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## *Chiefly Speaking...*

*By Nick Oliver*



I am very pleased to see such a positive and large growth throughout the past few months. I'm looking forward to see the continuing growth throughout the second half of the year. I would like to take some time to let you know about some things going on and challenge you at some opportunities that the order of the arrow has to offer you and your troop! First off I would like to invite you to fall fellowship! Fall fellowship is a great time of fun and awesome games! Next up I would like to mention the oa troop representative program! Have you ever wondered how to run a succesful oa program in your troop? Well here's three way to do so.

1. Talk to your troop and scoutmaster to tell them about your want and why your troop needs this program. ( remember you are the youth and its your troop... You the boss! )
2. Do some research on the program and learn how it can affect your troop.
3. Come to lodge leadership development to become trained In the program.

I hope I have given you some tips on how you can be successful in your troop leadership and gaining more knowledge in the oa troop rep program. Thanks for your dedication and I better see you soon!

*Nick Oliver*

## *Conclave Staff!!!!*

*By: Nathan Vick*



If you've ever been to a Section SR-6 Conclave, you know how awesome they are. 600+ Arrowmen from across eight different states, gathering for a weekend of fun and fellowship. Patch trading, shows, trainings, lodge-versus-lodge Quest Games, and more. Fellowship like you wouldn't believe, unless you've been to a Conclave or NOAC before. In short, one of THE BEST experiences you'll have in the OA.

In 2014, the SR-6 Conclave will be at our very own Camp McKee! That's right, all those Arrowmen, from eight other lodges, will be right here in Central-Eastern Kentucky. And guess what?!

You can be a significant part of the action!!

Consider this letter your invitation to be on Conclave Staff! As a member of the Service Lodge, you get to represent our lodge to other lodges and help make the Conclave Magic happen. Just imagine - you could be helping the Section Training Committee by setting up tables and chairs for the training colleges. You could help set up the items needed for the Quest Games, or work with the Arena Shows. The possibilities just go on and on!

Conclave Staff is challenging work, but the rewards are huge. Being a part of something big. Watching other Arrowmen as they discover just how awesome Camp McKee is. Looking at the weekend and saying,

"I helped make that happen." The mental rewards are enormous! Plus, there will be some physical rewards, such as patches. Wait, did he just say patches?! Absolutely! There will be a patch that you can get just by helping out with Conclave! Watch for more information about that soon...

Are you ready for an awesome experience?! Then sign up for Conclave Staff! Just email [chief@kawida.org](mailto:chief@kawida.org) and our Conclave Chairman, who also happens to be 2013 Lodge Chief Nick Oliver, will help you find the place where you want to be! I'll be on Conclave Staff in 2014, and I hope you will be, too. See you there!

*Nathan Vick*

2013 Vice Chief of Brotherhood  
Conclave 2014 Special Events  
Chairman

## *Vault Of the Treasurer*

*By: Sean Hillwig*



Hey, Sean Hillwig here, giving you an update on what happening in my domain. First, all of this year's events are planned. Next, if

you missed out on going to the 2013 National Jamboree at the Summit, do not worry we have patches, but hurry there going fast. Finally, if you have not

heard you can design the Fall Fellowship flap, you can find the design on the Kawida webpage.

*Sean Hillwig*

Kawida Treasurer

## *From the Desk of the Secretary*

*By: Jacob Roberts*

Hey Everyone,  
Jacob here to update you on my domain. If you haven't already go ahead and check out our lodge Facebook at face-

book.com/kawidalodge480. Also we have one of the best websites in the country!!!! Check it out at kawida.org. You can see past Thunderbirds, pictures

documents etc.

In WWW,

*Jacob Roberts*

Kawida Lodge Secretary

## *OA Summer Recap*

*By: Nick Oliver*

This past years summer was off the wall great! This year the order of the arrow was more active than it has been in the past. During summer camp we continued our great tradition, having our weekly ceremonies and fun movie nights.

For the ceremonies we had an estimate of 30 go through brotherhood and 24 that became members during the 1st summer ordeal. Much service was accomplished such as latrines being painted so we can all use the restroom in style and new trails were formed. After camp was over we taught cub scouts

about the oa and let them enjoy the day wearing some official law idea lodge regalia. I'm happy to say we had a great year and I'm looking forward to next year!

Thanks!

*Nick Oliver*



Make A Caption for  
these Pictures for a  
Chance to Win a Special  
Patch (Youth Members  
only!!)



## Fall Fellowship!!!!!!!!!!

By: Mitchell Redenbaugh

Hey guys it's that time again! When the leaves fall off its time for the ole gang to get together. So bring your patches and members of the lodge in your troop and let's have the best fellowship of the year! Also if you are eligible to go to through your brotherhood come out and become a brotherhood member.

Also, if you are interested in running for Lodge office, tell Doug Vick before Oct. 1 (if you are elected, plan on attending LLD Nov. 8-10).

October 4-6 be there or be square!

Mitchell Redenbaugh



## Ordeals!!!!

By: Jonathan Davenport



Hi everyone this is Jonathan davenport your vice chief of service! So far this year we have gotten a lot of work done during the ordeals. During spring ordeal the candidates put up the tents in the campsite to get ready for summer camp. During the summer camp ordeal the candidates cleared off the dam and graveled some of the trails. During the August ordeal recently the candidates cleared the trails, took down all the cots in the campsites, finished clearing the dam off, and painted Latrines the front camp sign by the road and the pavilion. The tents were not able to be taken down during the August ordeal though due to rain and the tents still being wet. So during the fall ordeal September 6-8th that is our priority.

After all the ordeals are over and we have welcomed our new brothers into the order we have a great event to get to know our new brothers and reconnect with older

ones. Fall fellowship is coming up! It's going to be nothing but fun times and fellowship! I hope to see everyone at the upcoming ordeal and at fall fellowship.

Yours in service,

*Jonathan Davenport*

## Mischa Mokwa

Recently, the Mischa Mokwa chapter had a Chapter meeting at Union College in Barbourville in which we planned for upcoming events in both the lodge and the chapter. Among other things, we planned transportation to future Lodge events such as the Fall Ordeal and Fall Fellowship, so that the Mischa Mokwa Chapter can be well represented at these Lodge events. We also promoted Brotherhood conversion for those eligible. We discussed getting those elected candidates to the Fall Ordeal so that they can go through their Ordeal and become members. We

planned a chapter outing for August 24th, a hike to Sand Cave in Cumberland Gap National Park. This is a fun trail to hike to an interesting location, so we should have a very enjoyable time hiking together as a chapter. We are looking forward to the Fall Fellowship and hope to have a good representation from our Chapter attend.

*TJ Melton*

Mischa Mokwa Secretary

## Tecumseh

Hello my brothers, I hope everything is going well in all your endeavors. I would like to personally welcome all of our new members to the Order of the Arrow, great job you guys keep up the good work. We have a few things that are coming up including fall fellowship and Lodge Leadership Development which I hope to see all of you in attendance. These events are a great way to meet new people from our chapter as well as in other Chapters. But do note that the Tecumseh Chapter does have plans in the works to have a weekend campout to continue our work on Allowats Place in preparation for Conclave. As always you can

find out more information about this by coming to the chapter meetings or by sending me an email at [Tecumseh.chief@kawida.org](mailto:Tecumseh.chief@kawida.org) also if you want an easy way to keep up to date with all the latest changes happening in our chapter look us up on Facebook.

Here's to always having loving ways and perfect days,

*Daren Jones*

Tecumseh Chief

## Tomahaken

The Tomahaken chapter is doing well with people being elected to completing their Ordeal. Next, I would like to congratulate all new members to the Tomahaken Chapter, I look forward to meeting you at the next chapter meeting. After that, all Ordeal members that are eligible for brotherhood I highly encourage you to convert. Then, we have had an outstanding conversion percentage for brotherhood so keep it up guys. If you haven't already signed up for Fall Fellowship you should it is going to be a blast.

*Sean Hillwig*

## Gikino Ballet

Hello Gikino Ballet!

Now that school is back in, we all need to look forward to the upcoming events for some good food, fun, fellowship, rest and relaxation!

We have our last ordeal of the year coming up, fellow chapter members I ask you to encourage the elected candidates in your unit to register and attend the Fall Ordeal. Don't forget about your unit's OA members eligible for their brotherhood conversion as well!

We also have the Fall Fellowship coming up quickly! I am calling out to all of our chapter members to attend, this is a fun filled weekend you won't want to miss!

The Kawida Lodge is hosting the 2014 Section Conclave, stay tuned to our Kawida website for information, upcoming work days and how to apply to be on staff. I would love to see a huge chapter effort in helping our lodge prepare and present Conclave 2014!

Yours in Scouting,

*Deven Gonzalez*

**If you haven't paid your 2013 dues, you will want to do so using the included dues form. Dues are only \$15, and they include the Thunderbird mailed to your house( one per person unless you desire to save trees) and the right to attend section/national events and wear the lodge flap on your Scout uniform.**

**Don't know what chapter you are in?**

**Use the list below to find out!**

**Elkhorn District - Tecumseh Chapter (p. 7)**

**Counties Served: Anderson, Franklin, Harrison, Scott, & Woodford**

**Lake Cumberland District - Lenni Lenape Chapter (p. 6)**

**Counties Served: Casey, Clinton, Lincoln, McCreary, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell, & Wayne**

**Lonesome Pine District - Tomahaken Chapter (p. 8)**

**Counties Served: Breathitt, Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Lee, Letcher, Magoffin, Martin, Owsley, Perry, Pike, & Wolfe**

**Mountain Laurel District - Mischa Mokwa Chapter (p. 7)**

**Counties Served: Bell, Harlan, Knox, Laurel, Whitley, Jackson, Clay, & Leslie**

**Palisades District - We-Ha-Li Chapter (p. 8)**

**Counties Served: Boyle, Garrard, Jessamine, Madison, Mercer, & Fayette**

**Shawnee District - Gikino Ballet Chapter (p. 6)**

**Counties Served - Bath, Bourbon, Bracken, Clark, Estill, Elliot, Fleming, Lewis, Mason, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, Nicholas, Powell, Robertson, & Rowan**

## Lodge Adviser's Minute

By: Doug Vick



So much to do, and so little time!

As Fall Fellowship approaches, if you are a youth interested in running for a lodge office, you must inform me of your intent by Oct. 1, and plan on attending the Nov.8-10 LLD if you are elected.

As usual, Kawida Arrowmen are very involved in serving the Cub/Boy Scouts of the Blue Grass Council. At many district and council events, you will find Arrowmen volunteering time and talent in service. There is something for every Arrowman to do, and we want you to be actively involved in your chapter and lodge!

Do you like ceremonies (stage crew or acting), drumming, or dancing? Do you like photography, computers, cooking, being outdoors, administration, art, record keeping, or applying for awards? Are you able to work with electricity, plumbing, HVAC, building repair, or forestry? This is just a sampling - browse our lodge's award winning website to get some ideas about where you might fit in with Kawida Lodge.

If you let your chief know about your particular talents and interest areas, he'll be able to point you in

the right direction so that you, too, may be of useful service - it sure feels good!

Please join me in welcoming Marlene Gonzalez as our lodge's new staff adviser.

Conclave is approaching, and there is so much to do .....

*Doug Vick*

Kawida Lodge Advisor

The logo consists of the letters 'B', '2', and 'Y' in a bold, sans-serif font. The 'B' and 'Y' are blue, and the '2' is green. The logo is enclosed in a black rectangular border.

**(at least!)**

**Remember to bring at least two youth to each event.**

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**2013 Kawida Lodge Calendar**

- Fall Fellowship.....October 4-6**  
**Lodge Leadership Development (LLD).....November 8-10**  
**Winter Banquet .....December 7**  
**Indian Winter .....January 17-19, 2014**  
**Spring Fellowship .....March 21-23, 2014**  
**Workday.....April 5, 2014**  
**CONCLAVE! .....April 25-27, 2014**  
**Spring Ordeal .....May 9-11, 2014**

**For Updates and Other Events, Visit**

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