

# THE Thunderbird

“Mighty Fine in ‘09”



## Don Combs to serve as 2010 Region Chief

Don Combs is a member of the Tomahaken chapter of Kawida Lodge and is a two term section chief. During the National Planning meeting for the OA in Dallas, he was elected among other section chiefs in this region to serve as the 2010 Southern Region Chief. He will be in charge of over 11 sections within the Southern Region.

Don has served as our lodge chief for two years and is still today an active member of Kawida lodge.

It is the first time in Kawida lodge history that we have had a national/region level officer from our lodge.

Don is an Eagle Scout, Vigil Honor Member, Venturing Silver, Arrow of Light, Founders Award Recipient, William T.

Hornaday, Silver Recipient, Chapter Chief, Two-Term Lodge Chief,

Two-Term Section Chief, and now Region Chief.

Don is a great role model for many members of our lodge and we would like to wish him the best of luck in his new position!



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## 2010 Conclave Promo By: Aaron Shepherd

Every year the entire section, which includes around 8 different lodges, gathers at one of the lodges camps to host what is called a Section Conclave. This years Conclave is at Camp Boxwell just outside of Nashville, Tennessee.

During Conclave the morning is full of fun training sessions, then lunch, then in the afternoon there are quest games, American Indian Events, fellowship, patch trading, and so much more! Saturday night is closed with a high tech campfire

that is truly a performance! The campfire includes lights and sound effects, pyrotechnics, and much more!

If you are interested in attending Conclave, keep checking [www.kawida.org](http://www.kawida.org) for more information and registration forms!

### Points of Interest

- Don Combs, Region Chief
- 2010 Dues Form
- Northern Tier



**Lodge Chief,  
Anthony Kenney**

## Chiefly Speaking By: Anthony Kenney

My Fellow Arrowmen,  
Let me be one of the first people to congratulate our new Southern Region Chief Don Combs, Aaron Shepherd for his article about High Adventure in the "National Bulletin" and his assistant copy editor position for the 2010 year, and Alex Hill's position as photo editor on the National Website team. Kawida is starting to show national level recognition.

During the winter banquet we had a special guest to attend, the now

former National Vice-Chief, Dan Higham. He spoke about his experience as an Arrowmen and his adventures at different High Adventure bases. I would like to congratulate the "Frank Seale" vigil class: Alex Hill, Graham Fielder, Charlie Ballman, Tom Hill, Elizabeth Fielder, and Doug Ramey. Many awards were awarded to the youth and adults of our lodge. The Founder's Award was given to Anthony Kenney and Alan Watts and the

James E. West was given to Andrew Anderson and Anthony Kenney. The Mike Butcher Award was given to Aaron Shepherd and many more were given out.

Congratulations to our newly instated Kawida Lodge Offices for this year: Aaron Shepherd- Lodge Chief, Andrew Anderson- Vice Chief of Service, Sunder Willet- Vice Chief of Brotherhood, Chris Caldwell- Secretary, and Graham Fielder- Treasurer.

I believe this is going to be another successful year for Kawida Lodge.



## Fall Ordeal

This year, the Fall Ordeal had a new twist on it. Instead of doing our usual tent take down at Camp McKee, the ordeal was relocated to the Blue Grass Sportsmens' League. This was because the Sporting Clays Classic, a fundraising event put on by the Blue Grass Council, was scheduled during the or-

deal.

The Lodge Leadership made the decision to move the ordeal to the Blue Grass Sportsmens' League.

Surprisingly, it was one of our most successful ordeals yet. The projects for the Ordeal candidates were to clean out invasive species on the grounds of the League.

## By: Sam Lyons

Some of the attending members assisted with the project while the rest assisted with the Sporting Clays Classic event by running the different sporting clay stations.

Overall, the event was very successful. Thank you to everyone that attended.

## Service Corner By: Andrew Anderson

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Fellow Arrowmen,

2009 is now over and we are starting the new decade with a bang. This past year has given me so many memories to consider along with new friends to remember. I'm glad to say that we have achieved so much in our lodge and that we have much more to do this coming year.

The new ordeal members that are now part of the Order of the Arrow and Kawida lodge

have greatly impressed me. They have all completed a very wide range of service projects ranging from setting up Camp McKee, performing work projects within the McKee camp, and the honey-suckle removal at the fall ordeal. All of these projects proved our newest Arrowmen worthy of admittance and just how committed they really are.

I thank all of the members of Kawida lodge who have made this past year a

memorable time and one that I will never forget. I've made new friends, met new people, and learned more about myself. I'm hoping that I see everyone one of you at the Spring Fellowship.

To you, my fellow Arrowmen, I say this, "Our history is written in pen, but our future is in pencil. Let us live our lives to the fullest."

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



**Vice Chief of Service,  
Andrew Anderson**



## Fall Fellowship By: Andrew Anderson

Hello fellow Arrowmen and congratulations! You made this year's Fall Fellowship one of the best and most memorable events that I have personally ever been to.

We had many more events than in previous years which definitely made for a more exciting time.

This event also enabled our newest Arrowmen to be able to come and see just how much fun we can really be. All of the Ordeal

members that came and participated in the events that weekend will never forget those memories made, especially those made during the quest games! Games such as the baby bottle chug, brown bag special, frozen t-shirt contest, and much more. Many rook games also took place throughout the weekend, filling many hours with fun.

The Pow Wow Saturday night was definitely one to remember. I personally

loved how so many fellow Arrowmen participated in the dancing. This tells me that we have both an energetic and adventurous group this coming year.

I also congratulate my fellow lodge officers who were elected for the coming year of 2010. I hope that this coming year will be filled with many memories that this one has given me.





**Vice Chief of Brotherhood,  
Sam Lyons**

## Brotherly Speaking

**By: Sam Lyons**

First off, I would like to say thank you to all who helped in reaching our goal of 35% Brotherhood conversion. Our final Brotherhood conversion rate was 38%. I could tell that many of you put a lot of effort into sealing your membership in the Order. Please continue on your

trail by staying active. Remember that you were inducted in the Order not only for what you have done, but for what you are expected to do. Please encourage your brothers to seal their membership as well.

Also, I would like to say congratulations to Sunder

Willett for being elected as your Second Vice Chief of Brotherhood in 2010. I wish him the best. And, once again, I will say thank you to all of the people that helped me in my term.

Yours in Service,  
*Sam Lyons*

*Vice Chief of Brotherhood*

### Lodge Officers

Name	Position
<b>Anthony Kenney</b>	Lodge Chief
<b>Andrew Anderson</b>	Vice Chief of Service
<b>Sam Lyons</b>	Vice Chief of Brotherhood
<b>Aaron Shepherd</b>	Secretary
<b>Austin Newsome</b>	Treasurer
<b>Eli Leslie</b>	Quartermaster

### Lodge Advisers

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**Lodge Adviser,  
Alan Watts**



**Lodge Secretary,  
Aaron Shepherd**



**From the Adviser**

**By: Alan Watts**

Another year has passed us by. My thanks to all the 2009 Kawida Officers and Adviser's who made the year a smashing success. The 2009 Quality Lodge Petition has been sent along with the Charter Renewal for 2010. We have achieved the requirements to be Quality Lodge for the second year in a row.

You have done many good things this year.

Our youth officers distinguished themselves on a National level. The Awards have been passed out with deep appreciation and some teary eyes. In 2009 you have done what you set out to do. It is time to do it again in 2010.

Please mark your calendars for Kawida Lodge Events in 2010. Pay your dues and participate as much as

you can. Come join in the fun. We have plenty to get done to be better next year, but we also have a very good team of lodge officers who can motivate us. Please enjoy the holidays.

I hope all of you had a wonderful holiday.

Yours in Scouting,  
*Alan Watts*  
*Lodge Adviser*

**Press Release**

**By: Aaron Shepherd**

Fellow Arrowmen,  
Wow! This year has flown by and it is already 2010. I would like to thank everyone who has helped me serve as the lodge secretary for the past four years.

I'm somewhat sad that this will be my last

Thunderbird I will do, but am glad to see someone else fill my shoes as Lodge Secretary. Chris will do an outstanding job!

The experience I've gained from the Thunderbird led me to be the copy editor for the NOAC newspaper and now

in 2010 I will serve the National Bulletin as the assistant copy editor.

Thanks for all of the support as lodge secretary, all I ask is to have the same support now as lodge chief.

Yours in Service,  
*Aaron Shepherd*  
*Lodge Secretary*

**Boundary Waters Canoe Trek—2010!**

On July 11 through 23, 2010, 16 Boy Scouts and leaders of the Blue Grass Council will once again be headed north to canoe country. There, we will be spending 7 days paddling,

fishing and enjoying the wilderness areas of Minnesota.

We will be outfitted through the Charles L. Sommers Canoe Base near Ely, MN. The total fee for this trip is \$900. This includes trans-

portation, lodging, meals, and the Northern Tier fees.

For more information and registration, contact Ken Green or visit [campmckee.org](http://campmckee.org).

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**2010 Lodge Chief,  
Aaron Shepherd**

## 2010 Lodge Chief Introduction

Fellow Arrowmen,

I would like to start off with thanking everyone for letting me have the opportunity to serve as the 2010 Lodge Chief. For the past four years I have served as the lodge secretary and through that position I've experienced a lot to be able to know what needs to be done in the lodge. I have many plans for this year and I encourage you to attend

the first LEC (Lodge Executive Committee) February 6th at the council office at 10am.

I would ask that all of our chapters have their new officers picked and have contact information for them at the meeting.

If you are wanting to get involved with the lodge, we have a set of committees that you can become a member of. I encourage all members to be involved in

at least one committee. If you are interested either email me at [chief@kawida.org](mailto:chief@kawida.org) or come to the LEC.

This year is going to be great with the help of our other officers. Andrew and myself are the only returning lodge officer but the others are experienced enough to do an outstanding job.

Let's do it again in 2010!

Yours in Service,  
*Aaron Shepherd*  
Lodge Chief

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<b>Aaron Shepherd</b>	Lodge Chief
<b>Andrew Anderson</b>	Vice Chief of Service
<b>Sunder Willet</b>	Vice Chief of Brotherhood
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Pictured from left to right:  
Aaron Shepherd - Lodge Chief,  
Andrew Anderson - Vice Chief of Service,  
Sunder Willet - Vice Chief of Brotherhood,  
Chris Caldwell - Secretary,  
Graham Fielder - Treasurer.





# 2010 Membership Update and Dues

## Kawida Lodge Order of the Arrow

A 2008 Quality Lodge

Blue Grass Council BSA, 3473 Yorkshire Medical Plaza - Lexington, KY 40509

Phone: 859-231-7811

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



### Personal Information

Please check here if you are submitting information to be updated (i.e., change of address, new phone, etc.)

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Last Name, First, Middle

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Scout       Adult (21+)

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Ordeal

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City, State, Zip

Brotherhood

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Home Phone Alternate Phone

Vigil

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Current Leadership Position in Scout Unit

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Unit Number

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Ordeal Location

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Brotherhood Date

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Vigil Date

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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.

By: \_\_\_\_\_, parent or guardian Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Service

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### Dues

**Dues for 2010**

**OA MEM  
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**\$15.00**

Mail to: Blue Grass Council BSA, 3473 Yorkshire Medical Plaza, Lexington, KY 40509

Fax number 859-252-3785

#### FOR LODGE OFFICE USE ONLY:

<b>Dues</b>	\$ _____	_____	_____
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## 2010 Lodge Calendar of Events

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
<b>LEC</b>	<b>Feb. 6th @10am</b>	<b>Council Office</b>
<b>Spring Fellowship</b>	<b>March 26-28</b>	<b>Camp McKee</b>
<b>Section Conclave</b>	<b>April 16-18</b>	<b>Camp Boxwell</b>
<b>Spring Ordeal</b>	<b>May 21-23</b>	<b>Camp McKee</b>
<b>First Camp Ordeal</b>	<b>June 18-19</b>	<b>Camp McKee</b>
<b>Second Camp Ordeal</b>	<b>July 9-10</b>	<b>Camp McKee</b>