

# THE Thunderbird

"Mighty Fine in '09"



## Winter High Adventure

This year I thought it would be nice for the lodge to actually take a backpacking trip to test our camping skills on cold weather. Our Midland Trail District has done this a number of years as well as Troop 58. It's a great time to get out and not be bothered by the bugs!!!

The event works as follows, meet at the Cumberland Ranger District Headquarters parking lot. We will backpack a distance of 4.5 miles on the Sheltowee Trail; pick up the Lake Bluff Trail along the Ridge by Cave Run Lake. Due to publish time of this

Thunderbird, we will reschedule the event with the lodge at a later date.



At the bottom of the hill we will make camp for Saturday night and return via the same route in reverse Sunday morning. We should be back out by noon on Sunday.

We will be faced with the following conditions, there is no potable water where we camp or leave from. You must carry what you need or purify from the stream near your campsite.

## By: Alan Watts

Everything you need to eat, stay warm, and shelter with has to be carried in, and in the spirit of Leave No Trace, packed out. A fire to warm and cook by will be allowed. The event will not be cancelled unless life threatening conditions exist. For those that use the AT&T cell system your phone will work. The cost will be \$1.00 per participant.

Each Arrowmen or Chapter is responsible for their own transport to and from the event as well as a tour permit.

Check online at [www.kawida.org](http://www.kawida.org) for more information about this event soon.

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**Lodge Chief,  
Anthony Kenney**

## Chiefly Speaking By: Anthony Kenney

My Fellow Arrowmen,  
As you may have heard the year of 2009 is starting and a lot of things are going to be happening. To start out Unit Election training is coming up! More information will be ready at a later date. A LLD and OA Troop Representative course will be during the University of Scouting.

During the 2008 Kawida Lodge winter banquet we announced the vigil

candidates for the upcoming year. This year's class was named in honor of Dan O'Canina, a fellow Vigil Honor Member.

The candidates for this year are Aaron Shepherd, Michael Shepherd, Will Goff, Viet Pham, James Hawkins, Larry Lowe, Juanita Hogg, and Joel Medendorp. The vigil weekend is during the Spring Fellowship, March 27-29, 2009. Spring Fellowship is a brotherhood event for

our lodge. We plan to play games and learn new things. So please pre-register and sign up for the fun that will be happening.

As I have said in past, chapter officers/advisers you need to contact me! I've currently met up with the Tomahaken Chapter. Please email me at [chief@kawida.org](mailto:chief@kawida.org).

Yours in Service,  
*Anthony Kenney*  
*Lodge Chief*

## Conclave 2009 By: Andrew Anderson



Ever wish you could have the opportunity to just **'hang out'** with fellow Arrow members and have fun? Well, Kawida lodge is here to present you with an opportunity that will grant you that wish! Conclave 2009 will give fellow arrowmen the chance to congregate together, have fun, learn



something new, and grow in our brotherhood. With opportunities such as Quest Games where arrowmen from across the section compete in some rather fun games.

This year, my New Year's resolution is that we are going to take the largest contingent ever to conclave.

Come with us and see just how much fun the O.A. can really be. Conclave will be held at Camp Davy Crockett, Morristown, TN from April the 17th -19th. See you there!

## Service Corner By: Andrew Anderson

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Fellow Arrowmen,

It seems so simple, compared to what my fellow Arrowmen have done for me. I can't even begin to thank everyone properly to be given the chance to improve the lodge, help everyone in it, and try my best to not let anyone down. I'm thankful that so many of my brothers would give me the chance to show them my worth.

The biggest step in improving our lodge's Ordeal's is planning and training. With proper planning we

will know the *What, When, Where, Why, and How* of the Ordeal. With training, those in charge of the work will know how to handle it, know how to be a good leader, how to help their fellow arrow member, and to provide a once in a life time learning opportunity.

Most of all, the best way for a person to lead, is through example. When it comes to an Ordeal, I will not only be managing the work, but I will also be working hand in hand with our brothers. I will do this to show them that if a

lodge is going to be it's very best, we must pull together to get the work done. This will prove that the leaders aren't afraid to get their hands dirty in the work that must be done.

My goal for lodge is to make the upcoming ordeals of 2009 the best, most efficient that the lodge has seen. That is why you elected me, and I plan to keep my promise.

Yours in Service,  
*Andrew Anderson*  
*Vice Chief of Service*



**Vice Chief of Service,  
Andrew Anderson**

## NOAC—2009 By: Aaron Shepherd

NOAC, what is NOAC? NOAC is short for the National Order of the Arrow Conference. Just imagine Conclave, times a lot! There are thousands of Arrowmen there! Last NOAC we had 8,000 some odd arrowmen.

There are countless new people every turn you make. You will also enjoy different training sessions, high adventure type activities and even Indiana Heritage events.

I would personally say that the highlight of my OA

Career was attending NOAC in Michigan, it was great!

The next NOAC will be at Indiana State University which is not too far away. To register go to [www.kawida.org](http://www.kawida.org)



2006 NOAC Contingent  
Kawida Lodge  
Michigan Sate University

### James E. West Fellowship's

William Hogg  
Todd Haydon  
Tripp Watts

### Dan O'Canna Vigil Class of 2009

Larry Lowe  
Joel Mendendorp  
James Hawkins  
Michael Shepherd  
Aaron Shepherd  
Juanita Hogg  
Viet Pham  
Will Goff



**Vice Chief of Brotherhood,  
Sam Lyons**

## Winter Banquet Recap By: Aaron Shepherd

The snow was softly falling the night and day of December 6th 2008 as Kawida Lodge remembered what it has done this past year.



One of the biggest achievements accomplished by our lodge was obtaining Quality Lodge! The lodge officers worked long and hard to obtain this great honor and they did it! Our final member count was in the 500's and our

brotherhood conversion rate was well over the required amount.

Along with the great food we had the President of Morehead State University, Dr. Wayne D. Andrews, or as he likes to be called, Wayne. He had a great speech prepared for the attendees and it made the banquet special. Mark next year's on your calendar!



### Founders Awards

Don Combs and  
Claudette Watts

### Mike Butcher Award

Andrew Anderson

### Lodge Chief Citation

Sunder Willet and  
Barby Newell

### Quality Chapters

Palisades, Tomahaken,  
Sheltowee, Tecumush and  
Gikino Ballet

### Lodge Advisers Awards

Aaron Shepherd, Will Goff, and  
Mike Warman

### Outstanding Chapter Adviser

Barby Newell

### William "Bud" Tobin Spirit

Tim Brown

## Brotherly Speaking

I am very excited for the new year and I can feel already that with the new leaders, it will be a good one. I have many goals for 2009 that I would like to get accomplished. One of these is receiving the 2009 Quality Lodge Award. In order to do this we need to get at least 30% of our eligible

Ordeal members to seal their membership in the brotherhood by becoming a Brotherhood member. This is not a very hard task to complete because at almost every Lodge event, there is a Brotherhood ceremony. Ceremonies are also held during summer camp.

I will also be sending out letters to those members that are eligible so that they know that they can complete this task. P

Please make sure you sign up for NOAC. It will be awesome! This year will truly be a great one, and I am really excited.

Yours in Service,  
Sam Lyons

*Vice Chief of Brotherhood*



Joel Medendorp and his Vigil guide, Mike Warman

## Chapter Update: Sheltoewe

Happy New Year Brothers! I hope that everyone had a great holiday. It was great to see so many Sheltoewe Chapter members present at Winter Banquet. The food was excellent yet again and the fellowship was awesome. Good job to Joel on being selected for Vigil! I'd like to thank all our chapter members who worked so hard to make us a quality chapter this year. Now we need to continue to

provide service and achieve quality chapter again in 2009. As most of you now know, the Bluegrass Council dissolved the Daniel Boone District. Sheltoewe Chapter has retained some of the units that it had before, but there are a ton of new units being added to the chapter. This may be a confusing time for some but please know that our election team is in place.

We have a lot of information to be handed out at roundtable. If you have any questions or have not had an election, contact our Advisor, Paula Caldwell, at 606-668-9208 or email her at [omer@mrtc.com](mailto:omer@mrtc.com).

Lastly if you are interested in joining the Sheltoewe Dance & Drum, please contact Paula as well to find out when practices are held. Now enough talk and let's have a great year!

## Chapter Update: Tomahaken

The Tomahaken Chapter recently held it's December Chapter meeting/party to celebrate all of the fun and accomplishments in 2008. The 2009 Lodge Chief Anthony Kenney and his dad, Harold, were honored special guests.

Certificates were presented to Viet Pham

for Acting Chapter Chief and Vice Chief of Brotherhood, Andrew Combs for Vice Chief of Service, and Austin Newsome for Chapter Secretary. The 2008 Lodge Officers from our Chapter included: Will Hogg, Alex Hill, Will Goff, and Aaron Shepherd.

We were then treated to some tasty treats from

Juanita Hogg and of course the "Deep Fried Twinkies" from Glen Felty. Food and fellowship is what we do best.

The meeting closed with an impressive Ceremony in which brothers Doug Ramey and Glen Felty were sworn in as Chapter Adviser and Associate Chapter Adviser. A good time was had by all!



Tomahaken Chapter 2008



**Lodge Adviser,  
Alan Watts**

## From the Adviser

By: Alan Watts

Thanks to all who made 2008 a great year for Kawida Lodge and the Blue Grass Council. Now that we are in the new year it's time to get back after what we are supposed to do best, serve others.

The youth of the lodge have elected capable and experienced youth. Anthony Kenney, our 2009 Kawida Lodge Chief has set some lofty goals.

First on his list is camp promotion and elections. All officers and adviser's need to attend training then contact all units in their chapter who could attend McKee Scout

Reservation for camp promotion, and if needed, unit elections. Remember our Spring Fellowship, Vigil Weekend and Breakfast in March. Anthony wants to take 100 lodge members to Conclave at Camp Davy Crockett this spring. The National Order of the Arrow Conference will be held this year at Indiana University in Bloomington Indiana, sign up! This event is the largest gathering of Scouts outside of a National Jamboree.

The lodge once again has four Ordeals

planned as well as Fall Fellowship and the Winter Banquet. The Blue Card Bonanza is also on the calendar and we need everybody's help to make this a good event. Kawida Lodge also plans to support the council's Sporting Clays Classic. Once again we want to be a Quality Lodge. To do this we need your help and support.

Be sure to pay your dues and attend the events! It will get you all the issues of the 2009 Thunderbird!

Now, let's get to work for Scouting!

Yours in Scouting,

*Alan Watts*

*Lodge Adviser*

## Press Release

By: Aaron Shepherd

Fellow Arrowmen,

Once again you have elected me as your lodge secretary and I thank you for that. This will be my final year as lodge secretary as I plan to move up in our lodge.

As you can tell, our Thunderbird has received a make over. I hope everyone enjoys the new layout and I am looking for comments and

feedback on this. You may also notice that our article sizes have grown a lot! Good job to all of the officers and writers on making full content for the newsletters.

On a more important note, **you will only receive this Thunderbird if you have paid your 2009 dues.** Be sure to tell everyone that you know to send in your dues form!

On a final note, these past four years I have unsuccessfully been able to produce a new Where to Go Camping Guide. I am still looking for writers from each chapter to step up to this great task. Please contact me at my email if you are interested!

Yours in Service,

*Aaron Shepherd*

*Lodge Secretary*



**Lodge Secretary,  
Aaron Shepherd**

# OATC

A KAWIDA LODGE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE

3/14/09

**Register for the University of Scouting at**

**[www.bgsa.org](http://www.bgsa.org)**

**and select Lodge Leadership Development**



**National Order of the Arrow Conference**

**July 31 - August 6**

**\$600 per participant**

**\*\*Fees contingent upon travel costs\*\***

**You are invited to go with all of the members of Kawida Lodge!**

If you don't like cooking, this is the trip for you. You don't have to cook, it is done for you.  
 You don't like tents, no problem. We stay in dorms on the campus.

**Council Contingent Includes:**

- Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory visit
- Lunch on Friday
- Motel
- Five Lodge Flaps
- Five 2-piece Lodge Flaps
- T-shirt
- Insurance

**NOAC Fees Include**

- American Indian Crafts Clinics
- American Indian Show
- Brotherhood and Chorus
- Camping and High Adventure
- Founders' Fair
- Giant Lodge Flap for Opening Show
- Inductions and Ceremony Events Training
- Checkers/Chess Tournament
- Craft Extravaganza and Judging
- Flag Football
- Goodman Games
- Individual Dance Competitions  
(Fancy Dance, Grass Dance, Straight Dance, Old Style Dance, Traditional Dance)
- Iron Arrowman
- Kickball
- Lodge Spirit Award
- Lodge Web Site Competition
- NOAC Golf Tournament
- OA Survivor
- Patch (Euchre) Tournament

Detach and return with payment to:

NOAC Registration, Blue Grass Council, Boy Scouts of America, 3473 Yorkshire Blvd., Lexington, KY 40509

**This is the council's new address beginning January 1, 2009**



**2009 NOAC Registration**

\$100 deposit required with registration - Full payment optional

Check one:  Youth (under 21)     Adult    T-shirt size (specify youth or adult): \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Registered with Troop # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City, ST, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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# 2009 Conclave Registration

April 17-19      Camp Davy Crockett: Morristown, TN

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Under 21/ Adult      Male/ Female

Please list any special needs (dietary, handicap, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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Early Registration	Postmark by March 17, 2009	\$30
Regular Registration	Postmark after March 18 2009	\$40

Make check Payable to; Blue Grass Council

Event Code: 6OACON 

## Send to;

Kawida Lodge, Blue Grass Council, BSA  
3473 Yorkshire Medical Park  
Lexington, KY 40509



## 2009 Membership Update and Dues

### Kawida Lodge Order of the Arrow

A 2005 Quality Lodge

Blue Grass Council BSA, 415 North Broadway - Lexington, KY 40508 Phone: 859-231-7811

[www.kawida.org](http://www.kawida.org)



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Last Name, First, Middle

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Birth Date (M/D/Y)

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E-mail Address (VERY IMPORTANT)

Scout       Adult (21+)

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Mailing Address

Ordeal

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City, State, Zip

Brotherhood

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Home Phone Alternate Phone

Vigil

\_\_\_\_\_  
Current Leadership Position in Scout Unit

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Unit Number

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Ordeal Location

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Ordeal Date

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Brotherhood Date

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Vigil Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Vigil Indian Name (In English and / or Delaware Indian language)

#### Photo Release:

I, being the parent/legal guardian of the Scout listed above, hereby consent that his image or likeness may be used by the Blue Grass Council for future promotional pieces. This authorization shall remain in effect until revoked by me in writing.

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#### Service

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#### Dues

Dues for 2009

OA MEM



\$15.00

Mail to: Blue Grass Council BSA, 415 N. Broadway, Lexington, KY 40508  
Fax number 859-252-3785

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