

Hawk's Cry

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Fifteen Years of Cheerful Service

This year, our lodge will celebrate its fifteenth year. To commemorate this event, a new fifteenth year anniversary flap is being made. You may recall approving the design of this patch at the winter banquet. To ensure that everyone will have an opportunity to purchase the fifteenth year anniversary

flap, the Lodge Executive Board has set the price at \$5.00; however, only 700 of these patches will be made. We will begin selling these patches at the Lodge Executive Board meeting on April 7, 2007. No reorders will be made, so if you are interested in purchasing this lodge flap, you need to act soon!



The AED Fundraising Patches

At Fall Fellowship in 2005, our council vice president of program, David Kelly, had a tragic heart attack. Although no one knows if an AED would have saved his life, one was not available at the camp. This prompted our lodge to try to purchase AEDs for all three of our council's camps and the Scout Service Center (council office). An AED (Automated External Defibrillator) is a device about the size of a laptop computer that analyzes the heart's rhythm for any abnormalities and, if necessary, directs the rescuer to deliver an electrical shock to the victim. This shock,

called defibrillation, may help the heart to reestablish an effective rhythm of its own. Procuring these will cost the lodge approximately \$1,500.00 per AED. Although we do not plan on purchasing all four AEDs at once, \$6,000.00 is still a significant amount of money to raise. In order to do this, we are selling fundraising patches to *anyone* interested in helping our cause. These patches are available at the Scout Service Center (council office), and at all lodge functions. The black border patch is \$5.00, the gold border patch is \$10.00, and the silver border patch is \$20.00. Your support is greatly appreciated and can save lives.

Year's Events

April 7
Lodge Executive Board Meeting

April 15
Hawk's Cry Article Submission Deadline

May 18-20
Section C4A Conclave

June 8-10
Spring Fellowship

June 17-July 14
Summer Camp

July 15
Hawk's Cry Article Submission Deadline

September 7-8
Vigil Weekend

September 21-23
ACHW

October 5-7
Fall Fellowship

October 15
Hawk's Cry Article Submission Deadline

December 8
Lodge Executive Board Meeting

From the Advisor: Edward Eagloski (304) 546-7685 cingular bighouseracing@yahoo.com

Ordeal members, young and old, we would like for you to achieve your Brotherhood membership in 2007! If you have passed the Ordeal in 2006, you should be eligible for Brotherhood this year. There are several events where Ordeal members may advance, Spring Fellowship, June 8-10; summer camp, June 17-July14; and Fall Fellowship, Oct. 5-7.

Basically, you need to be a registered with Buckskin Council and a member of our Lodge for ten (10) months. The following will be asked to: 1) describe your understanding of the Ordeal rite and provide your insights of your experience; 2) rededicate yourself to the service of others through the OA and the Boy Scouts; 3) explain how you have advanced your learning of the ways of the OA; 4) review your progress in light of your understanding of the OA; and 5) recite the OA Obligation and sing the OA Song. If you meet these requirements, then a ceremony will be conducted where the Brotherhood membership is conferred.

The OA has established a website to provide you with additional information. Use the 'Jumpstart' web address to see if you are ready. (For access, you will need your OA handbook.) For those who cannot find your handbook or a computer, feel free to contact me. I will help you.

'JUMPSTART' OA website for Ordeal Members www.jumpstart.oa-bsa
Participation and Advancement within the Order of the Arrow

The Lodge has a new Dance Team Advisor, Jim Medley. Most recall Jim as the Lodge's first Chief. He and youth leader Jonathan McKenzie will have a team meeting and invites any persons who wishes to dance, sing, drum or learn about AIA to a meeting on April 7, at noon after the LEB meeting. Jim's cell number is (304) 437-4111; email Medley475@yahoo.com. Come out and learn to dance/drum.

Chiefly Speaking

Fellow Arrowmen:

It has been a pleasure to serve as your chief in 2006, and it is an honor to serve you once again in 2007. Our lodge has had several successes and achievements in the year 2006, but I look for many more to come in 2007. With the officers that you have elected, we have the ability to have one of the best years in Chi-Hoota-Wei's history. Our lodge will not only celebrate 15 years of cheerful service, but also conduct our first Lodge Leadership Development Conference. In addition to this event, I look forward to our lodge once again conducting our Vigil Honor Weekend and Appalachian Colonial Heritage Weekend, as well as providing numerous hours of service to our communities and council. I am proud of the progress that we, as a lodge, have made; however, if it were not for the dedication and commitment, that you, as individual arrowmen have made, we would not be the Quality Lodge that we are today. I challenge each of you, to make 2007 an even greater success than this past year.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Michael Bledsoe

Michael Bledsoe, 2007 Lodge Chief (Netami Sakima)

From the Chapters

Adjudimo Chapter Squirrel Chatter

As the 2007 Adjudimo Chapter chief, I am looking forward to improving our camp, our area, and the enthusiasm of our arrowmen. I and the other chapter officers plan to offer several opportunities for camp and community service for our chapter members. We will have a representative at every lodge function to show our chapter's activity and, in cooperation with our district's committee, will also be a part of every

function of the Chief Cornstalk District. We will also be hosting, in collaboration with the lodge, the 2nd annual Appalachian Colonial Heritage Weekend, as well as the Fall Fellowship for this year. I and the Adjudimo Chapter would like to thank all those men, women, and youth who gave their time to help our chapter, district, and lodge in 2006. I am looking forward to working with all of you in 2007.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Jonathan McKenzie
Adjudimo Chapter Chief

Tenndaa Teholenze

We are trying to get started on bringing our chapter back to life. We have already had several good meetings and we recently planned and ran Pioneer District's Winter Camporee. We also had the largest contingent that our chapter has ever had at Winter Banquet this year.

I, Jeremiah Stevens, am the Chapter Chief. Andrew O'Neal is our Vice-Chief of Administration. Tanner Boster is the Vice-Chief of Program. Lastly, JD Lyons is the Chapter Secretary. Steve Caldwell is our Chapter Advisor.

The Pioneer District Winter Camporee went extremely well. We had a competition between the troops that were there. I would like to thank Robbie

Anastasio for performing the legend for us, and Andrew O'Neal and Tanner Boster for being the shakers. We had also had a good chapter meeting at the Camporee. I would also like to thank Steve Caldwell for all the help he gave us in planning the Camporee.

Through May, our Chapter meeting will be on the last Thursday of the month at First Baptist Church in Hurricane. All OA members are encouraged to attend. Please come with ideas for events that we can hold as a chapter.

This year looks to be one of the best in the history of our chapter. Please join in to make sure it is a great year for us.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Jeremiah Stevens
Tenndaa Teholenze Chapter Chief

Attention Chapter Chiefs:

All chapters are encouraged to put articles about themselves in the Hawk's Cry. We would love to see every chapter have at least one article in each Hawk's Cry. Tell about upcoming chapter events or recent chapter activities. Having an article in the Hawk's Cry is a great way to increase attendance at chapter functions. Also since all lodge members receive the Hawk's Cry, you could get members of other chapters to attend your chapter functions.

Take a look at the submissions from the Adjudimo and the Tenndaa Teholenze chapters for ideas on what to put in your articles.

Please e-mail submissions to me at JSEaglein05@aol.com. Put Hawk's Cry Article in the subject title of the E-mail. The next submission deadline is April 15th.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Jeremiah Stevens
Lodge Secretary

Spring Fellowship 2007

Spring Fellowship at Dilley's Mill is approaching fast with it falling on June 8th-10th this year. Please come and get reacquainted with your brothers in our lodge.

We will be working on helping get the camp ready for Summer Camp. There will be some fun events as well. Ordeal and Brotherhood inductions will be occurring also. Vigil selections will be made. Join in the decision making of the lodge, as there will be a business meeting on the 9th.

Prices will be \$10 for regular attendees, \$30 for those receiving their Brotherhood, and \$40 for those going through their Ordeal.

I hope to see all of you there, for a weekend filled with friendships, fun, and some good work.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Jeremiah Stevens
Lodge Secretary

Summer Camp 2007

Summer Camp at Dilley's Mill looks to be a great time for all who participate. I encourage you to attend in whatever manner you can, as staff, as a Scout, or as a Scouter. There will be thirty-three different merit badges you can take; or if you already have all the merit badges the interest you, you can go on our high adventure program, Adventure West Virginia, which will have whitewater rafting, biking, and more.

We are also always way looking for people to staff summer camp as well. You would be able to enjoy up to five weeks of having a good time and working with good people. Please contact the Scout Office for an application.

As usual there will be an opportunity to complete your Ordeal or your Brotherhood. The price for Ordeals is \$40, and the price for Brotherhoods is \$30.

Please attend and take advantage of all the great opportunities at camp.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Jeremiah Stevens
Lodge Secretary

Section C4A Conclave 2007

Conclave will be held at Beaumont Scout Reservation, which is outside of Cleveland, Ohio. It will May 18th-20th. The cost is \$30 if paid before May 1st, and \$40 thereafter, so sign up today!

We will be staying cabins! There will be several opportunities for training. Many fun events are planned. The theme for Conclave will be "Safeguard This Pamphlet".

It looks to be an incredible time. To find out more information go to <http://conclave07.aa-c4a.org/>.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Jeremiah Stevens
Lodge Secretary

Lodge Website

The Lodge Website is up in running, it is <http://www.chi-hoota-wei.aa-c4a.org/>. You will find contact information on it for both lodge and chapter officers. There is a complete schedule with all of the lodge's events for the year on the website. You can also find a link to a website that has the ceremonies on it. More information will likely be added in the future.

2007 Lodge Officers and Advisors

Lodge Chief
Michael Bledsoe

Lodge Vice-Chief of Administration
Neil Reynolds

Lodge Vice-Chief of Program
Jonathan McKenzie

Lodge Secretary
Jeremiah Stevens

Lodge Advisor
Edward Eagloski

Lodge Staff Advisor
Carleton Starr

Ceremonies Team

As the 2007 Ceremonies Committee Chairman, I would like to thank all of those, both youth and adults, who contributed to the growth and productivity of our Lodge’s Ceremonies Team in 2006. I am looking forward to working with all of you as well as several new additions to our team. As some of you may know, our lodge has set a goal to switch our focus from the Plains Indians to Woodland Indians this year. This idea comes from the OA Handbook (p. 65), which states, “A lodge should use the regalia of the Indian group who once or still do live in their area.” For us, that would be Woodland Indians such as the Shawnee, Delaware, or Iroquois. We have a lot of people from our lodge, who will be helping us to make new clothing and other regalia items. If you have any ideas or suggestions please contact me with the information provided. Again this year we are asking for new members for our lodge ceremonies team. To join you must be:

- 1) Must be a youth member in Chi-Hoota-Wei Lodge, 617, and be in good standing.
- 2) Must be willing to comment to learn your assigned part.
- 3) Must be at both lodge fellowships.

If you are interested please contact me ASAP at the information provided.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Jonathan McKenzie
Vice Chief of Program
Ceremonies Committee Chairman

ArrowCorps5

The Order of the Arrow has had a long-standing interest in coordinating a national service project, utilizing the infrastructure and leadership established over many years of success at the Boy Scouts of America's high adventure bases. Working closely together, the United States Forest Service and the OA have chosen five project sites, spread across America that will be the focus of our

combined efforts. ArrowCorps5 will provide a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for each participant to set an example of leadership in service to those who treasure our national forests. Five thousand physically fit and able volunteers (determined by the "Philmont Weight Limits for Backpacking & Hiking"), made up of youth and adults, will participate. The national Order of the Arrow committee and key

sponsors will fund the projects. Participants will pay a reasonable fee to help pay for accommodations, meals, and a full day of recreational activities during the projects. Additional information will be available through the National Bulletin and National Order of the Arrow Web Site in the future. The locations and dates are as follows:

Mark Twain National Forest
June 7-14, 2008 / Missouri
Manti-La Sal National Forest
June 14-21, 2008 / Utah

George Washington & Jefferson
National Forests
June 21-28, 2008 / Virginia
Shasta-Trinity National Forest
July 12-19, 2008 / California

Bridger-Teton National Forest
July 26 - August 2, 2008 /
Wyoming

High Adventure **Sea Base**

The Order of the Arrow Ocean Adventure is a unique opportunity to experience the programs at the Florida Sea Base, while providing a new type of service to the Atlantic Ocean. In a two-week period, participants will complete PADI SCUBA certification, as well as interact with undersea wildlife like no other Scouts do.

For one week, participants will undergo intensive SCUBA certification in preparation. Arrowmen will also provide meaningful service to the staff of the Florida Sea Base, and enjoy fun in the Florida sun while brushing up on their volleyball skills.

The second week of OAOA is spent using the SCUBA certification to its fullest extent. Participants will spend their time taking wildlife samples in the Florida Keys, performing island restoration and other meaningful projects to the surrounding area. For more information, contact the scout office.

Wilderness Voyage

The Order of the Arrow Wilderness Voyage program is an experience like no other. For two weeks, you will join together with Arrowmen from around the country and experience all that the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in northern Minnesota has to offer.

The first week of the program is spent giving back to the Boundary Waters through portage trail restoration work. Participants have the opportunity to leave their mark on the Boundary Waters that will enable millions of visitors each year to better enjoy their experience. Trail work involves restoring and protecting trails that have existed for centuries and are in dire need or repair.

The second part of the program is a trek planned by the crew. From the 8-1/2 mile "Grand Portage" leading to Lake Superior, to the Height of Land, even the pictographs on Fishdance Lake, crews have done and seen all in the Boundary Waters.

Trail Crew

The Order of the Arrow Trail Crew program is one of the best ways to experience Scouting's premier high adventure base, Philmont Scout Ranch. For two weeks, participants see and experience all that Philmont has to offer and much more.

For the first week, participants have the chance to make a significant difference to Philmont by participating in trail building in the backcountry. Work will include clearing terrain for trail and constructing switchbacks, retention bars, and several other erosion controls. The impact of this service will be felt by scouts for decades.

The second week of the program is spent experiencing Philmont in its finest. Unlike regular treks, Trail Crews make their own itinerary, instead of selecting from pre-planned routes. You can do and see just about anything, from the Tooth of Time to Baldy Mountain, your crew decides!

Take advantage of your opportunities! The OA is the easiest, way to get to Scouting's High Adventure Bases, and the best way to spend your time there!

Your Dues May Be Holding the Lodge Back!

Everyone hates it, but knows it's true- to host events, the OA needs money. That's why the OA charges membership fees- your yearly dues. But the Lodge isn't taking your money, it's borrowing it to better the programs and facilities that you and the rest of the Arrow men use and deserve.

If you haven't paid your dues in the past couple of years, now is your chance to once again become an active member of the Scouting National Honor Society. Remember your Obligation, regard the ties of Brotherhood as lasting, and become active again!

We understand that everyone forgets once in while. Just consider this article as a reminder; it's not an accusation. Please pay your dues so that the OA can become better in the coming years than it has ever been before!

NYLT

(National Youth Leadership Training)

June 11-16, 2007

Camp Chief Logan, Chapmanville, WV

Cost: \$125 per person

NYLT is an exciting action packed program designed to provide youth members of the Boy Scouts of America with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home troops and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others. It is a National course that replaced JLT. NYLT is part of the new B.S.A. Youth Training Continuum, which is a three-phase training experience for youth leaders: Phase 1 begins in the troop with the Senior Patrol Leader and the Scoutmaster conducting the training. Phase 2, NYLT, is conducted by the local Council. Finally Phase 3 is advanced training is received in a week-long experience at Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico.

NYLT incorporates the latest leadership ideals and methods that are used throughout the country by leading businesses and other organizations. The course centers around the concepts of what a leader must *BE*, what he must *KNOW*, and what he must *DO*. The key elements are then taught with a clear focus on *HOW TO*. The six days of NYLT will cover elements like the Teaching *EDGE* and Leading *EDG*, which are new leadership concepts developed by B.S.A., visualizing success, setting goals to accomplish that vision, developing a plan to get there, leading yourself, communicating, developing a team, applying a leadership style that fits the team's stage of development, teaching skills to others, solving problem, making ethical decisions, and valuing people. NYLT integrates the best of modern leadership theory with the tradition strengths of the scouting experience. NYLT is a *Learning* and *Fun* experience!!!

NYLT is ideal for training Senior Patrol Leaders and Patrol Leaders (and youth that may hold these positions in the future.) It can also be valuable experience for older scouts as well. In order to attend an NYLT course, a scout must have the following qualifications by the beginning of the course: 1) be 13 year of age or have completed the 7th grade; 2) be at least a First Class scout; 3) have his scoutmasters approval. Return the form below to Buckskin council, 2829 Kanawha Blvd., E., Charleston, WV 25311, to register. A payment of \$50 per boy must accompany the registration. The entire fee must be paid by June 1, 2007.

Enclosed is \$ _____ (\$50 per boy, which is transferable, but not refundable after May 1, 2007) to register the following youth from Troop _____ for NYLT. The total fee is \$125 per scout. These scouts are recommended by me to attend NYLT.

Name	Address	Phone	Date of Birth	Scout Rank

Scoutmaster's signature (*required) _____

These were the latest financials available at the time of this was wrote.

Chi-Hoota-Wei Lodge 617 Financial Report September 2006 through December 2006				
Opening Balance for September:				\$5560.95
September				
5	\$35.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
6	\$5.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
7	\$10.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
8	\$30.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
11	\$322.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
13	\$5.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
14	\$200.00	Debit	FOS Payment	
14	\$70.00	Debit	FOS Payment	
15	\$20.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
16	\$30.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
19	\$96.00	Debit	Miscellaneous	Fee for Lawn Care
21	\$20.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
25	\$5.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
26	\$360.34	Debit	Merchandise	Patch Purchase
27	\$45.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
28	\$10.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
29	\$10.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
30	\$301.70	Debit	Merchandise	Patch Purchase
Ending Balance for September:				\$5079.91
October				
2	\$350.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
4	\$25.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
6	\$90.00	Debit	Miscellaneous	Fee for Lawn Care
9	\$1,641.37	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
10	\$35.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
11	\$145.57	Debit	Supplies	
11	\$55.00	Debit	Merchandise	
12	\$5.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
13	\$3.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
16	\$146.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
17	\$5.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
19	\$20.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
20	\$5.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
25	\$75.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
27	\$10.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
Ending Balance for October:				\$7109.71

November				
1	\$120.00	Debit	Miscellaneous	Fee for Lawn Care
7	\$10.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
9	\$151.14	Debit	Supplies	
9	\$437.95	Debit	Supplies	
9	\$76.48	Debit	Supplies	
13	\$66.50	Debit	Officer Gas Mileage	
13	\$5.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
14	\$15.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
20	\$45.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
22	\$35.82	Credit	Merchandise Return	
22	\$50.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
27	\$35.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
28	\$10.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
29	\$10.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
30	\$160.00	Debit	Miscellaneous	Fee for Lawn Care
Ending Balance for November:			\$6310.46	
December				
6	\$25.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
7	\$1,653.00	Debit	Re-charter	
7	\$15.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
11	\$25.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
13	\$35.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
14	\$110.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
15	\$30.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
16	\$148.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
18	\$1,000.00	Debit	Miscellaneous	James E. West Award
18	\$105.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
19	\$165.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
20	\$295.13	Debit	Miscellaneous	Patch Purchase
20	\$30.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
22	\$100.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
26	\$15.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
27	\$441.88	Debit	Miscellaneous	Patch Purchase
28	\$85.00	Credit	Dues/Merchandise Sales	
29	\$270.00	Debit	FOS Payment	
Ending Balance for the year 2006:			\$3541.45	