

THE THUNDERBIRD!

KAWIDA LODGE #480 - BLUE GRASS COUNCIL, BSA

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The Rules **Inspired by** H. B. Olson

It doesn't matter that your actions are honorable if they are perceived otherwise.

D3: Decide Delegate Disappear.

Don't let your job description prevent you from making a valuable contribution to someone else's project.

The platinum rule: do unto others as they would have done unto themselves.

Thank You, Alan Watts: By Kelly Hampton

The end of 2011 marks a milestone doing projects at camp, especially for the Kawida Lodge of the Blue Grass Council. Alan Watts will complete his fifth year as lodge adviser and pass the reigns to Dr. Doug Vick. Dr. Vick, you have my gratitude and complete support. I am excited you accepted the challenge and look forward to your tenure as lodge adviser. Thank you for your service and commitment to working with the youth of our lodge.

As for Mr. Watts, the first thing to remember is that we were lucky enough to get two for the price of one. Alan and Claudette are truly a team and they tirelessly served the lodge together. I do not remember seeing one at an event without the other.

Alan has a temperament that makes him the kind of leader every kid wishes was his scoutmaster. There is no shortage of stories, music, and pearls of wisdom when you spend time with Alan, and I am sure none of that will change with this shifting of roles. A trademark of the lodge under Alan's guidance is a true attitude of service. The lodge has stepped up in

as the catalyst for the new shower house, but the lodge has also embraced fundraising, program support and integration, and other avenues of service to the council, section, and BSA movement. Alan believes his job is to create an atmosphere where kids can do their job, where they can have big ideas and work towards them, and that they always do that job better if they are in a position to be lucky. I think he accomplished all of that and more.

As many of you have heard, Alan will be stepping up to serve as the council commissioner in 2012. I am thrilled that he has accepted this challenge. I want to again thank Alan and Claudette for all they have done and for what I know they will continue to do in service to Scouting.

With Warm Regards,

J. Kelly Hampton Blue Grass Council Scout Executive / CEO

Editor & Designer: Sunder Willett

In This Issue:

Scout Executive, Kelly Hampton, expresses his gratitude to Lodge Adviser, Alan Watts, for five years of service to Blue Grass Council (pg.1). Ben Brown talks about the end of 2011 in Kawida (pg.2). Check out the Scout Law on pg.2. Fall Fellowship is recapped (pg.3). Nathan Vick talks about Winter Banquet on pg. 4. 2011's award recipients (pg.4). "I just like to Scout": A tribute to our Lodge Adviser (pg.5). Indian Winter promo (pg.6). NOAC promo (pg. 7). A showing of the 2011 Kawida patches (pg.8). Lodge Adviser, Alan Watts, gives his last Lodge Adviser's Minute to the Thunderbird (pg.9).

Forms: 2012 Indian Winter; 2012 OA dues; 2012 NOAC registration.

Another Year Ends: By Ben Brown

The year of 2011 has been my favorite year in Kawida Lodge. We have accomplished so much with an increase in lodge membership as well a large percent of ordeal members converting to brotherhood. We even had 2 Kawida members elected to a section position. We have accomplished so much. I want to thank everybody for electing me to this position and I want to congratulate everybody who earned awards at Winter Banquet. I don't have much else to say. I want to thank and congratulate all of my brothers for

making this a wonderful year in Kawida Lodge.

Yours in service,

Benjamin Brown 2011 Vice-Chief of Brotherhood





A Scout Is... Obedient

Cheerful

Thrifty



Brave Clean and Reverent

Fall Fellowship: Jake Redenbaugh

Brothers,

was one marked by great people, great activities, and as always, great food. On Saturday we started the fun off with a brotherhood conversion, helping our ordeal brothers confirm their membership in the order. After the ceremony, both the Awards and Vigil committee's met to select this year's recipients. After the committee met, the lodge held it's annual elections for next years lodge officers; here are the results: Lodge Chief: Jake Redenbaugh, Vice Chief of Service: Nick Oliver, Vice Chief of Brotherhood: Barry Johnson, Secretary: Nathan Vick, Treasurer: Christian Pena.

Following the elections, the most epic games of quest in the history of forever were played. All in all, it was Fall Fellowship went off without a hitch! The weekend a weekend that won't easily be forgotten by those who attended, and will be envied by those who didn't. On another note, I will be serving as the Lodge Chief in 2012, and I look forward to working with the other Lodge Officers to make 2012, better than any year before.

> In service, Jake Redenbaugh 2011 Vice-Chief of Service 2012 Lodge Chief



The 2012 Kawida Lodge Officers:

From left to right: Jake Redenbaugh, 2012 Lodge Chief; Nick Oliver, 2012 Vice-Chief of Service; Barry Johnson, 2012 Vice-Chief of Brotherhood; Nathan Vick, 2012 Lodge Secretary; Christian Pena, 2012 Lodge Treasurer.

Winter Banquet: by Nathan Vick

Winter Banquet was a satisfying conclusion to the awesome year 2011. It was a great time of fellowship for all who attended

The evening kicked off with dinner and an Indian Win-ping down as Lodge Adviser after five years of Cheerter promotion, followed by several special presentations, including one by all the lodge chiefs whom Alan Watts advised during his tenure as Lodge Adviser. Other special presentations were the Hornaday Award, a recognition of all the Arrowmen who attended LLD, and a Wood Badge beading.

Many awards were given to many deserving Arrowmen, such as the Founder's Award, the Mike Butcher Award, the William "Bud" Tobin award, the Lodge Adviser's Award, and the Chief's Citation Award. The 2012 Lodge Officers were sworn into office, and the 2012 theme, "CAPitalize in 2012," was unveiled. During his inaugural speech, Jake Redenbaugh introduced the new Chapter Action Plan (CAP), designed to 2011 Lodge Treasurer

support the chapters and encourage them to become more active.

The largest event of the banquet was Alan Watts stepful Service. He is succeeded by Doug Vick, who will serve as the next Lodge Adviser. The Alan Watts patch, a lodge flap made to commemorate Mr. Watts' incredible amount of service as Lodge Adviser, was unveiled, and sold out quickly. More will be available at Indian Winter 2012.

Overall, the 2011 Winter Banquet was a huge success!! A huge thank-you to everyone who made it possible.

Yours in Service.

Nathan Vick 2012 Lodge Secretary



Kawida Lodge 2011 Winter Banquet Awards

William T. Hornaday Award: Claudette Watts, Jamie Rice, Scott Beckett, Anthony **Kenney, Barry Goff, Don Combs**

Venturing Leadership Award: Aaron Shepherd*

Wood Badge: Jo Beth Rice

Whitney M. Young, Jr. Award: Kawida Lodge, Alan Watts

Lodge Leadership Development: Nathan Vick

Chapter of the Year Award: Tecumseh

Chapter Adviser Award: Barby Newell

Chief's Citation Award: Ken Green, **Andy Rechel**

William "Bud" Tobin Award: Alan Watts

Special Service Award: Lexmark, Scott **Beckett**

Lodge Adviser's Award: Claudette Watts

Mike Butcher Memorial Award: Alex Hill*

Founder's Award: Aaron Shepherd*, **Barry Goff**

2012 Tommy Nichols Vigil Honor Candidates: Jake Redenbaugh*, Sam Lyons*, Morgan South*, Mac Hall*, Hugh B. Hall, Ir., John David King, Dale Morton, Charlie Ballman II.

*Youth Recipient

"I Just Like to Scout": A Tribute to Our Lodge Adviser: by Sunder Willett

January 1st, 2012 marks a changing of the guard for Kawida Lodge. As you may have heard, Mr. Alan Watts is stepping down from his long held position of Lodge Adviser (2007-2011) and handing the reins to Dr. Doug Vick. Mr. Watts is the second longest running Lodge Adviser in Kawida's history, and, even though he is stepping down as Lodge Adviser, it is important to remember that neither he nor Mama Watts is leaving Kawida Lodge by any means. Look forward to seeing the Wattses (and brownies) at many future lodge events to come!

I first remember meeting Mr. Watts when I went through my ordeal in 2007. The Order of the Arrow was a strange, new world for me, and to top it off there was this funny looking man with the biggest beard I'd ever seen outside of a movie talking to my ordeal class about what the OA was. I was a little intimidated by my first meeting with Mr. Watts. This impression changed at my next lodge event, Fall Fellowship.

Mr. Watts still had a big beard, but now he was sporting a banjo and Lodge Adviser Minutes (or five). At Fall Fellowship, he really made Kawida Lodge a welcoming place to me, and has continued to do so even since and for everything Arrowman, old and new, that's a part of Kawida Lodge (and even quite a few others who aren't members).

If I was asked to list some of my role models, Mr. 2011 Lodge Secretary Watts would definitely be near the top of that list. In my life, there have been few others as selfless and con-

siderate as Mr. Watts. Whenever, he is asked about the successes of Kawida Lodge, he always passes the credit onto its youth saying "I'm just the adviser". If Mr. Watts asked why he is so involved with the BSA and OA, he often simply responds with "I just like to Scout." If an Arrowman needed a ride to Conclave or Council-of-Chiefs or another far away event, Mr. Watts would volunteer to swing by and pick that Arrowman up, even if it meant going out of his way. One of his mantra's is "The youth come first" and, especially with the past and present Lodge Officers, as Lodge Adviser he has been dedicated to helping Kawida's youth do the best they can in OA.

A few of his additional services to scouting include: becoming an Eagle Scout in 1972, serving as Troop 58's Scoutmaster from 1995-2004, serving on Blue Grass Council's Executive Board and serving as the current Cubmaster for Pack 58. Mr. Watts has received the Scoutmaster's Key, the Blue Grass Council President's Award, the Silver Beaver, God and Service Award, District Award of Merit, OA Vigil Honor, OA Founders Award, the William "Bud" Tobin Award, the Lodge Chief's Citation and others.

Thank you, Mr. Watts for just liking to Scout!

Sunder Willett 2011 Lodge Secretary





The special surprise Alan Watts flap unexpectedly sold out quickly at the Winter Banquet. The lodge is reordering more for members who did not get the chance to purchase any. They will be available at Indian Winter and Spring Fellowship.

Indian Winter: by Todd Haydon

You feel like you have been walking for what seems like a lifetime. Your feet hurt, your hands hurt, and you haven't eaten anything all day. All you can think about is getting some sleep. Continuing on with the fellow scouts you've been working with all day, you walk even more. Drums resound in the distance, and a glimmer of hope resides within your heart..

Remember this point in your Ordeal? That point of anticipation; not knowing what was in store for you. Everything leading up to that instant was the result of the hard work from fellow youth working together as a lodge to bring forth your Ordeal. What happened after that was really special, and helped pave a foundation in your Order of the Arrow legacy...

Ceremonies are a vital part of what the Order of the Arrow is. American Indian lore is a major ingredient to the effectiveness of the ceremony, and is a key way the Order projects its vision and mission. **Every** youth member of Kawida Lodge is encouraged to be a part of its legacy by taking part in ceremonies.

INDIAN WINTER is an event being held for the very first time by Kawida Lodge. All Arrowmen with an interest in learning more about the American Indian culture, Kawida Lodge, or the Order are of course welcomed. Participants will have the opportunity to delve deeper into the ceremony world of settings, props, symbolism, performing the ceremonies, the development of ceremonial costumes, and understanding the ten induction principles.

Whether you've been in ceremonies since your induction, or have yet to make that step, Indian Winter will be an event that will bring you to places you didn't know you could go.

I encourage each of you to sign up early, so be sure to check your calendars for **January 13th-15th**, because you are welcomed to be at **McKee** that weekend for the first event of 2012.

I leave you with some words you might remember hearing before:

"Who among you now is ready? Who will go upon this journey? You must choose..."

Todd Haydon Ceremonies Adviser





NOAC 2012: by Benjamin Alexander

Five reasons you should make NO-AC 2012 your next stop!

By Kevin M., National Promotions Team

As the countdown to the 2012 National Order of the Arrow Conference at Michigan State University begins you may be asking yourself why should I go? What is there for me at NOAC? Worry not here are some of the top reasons you should make the trip to Michigan State University for NOAC 2012!

1. Meet Arrowmen from around the nation and the world.

NOAC is a great chance to meet Arrowmen from across the country and abroad. Making new friends and catching up with old ones is a great tradition at NOAC. You can meet the 2012 national officers at a Meet the Man session and there is no doubt that when you head home from Michigan State University you will have met many new friends that will last a lifetime.

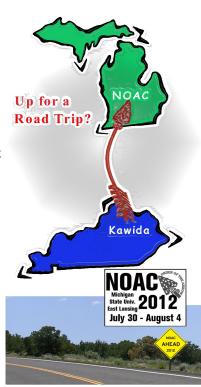
2. Learn about the latest in the Order, leadership, high adven-

ture and more!

Want to learn about how to best way manage your chapter? Interested in learning American Indian dance? Then the training at NOAC is for you. Sessions at NOAC are taught by the best trainers in the Order and will provide the latest information and best practices to help you be successful.

3. Watch the best shows in Scouting!

Four evenings of the conference will fea-



ture an arena show produced by the NOAC Shows Committee. Imagine walking into an arena filled with eight thousand of your fellow brothers, the sight may just take your breath away. The four shows will include the opening show, the history and recognitions show, the American Indian show, and the closing show. The evening shows are not to be missed.

4. Experience what is new to you.

Have you ever tried SCUBA diving? How about mountain boarding? If you want to try these activities and more The Outdoor Adventure Place (TOAP) at NOAC has you covered. TOAP is a place for Arrowmen to experience new activities that you may not be able to do at home, while under the supervision of trained individuals. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the three BSA high adventure bases and talk with the staff who will be there to show off their skills

5. The next NOAC is not until 2015. NOAC Doesn't Happen Everyday

After NOAC 2012 there won't be another national conference until the 100thanniversary of the Order in 2015! Don't miss out on NOAC 2012! NOACs are a highlight to any Arrowman's experience in the Order. Getting to spend a week with 8,000 Arrowmen is unforgettable. Your chance to attend is now! Are you ready for NOAC 2012? To register, talk to your lodge chief, adviser or staff adviser and sign up for this memorable event before it's too late! Arrowmen may only attend the conference with the lodge contingent or staffing a NOAC committee. More informatin at the Lodge winter banquet. We will go to Michigan one day before NOAC begins so we can attend the patch trading event. Sign up today. Adult arrowmen are suggested to recruit two youth to attend NOAC 2012.

Benjamin Alexander <u>Fireupchipps@windstream.net</u> 859-219-0075

2011 Kawida Lodge Standard



2011 Kawida Lodge Spring Fellowship



2011 Kawida Lodge Section Conclave



2011 Kawida Lodge Fall Fellowship



2011 Kawida Lodge Winter Banquet



Kawida Lodge Service Patch



2011 Kawida Lodge Showerhouse fundraiser, youth edition



2011 Kawida Lodge Showerhouse fundraiser, adult edition



2011 Kawida Lodge A. Watts





Costs:

Indian Winter

January 13-15, 3012 Camp McKee at Keeneland



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Please Register by Tuesday, January 10, 2012

NOTE: Walk ins discouraged due to supplies being ordered.

Basic Cost**

Ceremonial Bracelet Kit

Ceremonial Choker Kit

Ceremonial Tomahawk Kit

Ceremonial Breast Plate Kit

\$35.00 (deadline Dec. 18, 2011)

Arrive Friday 6PM, depart 11AM Sunday TOTAL DUE: \$______*

**includes-cracker barrels Fri. & Sat., breakfast, lunch, dinner Sat., breakfast Sun.

If you have any questions please contact Doug Vick at 859-806-6999 or dvick@mac.com

Registration Information: PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY () Youth () Adult (over 21) Name Address______, City______KY, Zip_____ Phone (H)______(C) _____ Unit (type/number)_____ Email Emergency Contact Information: Name____ _____, City______ KY, Zip_____ Cell Phone Please charge my: Visa MasterCard American Express Discover Credit Card Number_____ Expiration Date____ Security Code_____ Card Holder Signature _____

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BRING PARTS A &B MEDICAL FORM!!!!!!!!!!

Make Check Payable to: Kawida Lodge Order of the Arrow and return payment to Blue Grass Council, 3445 Richmond Road.

Lexington, KY 40509 FAX: 859.252.3785

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2012 Membership Update and Dues

Kawida Lodge Order of the Arrow





www.kawida.org

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National Order of the Arrow Conference July 29 - August 4 \$650 per adult and 600** per youth participant

Fees contingent upon travel costs and include youth sponsorship of \$50 each from Kawida Lodge

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:

- All Meals to/from East Lansing, MI
- Motel
- Five NOAC Trader Flaps

- Five 2-piece NOAC Flaps
- T-shirt
- Insurance

NOAC Fees Include

- Brotherhood Band and Chorus
- · Giant Lodge Flap for Opening Show
- · History / Recognition Show
- Inductions and Ceremony Events Training
- Inductions and Ceremony
 Information Booths
- NOAC Museum
- NOAC Newspaper
- NOAC Radio
- OA Center for History
- Opening Show
- Theme Show

- Training Courses on Leadership, Program and Admin.
- TOAP Program Details
- · Checkers/Chess Tournaments
- Guideline for Call-Outs
- Lodge History Presentation Competition
- Lodge Spirit Award
- Lodge Website Competition
- NOAC Golf Tournament
- Patch (Euchre) Tournament
- and much more!

Detach and return with payment to:

NOAC Registration, Blue Grass Council, Boy Scouts of America, 3445 Richmond Rd., Lexington, KY 40509

2012 NOAC Registration

Minimum \$100 deposit required with registration

Check one: Youth (under 21) Adu	T-shirt size (specify youth or adult):
Name	Registered with Troop #
Address	Daytime Phone
City, ST, Zip	Evening Phone
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FEE REMINDER:

Deposit due by February 1, 2012······ \$100.00
First payment due by March 1, 2012 \$320.00
Balance due by June 1, 2012

Lodge Adviser's Minute: By Alan Watts

Thunderbird. It has been an honor is. to serve you for the last five years. I have deeply enjoyed my role in the lodge working with the youth, officers, and adults. It is time to pass the torch to Doug Vick so he may move the Kawida Lodge to the next level.

I was asked to have the youth do camp. It also serves all who use the world to Scout. their jobs and not lose money. The camp. vouth have held their end of the bargain many times over and our events supported the lodge as well as the council.

quality youth officers on the lodge, section, and regional level, and youth who serve on national staff's as well as committees. We have reached out supporting the Blue Grass Council and our local communities. While all the while doing much of the work needed to make

This is the last time this adviser McKee Scout Reservation the Na- when he may not have always been will occupy the last page of the tionally Accredited Scout Camp it so sure about what we were doing.

I cannot forget all the adult members and advisers who have worked along with me to insure the youth succeed. It has been my pleasure to In the last five years we have had work with you and I will miss the fellowship from everyone.

> Finally, I want to thank the professional staff for working so well with me allowing the youth to run the program as they have. Specifically the support our Scout Executive, Kelly Hampton, has given me

One of the least appreciated As we move forward the new phrases in English Language is shower house the youth of the thank you. We use often at times lodge took the initiative to build is with little thought to how much it mostly finished, but not totally fi- means. This time, to all of you, nanced. This effort will continue Thank You. Now let's roll up our past my tenure. The facility is sleeves and get to work to making greatly needed to maintain stand- the Blue Grass Council and When I agreed to take this position ards and attract troops to come to Kawida Lodge the best place in the

> Alan Watts 2007-2011 Lodge Adviser



Lodge Officers	Lodge Advisers	
Name Position	Name Position	
Alan Bast <u>chief@kawida.org</u> Lodge Chief	Alan Watts <u>lodgeadviser@kawida.org</u> Lodge Adviser	
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Ben Brown <u>viceofbrotherhood@kawida.org</u> Vice-Chief of Brotherhood	Mike Warman <u>viceofbrotherhoodadviser@kawida.org</u> Brotherhood Adviser	
Sunder Willett secretary@kawida.org Lodge Secretary	Barry Goff <u>secretaryadviser@kawida.org</u> Secretary Adviser	
Nathan Vick <u>treasurer@kawida.org</u> Lodge Treasurer	Claudette Watts treasureradviser@kawida.org Treasurer Adviser	
	Ken Green staffadviser@kawida.org Staff Adviser	

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O.A. Dues

Your \$15.00 payment is now due for 2012.

Membership in Kawida Lodge, which includes your right to wear the O.A. flap and sash, is contingent upon this annual payment.

Please see the enclosed Dues Form to continue your membership in good standing.

Thank you!

All dates are tentative and subject to change. Check www.kawida.org for updates.

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2012 Calendar