



WA-HI-NASA LODGE

ORDER OF THE ARROW

The Flying Eagle

Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge No. 111 — Middle Tennessee Council No. 560 — Vol. 79 No. 1 OAU — Nicholas Schultz, Editor

Conclave 2017

The Southern Region Section 6 Conclave will be held at Boxwell Scout Reservation. Are you 'All In'? Wa-Hi-Nasa lodge is hosting this event and needs your help to make this the best Conclave ever. This event will bring over 800 arrowmen to our great camp on April 28th-30th, 2017. You can help make Conclave a special event filled with fun and fellowship. There will be a work and setup weekend the weekend of April 1st. Register now for the work weekend and Conclave by going to www.wa-hi-nasa.org/register

Don't miss this golden opportunity, Conclave is all about FUN, FELLOWSHIP, learning, and the Quest games!



Unit Election Time

It is Unit Election time in the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge! This is the time of year when chapters have the opportunity to visit troops in its district. Troops will have the opportunity to conduct OA unit elections and see the latest summer camp promotion material. Listed below are seven points that will help you conduct a successful unit election.

- 1. Notice:** To ensure that all of your troops have ample time to prepare for elections and fit it into their meeting schedules, contact the troop's Scoutmaster and OA Troop Representative at least 2-3 weeks prior to elections.
- 2. Practice:** They say "Practice makes Perfect", and this may be the largest factor in determining

whether or not your election is a success. It is essential that your election teams hold several practice elections to make sure every person knows and completely understands his part. Remember, the election team represents the OA.

3. Check-Up: Before your visit, make sure you call the scoutmaster of the troop you plan to visit to make sure they will have the quorum needed (50% of active members) to hold an election and to remind them your team is coming.

4. Preparation: Every good presentation needs setup and prep-time, so make sure that you arrive early enough and have all of your materials and people ready (Be Prepared). *Arrive Early. Prepare Sufficiently. Perform Well.*
~ continued on page 3

SnOwAU

Order of the Arrow University was better than ever this year, having 85 arrowmen in attendance! This year our theme was service, so we had classes that reflected that. Sessions included District leadership, Social Media, and many more. We also offered some brand new sessions for newer members (those who have been inducted into the lodge in the past year) and chapter chiefs, as well as an all day workshop for arrowmen interested in ceremonies. In addition to these awesome classes we engaged in fun activities with our brothers all weekend long. Some of these activities included snowball fights (YES, it SNOWED), board games, and the crowd favorite and by far the greatest game of all time, Plinko. I highly recommend you attend Order of the Arrow University

next year for a great weekend of training, fellowship, and fun.

Have you Paid Your 2017 Dues?

Pay online:

www.wa-hi-nasa.org



Chiefly Speaking

Brothers in the Wimachtendienk,

The Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge hosts Order of the Arrow University in an attempt to invest in the future leadership of our order and to realign our focus on the reasons we were chosen to become Arrowmen. The two main focuses for this weekend were service and leadership, and each compliments the other in equal measure. But why does the OA focus so much on those two topics?

You were chosen by your fellow scouts because they recognized you as someone who is mature, helpful, and exemplifies the Scout Oath & Law. They see you as a leader. You might have already held the role of Senior Patrol Leader in your troop as a result of their high esteem of your abilities, but in the Order of the Arrow, we want to guide you through the next step in the role of a leader. During Ordeal, you were guided by Elangomats whom, like you, could not speak a word during the induction. Yet, they succeeded in leading you in silence. The key lesson here is that leaders must rely on action

rather than words and be an example to their brothers. This is an important lesson for a leader, but the next lesson is even more important.

The next lesson is becoming a servant. Although seemingly contradictory, this is the ultimate goal of a leader, to be a servant to those they lead. As Lao Tsu, an eastern philosopher, put it, "A leader is best when people barely know he exists, when his work is done, his aim fulfilled, they will say: we did it ourselves." The pinnacle of leadership is to be so effective that your followers feel empowered, as if they have achieved the goal themselves. This cannot be done without first aiming to be a humble servant. Always strive to help others achieve their potential; this is the mark of a true leader.

So this weekend, my brothers, I challenge you to become a leader who inspires your fellow Scouts in your troop to become leaders too. But do not stop there! Once you achieve the rank of Eagle and even when you begin the next chapter of

your life outside of Scouting, continue to be a leader who inspires others. For we Scouts and Arrowmen do not only seek to change our troops and lodges, but to change the world by empowering others to lead as well.

In Service,

Brent West

2017 Lodge Chief



Inductions Weekends are 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 our new bootstrings tight, and (for the brave few) don our seasoned elangomat shirts from years past. That's right, it is almost time for Induction Weekends.

We have all endured it. Sleeping on a simple tarp under the stars, working in silence together, creating bonds that can last a lifetime. Then, once it was all over, we stood in front of a cheerful 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? 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.

We welcome new members, instill in them a desire to seek cheerful service, and offer brotherhood with their fellow Scouts, a bond that will remain with them for the rest of their lives.

If you wish to take up the task of serving new inductees, come help out at this year's induction weekends. I challenge each of you to find a place to serve.

As one who has not missed an induction since being elected, 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 at Boxwell June 2nd-4th and August 4-6th!

-Brent West,
2017 Lodge Chief

<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.

Unit Elections

~ continued from page 1

5. **Conduct:** Be sure you conduct the ceremony well, but also conduct yourself in a respectful manner: speak clearly, and be attentive, knowledgeable, and professional.

6. **Paperwork:** If possible, get the eligible youth info beforehand. Also be sure to fill out all necessary fields in the Elections Packet found on the Wa-Hi-Nasa website. There is also an election team evaluation form that your team can go over after every election to determine areas of improvement.

7. **Have Fun:** Enjoy it! Be flexible and ready for changes to happen; there inevitably are, but how you react to them determines its effect on your election.

Being elected is an honor and milestone in a Boy Scout's career. It is the start of a life-changing journey. Remember your election ceremony, and remember that you are given the privilege of being part of an experience that will stay with these Scouts for the rest of their lives.

Adviser's Corner

"The life of a man consists not in seeing visions and in dreaming dreams, but in active charity and in willing service." ~Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Our lodge officers and chairmen have been working diligently to create a program for our entire membership in 2017, and now it is time for their "visions" and "dreams" to be translated into "willing service" and "fun"! One of our biggest visions for the year and where we need the most willing service is at the 2017 Conclave held April 28-30 at Boxwell Reservation. If you haven't been to a Conclave, I promise it will be a blast! Attendance for our lodge will be bigger than any event we have had in the last 5 years, but only if we all come! It's true that we need your willing service for the event but you will have plenty of time to experience Conclave activities and meet OA members from all over Tennessee and Kentucky (9 lodges will be at Conclave) as well. Our Brotherhood

is an active one, not an honorary one. We serve our fellows and in doing so enrich our own lives. Be an active member of the Order of the Arrow and do more than wear the sash. I'll see you at Conclave and many more of our lodge events this year! Register for Conclave and our other events at <https://wa-hi-nasa.org/register>.

-Craig Salazar
2017 Lodge Adviser



2017 National Scout Jamboree

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.

The OA Service Corps provides support to essential jamboree programs. Service Corps staffers work to accomplish projects and exemplify the OA's commitment to service.

The OA Trek Guides lead units on their day-long jamboree trek. The OA Indian Village staffers educate Scouts on American Indian life and teach dance, craft, song, and drum.

2017 Staff will have the opportunity to enjoy many new benefits this year.

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.

We look forward to serving alongside you at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in 2017 along with many members of the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge.



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!

Register today at
www.wa-hi-nasa.org/register



Atohuna Chapter Ceremony Site

Throughout the months of January and February, the Atohuna Chapter gave "The Boneyard" a much needed refurbishment. Arrowmen blazed a new trail to the site for mobility challenged people, reducing the distance from 120 yards to a mere 50 yards. Along one side of the trail, handrails were installed to give mobility challenged arrowmen more assurance while entering and exiting the observation area.

Arrowmen cleared and widened the existing trail and site to provide a larger observation area. In order to widen the site, old tree stumps were cut out and dead trees were removed to make way for the new and improved site. With the help of some advisers armed with the necessary tools and wisdom, the work was easily accomplished so that we could begin further work on the site.

New sash holders were designed and built to take the place of the former holders that had given great service for many years. The new sash racks are wider in order to sup-

port more sashes. In addition, they have been relocated in order for people to better enjoy the ceremony. On the front of the racks are the three principles of the order: Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. In the coming months the new sash racks will be stained and painted to give them a rugged and seasoned appearance.

After completing the racks, the arrowmen forged a new trail for mobility challenged arrowmen. Along the trail, handrails were installed to give increased support and assurance to people entering and exiting the new, elevated observation area. The new

observation area was built to have a bird's eye view of the arrowmen in action during ceremonies. The observation area is one of the reasons why the racks were moved to another place in the site.

In conclusion, the arrowmen of Atohuna Chapter have done excellent work in improving the lodge's ceremony site so that its legacy will continue to flourish for years to come. There are also plans to conduct more work on the site, but this is a first, great step in the right direction.

AJ Hagerman, Atohuna Chapter Vice-Chief of Ceremonies



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.

The Flying Eagle is the official publication of the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge serving the Middle Tennessee Council, Boy Scouts of America, Nashville, Tennessee. All submissions, news, and suggestions should be sent via e-mail to: lodgesecretary@wa-hi-nasa.org

The Lodge can also be found on the World Wide Web at: <http://www.wa-hi-nasa.org>

Editor-In-Chief
The Flying Eagle Adviser
Photos
Lodge Chief
Lodge Adviser
Lodge Staff Adviser
Supreme Chief of the Fire

Nicholas Schultz
Toni-Lee Crawley
Mikel Venable
Brent West
Craig Salazar
Mark Lytle
Larry Brown



Lodge Officer Directory

Lodge Chief

Brent West
lodgchief@wa-hi-nasa.org

Vice Chief of Service

Tanner Waller
vicechiefsofservice@wa-hi-nasa.org

Vice Chief of Chapter Operations

Russell Byers
vicechiefoftraining@wa-hi-nasa.org

Vice Chief of Program

Carter Gillenwater
vicechiefofactivities@wa-hi-nasa.org

Secretary

David Thornton
lodgesecretary@wa-hi-nasa.org

Treasurer

Stephen Ward
lodgetreasurer@wa-hi-nasa.org

www.wa-hi-nasa.org

Upcoming Lodge Events

Conclave Work Weekend

March 31-April 2nd, 2017

Section Conclave at Boxwell

April 28-30, 2017

June Induction Weekend

June 2-4, 2017

August Induction Weekend

August 4-6, 2017

Fall Fellowship

September 15-17, 2017

Winter Banquet

December 2, 2017

Winter Camp

December 27-31, 2017