



Burning Issues:

- recap of events and happenings at LLD 2004
- Section Conclave coming soon

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Winter 2004

Section Conclave Help Needed April 15-17, 2005 Camp Belzer, Indianapolis

By Laurie Wildey

Section Conclave 2005 is quickly approaching and help is already needed! Jaccos Towne Lodge is responsible to do the Shows and Publications for the event.

The Conclave will be held at our very own Camp Belzer, so it is very close for everyone in the Lodge. Many Arrowmen will come together to celebrate the Order as well as have fun and fellowship.

We are currently looking for OA youth and adult members who would like to help with

these. The shows staff is in need of actors, stage/tech crew and scenery/costume/props staff. The publications staff needs photographers, reporters is interview Conclave attendees, writers, and desktop publishers.

Conclave is a fun-filled weekend where OA members come from all across Indiana for activities, training, ceremonial team competitions, fun and fellowship, and more. Come help make all of this happen.

To volunteer to assist with Publications, contact Ryan Eiteljorge at rjeiteljorge@yahoo.com or (812) 877-3792. If interested in helping with the shows for the weekend, contact Craig Wildey at jedis-cout86@yahoo.com or (317) 253-8963.

Arrowman Thank You

Please allow me to give my sincerest thanks to all the Arrowmen who helped Kickapoo Chapter with the ceremonies at the Lodge Fall Ordeal. Special thanks to Brandon, Eric, Dan, and Kim that made it possible for the Kickapoo Ceremonies teams to be successful.

Another special thanks to Jason Carter and the fire team who built the fire for the ceremonies. Ben Thomas who, with the assistance of Jason, kept the candles ablaze. Special thanks to the drummers from SQM for their added touch to our ceremonies.

A very special thanks to Andrew DeWitt, Michael DeWitt, Rusty Syrus, Josh Robbins, Justin Earl, and Ryan Eiteljorge for a great performance. I am very proud of these Arrowmen. They have put in many hours of practice and their dedication and efforts show in their ceremonies.

Thank you to Judy Earl who has supported and assisted both the team members and me in our quest to strive for the best.

I am proud to be an Arrowman in the Jaccos Towne Lodge where we all work together for the greater good.

Kathy Johnson
Kickapoo Chapter
Ceremony Advisor

Jason Carter Receives Walter J. Schuchmann Award

By Laurie Wildey

One of our Lodge's youth leaders was named the Walter J. Schuchmann Award Recipient. Jason Carter, Vigil Honor member, received the award November 11 from the Indianapolis Veterans' Day Council. The award is given annually by the Veterans' Day Council to an outstanding Boy Scout under 18 years of age from Crossroads of America Council.

Jason currently serves as Senior Patrol Leader of Troop 276 in Northeast District. He has been the Lodge Ceremonial Chairman since 2003, is Vigil Honor Chairman, and a member of the Lodge Executive Committee. Active in Wapsuchuppe-

catt Chapter leadership for many years, he is currently the Chapter Chief. Jason is an Eagle Scout, Firecrafter and serves on Camp Belzer staff. In 2005, he will serve his fifth year on White Stag JLTC staff as Senior Patrol Leader at Camp Krietenstein.

Outside of Scouting, Jason is a Senior at Bishop Chatard High School where he is in the band and swims on the swim team. His extensive involvement in Scouting is evidenced by his 232 nights of camping and 206 hours of community service. Congratulations to Jason on this recognition and for his continued dedication and service to Scouting and the Order of the Arrow.

Ceremony Teams Compete at Fall Fellowship

By Dave Largent

Ceremony teams from two chapters competed during our recent Fall Fellowship for the privilege of representing the Lodge at our Fall Ordeal. A Vigil Ceremony evaluation was also held. These competitions provided a tremendous opportunity for the teams to be judged and critiqued, and thus improve the presentation of their ceremonies.

Two teams from the Kickapoo Chapter competed in the Pre-ordeal, Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies. They will be representing the Lodge at it's Fall Ordeal in October where it will deliver the Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies.

formed by a team from the Seke Maque chapter. They were the only team to challenge the Kickapoo team, and after deliberation by the judges were determined to be the better of the two teams on that day.

Judging and critiquing was provided jointly by Jim Mattocks and Dave Largent. Jim serves as the Lodge's Ceremony Advisor. Dave serves as Wahpekahmekunk's Ceremony Advisor. WPK's Brotherhood ceremony team was recognized as an Honor Team (highest possible rating) at NOAC this summer.

While the judges were pleased to have teams from these two chapters compete, they wondered why teams from the other chapters did-

The Pre-ordeal ceremony at the Lodge's Fall Ordeal will be per-



n't compete. All chapters are strongly encouraged to have a team compete next time. Even if you don't think you have a chance of winning, compete any way! It's a great time to find out what you are doing right and what you might be able to do different to deliver an even better ceremony for your

Help Jaccos Towne 21 Make Quality Lodge!

Become a Brotherhood Member in 2004!

By Jason Carter

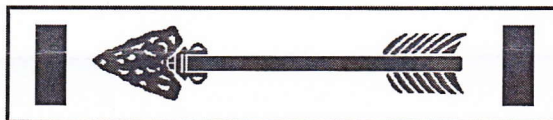
Jaccos Towne Lodge still needs 23 Ordeal members to become Brotherhood in 2004 to achieve the required conversion rate for Quality Lodge. If you are a dues-paid Ordeal member who has been in the Order of the Arrow for at least 10 months, consider helping the Lodge and sealing your membership by becoming a Brotherhood Arrowman!

The Lodge will conduct a final 2004 Brotherhood Ceremony immediately following Lodge Winter Banquet at Camp Belzer on December 12th (at approximately 7:00 p.m.). Brotherhood testing will be offered before the OA Monopoly/Winter Banquet at 2:30 p.m. or chapters may arrange their own testing prior to the 12th.

The cost of becoming a Brotherhood on the 12th is \$18 if you come only for the ceremony or the ceremony and testing. This pays for the new Brotherhood sash and Lodge flap.

Lodge is offering a special Brotherhood/Winter Banquet price of \$30, which includes the new Brotherhood sash, Lodge flap, and the Winter Banquet – a \$3 savings.

Consider serving the Lodge and sealing your membership by becoming a Brotherhood Arrowman in December! If you would like to participate in this opportunity please let the Lodge Chief or your Chapter Chief know as soon as possible!



LLD great event for fun and training

By Ben Thomas

Lodge Leadership Development was a huge success! The even was held November 19-21 at Camp Belzer. Tons of training, fun, and great attendance will hopefully lead to next year being one of the best years the Order has seen in many years. Craig Wildey with assistance from Lodge Chief-Elect Ryan Eiteljorge ran the event outstandingly., with a score of great trainers and enthusiastic new officers. Thank you to all who attended and made it such a great event!

Letter from the Editor

By Ben Thomas

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the Lodge for their support this past year as I brought to you the newsletters and communications within the lodge. I would like to tell next year's officers congratulations on their election and good luck to a prosperous year.

-Ben Thomas
Vice-Chief of Communications
Jaccos Towne Lodge

2004- 2005 Jaccos Towne Lodge Calendar

2004

12/12 OA Lodge Winter Banquet at Camp Belzer

2005

1/14-16 OA Lodge Ceremony Training weekend at Camp Kikthawenund

2/20 OA Lodge Exec. Com. Mtg.

3/20 OA Lodge Exec. Com. Mtg.

4/15-17 OA Section Conclave

5/15 OA Lodge Exec. Com. Mtg.

8/28 OA Lodge Exec. Com. Mtg.

9/16-18 OA Lodge Fall Fellowship at Camp Kikthawenund

10/14-16 OA Lodge Fall Ordeal

11/18-20 OA Lodge Leadership Development at Camp Belzer

12/11 OA Lodge Winter Banquet at Camp Belzer

Attention All Arrowmen

WINTER BANQUET 2004

When: December 12, 2004

Where: Belzer Scout Camp Training Facility

Why: Winter Banquet

3:00 – 5:00 p.m. OA Monopoly – Back by popular demand!

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Program

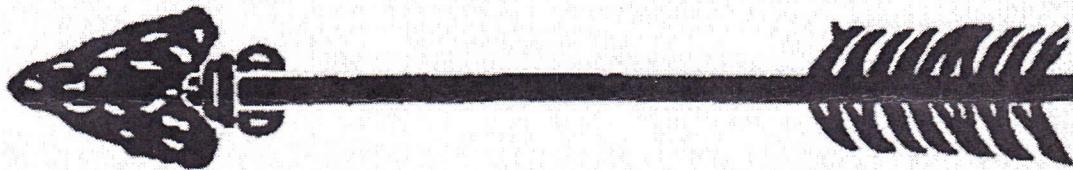
Guest Speaker

Swearing in of 2005 Officers

Presentations

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Dinner catered by the Shelbyville Knights of Columbus again!

Cost: \$15.00 per person



Complete the following and send to:

Crossroads of America
c/o Jeff Hotchkiss
1900 N. Meridian St.
Indianapolis, IN 46206
Make checks payable to OA-BSA

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____ City _____

Phone _____ District _____ Chapter _____ Unit _____

Youth / Adult (circle one) Acct# 1-2371-079-00, Cam# 6OADP

You may also e-mail your registration to jhotchkiss@crossroadsbsa.org and pay at the door.

Reservations must be returned to Jeff Hotchkiss by December 1, 2004 to ensure a meal.

Jaccos Towne Gathering 2005

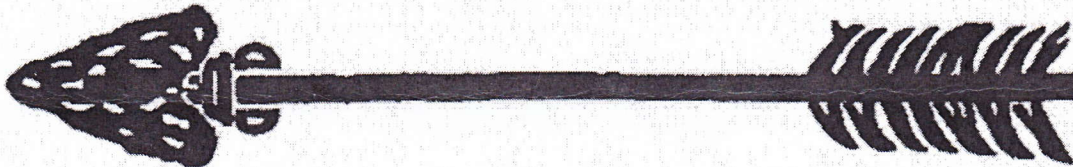
When: January 14-16, 2005

Where: Camp Belzer

What: Extensive Ceremony Training
Ceremony and Advanced Ceremony Training
Opportunity to make Outfit parts for your Ceremony
Learn/Practice Drum, Flute, Singing
Webelos Crossover training and presentations (yes, we have crossovers planned to send Teams to perform)
Lodge meeting Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at the Steak and Shake Dining Hall

Cost: \$10.00
Registration 6:30 p.m. Friday, February 20
Ending 4:00 p.m. Sunday, February 22

BRING YOUR PHYSICAL WITH YOU!!!!



We will be in cabins. Bring all necessary materials with a full class "a" uniform and class "b" uniform

Complete the following and send to:

Crossroads of America/OA Lodge Feb. Gathering
c/o Doug Brown
1900 N. Meridian St.
Indianapolis, IN 46206
Payable to OA-BSA

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____ City _____

Phone _____ District _____ Chapter _____

Cam code 6OADP

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"The essence of our existence is that we must be those campers who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law."
-Co-Founder Carroll A. Edson

Council Website
<http://www.crossroadsbsa.org/>

Jaccos Towne Lodge and Cross-roads of America Council are dedicated to furthering and developing the high ideals of scouting through the Order of the Arrow, as well as many other programs. If you have any questions or concerns about our program or publication please feel free to contact us.

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