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### 2015 Lodge Calendar

Section SR-6 Conclave April 17-19, 2015

Spring Ordeal May 29-May 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 The Flying Eagle is the official publication of the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge # 111, based in the Middle Tennessee Council, Boy Scouts of America, Nashville, Tennessee.

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**CENTURIES** 

OF

**SERVICE** 

### **Arrowman Service Award**

2015 is the Order of the Arrow's 100th anniversary, and every good centennial celebration needs a patch to match.

If you ask me, the OA really knocked its 100th anniversary patch out of the park.

It's the Arrowman Service Award, a patch youth and adult members of the Order of the Arrow can earn and wear on their OA sash.

The goal is to encourage Arrowmen to recommit themselves to the OA, increase their level of service

and participate in the OA's wide-ranging centennial celebrations.

Along with patches issued during the OA's 50th and 60th anniversaries, this patch is one of just three patches the Order of the Arrow has authorized to be worn on the sash.

Yes, on the sash itself. The award may be worn only on the traditional OA sash (not the red oneavailable at the National Order of the Arrow Conference). You'll want to sew it so its lower edge sits one-half inch above the upper Brotherhood bar.

Speaking of, being a Brotherhood member or attaining Brotherhood membership in the OA is one of the primary requirements, though there is an exception for Arrowmen inducted as Ordeal members after Jan. 1, 2015.

There's no limit to the number of Arrowman Service Awards that can be given per lodge, provided the

lodge's advisor and staff advisor/Scout executive approve each candidate's completed requirements.

Arrowmen can work on the requirements from July 16, 2014, until Dec. 31, 2015.
Ask your Lodge Officers for more details!

# **Chiefly Speaking**

Our order was founded on the principal of service to others. since our lodges inception, service to the council and nation has been one of our strongest areas, and should continue to be our forte.

The next few months of our year is the lodge's chance to give back to the Council and nation. We will need all hands on deck for ArrowTour on June 22 and for fall ordeal in august, so make sure you are living up to your obligation to the order and to scouting.

YIS, Jack Adamson 2015 Lodge Chief

# **Fall Fellowship**

Fall Fellowship is probably Wa-Hi-Nasa's most fun event of the year. Fall Fellowship is self explanatory, it is held in the fall, September 18th-20th, and it is all of the arrowmen across the Middle Tennessee Council coming together and having a good time. This year's Fall Fellowship theme is OA Warriors.

When you arrive you will be randomly grouped into teams of around 10 people. These teams will then spend part of Friday night and most of Saturday competing in unique events such as a three man slingshot event off of a pontoon boat, interesting puzzles, an archery obstacle course, and other events. Saturday would then end with an epic feast, and then on Sunday the youth arrowmen will elect our 2016 Lodge Officers.

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### **Adviser's Corner**

When Summer arrives it's time for Camp at Boxwell. Summer is a great time for having fun, camping, adventures, and stepping back to reflect on things besides school, work, cold weather, and all those problems from the other 9 months of the year. Let's think about the OA and our Lodge in the context of the way the Order of the Arrow is described. That is, we are the Honor Society of Scouting.

What does honor mean? To honor is to "hold in high esteem" or "to place special emphasis" on a person or thing. It is certainly an honor for you to be elected to the OA, an honor to be worthy of membership. But more importantly it is the basis of respect among friends, family members, and--for the OA--among brothers. We honor each other by serving in leadership and service roles. We honor the groups and people who benefit from our service. For me, it is an honor to serve as your Lodge Adviser.

Society. Now, society may mean several things to different people. For members of the Order of the Arrow, it means a Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. You are part of a group dedicated to serve. You are dedicated to helping others, but you don't do it alone. That's the benefit of a "society". You are part of a group of likeminded individuals, a part of a team. Being part of a team has great benefits, because more can be done with the consistent efforts of all members than the concentrated effort of just one person. Being part of the OA team has another benefit: Arrowmen are known for their loyalty to members. It is always a good thing to have a friend or OA brother who "has your back."

Scouting. Boy Scouts are dedicated to the outdoors. and the outdoors means that we go camping. Camping includes dealing with challenges such as difficult weather and land conditions. Camping includes a commitment to leave no trace when we encounter nature. And for many Arrowmen, Scouting should include high adventure activities (just another plug for supporting our OA High Adventure opportunities at Philmont, Northern Tier, SeaBase and The Summit).

If you are a new Arrowman, welcome to the Honor Society of Scouting. If you are an experienced Arrowman, continue on your Scouting journey and the higher calling of the Order.

Update: We had a great Spring Ordeal and inducted almost 150 new Arrowmen. You know that Fall Ordeal follows Spring Ordeal! The date of the Fall Ordeal is August 14 - 16. In our Council, we have approximately 200 Scouts more who have been elected as Ordeal Candidates. What is our next step? Follow up with those elected Ordeal candidates and encourage them to attend Ordeal. It will be a special weekend for all the candidates and Lodge members. Participation from all members is important because it lets the candidates know the benefits and fellowship of brotherhood we have in our Lodge. Plan to get 100% of your unit's and



chapter's elected candidates to Ordeal. They will thank you for your influence and encouragement!

A final word: How do we treat the Ordeal candidates after they have become members? Get them involved in Chapter activities. Encourage them to be involved in their troop to promote Scouting and Camping. Show them that we are committed to the brotherhood of cheerful service.

WWW Bobby W. Brown



"Be the change you wish to see in the world." ~Mahatma Ghandi

# Where are they Now?



**Chris Snoddy** 

How long have you been in scouts? The OA?

started when I was young.

### Tell us about your Ordeal?

Had it not been for both a post card and a phone call from my chapter chief encouraging me to come to the ordeal I might not have come. Day 1- A

summer time thunder storm consumed Boxwell that night. It soaked everything we had. It rained so hard they moved us inside after lightning struck a tree near where we were sleeping. I was never scared of rain or lightning after that night. We all slept on the hard concrete floor with every light in Stahlman Dining Hall shining in our eyes. One candidate recalled "Being in that dining hall that night was like prison." I am not sure how he knew this since he was only 14 years old and had never been to prison. Day 2- was much like it is today. Day 3 did not exist.

### How has the OA changed since your Ordeal?

Chapters seem less organized and the lodge seems to be the base of operations for the Order of the Arrow in the Middle Tennessee Council. In the old days we had chapter ordeals and the information of who got in did not always get to the council or lodge. Ceremony teams no longer read their parts out of the book at ceremonies. Dues were not paid by many. Card carrying members were seldom. Fortunately David Garrett as lodge chief and Mr. Olson as lodge adviser worked hard for many years to make our lodge strong and moved us forward. Training events were unheard of and we did not have a newsletter till I become the editor of the Flying Eagle. Communication from the lodge consisted a letter occasionally to those members we had a accurate address for. We started using computers in the mid 70's to manage our membership data. This was way before personal computers and I- I am currently in my 20th year on the council pads.

Few went to NOAC from our lodge in the early days. That all changed when the University of Tennessee hosted a NOAC. We took about 25 to Knoxville. Now that more of our members understand how much fun NOAC is and the real values that you learn at NOAC we take 3 times more people.

## **Conclave Comeback**

At this year's Conclave at Camp Buck Tom's in East Tennessee, we won 2nd place overall in Quest For The Golden Arrow, which is great! However, we don't just want to be great, we want to be the best!

47 Years. 41 Years. Started a Next year, at Kia Kima Scout Reservation, we Cub Scout. Tiger Cubs had not need to take back our title! Mark your calendars for April 15th-17th.



# **Save the Date**

August 14th-16th

Be an elangomat! Be on service crew! Help out in the kitchen! Ask Braden Eutsler for details on how you can serve

#### Do you have a favorite campout?

Our troop had a Labor weekend "end of summer blast" for 3 nights and 4 days. We skied, swam and cooked unique dishes. The event ended with a family picnic or feast. We ate for at least 2 hours. We were all starved after 3 days on the

### So, where are you now? Both in and out of scouting

executive board & serve as an associate lodge adviser helping Mr. Brown and the lodge officers. As a member of the Southern Region OA Committee I assist with the NLS in Nashville every year and am quartermaster for the Southern Region NLS supplies.

What is your favorite flavor of ice cream?

Strawberry