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Nawakawa hosts 2011 SR-7A Conclave

Nawakawa Lodge was the host of this years Conclave - held at Camp Brady Saunders in the Heart of Virginia Council, there were 750 registered Arrowmen at the event.

The events of the weekend were spread between the Scout Reservation and Cub World. Shuttles were available to move people from one side to the other.

Mr. Parson did a great job getting our contingent together and registered for the festivities. Charlie Baynard did a great job chairing the event and setting the teams together for the activities and events.

The training committee put together a great weekend and it was well received by all that participated. Big cheers to Alan Booth and the



Pictured are the feathers that were carved by each lodge at conclave
Picture courtesy of Herb Smith

rest of his team for all the hard work – it was well worth the efforts. There were many from Wahunsenakah who helped Alan in his quest at CVC for Training. Thank you all for lending a hand.

Ethan Sargent had a committee wearing t-shirts all day promoting programs and camps at

Bayport Scout Reservation.

To Mr. Tom Liakos, thanks for putting together the nachos for our part of the feast; which by the way was great this year! Nachos, crab cakes, ham biscuits, cotton candy, popcorn, venison, funnel cake and Gatorade had lines at all. Everyone waited patiently for a share of the goodies. (continued)

Wahunsenakah Lodge 333
DUCK CALL

SR-7A Election Results

Saturday evening at the 2011 Conclave, the section lodges elected Preston Marquis (Blue Heron Lodge) to continue as our section chief, Kevin Ziethaml (Tutelo Lodge) as section vice chief and Ben Webster (Tutelo Lodge) to

continue as section secretary.

Those running in the election from Wahunsenakah were Nate Johnson for Section Chief, Danny Bonnizzio for Vice Chief, Alan Booth and Danny Bonnizzio for Secretary.



Pictured left to right: Ben Webster, Preston Marquis and Kevin Zuethaml.
Picture courtesy of Herb Smith



NOAC 2011 @ Michigan State University

Preparations are already underway for the 2012 NOAC at Michigan State University in East Lansing, MI. The tentative date for the 2012 NOAC is July 30th through August 4th.

National says "Mark the Date" now !

The shift in holding

NOAC in 2012 was so the following NOAC 2015, would fall on the 100th anniversary of the Order of the Arrow. MSU hosted NOAC in 2006 and they have outstanding resources

and a campus that is very easy to navigate.

So start saving, mark the date and plan to

have a blast at NOAC 2012

YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS EVENT

Sign-Ups will start this weekend!

All suspense dates will be enforced.

Look for the info!!

Strongest Lodge

The new ... SR-7A Lodge of the Year Award recognizes the most exceptional lodge in SR-7A. The evaluation is based on the lodge's ability to fulfill the basic purposes of the Order of the Arrow and to participate in section events. Lodges score themselves on objective criteria. The lodge which scores the most points will receive the "Strongest Lodge Award" that year, have its name places on a

circulating plaque, and receive bragging rights for the year.

How is it done?

Lodges accrue points between and during conclaves. Part I of the Strongest Lodge Award measures the strength of the lodge between conclaves. Lodges must turn in Part I to the section vice-chief no later than 8pm Friday of Conclave. Part II measures the

strength of the lodge AT conclave. Lodges must turn in Part II to the section vice-chief by 6pm Saturday of Conclave.

A complete look at the requirements can be found on our lodge website under forms.

www.wahunsenakah.org

Take a look at the forms and lets shoot for the goal !



Lodge Leadership Development Training

There will be a second class of Lodge Leadership Training that will be held on December 11th prior to the Winter Holiday Banquet.

This would be a perfect opportunity to participate

in the outstanding training available to all Arrowmen.

You don't need to hold a position in the lodge to take part.

Be on the look out for more details at the next service weekend in

September and at the Fall Fellowship. You can also find updated information regarding the LLDC on the Lodge Website.



George Washington / Jefferson National Forest

Wahunsenakah Lodge is putting a trail crew together to work with the National Parks Service in the George Washington/ Jefferson National Forest.

This crew will be hitting the ground and trails the weekend of October 7-9.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

This is a great opportunity for the lodge to leave a positive mark on Virginia's most beautiful recourses. It will give you the opportunity to leave your

mark on the trail that will be traveled by many. You can return many times in your future with family and friends and say "yes, I worked on the crew that made this possible. I helped make this".

There is a registration fee, and you will need to be properly outfitted for the task at hand. We have many in the lodge that will help you make it an awesome adventure.

Look for the sign up sheet this weekend and for more information to follow at summer service and at chapter meetings.

It's a chance of a life time to make a big difference today that will last well into tomorrow and its happening right here in Virginia.

Cheerful Service -- it doesn't get any better !!!



Proposed lodge goals for 2011-2012

The following are proposed by the present LEC and pending approval of the new LEC.

If you have questions, suggestion, concerns regarding any of the following please see any member of the new Leadership Committee.

- Create an Outreach Committee and establish an annual camporee-styled event for Scout Reach units and as a tool for introducing Scouting to historically underserved population centers and groupings.
- Contact all Colonial Virginia Council Scoutmasters to offer elections, camping and OA Troop Representative training.
- Update the Lodge Plan Book with relevant updates at least every 3 months
- Continue to enhance participation in the Conclave in number (> 90 participants)), in event participation/leadership and in the level of spirit and encourage early registration.
- Establish sports teams for Conclave 2012 by finalizing the roster for each competition by the March 2012 LEC meeting.
- Increase brotherhood conversion from 2010 (>30%)
- Obtain Quality Lodge in 2011.
- Have at least 4 Chapters obtain Quality Chapter Award in 2011
- Post the schedules for Lodge Events on the Lodge website a minimum of 14days in advance of the event
- Actively promote NOAC 2012
- Increase visibility and awareness of the Honor Member and First Arrowman Award programs.

Adopted 16 April 2011 at the LLDC pending approval of the LEC

**** CONCLAVE CONTINUED ****



Tim Pryor during Ceremonies Competition
Picture courtesy of Herb Smith

In the Ceremonies Competition the results were:

PRE-ORDEAL:

Merit recognition for Nawakawa and Wahunsenakah
Honor recognition for Tutelo.

BROTHERHOOD:

Merit recognition for Wahunsenakah
Honor recognition for Nawakawa

VIGIL:

Merit recognition for Tutelo, Justin Carwile
Honor recognition for Tutelo, Mike Lewis. Nawakawa, Max Wheeler. Wahunsenakah, Tim Pryor. Great job Tim !!!

In the Events of the day, the results were:

Freesbee: 3rd place Shenandoah, 2nd place Nawakawa and 1st place Tutelo.

Fire Starting: 3rd place Shenandoah, 2nd place Blue Heron and 1st place Tutelo

Lodge Ball: 3rd place Wahunsenakah, 2nd place Blue Heron and 1st place Shenandoah

Tug of War: 3rd place Blue Heron, 2nd place Wahunsenakah and 1st place Tutelo

Volleyball: 3rd place Wahunsenakah, 2nd place Tutelo and 1st place Nawakawa.

5KRun was a miss run due to miss placed signs.



Graham showing his skills in a training session
Picture courtesy of Herb Smith



Team Wahunsenakah at Volleyball
Picture courtesy of Herb Smith



Arrowmen at the VIA Luncheon

Picture courtesy of Herb Smith



Tom Gehring and Larry Johnson working on the lodge feathers

Picture courtesy of Herb Smith

American Indian Affairs

Nawakwa Lodge ran away with all of the awards in the AIA Dance Competition

Old Style

Baylor Dickerson - Nawakawa
Max Minte - Nawakawa
Tommy Poe - Nawakawa

Traditional

Will Swingle - Nawakawa
Jeremy Jones - Nawakawa
Adam Parker - Nawakawa

Grass

Caleb Denson - Nawakawa
Tyler Smith - Nawakawa
Stephen Stepp - Nawakawa



Special thanks to Andrew Kanode and Jacqui McNeil-Steorra for representing Wahunsenakah in the AIA events.



Tutelo Lodge with Golden Arrow



Shenandoah Lodge with Spirit Award

LODGE AWARDS

Were taken by Tutelo Lodge for the Golden Arrow (point activity winners) and Shenandoah Lodge taking the Spirit Award once again this year with their Monty Python theme.

It's time for Wahunsenakah to take these prizes home with us in 2012.

We challenge each and every one of our Awesome Arrowmen to step up to snatch these precious prizes from them. We have the talent. We have the ability. We just have to make it so and go for the challenge.

Ideas are already being accepted for the 2012 Conclave

Speak up – Speak out – Be heard - Have FUN !

Camp Rock Enon here we come !!

Are you interested in helping out on a committee? Here is the list of Youth Chairmen for Wahunsenakah Lodge

AIA (American Indian Affairs) Chair – Andrew Kanode

Camping Promotions Chair – Ethan Sargent

Ceremonies Chair – Wyatt Booth

Communications Chair – Nathan Neuwirth

Engraving Chair - Joseph Giuliana

Elangomats Chair – Chandler Easter

Insignia Design Chair – Russell Morris, III

Kitchen Chair – Aaron Stewart

Nimat Chair – Tim Vandehay

Service Chair – Ian Homewood

Trading Post Chair – Robert

Unit Elections Chair – DJ Dixon

Please feel free to talk to any of the committee chairs at carnival
you can make a difference - come help on the committee



ADVISOR'S MINUTE

Accepting personal responsibility for our behavior and our results is a key to success, and perhaps even personal happiness. Very clearly, it is not easy because it's human nature to "pass the buck". It is all too easy to blame others, blame the economy, blame this, and blame that when the simple truth is that the real culprit is in the mirror. It always comes down to the choices we make in our lives that put us where we are at any given time. Recognizing this and adjusting our attitude as a result can make a big difference in our lives, especially in our dealings with family, friends, fellow Arrowmen, employers, employees and folks in general. Like many things, the words are easier than the actions and even when we know better, we fall into old habits.

However, taking personal responsibility and recognizing problems as opportunities, not only helps us as individuals, it helps our Lodge collectively and also works in the other entities and organizations to which we belong.

How can each Arrowman in the Lodge benefit by adopting a "personal accountability attitude"? Here are some benefits:

- You have more control over your destiny
- You become an active contributor rather than a passive observer
- Others look to you for leadership
- You gain the reputation as a problem solver
- You enjoy the satisfaction that comes from getting things done...the power of positive doing
- You experience less anger, frustration and helplessness—all leading to better physical, mental and emotional health—the Duty to Self component of the Scout Oath

The most important words of personal responsibility are as follows:

The 10 most important words:

I won't wait for others to take the first step.

The 9 most important words:

If it is to be, it's up to me.

The 8 most important words:

If not me, who? If not now, when?

The 7 most important words:

Let me take a shot at it.

The 6 most important words:

I will not pass the buck.

The 5 most important words:

You can count on me.

The 4 most important words:

It IS my job!

The 3 most important words:

Just do it!

The 2 most important words:

I will.

The most important word:

Me

Frank Tyger (Trenton (NJ) *Times* editorial cartoonist, humorist, columnist) may have said it best: "Your future depends on many things, but mostly yourself."

The source material for this came from *Who Are "They" Anyway?*, B.J. Gallagher and Steve Ventura, Kaplan Business, August 1, 2004. B. J. Gallagher also blogs on Huffington Post on the subject of personal responsibility.





THE CHIEF SPEAKS

Brothers:

My time as your Lodge Chief has come to an end. After 12 short months the time has come for me to hand off my knowledge and experience to the next Chief.

During the course of my term, I have been changed, and I will be the first to admit it. When I made the decision to run for the office of Lodge Chief, I had but a vague idea of how things ran, and my sole purpose was to benefit the Lodge. Now, my goals have changed.

Instead of trying to simply help the Lodge in whatever ways were concocted up by various people, I decided to start to help the Arrowmen of the Lodge. To be able to see my works directly benefiting everyone from a brand new inductee to a veteran brother was amazing. To see my influence spreading over the entirety of the Lodge was nothing short of awe inspiring. I knew then I made the right choice as to my goals.

It was not easy. Many challenges sprung up over the year, and there were many times when I had no clue how to proceed, but time and again you - my Brothers - proved to me that you are truly among the best of the best, and each of you have helped - in whatever way you could - to make this year the best year I have ever had since my induction years ago.

And so, I do not say goodbye because I will, of course, still be here. Instead, I will urge each and every one of my fellow Arrowmen to reach out and seek their own Arrow, to remember the words you speak at each and every gathering of the Order, to put into practice their meaning, and to climb up to truly make your mark on your family, your community, your unit, and anywhere else you find yourself. Strive to better yourself and your fellow man, and I hope to see one of you standing in front of the lodge one day, leading them to the future. And so, for the last time...

Yours in Brotherhood,
Daniel Bonnizzio
Wahunsenakah Lodge Chief



From the 1st Vice Chief:

The past few months, since the Winter Service Weekend have been action packed for the entire Lodge – including myself. Of course, the first past event that comes to my mind is the Lodge Leadership Development Conference (LLDC) followed closely by the Conclave. Due to another imperative event I had to attend I was unable to attend the LLDC but the event was successful in its goal: teaching leadership to our current and future leaders. Thanks to all who attended the LLDC and helped make it a success, especially Mr. Bill Scarboro and the instructors!

Also, the Conclave was a success! As I'm sure the Lodge members who attended will proudly state! If you didn't go, or couldn't go last time then plan for next year! It's going to be another great experience!

In conclusion, this year has been fantastic! It's been a great learning experience for myself! I have grown and become a greater Arrowman because of the opportunities that the members of Wahunsenakah gave me. For that, I say thank you. May we all grow firmer in our Brotherhood of Cheerful Service as we lead and learn.

WWW,

Graham Parsons
1st Vice Chief of Wahunsenakah Lodge



From the 2nd Vice Chief, Administration

My Brothers,

The history of this order is one of friendships and service. I am proud to have served as your 2nd Vice Chief of Administration. We have not only led our lodge in a new direction, but we have taken the first steps upon our long and arduous journey towards both the Golden Arrow and the arrow that lies across our chests.

The future is bright for our lodge as we observe our 15th anniversary. This past year, we performed excellently in the competitions and Conclave and together hosted undoubtedly the best Training offered at a SR-7A Conclave. We have contributed countless hours of service to our camp and neighborhoods. We have done our duty.

While I may be leaving my current position of Vice Chief, I hope that I may continue in my contributions to this lodge. To this end, I plan to run for the job of Lodge Chief. I strongly believe that my experience in this lodge (e.g. Ceremonialist, Elangomat, Conclave Vice Chief) allows me to adequately understand the needs of the multiple and varied components that form our Brotherhood. While I will be unable to speak with individuals during the Saturday workday, I would be more than happy to speak with interested lodge members during meals or after ceremonies.

In Brotherhood, Cheerfulness and Service,
Alan Parsons Booth



From the Lodge Treasurer

This year was a good year. I have learned many new things and have met amazing people. What I have learned through out the year is that people can accomplish amazing things. I have learned how to be a better person and how to run my job effectively. As your treasure for two years I am leaving office. I hope that I left behind a seed, a seed that will sprout into a tree and keep growing. I hope that the new treasure can step up to the plate. As I leave I look back at the other LEC officers. These were great people to work with. I had a fun time and still hope to have a fun time with them. This was a great year and this is your faithful treasure saying goodbye.

In your service,
Nate Johnson



From the Lodge Treasurer

Brothers,

It feels just like a couple months ago when I had a calling to serve this lodge and run for a leadership position. I cannot believe that my term as your lodge secretary is already coming to an end. I hope that you found the work I did to be somewhat helpful during the past year. If you did not, I apologize as I have let you down.

As I step down, I encourage you to follow your instincts. If you feel that you are capable of doing a leadership position to the best of your ability, go for it. Don't let others step on you or say you can't do it, because they are wrong. You have my permission to call those guys "Trolls". Take advantage of the endless number of opportunities in the lodge. I promise that there is something here for everyone. I also encourage you to stay in Scouting. Strive for the Eagle, make it your priority.

I would like to thank my advisors Susan Booth, Margo Schaffer, and Carl Horne for making this ride as smooth as possible. I would also like to thank Dawn Morris for putting all the minutes up on the website (www.wahunsenakah.org). One last thank you to the LEC for a great year, I wish the best of luck to my successor and to members of the 2011-2012 LEC.

Yours In Scouting,
Will Brackin
2010-2011 Lodge Secretary

CHAPTER NEWS



NANSEMOND CHAPTER
CORY FOSTER: CHIEF

NO Report



NOTTOWAY CHAPTER
ZACHARY DAVIS: CHIEF

NO Report



KISKIACK CHAPTER
JOEY TRASK: CHIEF

NO Report



PAMUNKEY CHAPTER
PABLO FABIAN: CHIEF

NO Report



PIAKATANK CHAPTER
JAMES McGOWAN: CHIEF

NO Report



WICOMICO CHAPTER
AUSTIN PIERCE: CHIEF

NO Report

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COMMITTEE NOTES**Ceremonies Chair
Wyatt Booth**

Brothers,

The Ceremonies Committee is greatly in need of a new chairman, as I seek to move to an lodge officer position. If anyone is interested, then please contact Wyatt Booth (757)262-6343 or Matt Singletary at (757)214-3489. The committee will continue meeting at the Denbigh Christian Academy. If anyone is interested in applying as a ceremonialist, torch bearer, fire builder, ring clean-up coordinator, then please contact the chairman or his advisor. In closing, we would like to recognize Ms. Ammentrop and others working very diligently to construct new regalia for our teams.

YIS,
Wyatt

**Insignia & Design Chair
Russell Morris, III**

Arrowmen,

We have some pretty significant events coming real soon: Conclave 2012, NOAC 2012 and OA's 100th Anniversary in 2015. We are accepting thoughts, ideas and drawings for lodge flaps, T-shirts, event patches, etc.

We also have a lodge neckerchief in the works that should come out soon as well as a lodge slide to go with it. Please be on the look out for these items in the future.

Email me at rvmorris3@verizon.net if you have ideas to share.

WWW,
Russell Morris

**Engraving Chair
Joesph Giuliana**

Brothers:

The engraving team is going to need help over the summer with engraving projects from camp.

If you have time that you can assist please come by our table and let us know.

YIS,
Team Engraving

**Kitchen Chair
Aaron Stewart****Here's what's cooking this weekend**

Saturday Breakfast - pancakes, bacon, hot and cold cereal, coffee and juice.

Saturday Lunch - cheese steak sandwiches, french fries, fruit cocktail, cookies, coffee and bug juice.

Saturday Dinner – pork tenderloin, mashed potatoes, corn, rolls, salad bar, jello w/whipped cream, bug juice

Cracker barrel – the usual items.

Sunday Breakfast – sausage biscuits and gravy, hot and cold cereal, apples, coffee and juice.

PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY WILL BE AVAILABLE AT ALL MEALS.

If your're interested in working on the kitchen committee come see me !

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Upcoming LEC
Meetings

12 June 2011
14 August 2011
11 September 2011
9 October 2011
13 November 2011

At 5:00 pm

At the Scout Office
11721 Jefferson Ave
Newport News, VA



Beaver Days are not just for the OA ... if your parents want to come out and play or others in your unit would like to help ... the camp would love to have them!

Help get the word out. You only need to give an RSVP to Ranger Joe before hand so he can plan out the work detail.

Get 'er done !!

Next Beaver Day is June 4th

The Lodge AIA Dance Team and Ceremonies Team

Team both have meetings and rehearsals the

2nd and 4th Sunday of the month

Denbigh Christian Academy

Newport News 2-4 PM

For information on the lodge and upcoming events

You can follow

Lodge Website: www.cvcboyscouts.org/OA

Come find us on FACEBOOK and TWITTER

For Information on the Section: www.sr7a.org

For Information on the National OA: www.oe-bsa.org