what the people above have done, that everyone can do, is to spend the time taking an interest in our youth leaders and developing other advisers. It would be hard to think of where our lodge would be without Howard Olson or the others listed above. To this day, they still take time to mentor me. This is the real starting point of where we all should be. Find someone that you respect and take some time to talk to them. This works in both directions. Ask questions and answer questions. We are never old enough, wise enough, or seen enough not to listen to others. The last thing that we should ever think is that we are too good a teacher to stop being a learner. Everyone has something to bring to the table.

Yours in the Brotherhood,
Ian

Lodge Adviser Ian Romaine is pictured above with Ray Capp after receiving the Distinguished Service award at NOAC.

2010 Lodge Calendar

The dates for next year's lodge events are listed below. Please encourage your troops and districts to keep these dates in mind when planning their calendar.

Order of the Arrow University
March 12-14, 2010
Conclave Work Day
Date to be determined
Section SR-6 Conclave
April 16-18, 2010
Spring Ordeal
June 4-6, 2010
Fall Ordeal
August 13-15, 2010
Fall Fellowship
September 17-19, 2010
Council Jamboree
October 8-10, 2010
Winter Banquet
December 4, 2010
Winter Camp
December 26-31, 2010

They're Coming . . .

. . . and we better be ready!

The 2010 Section SR-6 Conclave is at **BOXWELL RESERVATION** April 16-18, 2010

We will have over 1000 Arrowmen from Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Virginia, and Mississippi here for an exciting weekend!

We need **ALL ARROWMEN** (we really mean it) to show off what Middle Tennessee has to offer. Conclave won't be back in town for another decade. Be a part of it in 2010!

OA High Adventure



Each summer, the Order of the Arrow offers three unique High Adventure opportunities.

Consider going for a plunge in the Atlantic Ocean with the Ocean Adventure at the Florida Sea Base. How does hiking at Philmont Scout Ranch sound? What about walking in the footsteps and portage paths of American Indians and trappers as they explored the lake country of Minnesota. Whatever your summer aspirations may be, these National High Adventure bases have put together a multitude of options for you.

If you will be between the ages of 16 and 21 next summer, these two-week adventures await you for as little as \$150 plus transportation.

Along with your one week trek completely designed by you, each Arrowmen will be afforded the opportunity to leave their mark in history by helping to sure up portage trails, backpacking trails or coral reefs.

It's not everyday that you can tell your friends that you climbed into Cypher's Mine, watched the Northern Lights from a canoe or went scuba diving in the Florida Keys!

For more information about these High Adventure programs, please visit Adventure.ou-bsa.org and if you are interested—get in touch with the Lodge Adviser through the lodge website: www.wa-hi-nasa.org.

And the Honorees Are . . .

Find out at the Winter Banquet!

December 5, 2009

The Nashville-area location will be announced at <http://www.wa-hi-nasa.org> and in the next issue of *The Flying Eagle*.



Spring and Fall Ordeals by the Numbers . . .

- New Arrowmen: 320
- New Brotherhood members: 121
- Unit elections conducted: 103
- Elangomats at Ordeals: 46
- Tents pitched at Boxwell: 581
- Cots & mattresses hauled: 1162
- Arrowman/Hours of service provided to Boxwell: 4256
- Labor cost donated by Arrowmen to Boxwell at \$7.25 an hour: \$30,856

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO SCOUTING IN MIDDLE TENNESSEE

Cub and Family Service Weekends



The boys in blue need your help! The Cub Scouts that is. Your help is needed at the Middle Tennessee Council Area Cub and Family Events during the month of October at Boxwell. These weekends are an awesome chance to serve the lodge and Cub Scouting.

As Arrowmen we want to facilitate the council and provide cheerful service to the Cub Scouts that will someday be the leaders that we are today.

Each chapter is charged with supporting their Area's weekend. So be sure to talk to your chapter chief and make plans to attend your Area's cub and family weekend at Boxwell. Of course we can always use the help any weekend that you can spare!

October 2-4
Area One - Dan Beard, West, Nashboro, Natchez Trace

October 9-11
Area Three - Cherokee, Hermitage, Walton Trail, Warioto

October 16-18
Area Four - Black Fox, Elk River, Trail of Tears, Upper Cumberland

October 23-25
Area Two - Cogioba, David Crockett, Duck River, Highland Rim



Zachary Green is a 14 year old Life Scout from troop 411 in Ethridge, Tenn. He attended

his first Ordeal this spring, and has shown much dedication to the Lodge over the past few months.

Zach is also an 8th grader at Summertown Junior High in Summertown, Tenn. He enjoys subjects such as math and sciences, and he is very active in his clubs at school. A few of these clubs that he is involved in are the junior beta club, junior high student council, and an organization called Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA). In HOSA, he helps raise money for local charities and non-profitable organizations such Red Cross, Salvation Army, and the 4-H club. HOSA also has a national scrapbook and video competition which Zach participates in at a national level. Recently, Zach started a collection of knives from Buck



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By Caleb Wilson

knives to Case knives in all shapes and sizes. He hopes to eventually get together different collectors sets.

In his Scouting experience, Zack has achieved the rank of life with a total of 14 merit badges. Since starting scouts at Pack 264 in Ethridge, Tenn., he has been a very active scout and has participated at many hiking trips such as the "Mouse Tail" and the "Walls of Jericho". As a new Ordeal Member, he plans on attending the 2009 Fall Fellowship and wants to be a part of the 2009 Winter Camp staff. "I can't wait for this Fall Fellowship that everyone was talking about at Ordeal", said Zach Green in a recent interview. On behalf of the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge, we would like to thank Zack for everything he has done to represent our lodge in his troop, his community, and his school.

Winter Camp Staff Needed

We need you for Winter Camp Staff at Boxwell Reservation! There are many ways for you to assist. The theme for this year will be a medieval theme full of knights in shining armor, far away castles, and the enormous fire breathing dragons that you can be a part of this year. So what can you do? There are loads of staffing positions that you could work at, from afternoon to evening activities, training,

kitchen, and the service crew.

Being on staff is a great way to learn the true meaning of service in the OA, and it can help you gain experience for possibly working summer camp staff in the future. Applications will be available at the Fall Fellowship and online. Don't miss your chance to serve in this "warming" experience. Serve on Winter Camp Staff!



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Save the Date!

The Winter Banquet is fast approaching. Register with the enclosed form.
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BE ArrowSTRONG!

See you at the **Fall Fellowship**. September 18-20, 2009 at Boxwell.

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2009-2010 Lodge Calendar

Fall Fellowship	September 18-20
Winter Banquet	December 5
Winter Camp	December 27-31
Order of the Arrow University	March 12-14, 2010
Conclave Work Day	TBA
Section SR-6 Conclave @ Boxwell	April 16-18, 2010
Spring Ordeal	June 4-6, 2010
Fall Ordeal	August 13-15, 2010

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