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Conclave 2016

This year's conclave will be held at Camp Kia Kima in Hardy Arkansas on the weekend of April 15th-17th. This year we have many goals in mind. Some of which include having a good number of attendees, coordinating transportation for you, and giving you the opportunity to enjoy this year's SR-6 Conclave!

As we mentioned this year's conclave will be held in Arkansas, but don't worry we got you covered! The Wa-Hi-Nasa lodge is chartering a fifty-five passenger bus. We plan on picking up participants at three different pick-up locations Friday night, so the commute to the bus stop is fairly close to YOU. with busy people and a long distance to drive in mind, we plan on leaving Saturday night after SR-6 officer elections. While we get you back in town you can get some sleep on the comfortable bus, just like the one we took to NOAC. This will allow us to get you home early Sunday morning so you can catch up on your school work, or even on your sleep before school/work the next day.

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Meet the Man We Already Know!

2016 National Chief Hunter Jones

December 28, 2015: Wa-Hi-Nasa Arrowman Hunter Jones was elected National Chief of the Order of the Arrow.

An Eagle Scout from Troop 405 in Lafayette, TN, Jones has served in a number of positions in the lodge. He was elected to serve as Lodge Secretary in 2011. As editor of the Flying Eagle, he produced quality newsletters and other communications for the Lodge.

In 2012 he was elected to serve as Lodge Chief and in 2013, Jones was motivated to serve on the Section level and was elected to the position of Section Vice-Chief. He served in this role for three terms, leading the program of three Section Conclaves, impacting hundreds of Arrowmen. When he ran for Section Chief at the 2015 Section Conclave, there were no other candidates who could match his leadership credentials and experience of service to the Section.



National Chief Hunter Jones
at the United States Capitol.

In December of each year, all of the Section Chiefs go to the OA National Planning Meeting in Dallas,

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OA High Adventure Awaits!

"Adventure is the reward for cheerful service and leadership is the result."

From the mountains of Philmont in New Mexico, to the lakes of the Boundary Waters at Northern Tier, to the coral reefs at Florida Sea Base, and to the hills of the Summit in West Virginia, the Order of the Arrow has opportunities for all Arrowmen to serve the land and adventure on them. Order of the Arrow High Adventure (OAHA) pro-

grams are a way for youth to provide much needed conservation work for public lands and our high adventure bases and as a reward for their service, Arrowmen get to participate in adventure activities at the bases.

Every summer over 300 Arrowmen attend Trail Crew at Philmont, Wilderness Voyage and Canadian Odyssey at Northern Tier,

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Chiefly Speaking



Lodge Chief
Sid Salazar

My fellow
Arrowmen,

I have high expectations for the lodge in 2016.

I will work tirelessly with the 2016 officers and chairmen to ensure the best possible

year for all of you. I know that if we work together, the Wa-Hi-Nasa lodge will thrive as we plunge into the second century of the Order of the Arrow.

That being said, I want us to have a great Conclave, strengthen our chapters, and build brotherhood of cheerful service stronger. Thank you for your support and here's to a successful year!

-Sid Salazar, 2016 Lodge Chief

Save the Date and Mark Your Calendars!

**Wa-Hi-Nasa is hosting
the SR-6 Conclave
at Boxwell Reservation**

**April 28-30, 2017
We're going "ALL IN"**

**This will be the
biggest OA event
you have seen at Boxwell.
You won't want to miss it!**



Scouts look on as Arrowmen demonstrate high frequency voice operations for the Radio merit badge at the Florida Tech Merit Badge University.

Chewalee Chapter Goes to Florida

*The Flying Eagle loves to highlight special news from our Chapters like this story!
Does your Chapter have something to share? Send an email to lodgesecretary@wa-hi-nasa.org.*

On Saturday, February 27, 2016, Alpha Phi Omega (APO), a service fraternity that includes many current and former Scouts and Order of the Arrow (OA) members, recently hosted their annual Merit Badge University (MBU) at Florida Institute of Technology (Florida Tech) in the Melbourne, Florida area (Manatee District, Central Florida Council). This was accomplished through a collaboration of supporting volunteers including many Merit Badge Counselors from the local area.

Although there were many merit badges offered, a favorite was the Radio merit badge, which is usually taught and supported by members of the Platinum Coast Amateur Radio Society (PCARS) who are often Scouters and members of the Tipisa OA Lodge and / or Florida Tech alumni. In completing the Radio merit badge requirements, a Scout must carry on radio contact with another station. That's where the Chewalee Chapter comes in: to provide some long distance Cheerful Service by being a distant station (among others) included as a radio communication contact.

Chapter members Luke Boruff and Jesse Franklin talked with nineteen Scouts that completed their

merit badge with a little help from Chewalee. Luke is currently the Chewalee Chapter Chief and is studying to earn an Amateur Radio License while Jesse Franklin, a long time Chewalee Arrowman and future K2BSA 2017 National Jamboree Staff Member holds the Amateur Radio Station License, KK4ZNT.

Communication occurred using a highly technical method whereby Scouts talked via smartphone over the Internet to a special radio station in Melbourne, Florida which then transmitted and received signals from a repeater perched on a hospital centrally located to the city and then via radio to the portable stations located on Florida Tech's campus.

Kudos to our Chewalee Chapter OA brothers who also plan to operate the K2BSA during the 2017 SR-6 Section Conclave to be held at Boxwell Reservation. Please visit our Chewalee brothers at Conclave or if you can't wait, they plan to have installation trials during the upcoming Wa-Hi-Nasa Spring Ordeal and a dry-run of the operation at the Wa-Hi-Nasa Fall Fellowship. Currently the Chewalee Chapter plans on the dry-run to be at the Howard B. Olson OA Lodge.

-Stephen Hughey

Adviser's Corner

Growing up on the farm, my parents and others would say, "Remember where you came from," or "Remember your raisin'." Now as an adult, the question I might hear is, "Do you know where you are going?" Both of these perspectives are good for us to consider as our Lodge and the OA moves into its second century of existence.

Where did we come from? First, a relatively simple ceremony at Treasure Island over 100 years ago. It started with Goodman and Eidson's plan to recognize outstanding Scouts at a summer camp. The first twenty-five members of the Order have grown to almost 200,000 in that time. The Order of the Arrow is recognized by the BSA as a force in the Scouting community.

At the local level, our Lodge began in 1938 at Camp Boxwell with the induction of eight scouts. Our Lodge legacy has continued and is recognized as one of the strongest lodges in the country. From that eight has grown to almost 1,000 members connected with the Middle Tennessee Council.

Where did we come from? At the national and local level, we grew



Lodge Adviser Bobby Brown and his son Matt at the 2012 Fall Fellowship at Latimer Reservation.

from a small group with a simple goal of being the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. That is a pretty big aspiration. Being a brotherhood means that we care about each other. Cheerful Service means that we continue to work together to serve the BSA, our Council and Districts, and our communities by following two of the parts of the Scout promise – being helpful and friendly. Consistent with "having a cheerful spirit in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities".

Where are we going? ... the sky is the limit! The first 100 years set the Order up for a bright future. Recognized as the Honor Society of

Scouting, the OA moves into the next century of service with confidence and positive leadership. Personally, I think it is outstanding that the first National Chief to begin that period is our own Hunter Jones.

As Hunter's home lodge, our Lodge is in a unique position of leadership. This should give us even greater motivation to uphold the ideals of the order. WWW. Where to begin? Make your troop and community better tomorrow than it is today. Work with your Chapter to increase membership and brotherhood at the district level. Watch for opportunities to make your Chapter an honor Chapter this year and on into the future. Get involved in Lodge events and activities. Conclave is coming soon, followed closely by Ordeals and Summer Camp. Exciting times are upon us. That is where we are going. The sky is the limit. Make it happen.

Remember the Obligation.
-Bobby W. Brown, Lodge Adviser

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Ordeal Season is Fast Approaching!

That special time of year is approaching again. The time when we pull out those torn up jeans in the back of our closets, pull tight on our bootstrings, and (for the brave few) don our seasoned elangomat shirts from years past. That's right, it is almost time for Ordeal.

We have all endured it. Sleeping on a simple tarp under the stars (or underneath rain clouds), waking up at the unholy hour of 6:00 A.M. just to be fed a cold egg and banana to start a day of arduous labor. We silently worked, put up countless tents, and waited for the tractor drivers to deliver cots and mattresses. Then, once it was all over, we stood in front of a

blazingly hot fire, finally receiving our sashes, repeating our Order's oath, and stumbling across notes of an unfamiliar song.

So what is the purpose of it all? Why of all the ways we could choose to greet new members, we choose one where we feed them little food and make them work silently? The answer to that lies in what our founder, E. Urner Goodman, stated: "He who serves his fellows, is of all of his fellows, greatest."

In a world that tells you to serve yourself, make yourself happy, and do as you please, we provide a different message. That if one serves

others, one in turn benefits themselves in doing so.

So we bring new members in and have them work not to gain from the work, but to have them find something within that work. A cheerfulness in serving others and a brotherhood with their fellow Scouts that words need not describe. Both of which remain with them for the rest of their lives.

We as Arrowmen have a duty to perform. We, the ones who have endured this ordeal, must return once more to show the lessons we have learned to those wishing to enter our Lodge.

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Texas to plan OA programs and elect youth leadership. Jones ran for the position of National Chief and was elected by the other 48 Section Chiefs from across the country.

This year, Jones will travel the country, representing the Order of the Arrow and Scouting. He will sit on numerous Order of the Arrow and Boy Scout national committees. He is one of two youth representatives on the National Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of America. In February of 2016, Hunter represented the BSA on its annual Report to the Nation where he presented the Boy Scouts annual report to the President of the United States and other Washington dignitaries.

The Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge could not be prouder of our friend and brother, National Chief, Hunter Jones. The Flying Eagle had a chance to sit down and talk with Jones about his Scouting and Order of the Arrow experiences.

FE: What is the best part about the Order of the Arrow?

HJ: *The wide range of opportunities that our Order provides is incredible. Whatever your passion is, you can most likely find some outlet within our organization that allows you to not only find a home but to thrive.*

FE: What is one impact you want to make during National Chief?

HJ: *I want to be able to help build a firm foundation for our next 100 years to grow upon. Our first century has set the cornerstone of our premier youth development organization, but it is now time to start building the Order of the future.*

FE: Through your OA experience and travels, what have you noticed is special about our lodge?

HJ: Each lodge has a unique bond and brotherhood, but there is truly something special about the way members of our lodge carry themselves. Our passion for providing an unmatched experience for all our brothers is a true statement to our character as a lodge.



2016 National Chief of the Order of the Arrow Hunter Jones, fourth from the left, stands with the Report to the Nation delegation in the Oval Office of the White House with President Barack Obama. "It was a humbling experience to be able to speak on the state of our organization with the President while in the Oval Office. It was definitely a once-in-a-lifetime experience." said Jones.

FE: What did you learn as an Arrowmen and officer in the Lodge?

HJ: I owe everything to my chapter and the lodge. These two environments allowed for me to grow in all aspects of my life, but most specifically, I was able to develop many of the leadership skills that I use in my position as national chief as well as in my every day life.

FE: Do you like your "Home of the National Chief Flap?"

HJ: *Not only am I honored for the*

lodge to have produced a flap in my honor, I am ecstatic about the way it turned out. I feel that it perfectly captures the pride that I have for my home in Middle Tennessee.

FE: What is your favorite OA memory?

HJ: *The OA Ocean Adventure program was a life changing experience and left a lasting impact on me. I grew physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually.*

Check out this site for more information



BRYAN ON SCOUTING

A Blog for the BSA's Adult Leaders

... "The delegates, including one Cub Scout, six Boy Scouts, one Sea Scout, one Venturer and one Explorer, met Obama on Tuesday at the White House. They presented the Report to the Nation to Obama, who as U.S. president also serves as the BSA's honorary president. The report recaps 2015, which was another great year in Scouting: 2.3 million youth participants served, 15.3 million hours of service logged, 54,366 new Eagle Scouts."...

OA High Adventure

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Ocean Adventure at Florida Sea Base, and Summit Experience at the Summit. OAHA programs provide scouts a way to go to Boy Scout High Adventure bases for a discounted price. This discounted price is the reward for the cheerful service that Arrowmen provide to the bases. Arrowmen also have the unique opportunity to customize the adventure portion of their experience. Selecting the areas and places that they want to go, or activities that they want to participate in are all part of the amazing program.

For programs at Philmont, Northern Tier, and Sea Base, scouts are required to be between the ages of 16-20. For the program at the

<http://www.oa-bsa.org/>

If you haven't checked lately, take some time to review all the national events and news at the National Order of the Arrow web site.

You can learn more about

- National News and Bulletin
- National Trails Day
- OA Mentoring Program
- Religious Resources
- Quality Chapter Meeting Ideas
Including 22 different downloadable 'Quality Chapter Meeting' documents.

Advisor's Corner

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Postscript:

Here is something I found from the writings of E. Urner Goodman from long ago. This is a good perspective of looking forward to the future.

".... That's the way to happiness. And it's up to us who are Arrowmen to keep pointing that out, naturally. The way to happiness is in cheerful, not grouchy, cheerful service. And if there was any century when we needed that attribute or cheerfulness in our lives, it is this one, seems to me. We pick up the paper and listen to the TV and we hear about all sorts of terrible things happening all over the world and some even in America. But when we know how, by our example more than our words, for people to be happy. We've got something that the world needs."

Summit, Arrowmen are required to be between the ages of 14-17.

My only regret in the Order of the Arrow is that I did not attend one of these high adventure programs sooner. I went to Sea Base with the OA at 19 and I went to Philmont at 20. I left the programs and wanted to do them again. I encourage each and every Arrowmen to attend an Order of the Arrow High Adventure program. You will be blown away by how much fun you have and they are truly life changing experiences. It also feels good to live rugged in the wilderness for two weeks. You will leave inspired with lifelong friends from Lodges across the country.

Each youth Arrowmen should consider attending an OAHA program at some point in their Scouting journey. Wa-Hi-Nasa has a rich history of youth to attend these programs. For more information about the programs and ways to sign up, visit adventure.oa-bsa.org.

-Matt Brown, 2013 National Chief

Conclave 2016

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Stay posted for articles on Conclave, coming out soon on the website! Which will include the following information: Pick up/ Drop off Locations and times for both Friday and Sunday; Cost and Registration information; Quest games which will be taught at this year's OAU at Boxwell; What to pack.

Registration is open at <http://www.wa-hi-nasa.org> and we hope you all will join Wa-Hi-Nasa and SR6 at this year's SR6 Conclave.

Go to <http://www.kiakima.net/info.html> to check out Kia Kima and get a sneak peak on the action!!!

"Home of the National Chief" Flaps

To honor the special occasion of the election of Hunter Jones to the position of 2016 National Chief of the Order of the Arrow, the Lodge Executive Committee held an emergency meeting at Winter Camp to approve the creation of a special, limited edition flap.

This kind of action is taken by lodges who have a National Officer from their home lodge. The design of

the flap is displayed below.

It is a beautiful flap and the concept was developed with the input from Jones. It displays the lodge totem, the eagle, in the center, and the Tri-Star Tennessee state flag waving in the background. This beautiful flap is on sale at the trading post of all lodge events for \$7.00. These flaps were made in limited quantity and will not last long!



Ordeals

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We must reaffirm our allegiance to the Order and strengthen the bonds of Brotherhood.

If you wish to take up the task of serving new incoming members, find a way to help out at this year's ordeals. I challenge each of you to find a place to serve.

As one who has not missed an ordeal since his induction, I can guarantee there are no shortages of lessons to be learned, nor are there shortages of friendships you can gain from serving.

See you all out there June 3rd-5th!

-Brent West,
2016 Vice Chief of Service



All hands on deck
to help welcome our new brothers
at Spring and Fall Ordeals!



OAU Recap: Premier Training Weekend a Success

The recent OAU at Boxwell has just recently concluded. I had the absolute pleasure of running the event this year and I would like to take some time to follow up on what I believe was a great event had by all. My second year as a vice chief, I had an amazing time running another event for the good of the lodge. With only several months to create a high quality training event, I dove right in with the help of my adviser, David Emery.

We immediately set out to create an event where everyone could receive solid training, especially in relation to the chapters. Beginning with a slew of ideas of how to tackle the weekend, I worked on figuring out what was fun and useful, and how to make it happen. As well as planning the event itself, promotion was key to making sure that people would actually show up and participate in the event.

Working with people such as Gary Wilkerson for our food, Ranger Rob to ensure that all was in order at the camp, and all of my trainers really made the event come together.

Finally, the day came for the event to start, and all was in order. Friday night was full of games and everyone getting reacquainted with friends since the last OA event.

Everyone enjoyed a very nice cracker barrel, and the event began without any major hitches.

Saturday began with a good large group of people ready to have fun and learn about improving our chapters. The theme for the weekend was "The Foundation of the Order", and we focused on teaching participants how to go back to their chapters and build up the lodge from the ground up. With a large keynote address by important members of the lodge, followed by 4 training blocks, everyone got in several hours of training with minimal pain. That afternoon was filled with fun activities, and later that night, a brave group of members played glow stick capture the flag. Dinner that night at the Stahlman dining hall was delicious and kept everyone in high spirits.

Finally, the event was capped off with a Scouts Own Service and breakfast. After a quick cleanup of all the sites, the Lodge Executive Committee meeting finished off the event. With the help of many people such as my trainers, Bobby Robinson, the registration crew, the service crew, and everyone who helped train that weekend, this OAU was a success. Chapter Chiefs also worked very hard to get their members out, so I would like to thank them and anyone else who contributed to make the event everything that it was.

With continuing support for the lodge this year, we will definitely shape up to be a lodge of which 2016 National Chief, Hunter Jones, can be proud.

2017 National Scout Jamboree

#FuelScoutingsAdventure with Operation Arrow

In 2017, the Order of the Arrow will continue its tradition of providing cheerful service to the National Scout Jamboree. Arrowmen will answer the call to serve in Operation Arrow by staffing one of the OA's program areas, which include the Service Corps, Trek Guides and Indian Village.

Each program component of Operation Arrow carries a unique legacy of jamboree service and caters to various types of Arrowmen. The OA Service Corps, provides reliable manpower support to other essential jamboree programs. Service Corps staffers work to accomplish projects, both big and small, and exemplify the OA's commitment to "service with a smile."

The OA Trek Guides lead units on their day-long jamboree trek to the summit of Garden Ground Mountain, where participants spend a day enjoying unique programming. Trek Guides enjoy hiking and help their crews find fulfillment in their jamboree experience.

The OA Indian Village serves as the hub for American Indian programming. Indian Village staffers educate Scouts on American Indian life by teaching dance, craft, song and drumming.



Arrowmen don't just serve... they get to experience all the program areas of the Jamboree too!



OA Staff at Jamboree always stand out in their light blue polos. Here an Arrowman Trek Guide stops for a quick discussion break on the trail.

2017 Staff will have the opportunity to enjoy many new benefits as improvements have been made to the program after feedback from the 2013 Jamboree. Lunches and the overall dining experience will be greatly improved, staff will enjoy a full day off to experience aspects of Jamboree program, and there will be an onsite shuttle service for better transportation services.

The Operation Arrow team has been accepting applications to join our staff since October 2015, and our quota is filling quickly. Interested Arrowmen can find more information on our program areas and a link to apply by visiting the Operation Arrow website, event.oa-bsa.org,

or by following @OperationArrow on Twitter.

The summer of 2017 seems like a long time away, but planning for the next national Scout jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Reserve is already well underway. The Order of the Arrow will continue to release information about Operation Arrow staff opportunities and how to become involved in the coming months.

We look forward to serving alongside you at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in 2017!

Many members of the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge will be serving on staff in a number of capacities. This is an experience you want to be a part of!

General questions about Operation Arrow staff and the OA's role at the 2017 National Scout Jamboree can be directed to

operationarrow@oa-bsa.org.



2016 — “The Year of the Chapters”

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Upcoming Lodge Calendar

Section Conclave @
 Camp Kia Kima
 April 15-17, 2016

Spring Ordeal
 June 3-5, 2016

Fall Ordeal
 August 5-7, 2016

Fall Fellowship
 September 16-18, 2016

Winter Banquet
 December 3, 2016

Winter Camp
 December 27-31, 2016

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 2016
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