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Funny Photo



Did Lodge Chief Kyle Konrad kill Lodge Staff Adviser Bill Givler? Wait...I think I hear Mr. Givler snoring.

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD

Lodge Elections to be held May 15th at the Spring Ordeal

At the Spring Ordeal in May, we will be having Lodge Elections. This event is possibly one of the most important events of our year as it decides the direction that we will take in the upcoming year. In addition to the key four positions opening up (Lodge Chief, Vice Chief of Administration, Vice Chief of Program, and Secretary/ Treasurer), we also have several chairmanships opening up as several committee chairmen have recently turned 21 or can no longer fill the position of chairman due to going away to college or for other reasons. If you have any interest in filling a committee position, please first contact the current chairman of the committee in which you are interested to find out more about the duties and responsibilities of their position; their contact information can be found in your handbook insert. If you would like to be considered for a leadership position in Nawakwa Lodge #3 (as a lodge officer or as a committee chairman), then you need to send a letter of

intent to Lodge Adviser Mack Ruffin, whose contact information is also located in your handbook insert. Finally, if you have interest in running for a Chapter position you need to get in touch with your current Chapter Chief or Chapter Adviser.

Filling a leadership role in the lodge is a very fulfilling venture and can open doors to section roles and even national roles! Past officers and chairmen, including myself, have met people that have become life long friends and references. For those of you older Scouts looking for a new challenge that your unit cannot offer, this is a great chance to spread your wings and climb to new heights.

In conclusion, helping to run your lodge is a great opportunity for you to make history, be it only the history of the lodge, or of the section, or beyond. I encourage all of you that are interested to try for a position.

> A.J. Konrad Editor-in-Chief



Chief's Bonnet

My Fellow Arrowmen,

This year has started in a most successful fashion for Nawakwa Lodge. At our Winter Ordeal we had 69 Ordeal Candidates join our lodge in addition to 57 new Brotherhood Members. These numbers are quite impressive and make me very hopeful that we will surely make National Quality Lodge this year. We also had two brothers attain the Vigil Honor. Congratulations to all of them on a job well done.

However, we need to continue to emphasize within the units and the chapters the need for members who have been Ordeal members for at least ten months to come back and seal their membership by attaining Brotherhood status.

At the next Ordeal, we are going to have our annual lodge elections. It is important for all of you to come out and vote in order to ensure the security of the future of this great lodge. In the past year, we have done many things to help the lodge



and have promoted service at a grand level. I have had a great time as chief this past year.

Also, I hope to see many of you in April at the Section SR-7A Conclave hosted by Powhatan Lodge. Their program for the weekend appears good, so it looks to be a great time so far away from our usual setting of Camp T. Brady Saunders.

Thank you all for continuing so in service, and I look forward to seeing all of you in the near future.

Yours in the Order, Kyle Konrad

Adviser's Minute



Brethren,

Lodge Officer elections will be held on Saturday, May 15th, in the Dining Hall after lunch. Each office should have at least two candidates. Each candidate will be given an opportunity to tell you about his dreams and goals for Nawakwa's future under his leadership. It is a very important day for our Lodge. It is equally very important for you to be present, to take an active part in your Lodge elections, and to vote for the candidates that you think will be the best for our Lodge.

If you are interested in running for lodge office, you must bring a permission note from your parent/guardian and meet with Bill Givler and me prior to the election to discuss



your plans for the coming year. Also, please send a short note to TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org describing your Scouting/OA background and why you are running for office. It is a simple process requiring a minimum of time. I challenge you to give serious thought to running for lodge office.

If you are not interested in running for lodge office, I hope you will encourage the Brother, who in your opinion would be the best one for the job, to run for office. Win or lose, candidate competition will be a good experience for you and will ensure Nawakwa's future positive growth.

The Lodge Officer Training Conference will begin on Sunday May 16th after the lodge and chapter meetings. It will be held in the administration building conference room. Lunch will be provided, and we should be done by 3:00 PM. The agenda includes training the new officers and committee chairmen, planning the New Year program and setting the lodge goals for the New Year. The retiring and new officers and committee chairmen should plan to participate. New and old advisers are encouraged to addend, and all interested members are invited.

The Order of the Arrow is an adventure of the spirit and of the individual. It is what you make it or will it to be. It can be a very positive influence in your life. The choice is yours. Nawakwa's future is in your hands, and I look forward to seeing you at the May Ordeal.

> In W.W.W., Mack Ruffin

Spring (May) Ordeal Campsite Assignments				
<u>Site</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	
Newlon #4	8	McLaughlin #13	60/70	
Frise #5	4/5	Saunders #14	7	
Turner #6	19	Holly #15	2/3	

Handbook Insert Corrections

Vice Chief of Administration: The email address for Matt Beach has changed to xxxxx@xxxxxx.xxx.

Brotherhood Committee: The new chairman is Jimmy Rogers. His email address is xxxx@xxxxxx. His mailing address is xxxx xxxxxx xxxxx; Richmond, VA 23233 with phone number 804-xxx-xxxx.

Trading Post Committee: The new chairman is Matt Brett. His mailing address is xxxx xxxxx xxxxx; Richmond, VA 23228 with phone number 804-xxx-xxxx.

Trading Post Committee: The new adviser is Monte West. His email address is xxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxx. His mailing address is xxxx xxxxxx xxxxxx; Richmond, VA 23150 with home phone number 804-xxx-xxxx and office phone number 804-xxx-xxxx.

OA Troop/Team Representative Committee: The email address for Matt Beach has changed to xxxxx@xxxxxx.xxx.

Chicacoan Chapter 2: Chapter Adviser Carl L. Willett's new address is xxx xxxxxx xxxxxx; Colonial Beach, Virginia 22443 with phone number 804-xxx-xxxx.

Absegami Chapter 4: The Chapter Chief position is currently vacant.

Correction: In the December 2003 issue of the Tom-Tom, the photo of the Indian Village from across Lake Dillon was taken by Kris Kauffmann.

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Chapter News

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First I would like to thank all new Ordeal members. Brotherhood members. and Vigil members. We had a nice showing at the winter ordeal. We got a lot of stuff done such as cleaning up the museum and brotherhood testing. On the weekend of March 12-14, our chapter put on a merit badge Camporee. It was the first one in five years and went off without a hitch. Michael Schofield and his committee did a great job of organizing the event. Joe Orr and Jimmie Bullock have recently formed a new ceremony team. This team performed its first ceremony Saturday night at a call out ceremony. There, eight scouts and scouters were called out. I hope most of you are coming to Conclave but if not I will see you at the May Ordeal. Our next meeting will be the second Monday of April at the Fort Lee Scout hut.

> Joe Orr Chapter 19 Chief

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The Klondike Derby was planned and conducted by our Chapter for the first time. It took place February 20-22 at Saylor's Creek Battlefield State Park. This event was opened to troops from the Weyanoke and Meherrin Districts. During the day, Pioneers (Scouts) traveled to six towns (stations) to compete for the gold that was known to have been found in the local hills and rivers. At the end of a long day of traveling and answering questions on the scavenger/trivia hunt, they still faced one more task-the sled race. After the race, the sleds pulled up to re-supply their equipment at the auction, where the only accepted currency was gold nuggets. Then it was time for hot chocolate from Chapter 60 to all attending the event.

Chapter 60 meets at the Wesley Foundation in Farmville at the same time as the Boy Scout Leaders Roundtable (7: 30 PM on the 3rd Tuesday of each month). If you need a ride, please talk to your Scoutmaster.

> Cody Jenkins Chapter 60 Chief

Women in the OA – A Look Back at the Beginning

Being as this year marks the 85th anniversary of our great lodge, the Tom-Tom has decided to run a series of articles telling what the lodge was like, "back in the day." In continuation of this series, we asked Frances Crutchfield to reflect on her experiences as being a part of the first group of women to be inducted into Nawakwa Lodge #3. We encourage those of you who have grown up in the Order to submit your memories to be published so that we can share our stories with the youth. Please send your submissions to our email address: TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org. –A.J. Konrad, Editor

It was not until the latter half of 1989, several years after a judge in Maine had ruled that women should be allowed to be Scoutmasters, that women were permitted to join the Order of the Arrow.

There had been women members in California and one in Bedford County in 1989, but the first in The Heart of Virginia (then Robert E. Lee) Council were inducted in an Ordeal Ceremony on March 10, 1990. There were five, each representing a different district.

Listed in alphabetical order, the women were: Frances Bailey Broaddus (now Crutchfield) from Shawondassee, Betty J. Cochran from Battlefield,

Martha A. Hampton from Capital, Sandra Louise Sims from Crater, and Jane Ann Zieske (now Crone) from Cardinal

It was both exciting and scary to be a pioneer in this area of Scouting. Some welcomed the idea of women members. One woman's son said that, if somebody's mother had to be the first, he would rather it be his.

Unfortunately, however, others did not share this viewpoint. Several men adhered to their threat never to attend functions after the admission of women, although many returned later. Jokes abounded about sanitary supplies in the Health Lodge, wet tee shirt contests, pink sashes, and a myriad of unmentionables.

The first five felt strongly that they were on trial. They adhered strictly to the four principles of the ordeal-- night alone, complete silence, labor and scant food. Leaders such as Bill Givler warned A new Ordeal member, Frances Broaddus, is them that they could ruin everything welcomed into the Lodge by her son, Henry.

for women in the future.

Their clan was aptly named the Turtle Clan, because the turtle was the totem of the Unami Lodge, the first OA Lodge in the nation.

The work was difficult. The women and the two men in their clan cleared brush and moved tent platforms and picnic tables. By afternoon, they needed four people to move objects that had been easily handled by two that morning. A good friend and fellow Scouter held his steaming cup of coffee under one's nose. He knew a headache from the absence of a morning cup of coffee would be for her the most painful aspect of the Ordeal.



The only teasing came from very close friends. All elangomats and brothers were considerate and courteous. No one made things easier or harder for the women. The ceremonies were impressive, and the women were welcomed as if their membership were a positive change for the Order.

Of the original five, three sealed their membership in Brotherhood as soon as they were eligible on March 16, 1991. On October 8, 1993, two received the Vigil Honor. These two continue to serve the Lodge as advisers.

In the fourteen years following, deserving women have continued to be inducted into the OA without animosity, resentment or jokes. Many of the men who left have returned. Sashes remain red and white, and it is as if "brothers" of both sexes had always worked together in cheerful service for the good of the Order.

Brotherhood Conversion: Members Respond

An Editorial by W. Scott Street, IV

In the last issue of the Tom-Tom, A.J. wrote about the need for eligible Ordeal members to seal their membership by becoming Brotherhood I was amazed at the amount of members. feedback and criticism that came about. Most of the feedback was supportive, and the effectiveness of the editorial can be seen in one of the largest Brotherhood groups in March Ordeal history (57 However, I was disappointed that this vear). some of the criticisms contained mean and hurtful comments towards A.J. No matter how strongly we feel about an issue, we should remember the points of the Scout Law, especially Friendly, Courteous, Kind, and Cheerful!

After sifting through the unpleasantness, I discovered that most of the negative comments were based on misconceptions about the Order and its purpose. In order to help enlighten all of us, I strongly urge each of you to read (or reread) your *Order of the Arrow Handbook*. I don't mean skim through it; I mean that you should truly READ it. In addition, the Lodge leadership is in the process of creating a "Fact Sheet" to distribute to new members and the parents of new youth members that should help explain the basics of the Order of the Arrow.

To correct one of the biggest misconceptions, Scouts who are First Class and have 15 days/nights of camping (6 consecutive days/5 nights and only that many being from long-term camp) are NOT qualified to be members of the OA. Only those Scouts who meet the aforementioned requirements AND have been certified by their Scoutmasters as having Scout spirit (i.e., he adheres to the Scout Oath and Law and ACTIVELY participates in unit activities) may be on the ballot for election by their fellow troop members into the Order. Brotherhood is how the Scout proves correct the choice of his Scoutmaster and peers—that he truly deserves to be considered an honor camper.

Forgotten Scouters: Remember Our Mothers

An Editorial by A.J. Konrad

In this year of remembrance, I am compelled to look at my own Scouting career and reflect on how far I have come since first joining about 15 years ago. I have grown a great deal in that time, both physically and some would even say mentally (ha ha to everyone laughing about that), and I owe quite a bit of it to Scouting and to the Order of the Arrow. Through Scouting I have learned principles that will guide my life to its end, whenever that may be, and I am grateful; however, I'd forgotten something: I did not come all this way alone.

I would not be the man that I am today if it weren't for the leaders and older Scouts always being there for me, but they do not get most of the credit. In fact, I would say that the most important "Scouter" in my life is not a Scout at all; she is my mother. She has driven me from place to place, badge to badge, camp-out to camp-out, and though I'm sure that I thanked her after every venture, I would like to take this opportunity to thank her outright, for always being there. There were times that I had problems that I couldn't take to my Scoutmaster or to my adviser—I had to go to the one person that I knew could help me: I had to go to my mother.

So, especially as Mother's Day approaches, I ask that you look back at your own Scouting careers and think of those that got you this far. Who was it that sewed all those badges on your uniform and drove you all the way to summer camp when you missed the bus? Chances are it was somebody out of uniform and behind the scenes.

Earlier this year, my mother had a small brush with death, and it really got me thinking: who is going to be my support when she's gone? While your special someone is still around, give them a hug, they deserve it.

Thanks Mom for all you've done! A big hug is waiting for you!

Congratulations

Congratulations to the following Arrowmen who became members of the Order by completing the March Ordeal in March. These new brothers are eligible for Brotherhood after 10 months of membership has been attained (Winter Ordeal, March 18-20, 2004).



Spencer William Alexander	T530
Thelton Ray Alexander III	
Roger B. Arnold Jr.	
Brock William Aron	
Joe W. Atherton	
Robert Murphy Bailey V	
Charles E. Burden III	
Lynnette B. Buzzell	
Aaron Timothy Cain	
Eugene R. Campbell	
Joshua David Carrasco	
Gary J. Ceman	T735
Michael T. Cheatham	T184
Terry Lee Cheatham Sr	T184
David Alexander Coates	T252
Brian Richard Cook	T503
Alan Porter Daniel	
Richard C. Daniels	T810
Allen Webster DeHoff	
Christopher Ian Donaher	
Kevin Earl Donahue	
William Boland Eggleston III	
William Boland Eggleston Jr.	
Michael John Erskin	
Darrell Steven Faber Jr	
Darrell Steven Faber Sr.	
Matthew Raymond Faszewski	
Zachary Hyland Fowler	
Kendall William Gates	1570

Linda E. Gates	T570
James Lee Gill III	
James Ryan Gravitte	
William A. Hailey	
Nicholas Andrew Harman	
Mark Benjamin Hopkins	
Charles Blake Jessee	
Brennen Lukas Jones	
Cameron Burgess King	
Michael Jason King	
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Kevin Patrick Leahy	
Jonathan Lewis Matthew Steven Lowe	
Michael W. Lynch	
Timothy P. Lynch	
Thomas Justin Mason	
Tod Randall Massa	
Tucker Nash Matthews	
John Rhea McCutcheon III	
Joshua Lee Meeks	
Carl Thomas Milligan	
John Michael Newman	
David Benjamin Newsome	
Patrick Joseph O'Brien	
David Ford Peterson	
Jameson Gray Powell	
Kevin Lee Roach	
Jeffrey Wayne Sargent	
Benjamin A. Shryock	
Nicholas E. Skinner	
William Christopher Smith IV	T718
Justin C. Snell.	T184
Evan A. Spears	.T6535
William Cabell Spicer	T894
Carl Louis Timperio III	
Carl Louis Timperio Jr	
Benjamin M. Tyler	
Austin Michael West	
David L. Williams Jr.	T411
Riley David Wilson	

Congratulations to the following Arrowmen who became Brotherhood members at the Winter Ordeal in March.



Daniel Rudy Adams	T890
Trevor A. Alger	
Robert Philip Anderson	
Patrick Lane Brinegar	
Richard Earle Brinegar	
Joshua Allen Buzzell	
Alexander Wesley Cohn	
Timothy Grundy Cook	
Justin Ross Cowan	
Daniel William Crouch	
Cindy Jo P. Daniel	
Zachary Haynes Dingle	
William Andy Dobson	
Joshua Steven Dombroski	
lan Joseph Donaher	
John Carrington Eggleston J	
Matthew Adam Engiles	
Sean Paul Farbolin	
Jeffrey Dale Giannasi	
Brian Edward Gibbs	T880
Donald Page Gibbs	T880
Thomas David Graham	T6550
Brandon William D. Hawkins	T819
David Patrick Heath	T869
Keith L. Holland	T772
Benjamin A. Huggins	T500
Nathan Marcus Hughes	T826
Donald Horace Jones	Т890
Karl Rudolph Kahsar	T891
Patricia Ann King	
Josiah D. Leonard	C
Jacob Ronald McCray	T175
Duane Keith McCray Sr	T175

Barry Wayne McDonaldCThomas Gayle McIntyreT521Alexander William MuthT869Dennis Benjamin NyeT555Bruce Gero PiperT890Matthew William PiperT890Matthew Joseph RhyneT498Thomas Frederick RobertsT728Paul Edmund SchofieldT901Bradford Christopher SchulzT806Thomas Hayden SharpeT715Robert Lewis ShumarT900Thomas Marshall ShumarT900Andrew Bryant SouserT498Andrew Hale SpicknallT747Matthew Joseph Stewart IIT760Jesse Wilmer Stewart IIT760Andrew Blaine ToursT806
Matthew Joseph Stewart
Andrew Blaine Toups

Old & Restricted Patch Sale!

At the May Ordeal, Nawakwa Lodge will be spring cleaning! All old patches will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. All sales must be paid in full (cash or check) at the time of purchase. Available patches will include:

RESTRICTED CONCLAVE DELEGATE FLAPS OLD AND LIMITED ISSUE PATCHES COMPLETE SETS (BY YEAR) OF FUNCTION PATCHES and much much more!

The time and location of the sale will be provided at the Spring Ordeal, as the sale is only open to paid attendees of that event.

The members of Nawakwa Lodge #3 would like to thank Jim Cochran for over 20 years of cheerful service as Trading Post Adviser. Thanks Jim!!

From John Hankins & Tim Streagle:

For the May Ordeal, please bring chain saws, weed eaters, lawn mowers, etc. to assist with preparing the Heart of Virginia Council Scout Reservation for its busy summer camping season.

Vigil Honor

The following youth was awarded the Vigil Honor at Winter Ordeal 2004.

MATTHEW SCOTT KITCHENS MACHTAPAMUKQUOT DARK ONE



The following adult was awarded the Vigil Honor at Winter Ordeal 2004.

GEORGE MICHAEL OXFORD *LIPPOE ALLOHAKASIN* WISE ONE WHO INSTRUCTS OTHERS



W. Scott Street, IV



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