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Nawakwa Lodge Achieves Two Enormous Goals

GW/Jeff Trail Complete

How do you go green with a hiking trail ribbon-cutting ceremony? Hold a "vine cutting" ceremony to open a trail cut by the US Forest Service, the Boy Scouts of America and other service groups. The new trail is a much needed addition to the Allegheny Highland Trail System of the George Washington / Jefferson National Forest near Covington, VA and is ten years in the making.

For the past three years, the Nawakwa Lodge has been building a three-mile connecting trail which completes the 19-mile ArrowCorps loop trail. This trail is a welcome addition to the Allegheny Highland trail system. The weekend of March 30th to April 1st saw over 125 Order of the Arrow members join together to finish the project.

Each spring for the past three years, Arrowmen from Nawakwa Lodge have traveled six miles up a gravel road from Covington, VA to camp for the weekend in a primitive campsite. The lodge brought everything needed to transform a gravel parking area into a

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Lodge of the Year

Weren't you there? On Friday, April 27th, 780 Arrowmen from across Virginia began gathering at Camp Rock Enon for a weekend of fellowship, training, and competitions. With wonderful weather (ignoring the rain and sleet) I think all of the brothers enjoyed a great weekend.

But nobody enjoyed the weekend more than the brothers of Nawakwa Lodge as we watched our Lodge Chief, Allen Crump, lift the trophy for Lodge of the Year over his head to the thunderous applause of our Arrowmen. It was the first time this honor has been awarded to a Lodge in our section.

At last year's Conclave, the Section 7A leaders introduced the program which uses a number of different objective goals for Lodges to attempt to reach during the year. These goals include service hours, activities, and membership milestones.

Also on Saturday evening, the lodges elected Ben Webster to continue as our section chief, Taylor Benbow as section vice chief and A. J. Kelly as section secretary.

WHO'S THE BEST? THAT WOULD BE US! - PAGE 1

Lodge of the Year!




Nawakwa Lodge accomplishes a huge goal in winning the first-ever Lodge of the Year award bestowed by Section 7A

PHOTOS - PAGES 4 & 5

Here's Looking at You

There were a lot of memories to share over these past couple of months so we've dedicated our inside spread to some photos

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Chief's Bonnet

Brothers,

I'd like to begin by thanking you all for an amazing year. Serving as your Chief this past year has been an incredible experience thanks, in no small part, to all of your hard work and cheer.

Next, I wanted to thank the members of the GW/Jeff Trail Crew for many years and miles of hard work and service to our state. The trail that was blazed looks amazing and has gained the attention of the members of the National Order of the Arrow Committee. It will certainly serve as a reminder of the power of Cheerful Service well into the future. For those of you who were not in attendance, we were visited by a very special guest: the Southern Region Chief, David Joyner. He expressed that the National Committee appreciates the countless hours of service



Of course, Conclave was once again amazing! Thank you all for helping to make this one for the record books!

Finally, I'd like to encourage you all to come out to the May Service Weekend to participate in the lodge officer elections. It is in that election where every Arrowman's voice truly counts and you have the power to choose our lodge's leadership for a whole year.

Yours in WWW,

Allen Crump



Editor's Note:

No, you're not crazy. The Chief's Bonnet and Adviser's Minute columns above do, in fact, encourage you to attend events that have already taken place. That's because they are both good people who turned their columns in on time while your Communication Adviser missed his deadline ... by several weeks. Apologies to them and to you for the inconvenience.

~Hutch

Adviser's Minute



Brethren,

Lodge Officers elections will be held on Saturday May 19 in the Scout Dining Hall following lunch. Each candidate is challenged to tell you about their dreams and goals for Nawakwa's future. Your vote will determine your Lodges future. Your cheerful service this weekend is needed for Lodge success.



Lodge Officer training will be held on Sunday, May 20th after the Lodge and Chapter business meetings. It should start about 10:30 am and end by 2:30 pm. Lunch will be provided. This training conference is open to all Arrowmen who wish to help in setting our goals for the New Year.

Lodge Officers and prospective Lodge Officers should plan to attend.

The Order's legend came to life in those who answered the call of the GW/Jeff Trail Crew. The leadership of Victor Bullock, Adam Blakemore, Adam White, Michael Lynch and his staff are to be commended for the very successful trail building program that completed the three mile loop of ArrowCorps5. Your leadership in service and those who participated built a legacy to the youth of tomorrow. Your actions added new light and luster to Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui.

The Order is an adventure of the spirit and of the individual. It is a unique opportunity to experience the richness and warmth that comes with Brotherhood and Cheerful Service. The choice is yours, how will you answer the call? I hope to see you at the Summer Service Ordeal Weekend.

In W.W.W.

Mack Ruffin

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 15-17, 2013).



- Devin Ray Akers T534
- Barry Johnstone Bedard T880
- David A. Johnstone Bedard..... T880
- Michael Kenneth Beiro T900
- Wiley James Blair T832
- Micheal Cameron Broyles T832
- Nicholas Bradley Burns T894
- Nicholas Bates Cale T829
- Noah James Campbell..... T700
- Nathaniel Charles Carter T880
- Arthur Edward Chadwick..... T832
- Alexander Paul Cheesman T800
- Joseph Richard Corbett..... T876
- Matthew Ryan Craft..... T503
- Dylan Anderson Crouch..... T880
- Ronald Rabaisri Cutler..... T222
- Thomas Edward Darby IV T544
- Matthew Croft Dempsey..... T829
- Joseph Xavier Driebe T443
- Blake Tyler Dunlow..... T832
- William Virgil Etchison III T735
- William Clay Ferguson..... T737
- William Ray Ferguson Jr..... T737
- Zachary Cole Ferguson T737
- Patrick William Gibson..... T894
- Michael Stanton Gigante T735
- Matthew Phaup Gordon T534
- Stephen Phaup Gordon T534
- Logan Cassidy Hager T706
- William Paul Harper T855
- David Lee Harrell II T855
- Nathan Taylor Hawkins T819
- Benjamin Tyler Hawks T7542
- Douglas Wayne Henshaw T107
- Jared Raleigh Henshaw T107
- Jason Alexander Hill..... T776
- Steven Mark Hudson..... T521
- Nathan Forrest Humphrey T800

- Jason Bernard Hundley T900
- Kaiden Lee Hurley..... T855
- Jose' Angel Ithier..... T917
- Jose' Angel Ithier II T917
- Venable Rosser Johnson..... T902
- Thomas Randolph Justis Jr. T800
- Zachary Arthur Keithly..... T728
- Gabriel Scott Kelley..... T720
- Taylor Andrew Kelmar..... T735
- Shawn Patrick Kerry T822
- Andrew Tyler Korpics T505
- Robert Samuel Krug..... T800
- Grayson Thomas Lewis T800
- Hunter McKee Long T832
- Ryan Lawrence Maitland Jr. T917
- Aaron Luke Manning T900
- William Joseph Manning T900
- Benjamin Gray Marshall..... T7542
- Steven Ronald Martella..... T737
- Carlos Martin Martinez T185
- Clayton Ross McDonald T505
- John William Meinhard T6357
- David Stanley Miller T450
- John Edward Milliron III T897
- Gregory Allen Munson T735
- Matthew Joseph Nelligan T400
- Joseph Games Nobles T800
- Samuel Gray Norman T535
- Ryan Ford Parikh T736
- Joseph Polemeni..... T900
- Nathan Waller Powell T832
- Matthew Shepard Powers T763
- Joshua Samuel Rabinowitz..... T720
- Eric William Roos T503
- Parker William Shelton T555
- Christopher Richard Soldan..... T737
- Nicholas Paul Sossong..... T772
- Ryan Joseph Staudenmaier..... T700
- Michael Joseph Sweeney III T505
- Maria Christina Taylor T900
- Robert James Thomas..... T400
- Nicholas Alan Thurman T736
- Lincoln James Toiaivao..... T513
- Richard Leigh Towell III T400
- Justin Cahill Trickett..... T737
- Darrell Rhea Wells T874
- Joseph Carl Rettig Zampetti T776

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

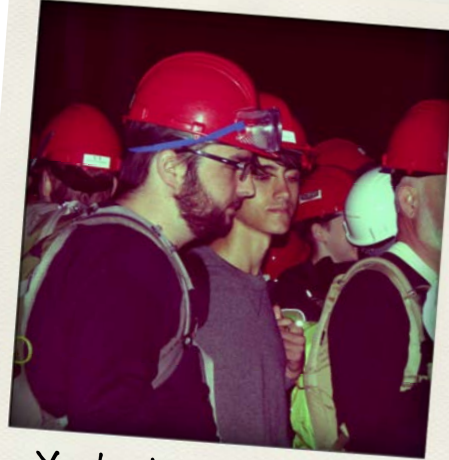


- Julian Connor Albright T777
- Richard Coolidge Bailey T702
- Drew Eugene Biehler..... T806
- Caleb James Blair..... T832
- Cory Raul Brumagin T737
- Jonathan Chase Campbell..... T700
- Parker Jackson Childs T250
- John Steven Collinson T705
- Nathan Jarratt Constable T807
- Aiden John Cooney T728
- Matthew Loyd Cornell..... T6357
- Christopher Mathew Dobrilovic-Holt.. T922
- Todd Norman Farschon Jr..... T917
- Richard James Freeman T838
- Bryan Alan Hudgins..... T900
- Benjamin Mitchell Kernstine T832
- Brandon Ryan Knouse T806
- Courtland Taylor Lee..... T900
- Kristopher Ryan Liss..... T837
- Alec Micheal Livingston..... T860
- Edward Francis Martella..... T737
- Canaan Nehemiah Mills T917
- William Dean Mingloski..... T184
- Colin Michael Owens T806
- James Stonewall Persinger..... T521
- Conrad Joseph Roos..... T503
- Christopher Paul Ryan T222
- Conner Matthew Scallan T806
- William Ashby Short T304
- Rooker Thomas Shurley..... T534
- Austin Waters W. Thomas..... T832
- John Matthew Ulmer T777
- Michael Aaron Van Quill..... T728
- Benjamin Roy Westerhoff T6516
- Evan Scott Williamson T917
- Robert Dean Williamson T917
- William Turner Wrobel..... T807
- Jeffrey Scot Wrobel Jr. T807
- Jeffrey Scot Wrobel Sr. T807
- Matthew Allen Young T880
- Samuel Mark Zabel T829
- Tyler Alexander Zawislak T806

Photos: GW/Jeff National Forest Trail Crew



Remember ... the pointy end does the cutting



Yeah, but I make this look good



Putting up the trail kiosk



Gentlemen, here are your tools!



Hi Ho, Hi Ho, Its off to work we go!



The sound of picks rings through the hills



Even raging rivers cannot stop Nawakwa!



Finally! The cutting of the vine!



Our Crew Advisor awards the Golden Shovel

Photos: Section SR-7A Conclave 2012



Welcome to
Camp Rock Enon



George starts the
NAWAKWA Totem



The Dance Team
must be here



Time to judge
the dancers



NAWAKWA Totem gets
a coat of paint



NAWAKWA's awesome
tug-o-war team



Former Lodge Chiefs
share a moment



Lodge of the Year?
That would be us!



Fireworks finish the
evening's festivities



(TRAIL CREW - Continued from page 1)

working base camp including the Bear and Antelope Café set up to feed the hard working crew. The logistics crew brought together the tools and supplies needed for trail building including the usual loppers and bow saws and the more specialized trail tools such as Fire Rakes, McLeods, Pulaskis, and Mattocks as well as sledge hammers, rock bars and spoons (shovels to non-trail builders). Water for the trail crew had to be trucked in from Covington, no small task when you have over 125 thirsty workers, along with countless dishes, pots and pans. Work crews were transported to access points on the ends of the trail and worked moving rocks, digging dirt and creating the trail Tread.

Work over the weekends progressed through heat and cold, through rain, snow, sleet, hail and even some sunny conditions. Everyone came off the trail exhausted but enthusiastic about what was accomplished.

Members of the Nawakwa Lodge have spent an estimated 3000 service hours providing actual "boots on the ground" trail building and more than double that amount providing support in the background. That's close to 10,000 service hours by the lodge. If you see an Arrowman wearing a Nawakwa Trail Crew OA flap, thank them for their service on Building a Living Legacy.



Conclave Awards and Results

**LODGE OF THE YEAR
AWARD**
Nawakwa #3

**QUEST FOR THE GOLDEN
ARROW**
Tutelo #161

SPIRIT AWARD
Shenandoah #258

Activities Results

CHEYENNE GAME

1. Shenandoah
2. Shenshawpotoo
3. Tutelo

LODGE BALL

1. Shenandoah
2. Wahunsenakah
3. Tutelo

OBSTACLE COURSE

1. Tutelo
2. Shenandoah
3. Shenshawpotoo

TUG OF WAR

1. Tutelo
2. Wahunsenakah
3. Shenshawpotoo

ULTIMATE FRISBEE

1. Shenandoah
2. Tutelo
3. Shenshawpotoo

VOLLEYBALL

1. Tutelo
2. Nawakwa
3. Shenandoah

Conclave 2012 AIA Results:

CHICKEN DANCE

1. Baylor Dickerson, Nawakwa

GRASS DANCE

1. Caleb Denson, Nawakwa
2. Kendall Beatty, Shenshawpotoo

NORTHERN TRADITIONAL

1. Adam Parker, Nawakwa
2. Jeremy Jones, Tutelo
3. Zachary Rinker, Shenandoah

OLD STYLE DANCE

1. Tommy Poe, Nawakwa
2. Sam Beuglass, Nawakwa
3. Ryan McNeilly, Nawakwa

Conclave 2012 Ceremonies Results

PRE-ORDEAL

Honor: Nawakwa, Tutelo #1, and Tutelo #2
Merit: Tutelo #3
Also Evaluated: Wahunsenakah

BROTHERHOOD

Honor: Nawakwa
Merit: Shenshawpotoo

VIGIL

Honor: Allen Crump, Nawakwa
Brian Farrell, Tutelo



Summer OA Service Weekend Campsite Assignments

Site	Chapter	Site	Chapter
Koch #3	7	Turner #6	28
Newlon #4	18	Overstreet #15	4 & 19 & 23
Frise #5	5	<i>No camping in any other location</i>	

2013 Jamboree Staff Positions

The Heart of Virginia Council is sending eight troops to the National Jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Reserve, July 15 – 24, 2013. This is the first jamboree to be held at the BSA new wilderness site in West Virginia. If you think you might be interested in serving as a 3rd assistant Scoutmaster for one of the Council’s jamboree troops, you can find a link to an application on its website. You must be eighteen years of age by July 15, 2013 but not yet twenty-one years of age by July 24, 2013. The fee for attending Jamboree in this position is \$425.

Like. Share. Hashtag. Retweet.

The single most important feature of social networking sites that makes them so popular and successful is that they’re free. Social media sites are great tools for spreading a message or organizing events. The Order of the Arrow has grown significantly in the world of social media. They’ve got 55,000 likes on their Facebook page: www.facebook.com/OABSA, and 1,500 followers on their Twitter: www.twitter.com/OABSA, at the time of writing, and the number is growing rapidly. Using social networking sites is a free and effective method of getting the word out. The Order of the Arrow would like to see chapters, committees, and teams take advantage of these free tools, too! Sign up for your account today!



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NATIONAL UPDATES

<http://www.oe-bsa.org>

Lodge Patches at NOAC

Lodges interested in using the Michigan State University name or logos must first get usage, placement, scale, and/or positioning reviewed and approved by the university prior to ordering patches. Use of the university mascot, “Sparty,” will not be approved. For more information, visit www2.ur.msu.edu/.

Four New Best Practices

Additional lodge and chapter program tools have been posted to the website.

Ask the Chairman

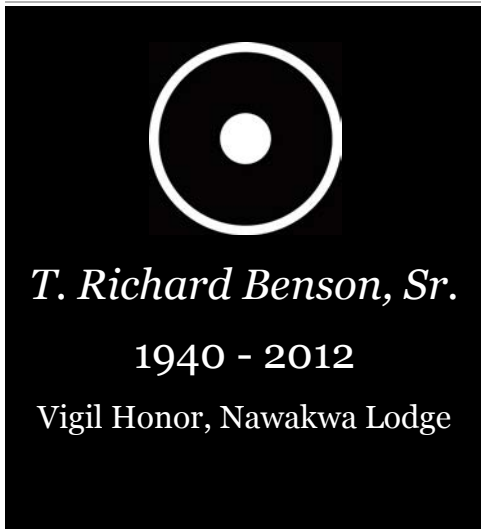
Go to www.oe-bsa.org to check out questions that are being answered by the national chairman, Ray Capp. The most recent questions were regarding becoming a national officer and the Order’s role in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the first Eagle Scout Award with NESAs.

Journey to Excellence

Chapter, lodge, and section Journey to Excellence requirements have been posted to the website.

National Website

For additional information visit the national OA website at www.oe-bsa.org.



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Sons of Uncas

By Randy VanNess



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

	<p>The Lookout SEP 7-9 FALL SERVICE WEEKEND CAMP T. BRADY SAUNDERS</p>
	<p>OCT 6..... COUNCIL OF CHIEFS PIPSICO SCOUT RESERVATION</p>
	<p>OCT 12-14..... FALL FELLOWSHIP WEEKEND CAMP T. BRADY SAUNDERS</p>

JUL 30-AUG 4..... NATIONAL OA CONFERENCE
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

For more information, visit <http://event.oa-bsa.org/events/n2012>

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