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Lodge Earns National Award

1997 was a year for celebration for Wulakamike Lodge as we observed our 25th year of service to our council. We also made great strides in our program by earning National Quality Lodge and earning a \$1900 service grant. We found out at the Section Conclave that we had earned quite possibly the only other national award we could, the E. Urner Goodman Camping Award.

The only actual requirements for the award come from the Quality Lodge petition, one of which is visiting 70% of the units in the council for the purpose of promoting camping. National asks for information concerning the number of Arrowmen on camp staff, the number of Scouts attending camp, and the number of units in the council and how many were visited.

The honor is very high considering that only two lodges from each region each year receive

the award. That makes us one of the top 8 camp promoting lodges in the nation!

The award will be presented at the region gathering at NOAC.

Congratulations Wulakamike Lodge 21! by Chris Taylor

Arrowmen Hurt in Accident

On April 26, 1998, David Amerman was seriously injured in a car crash on his way home from the Section Conclave near Lafayette. He was traveling on Highway 26 and the car ended up nearly splitting in half. Two brothers in the car, one driving, escaped with minor injuries while David's condition is much more serious.

David's recovery has been very up and down. He is at Methodist hospital in Indianapolis where he continues to recover. He now has the cont. on p. 6

2nd Summer Fellowship to be Held

Summer Fellowship will be at Camp Belzer on July 19. It starts at 2:00 p.m. and will end around 7 p.m. There will be a NOAC meeting at 1:00 p.m. for all members going. The Vigil callout will be held that evening. There will be games all day, and plenty of time to meet new people. Come with a friend, and we will put you with two others for a game of your choice. Use this time to get to know other people in the lodge. There will also be a pot luck dinner, so bring a dish. We invite the whole lodge to come and participate. by Seth Powell

Lodge Receives New Staff Adviser

On April 3, J.R. Hogan, Staff Adviser since 1996, left the Scouting Profession. J.R. had an active role in our lodge as a liaison between the council and the lodge. We thank J.R. for his time of great service to us and all of the youth he served. We wish him well in his new career.

Glen Steenbeger, Sakima District Director, will take the post. Glen was an active youth in our lodge and can bring some member insight to the position. Go inside this issue to learn more about Glen and his plans to help our lodge. We welcome Glen back to our Lodge. by Chris Taylor

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LETTER FROM

THE CHIEF



Dear Brothers,

We must all step back and remember that the past is behind us, and through these summer months, although we may have made some mistakes, it is time to really try and build our troops, chapters, and lodge stronger. Each of us, Ordeal member to Vigil Honor member, play an important part in the success of our lodge.

Your ordeal might have had some rocky points and your call-outs may not have been the best, but remember that that is not what OA is about. WWW is the true meaning to the OA. We are a brotherhood of cheerful servers. You may complain about how everything didn't turn out the way it was planned, or say last year things were so much better. It is the thought and trial that count. "The best laid plans oft go wrong."

Order of the Arrow is a national YOUTH run service organization, and it is meant for youth to learn and grow through achievements and mistakes. You may think things are bad, but in reality it is just another Scout growing up.

"Glory is Fleeting, But Obscurity is FOREVER," even the best make a mistake along the way. That is the only way to become better in life as a Scout, Arrowman, and person.

Yours in Scouting,
Bob Valentini

CHAPTER AND COMMITTEE NEWS

by Seth Powell and Reuben Pillsbury

KIK- Over the past few months, our chapter has been working on unit elections. Some of the elections didn't go well. Some of the people scheduled didn't show up or people weren't scheduled for the elections. Our ceremonial teams have been practicing for Spring Ordeal. Our Brotherhood team won at Conclave and our Pre-Ordeal team came in second. The Service to America project was presented at the district Roundtable in May. Our call-out was held at the District Spring Camporee. 29 youth and 7 adults were called out.

LBH- Our ordeal was held May 15-17 at Johnson County Park. We had 42 arrowmen inducted at that time. We also had 11 new brotherhood members. At Family Jamboree, we brought our tipi and enjoyed ourselves. We also showed all of our personal regalia. We have a new set of officers! Chief- Mike Deaton, Vice-chief- David Sturm, Secretary- Mike Lang, and Treasurer- Jacob King. Pete Sturm and Lewis Warren are the Advisers.

LOA- Our ceremony teams worked hard for our Ordeal, May 15-17. There was a Chapter meeting May 3rd to discuss and prepare for the Ordeal.

Fall Fellowship

Fall Fellowship will take place on September 11-13 at Camp K. There will be many activities put on by the Chapters, and plenty of fun and fellowship. Elections for next year's officers will take place Saturday night, and the Lodge Executive Committee meeting will be Sunday morning. If you would like to cook, please see Seth Powell at a Lodge meeting, or call me at (765)288-1946. Come for a weekend of fun and fellowship! by Seth Powell

Conclave Wrap-Up

Section Conclave was a huge Success! We had over 260 people show up for the weekend. We had a midway in the afternoon, training sessions in the morning, and elected the new Section Officers Sunday Morning. David Yoder is the new Chief, with Chris Simmons as his Vice-Chief, and Chris Molessa as the Secretary. Congratulations to Kikthawenund and Wapsuchuppecatt chapters for winning the Brotherhood and Pre-Ordeal ceremonies, respectively. We are looking forward to a great year for our Section! by Seth Powell

CHAPTER AND COMMITTEE NEWS (CONT'D)

MCQ- no news

QUN- no news

SKM- Our ordeal was successful. We engaged in a full elangomat Ordeal and had excellent ceremonies.

TAK- Our ceremony teams have been practicing for our Ordeal, which is May 29-31 at Camp Cullom.

WPK- Our ordeal was May 8-10 and we had 27 new ordeal members and 1 new Brotherhood member. We are preparing for Fall Ordeal, August 28-30. We are planning on sending Pre-ordeal and Brotherhood ceremony teams to Fall Fellowship. We have implemented the Elangomat program and look forward to future success in this program.

WAP- We prepared for our Ordeal for the last two months, which was held May 15-17 at Camp Belzer. We would like to congratulate all of our new ordeal and brotherhood members. Good Job! I would like to encourage all arrowmen of the Northeast and Pioneer districts to become active in the Order. Your support is desperately needed. Please plan to attend our Chapter meetings, which during the Summer are the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m., at Camp Belzer. during the Fall months, meetings will resume on the Third Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. at Belzer. I look forward to seeing you all at chapter meetings, and at our Fall Ordeal!

WDN- no news

Membership- LOA is still leading the charge in paid dues for 1998, but they are only at 74% and many chapters are still in the 30s! Dues are cutoff for this year on June 30th. Without a huge surge in membership soon, the lodge will have no chance at becoming a quality lodge. Less than half (525) of the lodge is paid for 1998!

Publications- Goodlander submissions are due the first of the odd numbered months. Anyone in the lodge may submit articles, questions, comments, and pictures. Call Chris Taylor about submissions. Watch for a special Goodlander edition coming in the next few months.

Ceremonial- The ceremonial chair and adviser have been working diligently to get the ceremonail training together and get a date out for that. Also, we are getting information about each chapter and if they are competing in ceremonial competitions at NOAC. We hope to have all the ceremonial teams ready to go at NOAC.

A Look at our Vice-Chief of Program: Seth Powell

Seth Powell is serving his first term as a Lodge Officer this year. At a very young age, he had done a great job at moving his chapter and the lodge program in an upward direction. Seth is 15 years old from Muncie. He attends Burriss Laboratory School.

Q. What involvement do you have in school?

A. I run cross country and track, play basketball, and am in orchestra and band.

Q. What rank are you and what positions in OA have you held?

A. I'm a Life Scout (3 merit badges and a project to go), and I've been the Chapter Secretary, Chief, Section CVC of publications, and currently the Lodge Vice-Chief of Program.

Q. What do you like most about OA?

A. It gets other people like me together. I also get to meet more people in Scouts that have as much fun as I do and we can share ideas.

Q. Why have you chosen to be an officer?

A. I watched previous officers and it looked like fun. I get to voice my opinion in this position.

Q. What do you want to do in the future in Scouting?

A. I'd like to go on and hold positions until I'm 21, get my Eagle, and continue as an adult to help lead other boys.

Q. What has been one of your best Scouting memories?

A. At summer camp last year, there was a person doing his Firecrafter fire. He was a bass in choir but was singing "Feeling Groovy" and had to hit a high note and cracked his voice. Everybody always tells him to pull his pants up now.

Seth has a bright future in serving Scouting and the Order. We wish him luck in his Scouting quest!





NEW EAGLES

by Seth Powell

Congratulations to the following Arrowmen for obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout. Any Arrowman obtaining this rank that we omitted please contact Seth Powell or Chris Taylor.

LBH- Eric Joseph Hotseller, Troop 104, Acton United Methodist Church

LOA- Nicolas Lee Peters, Troop 50, Jewish Community Center; Zachary Scot Whann, Troop 69, Traders Point Christian Church; Jeremy David Eades, Troop 73, St. Paul's Episcopal Church

MAQ- James N. Whittington, Troop 45, Mt. Carmel Elementary & Jr. High School, Timothy Allen Harth, Troop 114, Central United Methodist

QUN- Jamison Ryan Herdrich, Troop 183, St. Michael's Episcopal Church

WPK- Jonathan J. Crain, Troop 22, St. Andrew United Presbyterian Church

WAP- Elliot Marcus Kastner, Troop 157, Church of the Nativity

WDN- Dean Allen Stevens III, Troop 310, American Legion Post 118; Scott Robert McColgin, Troop 306, Avon Parent Teachers Association; Dallas Daniel Rees, Troop 97, Chapel Hill Lions Club; Todd

Nathaniel Owen, Troop 307, Avon Christian Church; Justin David Bragg, Troop 400, St. Michael's Catholic Church

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Service Grant Money Used

by David Kaspar

The recent service project that the Lodge participated in was a large success. We used \$1900, which was given to us by the National Order of the Arrow, to install handicap accessible bathrooms at Belzer. This task has been completed and it looks (and functions) much better.

There was a little money that was left over and we used this to help spruce up the camp. These jobs will be completed by the Ranger at Belzer. Bob Valentini, the Lodge Chief, said, "The money was very well spent."

OA Trail Crew at Philmont

by David A. Kaspar

It may not be too late. Ever been to Philmont? Do you want to go? Here is a cheap, fun way that you can: OA trail crew. This is, in a nutshell, going out to Philmont for one week, making/remodeling a trail, and then staying another week to go hiking on it (or maybe a different one). It will be in June through July and the cost is \$100 plus transportation. If you are interested, please contact Bob Valentini. Happy Hiking!



Glen Steenberger Returns to the Lodge as a Professional

Few people have proven to support this lodge as an adult and a youth like Dave Dominick has, holding all three of the key three positions, but Glen Steenberger is now going to do his part and tells us of his youth activity as well. Here is a look at our newest adviser:

Q. Where are you from and where did you start in the order?

A. I'm from Indianapolis and was inducted into our lodge in 1984.

Q. Where did you attend college?

A. Indiana University.

Q. What jobs have you held in Scouting?

A. I was the District Executive of Iron Horse district and am currently the District Director of Sakima district.

Q. How did you participate in the lodge as a youth?

A. I was on the ceremonial team and was the Lodge secretary. I also recieved the Vigil Honor.

Q. Besides Scouting, what do you do now?

A. I live in Anderson with my wife Maria and daughter Gabrielle.

Q. What do you want to accomplish as the Staff Adviser?

A. I want to support lodge endeavors in the next years.

Q. Why do you feel the Order of the Arrow is a good program?

A. OA is a great program that acts as an extension of the character building programs of the Boy Scouts.

Glen has much experience as an arrowman and can certainly share his knowledge with the leadership of the lodge. Glen has big shoes to fill, and we know he will do a great job in serving the youth of this lodge and council, as he already has. by Chris Taylor

Access the Webpage

The Wulakamike Lodge Webpage is a great resource for up-to-the-minute information about lodge events. You can find out names and E-mail addresses of all commitee chairmen, Lodge officers, and Chapter Chiefs...just about anyone you need to get in touch with. There is also a lodge calendar of events, which is updated frequently to contain all of the most current lodge events.

We are currently working to incorporate Lodge History, and other changes, so keep checking back with us at <http://www.fowler.com/wulakamike> for the latest....and when you visit, make sure you sign our guestbook. by Luke Fowler

NOAC is Fast Approaching



Summer Camp

This year we will by trying to get even more involved than ever before at Summer Camp. Remeber how all we did was the Callout and the Ice Cream Social? This year we are hoping for more activities. If you have any activities that you would like to see at Summer Camp, talk to Jason Hankee, the Summer Camp chairman. See you all at camp! Thanks to all of the arrowmen who helped to open camp at the joint service project. by Seth Powell



Boy Scout Night at the RCA Dome

Crossroads of America Council tried something new this year to aid in the recruitment of new Scouts. The first Boy Scout Night at the RCA Dome was held on Friday, June 5 from 7-10 p.m. All boys and families interested in Scouting were invited to go and visit booths and displays about Scouting. Included in this innagural event was the OA. Our lodge set up tipis, had patches, regalia, and arrowmen to answer questions.

The youth in charge of set up for the lodge was Chris Taylor. He said, "this is a great opportunity for all troops in the council to get more boys into their programs. I'm glad the lodge could help."

The Program, Our Promise

The Order of the Arrow made a promise to the President for the United States and to Boy Scouts to promote the Service to America project. We as a lodge have been working hard to spread the word about this three year service project. I want to challenge everyone to continue to help with this effort by mentioning it at unit meetings and Roundtables. Only by personal example can we hope to impact the Scouts of Crossroads of America Council, and help to bring us closer to our goal of 200 million hours by the year 2000.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in the OA Task Force this year. These people represented our lodge in unit's all across the council. The goals that I set out to achieve may have seemed high to some individuals, but I believe that cont. in next col.

CALENDAR

JUNE

5- Boy Scout Night at the RCA Dome
6 -OA/XXX JOINT SERVICE PROJECT-
Ransburg

July

19- NOAC meeting and Summer Fellowship
Belzer

AUGUST

2-6 -NOAC, Iowa State University
16 - Lodge Executive Meeting 2:30 Belzer

FAMILY JAMBOREE GOES WELL

The 1998 Steak 'N Shake Family Jamboree went well and was fun for all in attendance. The weather held out through the day to allow Scouts and families participate in a wide variety of booths and events. Bands and solo groups played throughout the day. An terrific concert, organized by Tony Steinhardt, capped the evening off featuring a lot of smoke, light, and the band Dog Talk.

The Lodge had a booth set up again. This year, LBH's tipi and regalia were set up along with some items from some other chapters. Each chapter was to supply people to watch the booth for two hours. The Indian Lore merit badge was also offered.

Some chapters also held callouts during the evening.

The day was a great time for Scouts and families to look around at many different things, including a look at our lodge.

The Program.. cont.

we must aim high to achieve high success. All teams did an excellent job of promoting the Service to America program. I've heard good reports all across the Council.

Our promise to promote this program is one that we must keep to the fullest. We will continue to visit every unit each year, to spread the work about the joy of a life of cheerful service. Remember, we as arrowmen must be an example and have our twelve hours completed by rechartering time. The unit's rechartering date is the deadline for all scouts. Thank you all for your continued support in this project. If you have questions or suggestions, please let me know.

Robby Tompkins, Sakima

Arrowmen Hurt cont'd from p. 1

ability to speak again. After the next critical few weeks, David is expected to make a full recovery by spending about three months in a wheel chair. He suffered a torn aorta in the accident.

David is from Kiskakon lodge in Ft. Wayne. A collection for the very high medical expenses was taken up at their Spring Fellowship. All of the arrowmen there spoke very highly of David and wished him a quick and speedy recovery as we hope all of you will too. by Chris Taylor

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP REGISTRATION

All arrowmen are invited to come to this year's Summer Fellowship. It will be July 19 at Camp Belzer in Indianapolis. We will start at 2:00 p.m. and end around 7:00 p.m. Come for a day of games and fellowship. The price for the day is \$1.00 this covers the main dish for the pot luck dinner. To pre-register, send money and the bottom of this form to:

Boy Scouts of America
OA Summer Fellowship
P.O. Box 1966
Indianapolis, IN 46202

Name _____ Phone _____
Chapter _____ Number Attending _____
Money paid _____ (Please make checks payable to BSA OA)

Dues Renewal Form

Name _____ Chapter _____ Birthdate _____
Address _____ Phone _____
Ordeal Date _____ Brotherhood Date _____ Vigil Date _____ Rank _____

Renewal plan (check one):

\$7 for 1998 _____ including \$7 reinstatement _____ \$7 for 1999 _____ \$25 for 1998-2002 _____
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CHAPTER FOCUS: LOBARLEHENSE

Lobarlehense, meaning *black foot*, covers the Pathfinder and T-Sun-Gani districts of our Council. There are three areas we'll focus on for this chapter. 1) the new Explorer Post 2) the growth 3) the communication.

Explorer Post trial for lodge

Ask any officer or adviser and ask what one of the major difficulties in running the lodge or a chapter is, and you'll hear the words membership retention. LBH chapter is running a test for the lodge to try to increase support for the council's Explorer program and also increase participation in the Order. LBH draws mostly from its Pathfinder district, and in order to get T-Sun-Gani and other arrowmen involved, the chapter has started an Explorer post. What this really means is that the chapter does more things together now. It goes on campouts and other outings. The members can participate in all of the council's Exploring events such as the "Indy in the Middle of the Night." Chief Mike Deaton said that Terry Troxell and J.R. Hogan approached him about the program. They and the council thought it would be a good idea and wanted to use this chapter to see if it could be used in other chapters. He said he is "looking for more definition." He has found some help as to what to do, and the new post should be moving very soon. Adviser Pete Sturm echoed the same comments that they needed to know what to do. The council offered this for "why": "Building an active chapter can sometimes be hard. But with fun and exciting activities, and the program support and structure of an Explorer Post, an OA Chapter Explorer Post is more likely to keep youth Arrowmen active longer.

Chapter Grows

Mike says that he has seen many changes in his two year as Vice-Chief, and now the beginning of his second year as Chief. He said that the chapter has gotten a lot more recognition. It is more active in the lodge and district. There are more people at the ordeals and the fall camporees they put on are some of the best in their district.

Communications

As many chapters and the lodge have begun to do, LBH has turned to the internet to keep its members more informed of activities and information about the chapter. Anybody can check out their website at: <http://www.geocities.com/yosemite/gorge/1205>. In an effort to let people get a hold of the officers better, they have set up a chapter e-mail address. Questions concerning the chapter, or OA in general, can be directed to: LBH1@hotmail.com.

Upcoming Events

On Friday, June 5, LBH chapter transported all three of the lodges tipis to the RCA Dome and set them up. They have been very active with this Indian Events program. They keep one of the lodge's tipis and set it up wherever it is needed. It has traveled through their district to Section Conclave to Family Jamboree to the Dome and more. Many thanks go out to their great dedication.

Up Close

Chief Mike Deaton is an 18 yr. old sophomore at Ball State University. He is originally from New Jersey and lives in Indianapolis now. Pete Sturm, Adviser, is a mill worker for Carterlee Lumber. He and his family live in Beech Grove.

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