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FEBRUARY ISSUE, TOM-TOM
WILL BE ELECTRONIC!!!!

2016 Lodge Dues

Your 2016 membership dues (\$15) should be paid now. All current and recently inducted members (2015 and earlier) must pay their dues for the 2016 year in order to continue to wear the Nawakwa lodge flap (per national policy) and in order to be eligible to attend lodge functions. Dues can be paid online at nawakwa.org. A printable dues form is also available on the website or you can stop by the Heart of Virginia Council office and pay in person. If you have not paid your 2016 dues, please do so.

Fall Fellowship

This year's annual Fall Fellowship was a huge success from the word, go. The event took place at Camp T. Brady Saunders and saw over 300 participants. The theme this year was a James Bond motif. Several members wore suits in honor of the debonair spy and our Lodge Chief Ryan McNeilly, along with Kevin McNeilly and Trey Lyle all spent time in the dunking booth, where lodge members took shots at getting them wet. Nawakwa had a very special guest for the weekend, OA National Chief, Alex Call spent the weekend with us and we were very honored to have him. More on Alex's visit on page 6.

Carillon Service Project

The Carillon Service Project will be held at the Carillon at Byrd Park in Richmond on December 22nd (6:00 - 8:30 PM) and December 23rd (6:30 - 8:30 PM). This is the main lodge service project, so your help is needed. Please dress appropriately for the weather and bring a small flashlight. If you have any questions, please contact our Lodge Chief Ryan McNeilly.



From left to right: Nawakwa Lodge Adviser, Mike Lynch; National OA Chief, Alex Call; Nawakwa Lodge Chief, Ryan McNeilly and; Heart of Virginia Council Executive, Brad Nesheim.

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Chief's Bonnet

Adviser's Minute



Brothers,

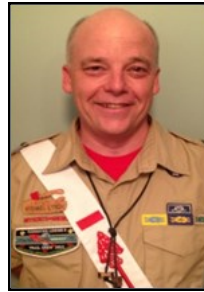
I would like to start out this Chief's Bonnet by first congratulating all of those who earned their Ordeal and sealed their membership in the Brotherhood, at the service weekend in September. I would also like to congratulate those who

completed the Vigil Honor at our Fall Fellowship, as well as those who received the Centurion Award, the Founder's Award, and the James E. West Fellowship. These are all arrowmen who have contributed a lasting impact on our lodge and I am glad to have them in our Order.

In this Bonnet I would like to discuss another key aspect of the Order of the Arrow, Cheerfulness. There are many organizations and fraternities that focus on Brotherhood and Service, however the Order is one of the few that focuses on cheerful service. This is because as an organization, we recognize that just giving service is not enough, rather we must strive to be cheerful while we give service to our fellow man. Cheerfulness is not only an important aspect of the Order, but is also the 8th point of the scout law, highlighting its importance in the Order as scouting's national honor society. Therefore, we must all strive to be exited volunteers, always willing and happy to give of ourselves, in the service of others. Think back to the tale of Uncus, told in the Ordeal ceremony, and how he cheerfully stepped forward, when no one else would. We must all attempt to copy his example. We will not be perfect, after all we are only human, however just as the scout oath states, we must do our best. I look forward to seeing everyone at our next service weekend in March.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Ryan McNeilly
Nawakwa Lodge Chief



Brothers,

As of this writing, we are in the midst of putting the final touches on our Fall Fellowship weekend; one that I'm sure will be a memorable event for all of us who attend. There are a few of our Brothers that have been working tirelessly over the past several months planning exciting events, awesome Lodge spirit and good food; not to mention all the work and efforts of those doing all of our

administration tasks and communications behind the scenes. I would like to personally thank each of them for their dedication, spirit and deep bond of brotherhood; they certainly are living the values upon which the Order of the Arrow was founded.

It has been an unbelievable year... from managing through one of the most challenging set of changes the Lodge has undertaken in quite some time (committee restructuring and a service weekend schedule change); to hosting a national OA Centennial event (ArrowTour); to sending the largest ever Lodge contingent to the largest ever National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) where we celebrated the 100th anniversary of our beloved Order; to recognizing twelve of our Brothers with the National Centurion Award which recognizes those Arrowmen who have made a significant contribution to our Lodge over this past century; to finishing the year in style with a James Bond themed Fall Fellowship that is sure to make a SPLASH with everyone who commits to attend. I am so proud of our Lodge Officers and Advisers who constantly work so hard to make this Lodge a gold level lodge each year.

While our work this year is not quite complete and we still have an event or two before us, I would like to ask each and every member of our Lodge to rededicate themselves to the spirit of Brotherhood and Cheerful Service. If you are reading this, I am directing this request specifically to you; I would like to ask you to join one of your chapter committees or one of our Lodge committees as a youth chairman, committee member or for those adults shyly hiding in the wings, as an adviser of one of the chapters, chapter committees or Lodge Committees and help us continue to shape and tailor our Lodge to meet the future head on through our Lodge Centennial year in 2019. As Mahatma Gandhi is credited as saying; "The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others". Our Lodge NEEDS you...NOW. It's that simple. Signup today by contacting any of the Lodge Officers or Advisers and spread your passion for the obligation and admonition and cheerful service.

In Brotherhood,

Michael W. Lynch
Nawakwa Lodge Adviser



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following Arrowmen who became members of the Order by completing their Ordeal at the Fall Service weekend. These new brothers are eligible for Brotherhood after 10 months of membership has been attained.



- Yann Oliver Akue Moevi T442
- Albert Christopher Arnold..... T562
- Connor Patrick Arnold T562
- Rubin Lee Artis T442
- Christopher Glen Aycock T534
- Joseph Daniel Badalamenti T544
- Tyler Jamal Blackwell T525
- Connor Logan Bloom T876
- Steven Thomas Bonnaville T502
- Tracey Robbins Bowman T529
- Cameron Joseph Brawley T528
- Melissa Scott Camus T760
- Antonio Paul Cetrone T528
- Arthur Wayne Chester T28
- Joseph Aiden Clark T498
- William Anthony Clark T529
- Nicholas Krisofer-Myles Coleman .. T476
- Austin Mark Donovan T902
- Michael Ian Duesberry T902
- Andrew Russell Elliott T705
- Hugh Edward Elwood Jr T735
- Adam Edward Elwood T735
- Mitchell Everton Flattum T2822
- Cameron Wayne Ford T710
- Robert Joseph Fritz T2822
- Jared Lee Gagliardone T521
- Kevin Matthew Gallagher T503
- Lawrence Tabb Gardner T400
- William Hunter Gardner T400
- Paul Douglas Gholson III T876
- Austin Dane Gilbert..... T763
- Isaac Gonzalez..... T503
- Joshua Gonzalez..... T503
- Zachary Gonzalez..... T503
- Meredith Edgar Hall IV T400
- Christopher Sheldon Hamilton T704
- Thomas Walton Hamilton T876
- Nicholas Cain Harrah..... T799
- Cabell Lewis Harver T772
- Matthew Powell Hayes T400
- Aiden Reese Hazelrigg..... T897
- Conor Stephen Helmick T505
- Aaron Michael Hodge..... T498
- Ramsey James Holeman T529

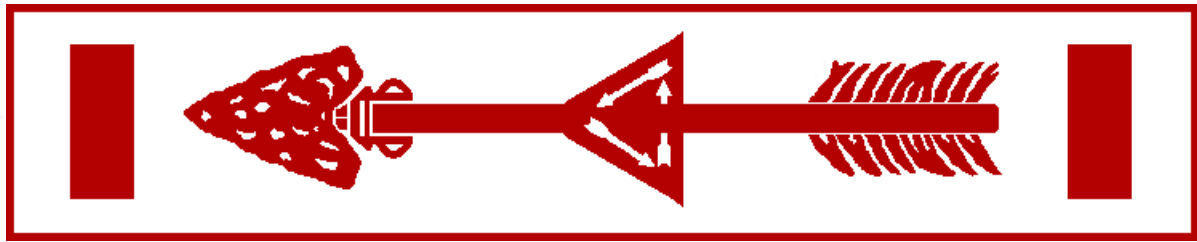
- Harrison Hugh Hulbert T503
- Taylor Zane Hunter T2874
- William Spencer Hurst..... T444
- Tanner Robert Johannsen T341
- David Matthews Johnson..... T876
- Joshua Allen Johnson T525
- Anthony Gerard Jones Sr T525
- Marc-Anthony Gerard Jones T525
- Eric Howard Kebler T2822
- William Henry Kessler T902
- Andrew James Kish..... T303
- Garrett Bird Kite..... T728
- Thomas C.B. Lamb Jr T544
- Emanuel Alexander Landa Lee... T2822
- Eriq Duane Lockett Jr T912
- Jackson William Lockhart T2822
- Ty Michael Logan T101
- Michael Taylor Lyne T2819
- Philip Thomas Rodolfo Mururi T544
- Michael John McDaniel Sr T2877
- Hunter Coleman McElroy..... T706
- Michael Abbott McGuire T710
- Carlson Wilbur McIlhenny..... T706
- Elijah Walter McKinley..... T250
- Christian Taylor Montrose T2822
- Kevin Thomas Mooz T897
- Daniel Lee Muncy T521
- Nathan Anand Nambiar T529
- Christin Michael Newton T912
- Christopher Kenneth Newton..... T912
- Chase Alan Payne T876
- Justin Scott Perdue..... T760
- Henry Williams Prideaux T799
- Joseph Gabriel Raber T1807
- Vivek Srinivas Rapuri T2806
- Ethan Bankley Ringer T521
- Charles Clayton Robinson T544
- Wyatt Anthony Schneck T534
- Michael Peter Sellers T555
- Christopher Bassett Staunton ... T710
- Daniel Edward Strunk T2886
- Alexander Edward Tarr T528
- Braeden Asher Taylor T2822
- Henry Tama Taylor T442
- Jason Daiely Thornton..... T444
- Nicholas Dean Walker T776
- Matthew Evan White T521
- Cloyde William Wiley III T341
- Malik Deandre Williams T432
- Nicholas Edward Williams T897
- Andrew Russell Wright..... T2806
- Nolan Michael Zunk T2822

Congratulations to the following Arrowmen who became Brotherhood members at the Fall Service Weekend!!!



- Devin Ray Akers T511
- Robert Dean Biehler T2806
- Zachary Alvin Bowman T511
- Jeffrey Benton Cumming T772
- Raymond James Lewis Ellis..... T912
- Andrew David Gayle T534
- Michael Urban Harris..... T720
- Jason Alexander Heffle..... T2880
- Malcom Noah Grayson Hickman . T304
- Noah Santos Hull T772
- Noah Alexander Johnson..... T2819
- Andrew Winston La Prade T529
- Joshua Andrew Lyle T534
- Daniel Burns Mayo T555
- Jacob Arnold McCann T544
- Terry Alan McCann T544
- Rommel Glen Meza T912
- Rommel George Meza..... T912
- Michael Baker Moser T521
- Connor Patrick Mulligan T772
- Brenda Ann Peterson T923
- Terry Waters Pezzulli..... T900
- Alexander Joseph Polemeni T900
- Victor Alan Polemeni T900
- Jared Michael Reedy T101
- John Barbour Rowe T772
- Matthew Tyler Sams T521
- Ethan Jacob Schlusel T736
- Nathan Andrew Sening..... T521
- William Lawson Steele Sr..... T521
- Cameron Andrew Taylor..... T534
- Jonathan Eric Taylor T534
- Matthew James VanderWerff..... T529
- James Hendrick VanderWerff..... T529
- Austin Blake Zicafoose T503

Welcome to Scouting's Honor Society!!!



Nawakwa Lodge Vigil Class of 2015



**Top Row: Bill Confroy, Brenton Morris, Michael Mickle Jr, Keegan McNulty, Ray Ferguson
Bottom Row: David Maloy, Alfred Capelli III, James Brodie**

FOUNDERS AWARD

The Founder's Award recognizes Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to their lodge. The award is reserved for an Arrowman who demonstrates that he or she personifies the spirit of selfless service, as advocated by founder E. Urner Goodman and cofounder Carroll A. Edson.

This years recipients were, David Malloy; Carl Whitaker and Sandra Daul. Thank you so much for you continuous dedication to service.



David Malloy receiving from Lodge Chief Ryan Micneilly



Carl Whitaker receiving from his son, Tom Whitaker



Sandra Daul receiving from her son, Cody Daul.

Centurion Award

For nearly 100 years, the Order of the Arrow has purposefully recognized Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. Therefore, our organization's centennial provides a unique opportunity to commemorate those among us who are exemplars of the "high ideals and purpose of the Order of the Arrow."

This award is a one-time recognition associated with the centennial anniversary of the OA that is bestowed by the national Order of the Arrow committee. It is modeled after a similar program in the BSA's 100th anniversary celebration, the 2010 National Hall of Leadership. Accordingly, this recognition is an opportunity to highlight lodge development over the last century and the many individuals, both youth and adult, who were instrumental to this success. These honorees will serve as exemplars of leadership, modeling to others a commitment to cheerful service as the Order of the Arrow enters its second century.



Jeff Abernathy served as Lodge Chief in 1981 and later as SE-8 Section Chief. Jeff was instrumental in increasing the number of OA members on summer camp staff and wrote the first history of Nawakwa Lodge. Jeff, who is being honored for his actions as a youth, is currently the President of Alma College in Michigan.



Lee Beasley served as Vice Chief of Program in the early '90s and led Nawakwa's 75th Anniversary celebrations as well as several Fall Fellowships. Lee's unselfish service was an asset as the section transitioned from SE-8 to SR-7. Lee, who is being honored for his actions as a youth, is currently an information security engineer for the Federal Reserve.



Ted Costin, Lodge Chief in the late '70s, lead Nawakwa as it hosted the SE-1 Conclave at Fort A.P. Hill. The success of that event paved the way for the Jamboree to relocate there for the next 30 years. Ted, who also served as SE-1 Section Chief and Youth Representative to the Southeast Region OA Committee, is being honored for his actions as a youth, and Ted is currently a director



Bill Givler served as Nawakwa's Professional Staff Adviser for over 30 years. During his tenure he was known as a problem solver and a staunch advocate for youth leadership in the Order. Bill was also a long-time Camp Director, and for his dedicated service, Nawakwa built the Givler Staff Lodge. Bill passed away in February 2015.

Centurion's Continued



John Hankins has been an Arrowman for nearly 50 years. For over 30 years he served as Ranger at Camp T. Brady Saunders and provided weekly educational programs through Ranger's Challenge and humorous campfire stories. Known throughout the Southern Region as "Crazy John", he has supported the Order and Scouting at numerous section and region conclaves and training events.

John retired to West Virginia several years ago and is enjoying spending time with his children and grandson.



Nick Harman was an active member of Nagatamen Chapter 5 and led the chapter to excellence as its Chapter Chief. Nick later re-energized Nawakwa's Lodge Leadership Development Program and went on to staff multiple National Leadership Seminars in Virginia and elsewhere. Nick, who is being honored for his service as a youth, is currently a Senior District Executive for the Battlefield District.



Chris Leech served as Nawakwa's Lodge Chief in 2002 after serving the previous year as the SR-7A Conclave Vice Chief for Ceremonies. After attending NOAC in 2002, Chris returned with a renewed spirit to increase lodge participation and cheerful service and helped develop and staff the council's new Cub and Webelos Adventure Camp. Chris, who is being honored for his service as a youth, is currently an 8th

grade history teacher and golf coach.



Roy Page has served the Order for many years as Native American Dance Team Adviser, OA Philmont Trek Adviser, Vice Chief Adviser, Lodge Adviser, and SR-7 Associate Section Adviser. One of Roy's lasting contributions is the Nawakwa Lodge Scouting Museum and Patch Collection. Roy exemplifies the ideals and purpose of the Order...if a task needs to be completed, Roy is always there to see it through to completion.



Bob "Razz" Rasmussen has served as an adult adviser with Nawakwa Lodge for nearly 40 years. In the late '70s, Bob was instrumental in helping bring the lodge from being seriously in debt to operating as a self-sustaining entity and later transitioned the lodge records and accounting systems from being paper-based to computer-based. During his service, the lodge has increased

from having a few hundred members to well over a thousand members.



Jim Richards has lead the lodge's Dance Team and has been a key figure in Native American education at Conclaves, NOACs, and OA Indian Summer. Through his teachings, Nawakwa's Dance Team has thrived, and they have performed at innumerable courts of honor, blue & gold banquets, section and national events. Jim has shared his skills by mentoring interested Scouts throughout the lodge and section and has served on several national event staffs.



Mack Ruffin has served two terms and more than a quarter of a century as Nawakwa's Lodge Adviser. His steadfast dedication led Nawakwa to earn five E. Urner Goodman Camping Awards, three National Service Awards, and a grant to build a five-mile loop trail and shelter at Camp Albright. Mack has also served on numerous NOAC staffs, has received the Distinguished Service Award, and continues to share his knowledge of and devotion to the Order of the Arrow.



W. Scott Street IV has served as Lodge Secretary, Lodge Vice Chief, and Lodge Chief. Beforehand, he served as Nawakwa Lodge's Brotherhood Chairman for four years and was instrumental in transforming that program in the mid-1980s. During his tenure as Lodge Chief, Scott also spearheaded the preparations for Nawakwa's 70th Anniversary celebration and helped lead the lodge as host of the section conclave that same year. Scott, who is being honored for his service as a youth, is currently a Statistics Professor at

Virginia Commonwealth University.



Congratulations to all of our Centurion Award winners, The BSA, Order of the Arrow and Nawakwa Lodge thank you for your dedication to service.



Fall Fellowship



“One thing we hold in common with a spy...”

The 2015 OA National Chief, Alex Call, visited Nawakwa’s Fall Fellowship where he gave us some words of wisdom. He spoke to today’s Order of the Arrow (OA) Members about his experiences as a young OA member. He was just a 13 year old ordeal member when he first raised his hand and volunteered to run as the treasurer for his lodge and surprisingly won. This began his leadership in the OA. He said that he was not prepared for what he jumped into, but he was willing to learn and put in the hard work that was needed to get the job done. The same was true for his experience as National Chief. He has traveled over 90,000 miles to spread his message to the Scouts of the Nation. You may not feel prepared for the position that you are about to take on, but if you just raise your hand, you will definitely learn something that will help you in the future. As OA members it is our responsibility to encourage our fellow Scouts to continue on the legacy of scouting. We must reach out to our fellow OA members (active & less active) and units to expand the membership of Scouting so that each person can find out why Scouting is important to them. Alex stated, “the opportunities to spend time with just one lodge is few and far between, but I can say that my time here was well spent”. In reference to our theme, Alex said, “the one thing we have in common with a spy is our dedication to our mission.” These words rang throughout the dining hall and a sense of brotherhood was felt throughout.



"Eight thousand Arrowmen from Order of the Arrow Lodges from around the nation and world together for six days of brotherhood, fellowship, training, competitions, shows and making of life-long friends?!", said Michael Klotz, Nawakwa's NOAC 2015 Chairman as he read the National NOAC Committee's description of NOAC aloud as he began planning the promotion of NOAC 2015 to Nawakwa members, "Wow! That's sounds awesome!"

Well, if you didn't already hear, NOAC, the National Order of the Arrow Conference, held from August 2-8, 2015 to celebrate the Centennial Anniversary of the Order of the Arrow, was indeed an awesome event. Except, it wasn't just 8,000 Arrowmen; it was nearly 16,000. The overall demand was so huge it baffled the National OA Committee and blindsided dozens of lodges around the country. Registration spots filled up so quickly in early October of 2014 that the National Order of the Arrow Committee suspended registration as NOAC's host, Michigan State University, was tracking to be at full capacity, and possibly winding up over capacity, something the National OA Committee never dreamed of happening. Nawakwa Lodge set a goal of sending 100 Arrowmen to celebrate the 100 Years of the Order of the Arrow. Unfortunately, Nawakwa did not reach its goal due to its numbers being curtailed by the National NOAC Committee. However, Nawakwa sent the largest NOAC contingent ever, 77 Nawakwa members, consisting of 56 youth Arrowmen and 21 adult Advisers to the most incredible NOAC ever.

The Nawakwa NOAC Contingent left Cub Adventure Camp on August 1st and traveled by bus to Cedar Point Amusement Park in Sandusky, OH. There the Nawakwa NOAC Contingent rode the famous rides of the world-renowned park and even ran into dozens of Arrowmen from lodges from around the nation. Arrowmen from Oregon, New York, Maryland and even from some of our neighboring lodges, Shenandoah #258 and Blue Heron #349.

The next morning, after a good night's sleep at a hotel near the park, Nawakwa headed to Michigan State University in East Lansing, MI. Dozens of lodges descended upon MSU throughout the day, on a hourly basis each being assigned to the different residence halls scattered around the massive MSU campus. The first day at NOAC typically consists of participant orientation and getting one's bearings straight. And this was true, there was A LOT to review before jumping into NOAC 2015. The Nawakwa Contingent gathered for a lodge picture, went through general orientation of the event and then became acquainted with the new item for NOAC 2015, the SPARK.

The SPARK was a week-long, conference-wide game and every participant received a SPARK device that was shaped like a 4-fingered hand. The device included a unique USB card and whenever you met another Arrowman, you put your SPARK device against theirs and the each glowed green to confirm that your name and contact information was shared. The USB card would store this information and the more people you met and events attended, the more points you tallied. Throughout the week, participants would meet other Arrowmen, attend training and sporting events and "SPARK" each other and the SPARKing device at the training or event. There were even Human SPARKs where a member of the National NOAC Committee would give a special t-shirt and SPARK to an Arrowman and if you found and "SPARKed" them, you would get extra points. It was an ingenious way to keep participants engaged during the entire NOAC experience.

The contingent members settled into their dorm rooms, ate dinner at the residence hall dining facility and got ready to head to the opening show at the MSU basketball arena. Outside the area before the opening show, hundreds of Arrowmen from around the nation were having a great time. Music was playing and several lodge mascots were roaming around, including our very own Carl D. Nall. The first day ended with an inspirational opening show with a arena - there was not one open seat in the entire arena, and the stage was caddy cornered in the middle of the floor. Chairs were lined up in rows in the open spaces next to the stage. The opening show featured Chief Scout Executive Wayne Brock and BSA President, and former Secretary of State, Robert Gates among other BSA guests. During the opening show, every Arrowman was given a special red sash. All 16,000 Arrowmen in attendance took off their white sashes and wore the Centennial Sash, which was only to be worn at NOAC for the following 100 hours, until the conference was over. The Nawakwa Contingent showed incredible Spirit during the show and was lucky enough to sit in the lower section, literally on the front row, the best seats in the house. Each show throughout the week consisted of a different theme and special guests. These guests included an incredible magician and the country band Maddie & Tae.

The next four days were filled with training, competitions, fellowship, visiting exhibits, attending various events and, of course, patch trading. The training consisted of everything from chapter operations to Native American outfit making, and from recruiting Advisers to ceremonies symbolism. The competitions included Native American Dance, Ceremonies, lodge mascot competition, and sports competitions. Nawakwa had many Arrowmen reach high accolades in competition. On the Dance Team, Brandon Daul made it to the 3rd round and Jason Hundley made it to the 2nd round of Grass Dance competition. Adam Parker made top 10 in Straight Dance, and Ryan McNeilly, Kevin McNeilly and Logan Sandy all made top 10 in Old Tim Sioux. Caleb Donovan and Ryan McNeilly also made top 10 in the Prairie Chicken Dance. And Brandon Daul's new outfit scored 105 out of 110! The Ceremonial Team, consisting of Noah Johnson, Tripp Capelli, Michael Mickle and Brenton Morris made Honor Team for Pre-Ordeal and Mikie McGuckin made Honor Team for Vigil Honor. Fellowship was all over NOAC from the Grand Hodag to the Section SR-7A social, to grabbing some locally made ice cream. There were dozens of exhibits including the Goodman Edson Observatory, a walking exhibit that cataloged the history of the Order of the Arrow, the Lodge History Book Exhibit, OA High Adventure, BSA Vendors and the Centennial Rededication. The various events included the largest NESA Gathering of Eagles ever, the Centennial Gala, Centurion Reception and the Centennial Festival, and a huge service project which consisted of filling up the MSU football Stadium full of all of the Arrowmen at NOAC and evacuating, which helped MSU better implement evacuating procedures at football games. just to name a few. And of course, patch trading of very cool NOAC 2015 patches which went on throughout the entire event. Nawakwa's 3-piece flap set was very popular.

During the show on Wednesday night, National Chief Alex Call introduced #DareToDo - the Order of the Arrow's service initiative for the 100 days following NOAC. The National OA Committee focused on looking to the future and spreading the message of the admonition across the globe through small acts of service, making a difference in the lives of others. With 16,000 Arrowmen serving others through small acts of service throughout the US, the vision is that hundreds of thousands of other Scouts and ordinary Americans would be inspired to follow their example. And, following the NOAC 2015 theme, referring to those small acts of service, "It Starts With Us". And during the closing show, Nawakwa's Noah Johnson played a small part in the show as the bugler. And, several Nawakwa Arrowmen, including John Gasink, Andy Spicknall, Sandy Spicknall, Tim Lynch and Thomas Howard served on NOAC 2015 Staff, including Shows Staff.

It is safe to say that Nawakwa's Spirit was extremely high throughout the incredible week-long event. New friendships were made among those Nawakwa Arrowmen in attendance and the purpose of the Order was reinforced. NOAC 2015 was an epic way to celebrate the Centennial Anniversary of the Order of the Arrow as the Order moves forward into its next century of service.

Want to go to the next NOAC? The next NOAC will return to the campus of Indiana University during the summer of 2018!

NOAC 2015 – Dance Team Update:

Congratulations to the Nawakwa Dance Team at NOAC:

The dance team had a great showing at NOAC. We went with 12 dancers, competing in 13 events.

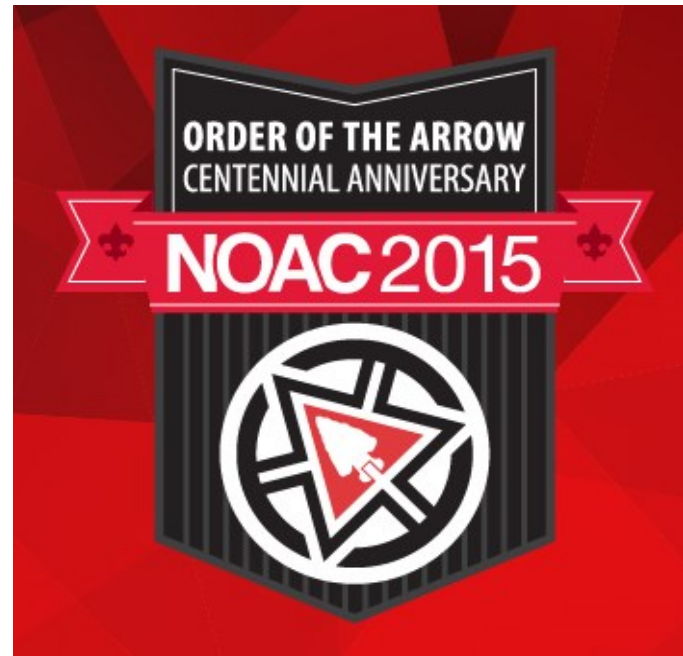
Straight Dance: Adam Parker, Matthew Young

Old Time Sioux: Logan Sandy, Ryan McNeilly Kevin McNeilly, Chris Schoeb, Matthew

Webster, James McLemore

Fancy Dance: Jonathan Barlow

Prairie Chicken: Caleb Donovan, Ryan McNeilly



Straight Dance:

Adam Parker, Placed 3rd
Matthew Young, Made it to the semi finals

Old Time Sioux:

Ryan McNeilly, Placed 4th
Logan Sandy, Placed 5th
Kevin McNeilly, Made top 10
Chris Schoeb, Made it to the semi finals

Prairie Chicken:

Ryan McNeilly, Placed 5th
Caleb Donovan, Made top 10

Grass Dance:

Brandon Daul, made it to the 3rd round of the semi finals
Jason Hundley, made it to the 2nd round of the semi finals
Brandon Daul's New Grass dance outfit scored 105 out of 110, Fantastic Job. Both our grass dancers did a great job in the most popular dance style at this NOAC. There were over 100 grass dancers in their field.

Fancy Dance:

Even though Jonathan Barlow did not place he did a great job in a tough and physical dance style. His regalia competed with the best of them. All our dancers have done a fantastic job during the competition and supporting each other. A big hand to all our dancers for a job well done. Special Thanks to Codey Daul for making the cross campus run and ride dash in record time to help two of our dancers who forgot items back in the dorm. His efforts enabled 2 of our dancers to compete in their full regalia. Codey, well done. Thanks

All our top 10 finishers are invited to staff the next 2017 Jamboree in AIA (American Indian Affairs).

Again Congratulations to all of our dancers. You made the Dance Team, The Lodge, and the Section proud. Yes, many of our fellow lodges in our section were pulling for us. I would also like to thank all our advisers for making this the best NOAC ever. Jim Richards, Cameron Richards, Sandra Daul, Cliff Sandy, Codey Daul, Thank you parents, for all your support.

Yours in Cheerful Service
Frank McNeilly
Nawakwa Dance and Drum Team
Co-Adviser



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Greetings from Crater District, Karakona Chapter 19 It sure has been a busy few months, and just wanted to share with the entire Nawakwa Lodge on recent OA activities and events that our Chapter has been involved with and what to expect in the near future.

In September, many of our OA members attended Fall Service and Ordeal weekend, in which we gained new Ordeal members and advanced members into Brotherhood. Our Ceremonial Dance Team did a great job by providing cheerful service to support the Ordeal. Congratulations once again to our new OA members and welcome to our Chapter and Lodge!

During the month of October, we kicked off our OA monthly meeting by having a Halloween bash, filled with good food, fellowship, games and fun. The following weekend, we participated in the OA Centennial Celebration/Fall Fellowship in which many of our OA members attended and provided cheerful service to help support this incredible "007" themed weekend. Saturday kicked off with various training venues to include leadership development, history of the Order of the Arrow, Flute, and many others. Thanks once again to the instructors for providing such valuable training. That afternoon was filled with plenty of indoor and outdoor games and activities that allowed our OA members to share fellowship and enjoy the events.

Our Lodge had a very special visitor as well. Our National Chief, Alex Call, spent the weekend with us to express his gratitude and appreciation for what Nawakwa Lodge has done to support OA. Additionally, Alex shared his continued vision on the importance of recruiting and retaining our Honor Scouts, and how cheerful service and volunteering help shape and improve our communities throughout our Chapters and Districts.

In November, Chapter 19 sponsored a Fall Fun Camporee weekend at Camp Albright for Pack and Troop. The weekend was filled with plenty of activities and games that included Stretcher Relay, spoon carry race, 3-legged race, and many other events. Thanks once again to Mr. Phil Hagrich for his efforts in making this event successful.

During our November OA meeting, our guest speaker, Mr. Jim VanElsacker, gave us a demonstration on his profession of being an Army Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Technician, better known as a Bomb Tech. There was a Bomb Suit that weighs over 80 pounds, as well as a Robot that EOD uses as part of their tools of his trade. He did a great job answering interesting questions from our OA members. We also had the privilege of having our Nawakwa Lodge Adviser, Mr. Michael Lynch pay us a visit and shared his vision that included the importance of Troop Team Representatives, Unit Elections, and Camp Promotions, and how they impact

For the month of December, we have two exciting events coming our way. First, is our Chapter Christmas Party and White Elephant gift exchange. Looking forward to the fellowship and great food! Next, will be the Carillon Annual Service Project 22-23 December at Byrd Park in Richmond.

In closing, as 2016 is upon us, we look forward to another busy and exciting year serving our Chapter, District, and Lodge, and look forward to continued Brotherhood, and Cheerful Service!



Does your chapter have news or pictures to share? Please send them to communications@nawakwa.org so we can share your information with the rest of the lodge.



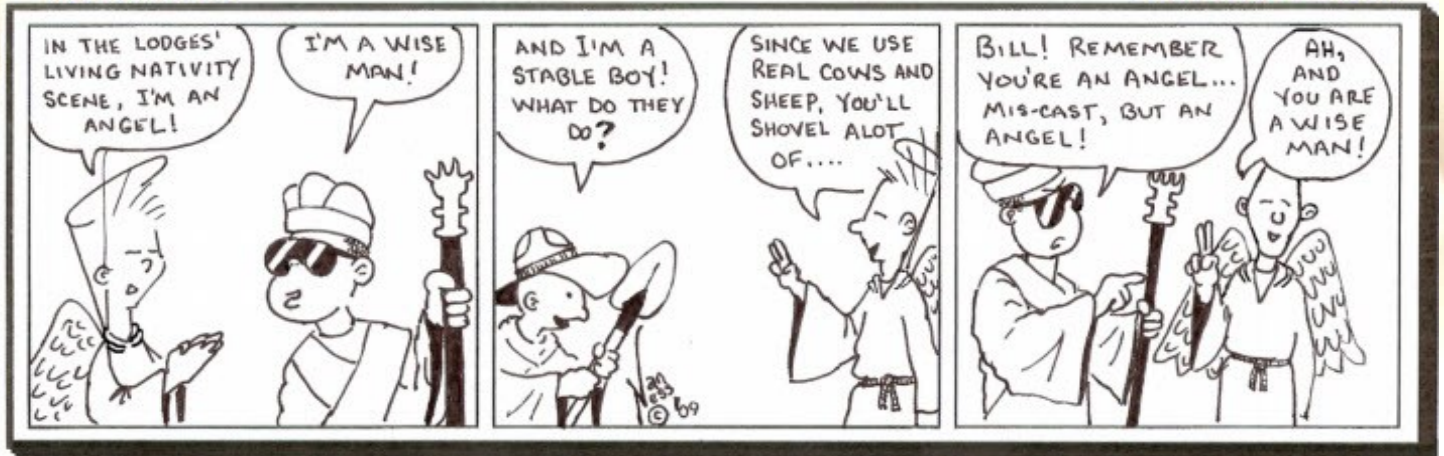
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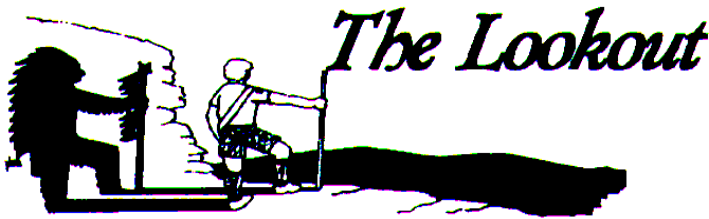
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MUDDY RUN

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