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DON'T FORGET THE
SUMMER SERVICE WEEKEND

MAY 29 – 31

PLEASE BRING WORK GLOVES WITH YOU.



Nawakwa Lodge #3 Reorganizes Chapters, Changes Effective this Summer

At the request of Brad Nesheim, Scout Executive for the Heart of Virginia Council, Nawakwa Lodge will reconfigure its chapters to align with the new district structure of the council. The resulting changes should make operations easier for the council.

Lodge Adviser Mack Ruffin and Lodge Chief Nick Harmon have worked with the chapter leadership to make this reorganization possible. Although this plan has met with some resistance from a few members, most seem to be taking the changes in stride.

This process began last year when Chapter 2 and Chapter 3 merged to form Chapter 23 after their respective districts were merged to form the current Rivers District 23.

When Showandasse District was split several years ago to form the Huguenot Trail District 18 and the Arrohattoc District 28, Chapter 8 remained in tact. Last summer, Weyanoke District 60 and Meherrin District 70 were merged into the

short-lived District 67. Later in the year, that district was split so that the units from the old District 70 were merged into Crater District 19. In addition, the units from the old District 60 were split so that the units in Buckingham, Cumberland, and Prince Edward Counties joined Huguenot Trail District 18, while the remaining units joined Arrohattoc District 28. Through this process, Chapters 60 and 70 stayed in tact.

In order to satisfy Nesheim's request, Chapters 60 and 70 are being dissolved. Chapter 70 is being absorbed into Chapter 19. In addition, Chapter 60 is being split along district lines as is Chapter 8. This will create a new Chapter 18 to cover the units in Huguenot Trail District 18 and a new Chapter 28 to cover the units in Arrohattoc District 28. Leadership for these new chapters will be chosen prior to the end of the lodge year in June.

Chapters 4, 5, and 7 will remain unchanged, for now. 🦋

W. Scott Street, IV
Publications Adviser



Chief's Bonnet

My Fellow Brothers:

I would like to start off by congratulating the seventy-one new Ordeal members and twenty-seven new Brotherhood members that we had at the Spring Service Weekend. I consider these to be strong numbers considering the weather that we had- and I would like to thank these candidates as well as all of our members for the large amount of projects that we completed. Camp will look a lot better because of the hard work from all of you.

April 24-26 is Conclave at Bayport Scout Reservation, in Jamaica, Virginia.. We have a good number of Arrowmen going, and we hope to win the Spirit Award and do well in the various sports competitions. Nawakwa Lodge has chosen to have a Jamaican theme for Conclave this year. I would love to see all of our Arrowmen supporting this theme (keep your costumes G-rated of course). In June we have our next Service Weekend. This weekend is especially important because Lodge Officer elections will be held as well as an LLDC (Lodge Leadership Development Course) on Sunday. If you are interested in running for Lodge office you need to inform Mack Ruffin and present him a letter of permission from one of your parents, even if you are 18-20 years old. August 1-6 is NOAC (National Order of the Arrow Conference). If you are interested in attending NOAC get in contact with Razz. You can email Razz or speak with him at Conclave or the June Service Weekend.



We have had a great year so far and I would love for us to keep it up with a great showing at Conclave and the Summer Service Weekend.

Your fellow Arrowman,
Nick Harmon

Adviser's Minute



Brethren,

This is a great time to be an Arrowman. There are so many outstanding activities available for your consideration. I will just mention a few; Northern Tier Wilderness Voyage, voyages start June 10 and each week through July 15; Philmont Trail Crew, sessions start June 8 and each week through July 13; Florida Sea base, sessions start June 2 and each week through July 7. Complete information and applications are available at <http://adventure.oa-bsa.org>

The Summer Service Weekend/Ordeal [May29-31] is one of our most important opportunities. We must set up for summer camp, conduct a meaningful ordeal/brotherhood experience for our candidates, hold Lodge elections and conduct our Lodge Officer Training Conference on Sunday after the business meeting [about 10:30 AM]. The training conference is open to all Arrowmen who wish to attend and participate in setting our goals for the next year. Lunch will be provided, and we should finish by 3:00 PM.



Are you interested in running for Lodge office? You need to bring a permission note from your parent/guardian and meet with me prior to the election to discuss your plans for the coming year. It is a very easy process. It is our hope that we have at least two candidates for each office [Chief, VC Administration, VC Program and Secretary/Treasurer]. If you are not interested in running for office, please encourage the Brother, who in your opinion will be the best one for the job. This is your Lodge, you need to be present to vote and support it.

The Order is an adventure of the individual and his spirit. It can only work if you participate. What would you like to do to celebrate our 90th birthday? I hope to see you at the SR 7A Conclave and Summer Service/Ordeal Weekend.

In W.W.W.,
Mack Ruffin

Summer OA Service Weekend Campsite Assignments

Site	Chapter	Site	Chapter
Newlon #4	8 & 60	McLaughlin #13	4
Frise #5	5	Saunders #14	7
Turner #6	19 & 70	Overstreet #15	23

“Thanks for all that you do!!” --John Hankins

In the 29 years that I have been with this Council I have never written a letter to the editor. I wanted to express my deep thanks and appreciation to Nawakwa Lodge for all that they have done for this Scout Reservation over the years. There is no greater resource available to this Council than the OA. This is an exceptional lodge in anyone’s book.

Many members are not aware of some of the generous contributions that the Lodge has provided to help cover the cost of things like the OA Museum and the COPE Course. Additional funding has been made available for special needs over the years.

Prior to each service weekend I compile a list of service projects that are very extensive in scope. Very often I am amazed when that list is taken care of by noon and everybody is standing around saying “what next”. I have worked closely with five other lodges in my career, and none of them come close to the level of effort and commitment that I have seen with this lodge. During this last service weekend we survived some of the worst conditions I have ever seen, and yet we accomplished more work than I would have expected if the sun had been out. Thanks for all that you do!

Yours in Service,
 John Hankins
 Reservation Superintendent

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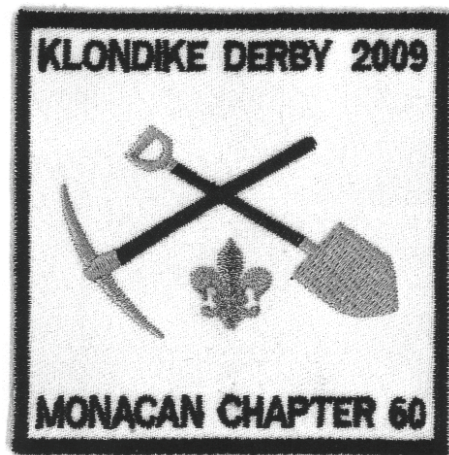
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Chapter Reports

Monacan Chapter 60 Report

On the weekend of January 16–18, the chapter hosted the Klondike Derby amidst below-zero temperatures. The event was held at Sailor’s Creek Historic Battlefield State Park in Amelia County. During the Derby, we had sleds traveling to eight towns (event stations) to earn gold in the past. The day ended with a sled race, auction, and a cup of hot chocolate. For the units who camped the extra night, we centered around a campfire learning almost everything that makes up the universe. While the clouds that brought a wintery mix the next day did not permit star watching, the program put on by the local Astronomy Club was well received. We graciously thank all members who helped in planning and staffing in any way. We also thank all those who donated materials as well as the staff at the state park.



Is your Troop in need of either a camp promotion presentation or a unit election visitation (or both)? If so, then it is time to sign up. You can contact Tom Smith at 434-392-3555 or bsascouts@kinex.net for more information or to make reservations. It is strongly suggested that you have your unit election before camp (and not at camp) so that the most boys possible can be involved.

Tom Smith
 Chapter Adviser

Congratulations

Congratulations to the following Arrowmen who became members of the Order by completing their Ordeal in March. These new brothers are eligible for Brotherhood after 10 months of membership has been attained (Spring Service Weekend, March 19-21, 2010).



Nicholas Alexander Akens	T720
Corbin Alexander Anglin	T811
Bradley Donald Bittman	T735
Cory Allen Bowles	T736
Ryan Joseph Brown	T540
Harold Popenoe Cannell	T728
Christopher Winston Cantone	T840
Blake Randolph Chisholm	T829
John "Jack" Patrick Corbett	T876
Richard James Credicott	T800
Frank Wayne DeGering	T6535
Hyrum Frank DeGering	T6535
Edward Eugene Elliott	T894
Robert Carter Elliott	T894
Art Faithful	T178
Benjamin Charles Goin	T811
Christopher Leigh Grosenick	T829
Thomas Carl Guerri	T869
Michael Bryan Gwinn Sr.	T835
Andrew Cole Harrell	T544
Kyle William Hart	T6516
Joseph Dean Holloway	T706
Richard Lee Holloway	T706
Shaqeel Darion Hoover	T476
Michael Jamal Hudson	T476
Jonathan Robert Humphries	T706
Stuart Wade Jennings	T789
Eugene Tae Joo Jeong	T763
Nicholas John Jones	T521
Richard Meade Jones	T6357
William James Jones	T6535
Dean James Katsaros	T829
Thomas Robert Kelly	T876
Matthew Juyung Kim	T763
Paul Cory L'Esperance	T720

Joseph G. W. Lembo	T832
Jonathan Berkley T. Lythgoe	T874
Donald Michael Martin	T891
William Albert McCue	T720
Ian Christopher McDonald	T776
John Michael McKelvey Jr.	T735
John Michael McKelvey Sr.	T735
Ryan Lawrence McTheny	T518
Andrew Dallas Meade	T737
William Garrett Menefee	T737
Duncan MacFarlane Monroe	T860
Thomas Kent Moore	T544
Thomas Frederick Morley	T891
Cynthia Hunt Morris	T832
Matthew Adam Newton	T6535
Peter Jong-Woon. Pak	T763
Robert Hobson Patterson III	T444
Lucas Max Porter	T876
Jason Shane Powers	T760
Edward Robert Prescott	T776
Clayton Carter Prorise	T800
Gene Kim Rhee	T763
Justin Alexander Roberts	T476
Timothy Reardon Shaw	T876
Michael James Shutt	T436
Larkin Bynum Smith	T789
Tyler Patrick Smith	T879
Christopher Chase Steele	T544
Floyd Franklin Steele Jr.	T544
Donyai Akil Tucker	T736
Christopher Jarrell Tyler	T303
Charles Harwood Vaughan	T444
Lawless Alan Weaver	T728
Brian Thomas Wegerbauer	T737
Julian Grant Wilkerson	T862
Julian Wayne Wilkerson	T862

Congratulations to the following Arrowmen who became Brotherhood members at the Service Weekend in March.



Frank Philip Anderson	T829
Joshquinn Allen Andrews	T100
Corey Donnell Brown	T540
Vernon Joseph Brown	T540
Andrew Gordon Burcham	T720
Bruce Burlington Burton Jr.	T540
Dorion Omari Charity	T540
Charles Carey Gibbens	T443
Stephen Christopher Hutchinson	T737
Matthew Christopher Johnson	T184
Wayne Joseph Jones	T862
Brandon Joshua Keithly	T728
Yusuf Ali Khan	T737
Bryan James Lewis	T6516
Robert William Lyles III	T862
Ly' David Mitchell McQueen	T411
Stephen Belland Metcalf	T503
Andrew White Monroe	T860
Lucas Christian Olson	T706
Stanard Clifton Parcell	T521
James Alexander Ray	T715
Samuel Ballard Richardson	T715
Francis William Ronnau IV	T876
Joseph Arthur Roussos	T862
David Evan Sale	T706
Nathan Michael Schwarz	T737
Joshua Roman Weaver	T728

Orr Receives Founder's Award

Congratulations to Vigil Honor member Ralph Orr (right) on being Nawakwa Lodge's newest recipient of the Order of the Arrow Founder's Award. Because Ralph could not attend the Fall Fellowship in October 2008, Nick Harmon presented the award to him at the Lodge Executive Committee meeting in January 2009.



Chris M. Leech

Lodge Officer Candidate Forum

Lodge Chief Candidate

Brothers,

My name is Owen Gallogly, and I want to be your Lodge Chief. I have been actively involved in Nawakwa Lodge since I took my Ordeal. I am a Brotherhood member of the Lodge, and I have served as its Publications Chairman and Ceremonies Team Chairman. Now, I am prepared to serve the Lodge as its leader.

Andy Spicknall, a candidate for Vice Chief of Administration, and I have worked hard together in the past months developing a plan for the future of the Lodge. With these details in mind, I am prepared to move forward with a plan of effective Lodge leadership.

I will focus on three major areas of possible improvement and success if you give me the chance to serve as your Chief. First, I will ensure that the Lodge commemorates its 90th anniversary, which will occur next November, with a celebration that will be both memorable and meaningful. Nawakwa has enjoyed a great history, and it should be celebrated; I will ensure that the festivities are as fantastic as our history. Second, I will seek to improve Brotherhood conversion and attendance at Lodge events. Attendance has been down slightly at Lodge functions recently, and this needs to change if we are going to continue to experience the success we have in the past. And finally I would like to fill the remaining Lodge Executive Committee spots that are still without chairmen. This way, I will encourage more youth leadership within the committees, which make up the core of the Lodge.

Though these goals may seem lofty, I am convinced that they are both important and reachable. I am prepared to lead this Lodge to reach them. If you will give me the privilege of serving as your Lodge Chief, I will pledge myself to continued cheerful service to make this the best year yet for Nawakwa. Thank you.

In WWW,
Owen Gallogly

Vice Chief of Administration Candidate

Brothers,

My name is Andy Spicknall, and I am running to be your next Vice Chief of Administration. I am a Vigil Honor member, and have served as the Ceremonies Chairman for two years and as a Chapter Chief. These great experiences have led me to believe I am the best candidate for Vice Chief of Administration.

For the last several months, Owen Gallogly, a candidate for Lodge Chief, and I have had numerous discussions on how to lay the foundation for the next 90 years of our lodge. We have brainstormed on how to make this year's fellowship one for the history books. We hope that each of you will come be a part of this momentous occasion. Without your participation and support, our lodge cannot continue to offer the same caliber of service we have become known for.

I have several ideas ready to be implemented to increase attendance and brotherhood conversion. If you elect me as your Vice Chief of Administration, I can guarantee you I will be open to any suggestions you have on how to make our lodge the best it can be.

I sincerely hope to see each of you in May to participate in our lodge elections. I ask for your support to give me the opportunity to serve our lodge and our members for the next year.

In Brotherhood,
Andy Spicknall

Rev. Dr. George S. Lightner, III
1909-2009



Past President, Robert E. Lee Council
Silver Beaver Recipient
Silver Antelope Recipient
God and Service Recognition Award
Friend of Camp T. Brady Saunders

Secretary/Treasurer Candidate

Brothers,

In case you don't know me, I'm Allen Crump and I'd like to be your Lodge Secretary for another year. For the past number of months, I've been glad to serve Nawakwa Lodge as secretary and I've really enjoyed working with the LEC on issues that affect all of you. With the experience I've gained as Pamunkey Chapter 7 Chief and a long-time Arrowman, I believe that I am the lodge's best candidate for such a prestigious position.

Thank you very much for your time and support.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Allen Crump

No other letters were received in time for printing.

Elangomats Needed!!

Youth and adult elangomats are needed to assist with the upcoming Ordeals. No experience is necessary. This is a great way to demonstrate service leadership and help new folks become valued brothers. Please volunteer at the Service Weekend check-in table.



The Tom-Tom wants You!!

The Tom-Tom is looking for new youth staff (including Editor-in-Chief). We are also seeking adults that want to help. All positions are available (writer, photographer, copy editor, layout editor, graphic designer, etc.) If you are interested, please contact Publications Adviser Scott Street at TomTom@Nawakwa.org. Act now, before all of the positions are filled!

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Sons of Uncas

By Randy VanNess



The deadline for submissions to the next issue of the *Tom-Tom* is June 5th. Please send your submissions to the Council Office (return address, below) or to TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org.



THE LOOKOUT

May 29–31 Summer Service Wknd
Camp T. Brady Saunders

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

Aug 1–6 Nat'l OA Conference
Indiana University

Sep 11–13 Fall Service Wknd
Camp T. Brady Saunders

Oct 9–11 Fall Fellowship & Banquet
Camp T. Brady Saunders

Dec 22 & 23 Carillon Project
Byrd Park, Richmond

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