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Don't forget the Conclave Set-up Day on April 23 FROM 9:00 AM UNTIL 4:00 PM!

PLEASE BRING WORK GLOVES WITH YOU.



# Supreme Chief of the Fire's Farewell

An Interview with Alf Tuggle on his tenure in Richmond

Alf Tuggle, the Heart of Virginia Council's Scout Executive since 1991, has moved on to the Greater Pittsburgh Area Council. We are very sad to see him go. So, before he left, *The Tom-Tom* decided to interview him on his experiences after 14 years as the Scout Executive of the Robert E. Lee/Heart of Virginia Council. We asked him a series of questions, and his answers are given below.

When you came to this council 14 years ago, what were your impressions of Nawakwa Lodge? I knew about Nawakwa Lodge's reputation before I came to the council, and I was very pleased to learn that all the great things I had heard were very true.

What was your vision for Nawakwa Lodge? I looked forward to the challenge of helping keep the reputation of "America's Finest" while giving more Scouts the opportunity to join and participate.

During your tenure with this council, what were some of the things that Nawakwa Lodge did that surprised you? Many great things come to mind. Particularly, the renovation of Partee Lodge with the creation of the Scouting Museum was one of my favorite projects and demonstrated to me the leadership ability of many Arrowmen and also that projects such as this were needed to build upon the Camp T. Brady Saunders experience.

What are you most looking forward to in your move to Pittsburgh? I am most

looking forward to the challenge of taking another successful Boy Scout Council to new heights.

What do you anticipate missing most about this council and Richmond? The people. Richmond has become my home in many ways and will always be. The volunteers of the Heart of Virginia Council are the best.

What changes are you most proud of that occurred during your tenure? The improvements to our camps and properties combined with the addition of the Cub Adventure Camp will hopefully be a legacy of my tenure. The additions to Camp T. Brady Saunders include: a new COPE Course, a climbing tower, a new shotgun range, and more. None of these projects would have been possible without the help of the Order.

Any final comments? I would like to thank all the members of Nawakwa Lodge for all the hard work, dedication, and friendship that they have extended to me. Keep up the good work; this council would not be the great council it is without the Nawakwa Lodge and its members. Good Scouting!

We certainly wish Alf well in his new council, and we look forward to welcoming our new Scout Executive at the Spring Ordeal this coming May.

Thomas L. Howard, III Editor



# Chief's Bonnet

My Fellow Brothers:

I would like to thank you all for a great Winter Ordeal. We had 58 Ordeal members seal their membership in the Brotherhood, and that is a great start to the year! You guys did a great job getting the camp ready for Conclave, and I thank you all. Conclave is coming up next, and if you are not going to it you should. This is a great time to show the other lodges in our section who we are and how much spirit we have. We do still need to get some things done for Conclave. Joe is asking every Arrowmen to come out Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9 AM and help get last thing ready. Lunch will be provided, so come out and help out.

I would like to talk about a new national award that all of you can earn. It is called the "Leadership in Service Award." To earn this award

you come out to camp and give 8 hours of service and also give 6 hours of service in the lodge's annual community service project. This award is very easy, so just come out to two or more ordeals this year and work; it is that easy. For the second part, our lodge participates in the annual Carillon Service Project at which you can earn your remaining 6 hours. This is a great award that you get to wear on your uniform pocket. The application can be found at www.nawakwa.org.



If you are not attending the National Scout Jamboree as a participant or staff member, try and visit at some point. The Jamboree will be July  $25^{\text{th}}$  to August  $3^{\text{rd}}$  at Fort A.P. Hill just right up the road for us. 40,000 Scouts from around the country and other parts of the world will be attending this year. I know attending the Jamboree in 1997 as visitor and as participant in 2001 were some of the best times in my life, so try to make some time this year and go check it out.

Seeing as this is my last letter to you as chief, I would like to thank everyone that has helped me this year. I truly couldn't have done it without my other lodge officers, committee chairmen, and chapter chiefs. I would like to wish the best of luck to the new chief and other officers that will be elected in May. I learned a lot as chief this year, but one thing sticks in my mind more then anything—it's a Ralph Waldo Emerson quote that I heard at NLS this past October, and I leave you with it: "What lies behind us and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us."

Yours in Service always, Matt Beach

# Adviser's Minute



Brethren,

Lodge officers will be elected at the Spring Ordeal after lunch in the Dining Hall on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Each office should have at least two candidates. The candidates will tell you of their dreams and goals for Nawakwa's future. Your vote will determine your Lodge's future. It is very important for you to be present and to take an active part.

If you are interested in running for office you need to bring me your parent/guardian written permission slip granting their approval. You also need to meet with Bill Givler or me to discuss your plans for the year ahead. It is a very easy and



simple process. We will be happy to meet with you at check-in on Friday night. If you are not inclined to run for Lodge office, I hope you will encourage the brother who, in your opinion, will be the best one for the office.

The Order is an adventure of the spirit and of the individual. It is a unique opportunity to experience all the richness and warmth that comes with Brotherhood and Cheerful Service. For you, the Order will be what you make of it. Be active, celebrate your OA membership, and be all that you can be in the year that lies ahead.

In W.W.W., Mack Ruffin

### Spring (May) Ordeal Campsite Assignments

<u>Site</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Site</u>	<b>Chapter</b>
Newlon #4	8	McLaughlin #13	60 & 70
Frise #5	4 & 5	Saunders #14	7
Turner #6	19	Overstreet #15	2 & 3



Jeff Giannasi

Members of the Dance Team practice for the Conclave during the Winter Ordeal.

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# Chapter Reports

### Karakona Chapter 19 Report

On the weekend of March 11th-13th, the Crater District Merit Badge Campout, planned and executed by Karakona Chapter 19, was held at Albright Scout Reservation. Despite the cold weather and the fire at Albright Reservation before the event, 237 scouts came to the event and 29 volunteers gave their time to teach merit badges and to help run the event. Some of the merit badges included Indian Lore, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness, and Art. 17 troops came to the campout and everyone had a good time. An OA tap-out ceremony was held at the Saturday evening campfire. The Campout was a great success. Our thanks go to all who helped and participated. The Campout could not have gone on without them. We look forward to next year and hope to make the next Campout even better.

The Crater District Pinewood Derby was held Saturday, March 26, 2005 at Strosnider Chevrolet in Hopewell. Carl Ballinger of Troop 912 organized the Derby. The Derby was run on a new state-of-the-art track that was donated for the event. Karakona Chapter 19 was responsible for set up and clean up for the derby.

### **Monacan Chapter 60 Report**

This year the Klondike Derby was planned for the weekend of the February 18-20 and went as planned. This event ran smooth thanks to the Chapter Members who helped either by planning for over four months or by being on the staff. Thanks to all that helped and came to the event. Also lets give a special thanks to our Chapter Chief Josh for leading a great event. We thank you all again for either helping or coming. For any one who missed the fun (and the 12-degree Friday Night) you and your troop can join us on the weekend of Jan. 25-27, 2006, for next year's derby.

We meet during the District Roundtable, which is the Third Tuesday at 7:30 PM. It is located at the Wesley Foundation in Farmville. This is open to all Youth and Adults in the chapter.

# Congratulations

Congratulations to the following Arrowmen who became members of the Order by completing the Winter Ordeal in March. These new brothers are eligible for Brotherhood after 10 months of membership has been attained (Winter Ordeal, March 17-19, 2006).



David Lee Ambrose Jr	T250
Robert Joseph Appleby	
Michael Berry Ballato	T736
Joseph Edward Beach Jr	D7
Barry Wayne Bland	
James Boyd Boler	
Ryan James Boler	T503
Brantley Jackson Bourne	T720
Jonathan David Brush	T751
Anthony Scott Byrnside	T883
David Scott Cahoon	D8
Alvester Washington Carpenter	
Wilburt Lamont Carpenter	T917
Matthew Damian Coffey	T780
Brian Leigh Condit	T763
Ryan Oliver Corbelli	T893
Geoffrey Ryan Cowan	T763
Charles Richard Crump III	T837
Robert Allen Crump III	T776
Aaron Joseph Cummings	T819
Clyde Edward Cummings	T819
Benjamin Drew Davis	
Bruce Edwin Davis	
Scot Brian Davis	T562
Kendrick Lamar Diggs	T222
Gregory Charles Dixon	T912
Brandon Michael Dunaway	T222
Rylan Patrick Dunnavant	T772
Jeffrey Adam England	
Matthew Adam England	
James Adam Fletcher	
Phillip Culhane Gerber	
Sean Matthew Gerber	
John Nicholas Gettas	
Graham Edward Givens	
Steven Lee Gizzi	
Noah Philip Golfman	
Hugh Campbell Haddon	
Daniel Poether Hardin	
Christopher Alan Hathcock	T178

Kevin James Haugn	
Jeff Robert Henderson	
Kennith Roy Hicks	.T535
Hunter Jennings Holthaus	.T772
Ryan Michael Horn	
David Jackson Jennison	.T400
Kenneth Boulton Jones Sr	.T799
Robert Trent Jones	
Jonathan DeWolf Kitchens	.T912
David Andrew Klein	
Kristopher Michael Kusnerik	.T535
Max Hall Kuzman	
Samuel Gardner Leedy	
Matthew Thomas Little	
John David Lyles	
Farris Matthew Maddox	
Vincent Lucas Madsen	
Stephen Edward Matous	
Michael William McAdoo	
lan Alexander McBride	
Billy Ray McGregor IV	
Seth Dylan Meganck	
Grover Edward Miles III	
Chadwick Dennis Neathery	
Bradley Lawrence Nero	
Jerry Wayne Nolte III	
Joshua Winston Nolte	
Melvin Northington	
Daniel Thomas Pack	
Kyle Wesley Patton	
Brandon Paul Perdue	
Matthew Nelson Perry	
Tyler Lee Pittman	
Benjamin Thomas Rice	
Joseph Bradley Riddick	
Charles William Rockwell II	.T917
Nicholas Marco Roman	
"Aanilkumar ""A.J."" N. Roy"	.T883
Michael Kenneth Scaplehorn	
Michael Wilson Scipione	.T736
Michael Glenn Sepelyak	
Joshua Mathewes Shaw	
Samuel Robert Sheahan	
Javan Michael Shearn	
Louis Benjamin Shelton	
Brett Alan Smiley	
Aaron Daniel Stumpf	
Daniel Lee Swisher	
Harley Lee Trader Jr.	
Michael Edward Unholz	
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Kyle Stuart Vernon	T175
Byron Ward Waters	T840
Jason Gregory Webber	T923
Charles Andrew Wilkins	T250
Brian Christopher Woodcock	T823
Adam Michael Zedler	T829

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



Spencer William Alexander	
Thelton Ray Alexander III	T530
David F. Anderson	
Robert Murphy Bailey V	T252
William Dabney Beahm	T252
Danny Darden Bowe III	T883
lan Hunter Burnet	T577
Aaron Timothy Cain	T900
John Carlos Camejo	T555
Eugene Roscoe Campbell	T205
Francis Garret Castelvecchi IV	T706
Brian Richard Cook	T503
Alan Porter Daniel	T751
Spencer David DeGering	T6535
Christopher Ian Donaher	T837
James Ryan Gravitte	T837
Dennis Earl Harbin Jr	T704
Nicholas Andrew Harman	T530
Dylan Thomas Hartless	T715
Tim Michael Herber	T777
Mark Benjamin Hopkins	T883
Jared Michael Horrigan	T751
Thomas Landon Howard III	T436
Bryan Huntington Hubbard	
William Armistead Hudnall	T535
Malachi Andrew Hughes	T826
Brenda Lynn Kapelewski	D7
Chris Michael Keithly	T728
Kenneth Arthur Keithly	T728
Chase Andrew Kiddy	T924
Cameron Burgess King	T891
Jonathan Phillip Lewis	T499
Timothy P. Lynch	T736
Daniel John Marcinkevicius	P520
Tod Randall Massa	T835

Tucker Nash Matthews	T891
John Rhea McCutcheon III	T444
Matthew Alex Muron	T893
William James Norman	T535
Joseph C. Oleksa	T772
Jon Kyle Parker	T886
Jameson Gray Powell	T570
Jared William Rhodes	T826
Jeffrey Wayne Sargent	T883
Benjamin A. Shryock	T252
Nicholas E. Skinner	T585
Michael Sebastian Szadaj	T704
Daniel Tompkins Thorpe	T700
Harry Leslie Thorpe Jr	T544
Benjamin M. Tyler	T530
Benjamin Thaddeus Vaughan	T772
John W. Vaughan Jr	T772
Angel Luis Velazquez Sr	T912
Brian Harold Wakeman	T829
William Bradley Walker	T747
Eric Jeffrey Werner	T860
David L. Williams Jr	T411
Evan Thomas Yandle	T924

# **Vigil Honor**

The following youth were awarded the Vigil Honor at the 2005 Winter Ordeal. Below their names are their new Lenni Lenape names with English translations.

# JOHN HUNTER HARVEY, III MACHELEMOACHGENIMGUSSOWAGAN RECEIVER OF PRAISE

ANDREW G. W. SMITH
WITSCHEMAN PEHACHPAMHANGIK
HELPFUL SAILOR



The following adult was awarded the Vigil Honor at the 2005 Winter Ordeal. Below his name is his new Lenni Lenape name with English translation.

CRAIG HOWARD SMITH
WSCHIMUIN
ONE WHO FLIES

# Lodge Officer Candidate Forum

#### **Lodge Chief Candidate**

Hello fellow arrowmen. My name is Joe Orr, and I am running for Lodge Chief. I am a Vigil Honor member in the Order. For the past year I have served as Conclave Chairman, and for the past two years I have served as Training Chairman for the Lodge. I have attended the National Leadership Seminar and the Buckskin Leadership Training Course. I have served on Camp Staff for the past two years at Brady Saunders. These experiences have prepared me to be the type of leader this lodge needs to continue its great traditions.

I plan to focus on improving the quality of training at Fellowship and at the Lodge Leadership Development Course. I personally believe that the better trained our leaders are the more likely Nawakwa Lodge can continue its greatness. Another area I plan to focus on is the fun activities such as occur at Fall Fellowship. Without the fun activities membership would drop, so I want to focus on bringing you activities you enjoy. Please vote for who you feel would better lead your Lodge for the next year. See you at the Spring Ordeal!!!

## Vice Chief of Administration Candidate Dear Fellow Arrowmen,

My name is Will Swingle, and I am a brotherhood member of the Nawakwa Lodge. At the Spring Ordeal I will be running for the position of Lodge Vice Chief of Administration.

For the past year I served as your Secretary/Treasurer and as the Dance Team chairman. In these positions I have had the opportunity to learn many things. The Lodge Leadership Development Conference last May and the Section Council of Chiefs in February were real eye openers.

The most important things I learned were how things were run and how things with in the Lodge worked. I now can honestly say that if there is a problem within one of the Administrative Committees, I believe I can handle it and fix the problem at the source. I feel the reason we have good committees is that

we have always had very strong chairmen of those committees. As your vice chief, this is something I would continue. We need the "best of the best" leading the committees.



Will Swingle

Last year I also served as the Chapter 5 Vice Chief of Program. This position entitled me to run a merit badge camporee. The camporee was attended by over 300 Scouts from the Battlefield district. This was truly a learning experience.

The Order of the Arrow has just created a new award for leadership in service. It is a three-year program, and you must complete certain requirements to earn the award. As your new Vice Chief of Administration I will do my best to promote this award.

I strongly encourage you to attend the Spring Ordeal in May and participate in choosing your leadership for the upcoming year. I hope you will support me in running for the position of Vice Chief of Administration for Nawakwa Lodge.

Lodge Cartoonist Randy Van Ness is leaving Nawakwa Lodge this summer to return to his boyhood home in Wisconsin. But don't worry, Randy has promised to keep us laughing with new "Sons of Uncas" comic strips in each issue of *The Tom-Tom*. Thanks for the laughs, Randy; and Nawakwa wishes you all the best as you return home.



This patch is to be awarded to all members who attend the LLDC on May 15th (after the Ordeal until about 3 PM).

### Sons of Uncas

### By Randy VanNess







The deadline for submissions to the next issue of the *Tom-Tom* is June 30<sup>th</sup>. Please send your submissions to the Council Office (return address, below) or to TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org.



April 23 ......Conclave Set-up
Heart of VA Scout Reservation

April 29 – May 1......SR-7A Conclave Heart of VA Scout Reservation May 13-15.....Spring Ordeal Camp T. Brady Saunders

Lodge Officer Elections & Lodge Leadership Development Conference All youth leaders & adult advisers are invited to attend (ends at 3 PM)

September 9-11 .....Summer Ordeal Camp T. Brady Saunders

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