



THE TOM-TOM

The Official Newsletter of NAWAKWA LODGE 3

Lodge Elections to be held on June 2ND

Chief's Bonnet

My Fellow Arrowmen,

Youth members (those under 21 years of age) will meet in the Dining Hall at Camp T. Brady Saunders after lunch on Saturday, June 2nd, to elect the new lodge officers for the 2007-2008 lodge year. The following positions will ve decided at this election: Lodge Chief, Lodge Vice Chief of Administration, Lodge Vice Chief of Program, and Lodge Secretary/Treasurer.

Following the elections, the new Lodge Chief will begin considering who he will choose to serve as the various lodge committee chairmen (and members of the Lodge Executive Committee). If you are interested in serving as chairman of any of the lodge committees, please see the newly elected Lodge Chief following the election.

In addition, several chapters will be conducting chapter officer elections at their business meetings on Sunday morning, June 3rd. Contact your Chapter Adviser or Chapter Chief for more information or if you are interested in serving as a youth or adult leader in your chapter.

Finally, I want to thank each of you whose cheerful service helped make my two years as serving as your Lodge Chief so enjoyable. Thanks!

Yours in Service,
Joe Orr



Adviser's Minute

Brethren,

Congratulations and welcome to our 111 new Ordeal Brothers from March. It is our hope that your ordeal experience was meaningful and inspiring. The Friday night snow added to the excitement of the ordeal. We look forward to your active participation at future OA Service Weekends.

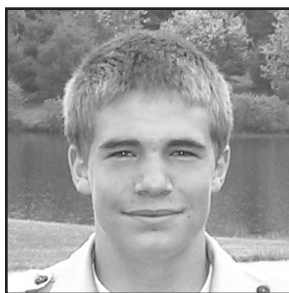
We have two promotion challenges that, as Arrowmen, we need to put on the top of our priority list; Summer Camp at Camp T. Brady Saunders and the 400 Anniversary of Virginia, 100 Anniversary of Boy Scouting Camporee. We need to insure that our Troops are participating in both events.

Lodge Elections will be held on Saturday (June 2nd) after lunch in the Dining Hall. It is very important for you to be present, take an active part, and vote for the candidate of your choice.

Lodge Officer Training will be held Sunday (June 3rd) after the Chapter business meetings. New and outgoing Officers and Committee Chairmen should plan to attend, including those interested in serving in one of these positions. One of the objectives of this meeting is to set the Lodge goals for 2007-2008. Attendance is open to anyone that would like to participate. Lunch will be provided.

The Order is a thing of the individual and an adventure of the spirit. You can make the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service campfire glow brightly in your life through your service to Scouting.

In W.W.W.,
Mack Ruffin



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Candidates for Lodge Chief

Thomas Howard

Brothers,

My name is Thomas Howard and I am your candidate for Lodge Chief. I am a Brotherhood member in the Order and an Eagle Scout from Troop 436. Last year I served as the Lodge Vice Chief of Administration. For the past three years I have served as Publications Chairman for the Lodge and



as Editor in Chief of The Tom-Tom. I am also a very active Ceremonialist. I have received two individual first placings at Conclaves and received two National Honor Medals at NOAC 2006. But more importantly, every competition team that I have served on has achieved Honor recognition as a group. I have attended two Section Conclaves and served on staff in 2005, conducted training sessions at Fall Fellowship, and attended National Jamboree in 2005. And lastly, I will have the unique opportunity to serve as the Senior Patrol Leader of the troop that represents our entire section at the 2007 World Jamboree.

Last October, I had the privilege of attending the National Leadership Seminar. This seminar provided me with excellent, updated leadership skills and assets that will serve as a significant benefit to the Lodge if I am elected to serve as your Lodge Chief. I feel that I have grown greatly serving the Lodge over the years, and recently having the opportunity to represent the Lodge at Section Council of Chiefs. My experience will help me lead the Lodge as we continue our tradition of excellence. My program will continue to have an emphasis on communication. I understand that members of the Lodge must be informed to stay active and I will continue to strengthen our communication with our members through the Tom-Tom and the newly re-done website. The new website has a wonderful potential, but must be refined and promoted in order for it to become our Lodge's defining resource. I would also like to see an increase in unit elections over the next year. Thank you for your consideration; I will appreciate your vote!

In WWW,
Thomas Howard

Will Swingle

Greetings Brothers,

It is that time again; time to elect new lodge officers. My name is Will Swingle and I want to be your Lodge Chief.

I am an Eagle Scout from Troop 521. In my troop I have held most every position including Senior Patrol Leader.

I attended the National Jamboree in 2005 as the Quartermaster of my troop, and in the summer of 2006 I was the crew leader of my ship at Florida Sea Base

I sealed my membership in the Order by attaining Brotherhood in 2004 and was awarded the Vigil Honor in 2006.

I have completed many different leadership programs. Since joining scouts I have attended my district's JLT and Buckskin Youth Leadership Training, both of which I now serve as a staff member. Through the Order I have attended 3 Lodge Leadership Development Courses and most recently the National Leadership Seminar.

Since being elected into the Order I have served as your Secretary/ Treasurer, Vice Chief of Administration, Dance Team Chairman, and I am currently your Spirit Chairman.

I have many experiences serving as lodge chief. I have represented the lodge at numerous Council of Chiefs, Conclave 2006, and most recently Conclave 2007. Do you remember the toga party and the luau? I was the man that made that all possible.

I hope that you can see that with all the experience that I have, I make the perfect candidate for lodge chief.

So please give me your support at the June Service Weekend.

Yours in Scouting,
Will Swingle



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Candidates for Vice Chief of Program

Hosea Jones

Fellow Arrowmen,

My name is Hosea Jones, and I am running for the 2007-2008 Lodge Vice Chief of Program. I am a member of Troop 6596 in Farmville, VA, where I currently serve as Assistant Scoutmaster. I am an Eagle Scout with lots of experience in leadership roles. I attended Junior Leader Training programs such as Buckskin, District JLT, and Troop JLT.

I am a Vigil Honor member in our order and have earned the Leadership in Service Award. In my past years in the Lodge, I have served patiently and diligently as Chairman of Camp Promotions and have worked with the Unit Elections Committee. On a chapter level, I have been Chapter Chief of Monacan Chapter 60 for the last two years, and the proceeding year I was Chapter Vice Chief.

Having served on the Executive Committee for the last two years, I feel that it's my time to step forth and help this Lodge reach its full potential. I have heard what the past Vice Chiefs of Program have said and seen what they actually accomplished, and I know that I can do better. I say this because, I have evaluated their performances and have learned from them. Each one that I have spoken with has given me words of wisdom and has told me what worked well for them and what did not. So, as Vice Chief of Program, I will not make promises for things which I know are not possible. I will keep all Arrowmen informed on events and will seek suggestions from you all. Sessions at the Fall Fellowship will be exciting, the food outstanding, and the games a continuous thrill.

On this note, I sincerely desire your vote on June 2, 2007, as Nawakwa Lodge Vice Chief of Program.

Yours in Service,
Hosea Jones

Thomas Shumar



Fellow Arrowmen,

My name is Thomas Shumar and I am running for Vice Chief of Program. I am an Eagle Scout and a member of Troop 900.

Why, might you ask, do I feel qualified for this position? Good question! Over the past two years I have served as your Training Chairman and Secretary/Treasurer, *working hard to continue the spirit of cheerful service that this lodge so well embodies*. I have also held leadership positions in Chapter 19 as well as being SPL for two years.

I feel that these experiences have made me a well qualified candidate for this position. Additionally, I truly value and enjoy my membership in the OA and treasure the opportunity to serve this outstanding group of people. If elected, I will strive to help Nawakwa Lodge #3 maintain National Honor Lodge status and make it an ever greater lodge.

Yours in Scouting,
Thomas Shumar

Randy Timmerman



Greetings Brethren,

My name is Randy Timmerman from Troop 521, and I am running for Vice Chief of Program for Nawakwa Lodge 3. I am Secretary for Nagatamen Chapter 5, and I am currently Lodge Chapel Service Chairman. Also, I have been working with the Service committee with Elangomating.

I believe that I would be a very good Vice Chief because I have many leadership experiences, such as District Junior Leader Training, the Council Buckskin course, numerous Lodge Executive Committees and one Lodge Leadership Development Course. Therefore, I have developed many ideas which I can use to improve the Lodge. I will make sure that the Fall Fellowship it will be one that no one will soon forget. Lastly, I will listen to anyone. If you have any suggestions or ideas, I will listen and take them into consideration. If there ever comes a problem that you may have, come to me, and I will listen to you, and help you work through it.

In conclusion, I think I would make a very good Vice Chief of Program, and I would appreciate it if you came out to the Lodge Elections after lunch on Saturday of the June Service Weekend and gave me your support. Thank you, and I'll see you there.

In WWW,
Randy Timmerman

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Candidates for Vice Chief of Administration

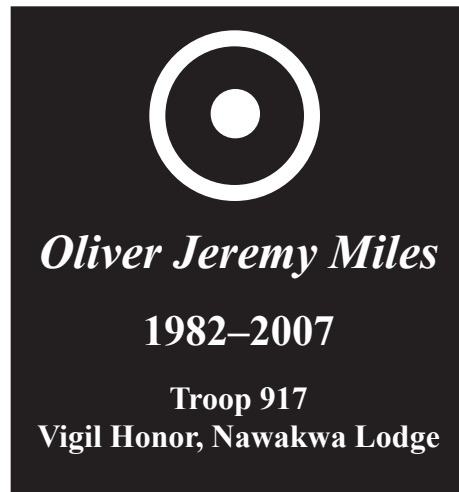
Jimmie Bullock



Jimmie Bullock is a member of Troop 900 and is a Brotherhood member of Nawakwa Lodge. He has most recently served as Vice Chief of Program.

Nick Harman

Nick Harman is a member of Troop 530 and is a Brotherhood member of Nawakwa Lodge. He has most recently served as Training Committee Chairman for Nawakwa Lodge.



Candidate for Secretary/Treasurer

Victor Bullock



Victor Bullock is a member of Troop 900 and is a Brotherhood member of Nawakwa Lodge.

The deadline for submissions to the next issue of the *Tom-Tom* is June 6th. Please send your submissions to TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org.



THE LOOKOUT

July 28–Aug 1 Nat'l Ldrshp Summit
Indiana University

Sept 7–9 Fall Service Wknd
Camp T. Brady Saunders

Oct 26–28 Fall Fellowship
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