

# The Thunderbird

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## Annual Eagle Scout Reunion Banquet

### ARE YOU AN EAGLE SCOUT? DO YOU KNOW AN EAGLE SCOUT?

Those of any age who have earned the Eagle Scout Award, the highest rank a Boy Scout can earn, wherever in the country it was earned, are invited along with any guest to the

**Annual Eagle Scout Reunion Banquet, at the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Center Ballroom, Saturday evening,**

**January 17, 2004, at 7 pm EST.**

Uniforms are not required, but if you can still get into your uniform, you are welcome to wear it.

The evening's guest speaker will be Eagle Scout and Emmy Award winner David B. Dick, a former CBS News Journalist, and former Director of the University of Kentucky School of Journalism. David is currently a columnist for Kentucky Living magazine and author of several books. Mr. Dick will have copies of his books available to autograph and a portion of

sale proceeds will be donated to the Blue Grass Council Campership fund that allows any Scouts in need to attend a week of summer camp, a week that could change their lives.

Reservations are \$12.00 each before January 9<sup>th</sup>, and \$15.00 thereafter; the costs for new Eagle Scouts, 17 and under, is \$10.00. Contact the Blue Grass Council, BSA, at 859/231-7811, or [www.bgbsa.org](http://www.bgbsa.org) for more information, or send reservations to the council at 415 N. Broadway, Lexington, Kentucky 40508. Can't make the banquet? Log on and register your Eagle information at [cwayneb.com/eagle](http://cwayneb.com/eagle). There is a national effort to identify all living Eagle Scouts.

Less than one per cent of Boy Scouts are awarded the Eagle Scout rank. Eagle Scouts include Steven Spielberg, President Gerald Ford, and the late Columbia Space Shuttle Commander William McCool. For more information, contact: Paul Curry District Director of the Blue Grass Council, BSA (859) 231-7811 or Dan Miller Vice President for Public Affairs, Blue Grass Council, BSA (859) 277-4849

## 2004 SUMMER CAMP KICKOFF

The annual "Summer Camp Promotion" kickoff will be held in the main meeting room at the Blue Grass Council Service Center on January 17<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 AM.

The *2004 Summer Camp Leader's Guide* will be distributed, new programs will be discussed, refreshments will be served, and reservations will be taken. Remember, this will be your first opportunity to reserve a campsite for the 2004 summer camp season. Reservations should be made on that day, or mailed in later. Those received before will not be added to the list until the following Monday.

Our 2004 season will take us sailing at Cave Run Lake, climbing in the Red River Gorge, caving in the Daniel Boone National Forest, and as those that attended summer camp in 2003 know, we serve the best camp food in the region!

There will also be summer camp staff interviews before the meeting beginning at 8:00 AM (see the article elsewhere in this newsletter).

**Please plan to attend and see what The McKee Scout Reservation has to offer your Troop in 2004.**



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## 2004 Annual Awards Banquet Is Fast Approaching!

Kawida Lodge's Annual Awards Banquet will be held on February 7, 2004 at the Action Folk Center in Berea, KY. The Annual Awards Banquet is the time that the lodge recognizes its dedicated lodge members for the outstanding achievements made during the previous year. The following awards are typically given annually at the banquet: Mike Butcher Memorial Award, Chief's Citation Award, Lodge Adviser's Award, Founder's Award, Elangomat Awards, and Perfect Attendance Awards. You won't want to miss this event! The banquet is scheduled to begin at 6:00 PM. Please be sure to fill out the banquet reservation form located in this edition of *The Thunderbird*.

### DIRECTIONS:

#### Going South on I-75 to Berea

- Take exit # 77 off I-75
- Turn left at stoplight onto Hwy. 595
- Cross railroad tracks and go to 4-way stop
- Turn right onto Ellipse St. and go to 3-way stop
- Turn right onto Jefferson St. and go three blocks
- Center will be on your right.

#### Going North on I-75 to Berea

- Take exit # 76 off I-75
- Go through five stoplights (four lanes will turn into two lanes)
- Turn left onto Ellipse St. and go to 3-way stop
- Turn left onto Jefferson St.  
Center will be on your right

## 2004 Kawida Lodge Membership Dues Information

To be an active member of Kawida Lodge, members must first pay their dues on an annual basis. According to the Kawida Lodge Constitution, dues are due by **January 1 of each year.**

The payment of dues entitles a member to receive our newsletter, attend our events, and to wear the lodge's insignia. Annual Kawida Lodge **membership dues are \$10.00** for the standard membership, or you could pay **\$50.00 for the KawidaKard** membership. The one-time KawidaKard payment covers the costs for all scheduled lodge events that year, and any issued event patches except for Conclave and NOAC.

If you have already paid your standard membership dues of \$10.00, and you want to *upgrade* to the KawidaKard membership, you need only pay an additional *\$40.00.*

Make checks payable to: **Kawida Lodge, B.S.A.**, and mail payment and form to:

Robert Palmer,  
125 Taylor Drive,  
Cynthiana, KY 41031.

*\*\*\*\*\*If you went through your ordeal in 2002 and 2003 you need to pay dues for 2004 to remain a member of Kawida Lodge.*

### NEW ORDEAL MEMBERS – DECEMBER ORDEAL

The following individuals successfully completed their initial Ordeal in December.

Mitchell Elliot, Robert Fields, H.T. Richart, Briton Van Dissel, Blake Van Sanford, Andrew Welleford.

# CHIEFLY SPEAKING!

Hello everybody. It is time for a new year. As Kawida Lodge, we have a lot in store in the upcoming months. With Conclave knocking on our door, we need to do all we can to ensure the event's success. It's important that each and every one of us do are part this year. There are plenty of opportunities for each of us to be committed to service and still keep in mind the fun that comes with it. I hope to see you all very soon in this new year.

**TODD  
HAYDON**  
2004 Kawida Lodge  
Chief

In WWW,  
Todd Haydon



## First Vice Chief

Greetings my fellow Arrowmen! My name is Todd Watts and I will be serving as your First Vice Chief in Kawida Lodge in 2004. I am a Brotherhood member and an Eagle Scout from Troop 58 in Morehead, KY where I serve as an Assistant Scoutmaster. I have served on the staff of BGLC (Blue Grass Leadership Camp), McKee Summer Camp for 2 years, and I have also attended NJLIC (National Junior Leader Instructor Camp) at Philmont Scout Ranch in the summer of 2002. I also hold a Bachelor's Degree in Ceremonies from OAU (Order of the Arrow University).

One of my main goals as your First Vice Chief is to make our Ordeals more efficient, but

more importantly, more fun. I would also like to make our lodge have multiple ceremonies teams because it is unfair to all of you other Arrowmen who are interested in ceremonies to not participate on a team. I would also like to increase the attendance of returning members at lodge events (it isn't as fun when all you guys who have been elected in previous years don't show up).

I am very excited about Kawida Lodge in 2004. I have an awesome adviser in James Smith and we will work to make the Lodge the best in can be. I want everyone to have fun in 2004, so let's have fun this year! Scouting is all about fun and we are ready to have an awesome year in Kawida Lodge. And remember...

**HARDCORE '04.**

## Comments From The Former First Vice Chief

Our December ordeal was rather cold, but it was also very successful. From a project standpoint, a lot of important things were accomplished. The biggest of which, was getting the tent room in the maintenance building organized. Brush was also cleared from the roadsides in an effort to make the camp more presentable for conclave, and summer camp.

I appreciate the help and dedication that everyone showed at this ordeal, because for six candidates to complete these kind of tasks is a major accomplishment.

Also, a reminder, that the Annual Awards Banquet will be held at the Action Folk Center in

Berea. It will be held on Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. Be sure to send in your registration forms so we know how much food to order.

In WWW

Tripp Watts  
2003 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chief



## Treks From The Trailblazers—Gikino Ballet Chapter News

Hi guys! I trust everyone had a wonderful holiday season and received your wishes. My name is Claudette "C" Watts, and I am pleased for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year to be serving as your Chapter Advisor for Gikino Ballet. When I am not doing Order of the Arrow activities, my time is spent as a Troop 58 Committee Member, Midland Trail District Committee Member, and a kindergarten teacher for Rowan County Schools, a wife, and a mom. In my spare time (ha-ha), I enjoy reading, sunning, and doing genealogy research.

Did I mention I also do chocolate chip brownies, plus chokers?! The brownies are always available at LEC meetings, roundtables and various other scout events.

Some new things of interest for our chapter are that we are meeting during the monthly roundtables.

Topics we are currently working on are our chapter ceremonies team, preparation for unit elections and camp promotion, and just plain fellowship.

And last but not least: Scoutmasters, please remind your boys it is time to pay those dues for 2004, and be looking at dates for your unit elections and camp promotions.

See you at the Winter Banquet,  
C. Watts

Chapter Advisor

*"Have a vision not clouded by fear." Cherokee*



### MISCHA MOKWA CHAPTER NEWS

### 2004 Camp Promotion & OA Unit Election Training

Greetings from the Chief of Mischa Mokwa,

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the Mountain Laurel District, for a wonderful year. I know everyone is looking forward to the upcoming Conclave 2004 at Camp McKee. It should have something for everyone. I hope to see you there and looking forward to new challenges in the upcoming year.

Thank you!  
Chapter Chief

Anyone interested being on an OA unit election team for 2004, must first be trained. If you are interested in being on an OA unit election team, please call Harold Phillips at **859-234-3860** to get more information. The training will be held on January 17<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm at the Scout Service Center in Lexington. All Chapter Chiefs and their advisers must attend. The teams need to exhibit the best presentation they can in order to emphasize the purpose of the Order of the Arrow to the troops. Properly trained teams will ensure good presentations to the units.

This will be an informative, afternoon course, and it is hoped that many Kawida Lodge members will attend. The secure future of our lodge and its leadership depends upon the active participation of trained, dedicated individuals. Please be on time, in full uniform, and have paper and pen/pencil handy.

### Kawida Lodge Going To Philmont In 2005

You heard correctly, Kawida Lodge has two (2) twelve-man crews reserved to go to Philmont Scout Ranch on July 15<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, 2005. Both youth and adult dues-paying members of Kawida Lodge will be eligible to attend. The Philmont fee itself will be \$500 per person, and travel expenses will be extra. In order to reserve a spot, you will need to send a \$50 deposit to Harold Phillips. Harold will keep a list of the names in the order in which they were received. There must be at least two adults per crew, however there can be more if not enough youth sign up (up to four adults per crew can go). An adult is defined as an arrowman who is 21 years of age or older. Youth arrowman are less than 21 years of age, and they must not turn 21 until after the trip ends.

If you are interested being a part of this great adventure, send your deposit soon. Send a check for \$50 made to Kawida Lodge #480, B.S.A. to Harold Phillips. Also, include your name, address, email address, date of birth, and troop number along with your deposit check.

# 2004 National Order of the Arrow Conference

*"Chosen To Serve, Inspired To Lead"*

July 31<sup>st</sup> through August 5<sup>th</sup> will be a great time to be in Ames, Iowa. That is when the biennial event known as the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) will take place. The Conference will be held on the campus of Iowa State University (Go Cyclones!), and will be filled with shows, training, interactive displays, and patch trading, as well as meeting National Officers/Advisers, enjoying great food, and living on a major university's campus for a week.

There is a limited number of youth and adults that can attend NOAC from each Lodge across the nation. In addition to set lodge quotas, the National OA Committee has also determined youth/adult ratios for lodge participants. Meaning, that for every adult who attends NOAC, there must also be at least two youth members who attend. Thus, if you are an adult who wishes to attend next year's NOAC, you had better talk it up with the youth arrowman to ensure your space reservation. You don't want to miss this opportunity, as I guarantee that you will have the time of your life. Please look for the NOAC registration form located elsewhere in this newsletter.

Yours in WWW,

Tim Brown  
NOAC Contingent Leader

## The Second Vice Chief Speaks

### Brotherhood Reminder

Arrowman, if you are an ordeal member and have been for at least 10 months, you are eligible to seal your membership in The Order of the Arrow. Please come forward some time during the year at a district event or Lodge event and seal your membership.

Not only will you gain a greater Scouting experience, but also you will help Kawida Lodge achieve Quality Lodge. You will be contacted by your Chapter Chief or Lodge 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chief during the year to remind you of your eligibility. If you have any questions about Brotherhood membership contact Cody Todd, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chief.



## 2004 KAWIDA LODGE CALENDAR

- **January**  
17  
Camp Promotion/Unit Election  
Training (Scout Office, Lex.)
- **February**  
7  
Annual Awards Banquet
- **March**  
20  
Workday (McKee)
- **April**  
10  
23-25  
Workday (McKee)  
*SR-6N Section Conclave*  
*(McKee)*
- **June**  
11-13  
1<sup>st</sup> Ordeal (McKee)
- **July 31-Aug. 5** *NOAC (Iowa State University)*
- **August**  
13-15  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ordeal (McKee)
- **September**  
10-12  
3<sup>rd</sup> Ordeal (McKee)
- **October**  
15-16  
Fall Fellowship (McKee)



## ARE YOU READY FOR A HARDCORE '04 COCLAVE?

By: Todd Watts, Conclave Youth Chairman

Happy New Year my fellow Arrowmen! I hope everyone is excited about the new upcoming year for Kawida Lodge. Conclave is a little over 3 months away and I am very pleased with the planning we have accomplished so far but there are still plenty of things to be completed before we are ready. **THERE ARE STILL COMMITTEES NEEDING MEMBERS.** These committee sign ups will be available at the banquet on February 7, 2004. Please sign up. There are still a lot of people needed on our Parking/Security Committee; we will be dealing with an estimated 600 or more people on camp property, so if you are interested in this committee, or any of the others, please don't hesitate to sign up. The more manpower we have, the less of a workload there will be and it will make the Conclave experience more fun. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Even if you do not sign up for a committee, please make a strong effort to attend Conclave. This is a section event and it is very important for the lodge that we have **AS MANY LODGE MEMBERS** as we can have. I know that there shouldn't be very many outside conflicts at this time of year (sports band, speech, etc) so please come and support your lodge.

I am very excited about Conclave. Let's make this Conclave the best in recent memory. We have the resources, all we need is our lodge to step up and make it happen. I also cannot stress enough: **HARDCORE '04!**



## **CEREMONIES WORKSHOP IS RESCHEDULED**

Due to the inclement weather before the Christmas holiday, the Kawida Lodge Ceremony Committee will reschedule its workshop to a later date in the spring. A date will be decided at the next LEC. As soon as a date is decided upon, we will let you know. We are aiming at a date in early spring. We will keep you updated A.S.A.P. If you are still interested in becoming a member of a ceremonies team, please contact Ceremonies Committee Chairman Todd Watts, or Adviser Harold Kenney.

## **NATIONAL OA HIGH ADVENTURE OPPORTUNITIES**

Again in 2004 National OA is offering youth Arrowman, ages 16 to 20, to join in cheerful service and an experience of a lifetime. The first part of the event arrowman will help build trails and maintain camping areas at the Northern Tier Wilderness Voyage and Philmont Scout Ranch. The second part participants will hike trails at Philmont and canoe at Northern Tier. If you are interested in one of these adventures, please contact Harold Phillips by March 1<sup>st</sup> for more information.

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**Check the Web for 2004 Winter  
Banquet Information  
[www.kawida.org](http://www.kawida.org)**



## Words of Wisdom from the Lodge Advisor

I hope everyone had a safe and healthy Holiday. I ask that all of you read all the articles in this issue. There are several events this year and the Lodge needs everyone's help. The biggest event coming up soon is the Section Conclave in April. Please read the Conclave article in this issue and sign up to help out on a Conclave committee. We need Kawida Lodge members to step up and help with this event. If you cannot attend the Conclave, try to attend the workdays to help get camp ready. Please sign up to attend and participate in the Conclave events. Kawida Lodge should have the largest number of members in attendance of all the lodges.

The Awards Banquet on February 7 is an event you should attend. Why, great food, great fellowship, awarding deserving Arrowman, and meeting distinguished Arrowman. So please fill out Awards Banquet form and send in now to pay less. Encour-

age your fellow Arrowman in your troop to attend.

There are several Lodge committees that need youth and adult Arrowman to sign up and help with these committees. Remember the more Arrowman helping out in different areas is less work per each Arrowman.

In order to participate in Lodge events and be on these committees, you must be a dues paying member. Lodge dues for year are due on January 1<sup>st</sup>, please pay them and ask your fellow troop members to pay theirs. Those Arrowman that went through their ordeal in 2002 and 2003 need to pay 2004 dues to stay a member of Kawida Lodge.

I'm sorry to report that Kawida Lodge did not attain Quality Lodge status for 2003. We fell short

in membership growth and Brotherhood conversion; these were the only requirements we did not meet. To me these are the easiest requirements to get.

By attaining Quality Lodge status, Kawida will be eligible for matching grants to build camp projects. There are Scholarships available to youth Arrowman that are members of a Quality Lodge. So please pay your dues for 2004 and attain Brotherhood membership when eligible.

In W.W.W.,  
Harold Phillips

