

The Thunderbird

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Gather Around the Council Fire

The Tale of The Ordeals

I would like to extend congratulations to all of the newest ordeal members in Kawida Lodge that came August 13-15, 2004. We were able to take down most of the tents—a huge success, as well as perform regular maintenance duties to parts of McKee.

The last ordeal is rapidly approaching and is set for September 10-12. There will be plenty of jobs to do and other opportunities to serve the lodge. Leaders, please remember that if you have candidates going through the ordeal, they must have their medical form to participate.

The final ordeal looks to be very successful. Please make an effort to attend this event—the lodge needs you!

FALL FELLOWSHIP AROUND THE BEND

One notable event on the calendar is Fall Fellowship at McKee. This annual get together is for all members of Kawida Lodge for a time of games, fun food, and fellowship. At the next LEC, we will be deciding what activities and what attractions will be at Fall Fellowship. Please come to the next ordeal's LEC and cast your votes for YOUR Fall Fellowship in Hardcore '04.

AUGUST ORDEAL NEW MEMBERS

Jake Beatty, Blake Browning, Scott Calvert, Joshua Caudle, Travis Chase, Vincent Clay, Thomas Cook, Cova Cornett, Nick Cronin, Charlie Crowe, Joe Daniels, Ben Elder, Jonathan Fore, Danny Franklin, Heath Good, Tyler Green, James Hawkins, Jeremy Hawkins, John Holloway, Ben Hutchison, Matthew Hutchison, Paul Irwin, Stuart King, Peter Kirwin, Kyle Laaker, Bert Lambert III, Samuel Long, Colin Lynch, Jaron MacKay, Connie Mays, Stuart Michael, Ali Omar, Denver Powers, Matt Powers, Kenneth Priesmer, Ronnie Proctor, Anthony Proctor, Alex Ramirez, Cain Roberts, Ed Roberts, Craig Sevens, Matthew Starling, Hunter Stephan, Richie Stephan, Matthew Sunley, Jonathan Thomas, Bill Votaw, Bill Votaw Jr., Bill Waun, William Waun, Seth Weddle, Dale Weddle, Christopher Whalen, Eric Wolfbandt, Cody York

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LODGE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT! -- Hardcore '04

I am sure you all have heard this before: "Keep it simple. Make it fun." That's exactly what this LLD event is going to do! We can make it all happen with the new Lodge Leadership Development Planning Guide, well almost everything. What we need now is **YOUR** attendance. This event is not just for the Youth, and it's not just for the Adults. It's for **EVERYBODY**. I know what you're saying. You're saying... aw man! Another awesome event I can go to, but you are also left with these questions: "WHEN IS IT? WHERE IS IT? WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING?" Well folks, those questions are answered here, and now.

When is it?	September 24 th – 26 th (simple)
Where is it?	Camp McKee (fun)
What do I bring?	\$10, Health Form , Pen, notebook, uniforms, sash, sneakers, rain gear, bedding, tents, and toiletries

Whoa, whoa, whoa... What about the times? Oh Yeah! **Registration- 6:00-7:30pm.**

The event itself lasts from **Friday at 8pm** until **Sunday at 10:30am.**

IF YOU ARE ATTENDING (which I hope is all of you!), **PLEASE TELL ME** via Email or Phone.

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I want you at this event. I want you at every event. This Leadership Development is of high importance to the membership of Kawida Lodge. I'll see you all around.

Todd Haydon
Lodge Chief

KAWIDA at PHILMOUNT in 05

There are still some openings for the Philmount trip next year. The approximate dates are July 15-29, 05. The Philmount cost is approximately \$500; travel cost maybe approximately \$500. The exact costs will be known later in the year. There have been youth and adults that told me they want to go, but have not paid the deposit. You must pay a \$50 deposit to get your name on the list. Youth must be at least 14 years old by date we leave, a youth member is up to 20 years old. An adult is 21 and over. If you want to go, send \$50 deposit per person to Harold Phillips, make check out to KAWIDA LODGE. Also, send name, address, phone number, email, and date of birth.

04 CONCLAVE SERVICE FLAPS

About half of the Conclave Service flaps were sold at the second ordeal. If you at least paid for conclave you are eligible to purchase 2 flaps at \$3.00 each. There is a list of all Kawida members that are eligible for flaps and how many. Please try to attend the third ordeal and purchase your flaps. There will be a few flaps left, there may be a lottery to sell them, you must be present to enter. But, this will not happen until all members eligible have purchased their flaps. So please attend the 3rd ordeal in September and buy your flaps and help lodge with projects at McKee.

CHIEFLY SPEAKING!

Greetings fellow arrowmen!

With two of the three ordeals at a close, we still have much more in store for the year. I congratulate all of the new ordeal members as well as encouraging our "not so new" ordeal members in obtaining their brotherhood membership.

As Allowat Sakima said so true in the Pre-Ordeal ceremony, "The one's who chose you, need you. Who among you now is ready? Who is willing to make the journey?"

As members of Kawida Lodge, you are encouraged to attend all events we offer. The Ordeal in September is just a short time away, and the Fall Fellowship is on the horizon. I want to see many of you there; New Ordeal members, Ordeal members from long ago, Brotherhood and Vigil Honor members. We ALL make up this lodge. We ALL must see that it holds true to its purpose. The guidelines for such a membership are what we know as [WWW](#). Many opportunities are yet to be seen. Experience these opportunities. Go to events and embrace the fellowship.

Allowat Sakima also states in the Ordeal ceremony, *ᐅᐃᐃ* You were not only chosen for what you have done, but what you are expected to do in the future. *ᐅᐃᐃ*

Take Allowat Sakima *ᐅᐃᐃ*'s words in consideration. We can all help the lodge out in our own ways. Just hold true to what our order stands for: Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service.

Yours in Friendship, Todd Haydon



First Vice Chief

Well, Hardcore '04 is nearing the home stretch and there isn't a better time to enjoy all of the events Kawida has remaining on the calendar. My only wish is that I would like to see all of you at the upcoming events. There are areas (besides committees) that need attention (i.e. Brotherhood Conversions, members for ceremonies teams, etc.) that you can help.

I know that school has started and the activities associated with them are too (football, band, to name a few) but that still doesn't mean you have to totally miss out on every event. Please make it to at least one—the lodge needs your support.

This *Thunderbird* entry is certainly smaller than the last; but I still cannot stress enough how many things that are needed by the lodge that you (its members) can help us with. I hope to see you all at the next ordeal or next event.

Todd Watts
Kawida Lodge
First-Vice Chief



2004-2005

Kawida Lodge Calendar

September 10 th – 12 th	3 rd Ordeal-McKee
October 15 th	Fall Fellowship-McKee
December 18 th	Annual Awards Banquet
March 19 th	Workday- McKee
April 22 nd – 24 th	Section Conclave TBA
May 20 th – 22 nd	1 st Ordeal- McKee
June 11 th	Workday
July 15 th – 27 th	Philmont- Cimarron, NM
August 12 th – 14 th	2 nd Ordeal- McKee
September 9 th – 11 th	3 rd Ordeal- McKee
October 14 th – 15 th	Fall Fellowship- McKee
November 12 th	Annual Awards Banquet

From the Archives of the Recording Secretary

Hello to all OA members. This is your recording secretary, Bryan Haydon, saying congratulations to all new ordeal members and welcome to the brotherhood. To all other members who showed up to the past ordeal, a lot of work was accomplished and I thank you for your help. Just a **reminder** to all members who have yet to pay your dues, you should come to the September ordeal (9/10-9/12) and seek out either me or Mr. Palmer to pay any dues that may

have forgotten.

Remind all OA members in your troop and chapter to urge other scouts to participate in any lodge events (and chapter events) they are able to attend. I hope to see you all at the upcoming ordeal.

Yours in brotherhood,
Bryan Haydon



2nd Vice-Chief

Fellow Arrowmen,

I hope everyone is having a great year. I'm here to let you know that we need to work on our brotherhood conversions. If anyone is interested in obtaining their brotherhood membership you can get it at the 3rd Ordeal or contact your chapter advisors to see if they are offered at your fall camporees. Also anyone interested in becoming an elangomat at the 3rd ordeal please let me know. We are al-

ways looking for both new and returning members to become elangomats even adults can be an elangomat. There is a small training offered on Friday night at the ordeals and if you interested please try to make it.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Cody Todd



The Spirit Within

Fellow Arrowmen,

First of all, I would like to congratulate those of you who went through the August Ordeal. I would also like to thank the returning members who helped out. Congratulations to those of you who obtained Brotherhood

status. I would like to remind everyone of the September 10--12 Ordeal. This is our last Ordeal of the year. If there is any way you can participate, we need your help. If you went through the September Ordeal last year or before and you have not obtained Brotherhood, this is an opportunity to earn it. I know some of you have sports, school activities, or various other events, but we need as many members as possible to come and help out. I hope to see all of you at upcoming events.

Yours in WWW, Evan Hardeman
Spirit of the Arrow Chairman



Treks From The Trailblazers—Gikino Ballet News

Our chapter has a busy fall planned (especially the advisor). The current plans are for Gikino Ballet to host the fall camporee! This event is open to all scouts and scouters in the Midland Trail District, not just Order of the Arrow members. The camporee will be October 22-24, 2004 at Stoney Cove Recreation Area near Cave Run Lake. In the spirit of OA our efforts will be spent in serving others as well as fun games. The U.S. Forest Service and the chapter will be providing the program.

Additionally, participants will learn a tremendous amount about environmental science and its related disciplines. Detailed information will come out during roundtable; cost is yet to be determined. The Morehead Ranger District of the forest is very enthu-

siastic about this opportunity. I look forward to a fun-filled weekend, wonderful weather, and loads of cheerful service! If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact me.

Snowflakes are one of nature's most fragile things, but just look at what they can do when they stick together. Polish proverb

Claudette Watts, Advisor
Gikino Ballet Chapter

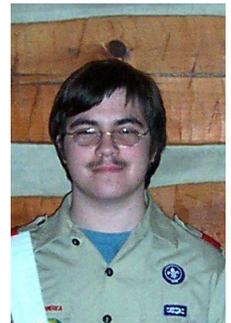


Smoke Signals Words from the Gikino Ballet Chief

Dear Arrowmen,

I hope you have had a great summer; I would like to thank members of Gikino Ballet chapter for helping on ceremonies during summer camp and for being on camp staff. Recently, I had an opportunity to attend the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) at Iowa State with Members of Kawida Lodge. My fellow arrowman and I agreed that it was extreme fun. We learned many new things about the Order of the Arrow. The next NOAC is in 2006 in Michigan and I would like to see more members attend. At the August Ordeal, we had over 50 candidates become new members of our lodge. I congratulate our new ordeal members, but our returning member's numbers were down. I hope to see all of the new members at the September ordeal. Our next event will be the September Ordeal on the 10 -12, which needs elangomats and more returning members to attend. All O. A. troop representatives Need to remind members of their troops that were call - out's that have not attended an ordeal that they need to attend this one, and remind members in their troops that are eligible to become brotherhood member to attend so that they can take the next step in their journey. I know that the school year has started and many of us have other things that we must to do, but remember that we all need to serve to the best of our ability within our lodge by being at as many lodge and chapter events that we can attend. In return, this will make a better and stronger Lodge. Therefore, I would like to see all members Gikino Ballet at the September Ordeal.

In WWW,
Anthony Kenney, Gikino Ballet Chapter Chief



Medical Forms Needed At Ordeal!

All members and candidates need to bring with them to the Ordeal an updated medical form. If you are a youth member and have a form on file from last year, it may still be good. If not, you will need a new one. All adult members must have their physical done each year. So, please bring your updated forms to the Ordeal in order that we can make copies of them, and have them on file for the events.

By-Laws

On Sunday, August 5th, revisions were submitted to amend the By-Laws. These amendments were proposed by the LEC. Most of the changes had to deal with removing redundancy in text, simplifying some confusing sections, alteration of out-of-date policy, and reorganizing committee structure. One of the alterations to the By-Laws, included it and the Constitutions availability. On that Sunday, they were approved to be posted on the Lodge Website, www.Kawida.org. I encourage each of you to go check the available Constitution and By-Laws out. Thank you.

Todd Haydon

Training Committee

The Lodge Executive Committee and myself, with some encouragement from national, have created a Training Committee. This Committee will be the responsibility of the Lodge Chief. It's duties are mentioned within the newly revised Constitution and By-Laws. Some of their responsibilities are to offer many training events throughout the year as well as plan a Lodge Leadership Development Event at least once a year. If any of you are interested in being a part of the training committee, come talk with me at the September Ordeal.

Todd Haydon

Elangomats

Elangomat, meaning “friend is duty of great responsibility”. As an elangomat, you are given the task to watch over a clan. Guide them through their ordeal, and endure the tests put before them as you once did before. No one said that being an elangomat would be easy, but they did say that being an Elangomat would be a rewarding experience. As stated in the Order of the Arrow Handbook, an elangomat's good example is a better teacher of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service than any spoken words. I encourage many of you to take the opportunity to be an elangomat at the next ordeal. If you are willing to take upon yourself this challenging, yet very rewarding responsibility, please call Evan Hardeman, Harold Phillips, or Myself. If you are a member of the Spirit of the Arrow Committee, be sure to attend the September Ordeal. There will be an Elangomat training offered at 6:30 PM on the side porch of Stamler dining hall.

Todd Haydon

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Words of Wisdom from the Lodge Advisor

Summer is coming to an end and that means one more ordeal. There are several elected candidates that need to go thru this ordeal. If you are in a troop that still has candidates, encourage them to go thru this ordeal. This is their last chance to become an ordeal member. They will have to go thru the election process again next year.

If you have former lodge members in your troop that has not paid their dues for 2004, encourage them to do so. If you know of ordeal members that have been in the lodge more than 10 months, encourage them to become Brotherhood members. Where can these Scouts and Scouters pay their dues and attain Brotherhood? This would be at the September ordeal.

There are several more projects that need to be done to get camp ready for winter. The lodge needs more members to attend the September ordeal to help with these projects. The more members helping the more projects get done and less work per person. So please attend this ordeal and bring other members in your troop, especially the newest members.

With the ending of another year, comes the time for the lodge to re-charter. There are benefits if the lodge has positive membership growth over last year and at least 30% Brotherhood conversion. The lodge can be eligible for funds to help build projects or

maintain buildings at camp. With planned projects slowed or eliminated because of lack of funding, this can help get those projects started or completed. Please, as Kawida lodge members let us do all that we can to make this a rewarding year for Scouting in the Council and the newest members in Kawida Lodge.

Harold
Phillips

