

# The Flying Eagle



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## Chiefly Speaking



We've got a lot of work to do. With this important year getting closer, many lodges are preparing for August, but we have to do more than that. While NOAC is very important for our Lodge, nothing is more important than the Year after. It

won't be this year that determines if Wa-Hi-Nasa continues to be great. What will determine our path for the future is how we use this opportunity as a foundation. So far, our Lodge has survived due to strong advisers and a great geographic location, but this is not enough. We must start investing in our leadership now. This year I urge each of you to think about what the purpose of this Lodge is, and your purpose within it. You all have a huge role to play, and everyone has to be on board for this. We need to figure out how to make Chapters more relevant. We have to figure out why fewer OA members are staffing summer camp. We have to figure out why less than ten percent of our Lodge attends events. The answers aren't easy, and they never will be, but this year we can lay the foundation to get past these problems. Laying a foundation is hard work. It takes many people and constant vigilance. Even the smallest crack can weaken it. This year will be hard. We have to be vigilant, and we cannot afford cracks. We have a lot of work to do, but we can do it!

Jack Adamson  
2015 Wa-Hi-Nasa Chief

The National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) is the premier event of the Order of the Arrow, and is Scouting's second-largest national event. Over 10,000 Arrowmen from across our nation gather for an inspirational and unforgettable experience full of fellowship, training, adventure, and fun!

During NOAC, Arrowmen will participate in a six-day conference which includes top notch training sessions, cool recreational opportunities, evening shows full of theatrics and special effects, and exciting programs.

The 2015 NOAC will be held from August 3-8, 2015 at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan, and will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Order of the Arrow. Arrowmen can travel to NOAC with a contingent from their lodge, or as a staff member supporting the thousands of Arrowmen attending in the conference.

In the coming months you will find everything you need to know about NOAC 2015: how to go, what exciting opportunities await you, and the plans for the conference. [Follow us on Facebook](#) to stay up to date with information and announcements.

Arrowmen attending the 2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference will get a once in a lifetime souvenir, a special edition red sash. These sashes will differ from those currently worn in that the colors will be reversed, with a white arrow emblazoned on a red sash. The rarity of the sash is noteworthy, as only those present at NOAC 2015 will receive them. Any extras produced will not be sold.

Don't miss out on NOAC in 2015, because the next one won't be until 2018! To reserve your spot in your lodge contingent talk to your lodge chief, lodge adviser, or lodge staff adviser today.



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- *And the Award Goes to . . . And Much More*

# Mr. Vance Lackey

In November, the Flying Eagle got to sit down with Middle Tennessee Council's new Director of Field Services, Mr. Vance Lackey.

**FE: Where did you grow up and go to school?**

Mr. Vance: I was born in Columbia, South Carolina. I graduated from Chapin High School and Lander University.

**FE: How long have you been involved with scouting?**

Mr. Vance: I have a professional scouting career of 20 years and I am serving in my 5th council.

**FE: What positions have you held in your 20 year career?**

Mr. Vance: Throughout my 20 year career, I have served in many positions including District Executive, Senior District Executive, Program Director, and Scout Executive.

**FE: Are you involved in the Order of the Arrow?**

Mr. Vance: I am proud to be a brotherhood member in the Order of the Arrow.

**FE: What are some things you collect? (Note: You can't miss the many football helmets in his office!)**

Mr. Vance: I have some scout memorabilia, but I also have a lot of game-worn college football helmets...about 45. I have also collected almost 100 mini football helmets.

**FE: Speaking of football, are you a football fan?**

Mr. Vance: Originally from South Carolina, I am an avid South Carolina Gamecocks fan.

**FE: Tell us about you family.**

Mr. Vance: I have been married for over 13 years, and I have two children, Hamp and Bailey.

**FE: What led you to a career in scouting?**

Mr. Vance: When I was in college, my neighbor asked me to volunteer at the YMCA. After 3 years, I started looking for opportunities to serve youth organizations professionally and found the Boy Scouts of America. I really liked the values and ideals it offered for the future leaders of our nation.

**FE: Do you have any goals you'd like to accomplish while serving as Director of Field Services?**

Mr. Vance: I believe things are either growing or dying. It is early, but I would like to grow scouting in Middle Tennessee and make it stronger overall.



## Advisers Corner



I recently noticed a quote and it seems appropriate to share as we move from 2014 to 2015. "Men stumble over pebbles, never over mountains."

-- H. Emilie Cady,

**Focus.** We have had a great and memorable year, and we celebrate the year's accomplishments at Winter Banquet. It is appropriate that the Banquet comes at our Lodge year end. 2014 officers and chairmen have led the Lodge to greater service in Ordeals, Conclave, MTC Jamboree and many other areas. Is it time to focus on the past? If so, that may be the "pebbles" that cause us to stumble out of the gate as we begin the 2015 year.

**Focus.** The 2015 officers and chairmen have already been planning the upcoming year in anticipation of reaching greater heights. They are focused on the Order's 100th Anniversary, a very special year. There will be challenges, there will be opportunities for greater service, and there will be success stories as the Lodge considers the mountain ahead of us. But we will not stumble.

**Focus on the future.** Focus on providing excellent service to your troop. Focus on how you can bring the spirit of unselfish service to your unit, your district and the council. Look for opportunities to take your pledge of unselfish service outside of Scouting and into your school, church, and community. Challenge yourself to attain an extra rank in Scouting, to be active in the Lodge, and to attend Chapter and Lodge events. Challenge yourself to be a better person and Arrowman. Do your part to make it a great year, and keep the focus on the challenge ahead.

W.W.W.

Bobby W. Brown

## Lodge Service Groups

Each year our lodge performs many different events and we need many people to work in different areas. This is a way to recognize some of these people that have worked many hours in area that many not be in the spot light but are very necessary to our lodge.

### Ceremonies Crew

John Butkevicius  
Charlie Clements  
Toni Lee Crowley  
Shannon Harris  
Beth Hoover  
Matthew Lange  
Jacob Moore  
Evan Mullinax  
Jeff Mullinax  
Gavin Rich  
Jeff Rich  
Will Tindall  
Jordan Wilkerson



### Elangomat

Shane Harding  
Hartley Phinney  
Brent West  
Austin Bomberdier



### Kitchen Crew

James Patton  
Peyton Hall  
Matthew Lee  
Zeb Waller  
Andy Rinner



### Trading Post

Braden Eutsler  
Kris Calebs



## Unsung Arrowman Award

This award is presented to a youth member of our lodge who, while not being a lodge officer or a committee chairman, has stood out by making substantial contributions to the lodge. He must have been a youth member for at least two years and must have attended 80% of lodge functions during that period. The recipient of this award is selected by the Lodge Awards Committee

The 2014 Recipient of the Unsung Arrowman Award is:

**David Thornton**

## Excellence in Ceremonies

This award is designed to recognize a youth member of the lodge for outstanding contributions to lodge ceremonies through both outstanding performance and ceremony management.

The 2014 recipient of the Excellence in Ceremonies Award is:

**John Butkevicius**

## Tom Parker Memorial Award For Excellence in Service to Camping

First awarded in 1978 as the Tom Parker Memorial Award for Excellence in Camp Promotions, this award's scope was broadened in 2010 to also recognize a youth Arrowman who has left a lasting impression on Scouts today as a volunteer or paid member of the Middle Tennessee Council summer camp staff.

The 2014 recipient of the Tom Parker Award for Excellence in Service to Camping is:

**Braden Eutsler**



## Flying Eagle Award

The Flying Eagle Award was created by former Lodge Adviser Ray Capp to recognize those who provide special and unique service to the Lodge and Lodge Adviser throughout the year. The 2014 recipients of the Flying Eagle Award are:

**Jack Adamson**

**Jeremy Belk**

**Jim Miller**

**Kim Wilkerson**

## Josh Sain Memorial Award

Formerly the Allogagon Award, the Josh Sain Memorial Award is given to both youth and adults for service to the lodge. These individuals are among those that have distinguished themselves by selfless service. These individuals not only work without being asked, they go the extra mile in seeking areas to serve and work. The award was renamed in memory of former Lodge and National Vice Chief Josh Sain.

The 2014 recipients of the Josh Sain Memorial Award are:

**Reese Bennett**

**Logan Notestine**

**Sid Salazar**

**Andrew Whitaker**

**David Emery**

## James E. West Fellowship

The James E. West Fellowship is a national recognition for individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more to their local council. The Lodge is please to once again in 2014 to make a contribution to the Middle Tennessee Council's endowment in honor of:

**Bobby Robinson**



## Vigil Honor



The Vigil Honor is a special recognition conferred upon worthy Arrowmen by the youth members of the lodge. Those selected for the Vigil Honor are called out each year at the Fall Fellowship and keep the Vigil at special ceremony. The Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Vigil Honor Class of 2013 is pictured at right and listed below along with their Lenne Lenape name and English translation.

**John Butkevicious**  
Deep Speaker

**Michael Butkevicious**  
Quiet Servent

**Braden Eutsler**  
Cheerful worker

**Jordan Wilkerson**  
Silent Guard

**Matthew Lang**  
Warrior Seamstress

**Larry Sattler**  
A Counting Cook

**John Lea**  
Healer of Hearts

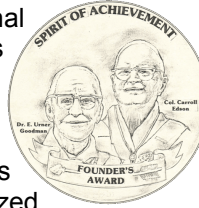
## Silver Turtle

The Silver Turtle is the Award given for Distinguished Service to the section (SR-6). Since 2011, Arrowmen have been recognized at the Section Conclave for their contributions to the Section and the Section's program. Even though not presented at the our Winter Banquet, we stop to Honor those Arrowmen who were recognized at this years conclave. At conclave three of our members were recognized with this honor. These members are

**Matt Brown**  
**Robert Guisinger**  
**Shawn Barnes**

## Founders' Award

The national Founder's Award is awarded for exceptional service to the lodge over time. The recipients of this award are recognized for their service that follows in the footsteps of our founders, Dr. E. Urner Goodman, and Col. Carroll A. Edson. This means making the ideals of the scout oath and law a true pillar of life, seeking to measure up to those standards in every way possible. In the words of Uncas: *For he who serves his fellows, is of all his fellows greatest.* All past Founder's Award recipients caucus each year to reach a consensus on who should receive the Founder's Award.



**The Recipients of the 2014 Founder's Awards are:**

**Luke Boruff**

**TJ Luckett**

**Phil Pfeffer**

## Howard B, Olson Lifetime Achievement Award

This award is designed to recognize a member of the lodge who has over a lifetime helped to shape and strengthen our lodge.

This year our lodge wishes to recognize someone who If you ask what their greatest achievement is, they will say the ability to help develop youth..

The 2014 recipient of the Howard B Olson Lifetime Achievement Award is:

**Mr. Ron Turpin**

Ron has served our Order in many ways. Before coming to Middle Tennessee served as a Lodge Staff Adviser for 2 other lodge spanning 15 years. Then he was staff Adviser for Wa-Hi-Nasa for 7 years. Ron is currently serving as the Section Staff Adviser, which he has for 20 years.

## Chapter Awards

### Gold Level JTE Chapters

Allagon - Highland Rim  
Atohuna - Walton Trail  
Echota - James E West  
Wewoapisak - Hermitage

### Silver Level JTE Chapters

Nendawen—Natchez Trace

### Bronze Level JTE Chapters

Kitan - Duck River  
Wdee - Trail of Tears

### Excellence In Ceremonies

**Wewoapisak  
Hermitage District**  
Chapter Chief— Shannon Harris  
Chapter Adviser— Terry Luckett

### Highest Brotherhood %

**Witschindin  
Dan Beard District**  
Chapter Chief - Daylen Fisher  
Chapter Adviser - Gabe Smith

### Most Improved Chapter

**Allagon  
Highland Rim District**  
Chapter Chief— Branden Eustler  
Chapter Adviser— David Emery

### Service to Scouting Award

**Wdee  
Trail of Tears District**  
Chapter Chief— Matthew Ivey  
Chapter Adviser— Quentin Bolden

### Service to the Lodge Award

**Nendawen  
Natchez Trace District**  
Chapter Chief— Hartley Phinney  
Chapter Adviser— Bobby Brown

### Excellence in Camp Promotions

**Chewalee  
David Crockett District**  
Chapter Chief— Carl Manning  
Chapter Adviser - Amanda Venable

# Chiefly Speaking



Brothers,

This past year has been one of the best in my scouting career, thanks to you. I have had the honor and privilege of serving this past year as your 2014 Lodge Chief, and there will be many lessons I will take from this experience and apply them to my every day life. One lesson can easily be pulled from a movie script or comic book strip; that is, Uncle Ben's famous last words to Peter Parker in the Spider-Man series, "with great power, comes great responsibility." This speaks volumes when we discuss leadership positions in the lodge, in your chapters, as well as your troops. Taking on a leadership role is much more than a title, it's a responsibility and soon becomes your job. Your performance and character are determined by your ability to produce positive results, and ignoring your responsibilities will be seen. This concept does not only have to be applied to scouting, but everyday life. Whether it be a position in a club, a sports team, or you're looking to get a job, you are taking on responsibility to do something, so do something great. Good luck to all of you, in your scouting careers, and beyond.

Andrew Whitaker

## The Evolution of the Sashes

Perhaps the most recognizable mark distinguishing an Arrowman is the Order of the Arrow sash. To the outside observer, the sash identifies a Scout as an Arrowman. To that Arrowman, the sash represents the obligation taken upon induction: to lead in cheerful service. The sash of the Order of the Arrow has a history as rich as the Order itself, from its earliest days at Treasure Island Scout Reservation to the present.

The first OA sashes looked much different than those of the present day, and even went by a different name. Early ceremonies referred to the sashes as arrow bands, which were black in color. Differing accounts suggest that either a white vertical stripe or a white arrow pointing over the right shoulder adorned the black sash. There are no original black sashes known to exist today.

The earliest known photograph depicting Arrowmen wearing sashes is of a 1919 Treasure Island council fire. The photograph shows sashes worn on both the left and right shoulders of the Arrowmen in attendance. The 1918 Ritual for the Second Degree (Brotherhood) included the moving of the sash from the right shoulder to the left shoulder during the ceremony. A sash worn over the left shoulder was the official indicator of a Second Degree (Brotherhood) member. The color of the bands in the black and white photograph appears to be white, but the color of the arrow cannot be confirmed.

Another 1921 photograph from the Camp Biddle Rededication Ceremony at the formation of the grand lodge, the first national organization of the Order of the Arrow, depicts the Order's founder Dr. E. Urner Goodman and co-founder Carroll A. Edson, adorning the Third Degree (Vigil Honor) bib-type sash. This sash consisted of a large triangle worn on the chest in the shape of a "fraternal bib." Little else is known about the bib's use.

The earliest sashes created by the newly established grand lodge were white wool-felt sashes with red wool-felt arrows sewn on to the white fabric. This sash was used by First Degree (Ordeal) and Second Degree (Brotherhood) members of the Order. Third Degree (Vigil Honor) members adorned a similar white sash with a wool-felt red triangle sewn on to the middle of the band. Three white arrows were sewn on to each of the sides of this red triangle. This symbol—a red triangle with three white arrows—is similar to the triangle found in the middle of the arrow on the Vigil Honor sash today. Variations of these sashes were used from 1921 to 1948.

In 1948, the process for making sashes changed so that instead of sewing a wool-felt red arrow on to the sash, the arrow could be silk-screened on to the sash. In particular, the sash of the Vigil Honor now consisted of sewing the large red felt triangle directly on to the Ordeal/Brotherhood sash. These sashes persisted up to 1950, when the decision was made that all sashes would be worn on the right shoulder. At this time, the bars were added to the Brotherhood sash to distinguish it from the Ordeal sash. It was also around this time that the large triangle on the Vigil Honor sash was shrunken to size so that it could fit on the sash itself. This simplified the manufacturing process since the Vigil Honor sash could be made through the same silk-screening process as the Ordeal and Brotherhood sashes. For the first time, three sashes existed to indicate the three levels of membership of the Order of the Arrow.

A change to the sashes in 1955 marked the end of the wool-felt, silk-screened arrows. Sashes were now manufactured using twill material and embroidery. The sash itself was made from two layers of material so that the embroidered arrow did not show on the opposite side. The only notable change between 1955 and 1988 was a change in the type of stitch used to secure the two layers of material together.

1988 saw the introduction of sashes on which the arrow, Brotherhood bars and Vigil Honor triangle were ironed. These iron-on arrows, which often peeled off when washed, were regarded as insufficient in quality. The embroidered twill sashes were reinstated in 1990, and are still in use today.

By Donnie Stephens







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## 2015 — “The Centennial”

### 2015 Lodge Calendar

**OA University**  
March 6-8, 2015

**Section SR-6 Conclave**  
April 17-19, 2015

**Spring Ordeal**  
May 29-31, 2015

**Arrowtour**  
June 22, 2015

**NOAC 2015**  
August 3-8, 2015

**Fall Ordeal**  
August 14-16, 2015

**Fall Fellowship**  
September 18-20, 2015

**Winter Banquet**  
December 5, 2015

**Winter Camp**  
December 27-31, 2015

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