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DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR THE 2012 SECTION SR-7A CONCLAVE TO BE HOSTED BY SHENANDOAH LODGE FROM APRIL 27TH TO 29TH!

THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS MARCH 5TH. A LATE FEE APPLIES FOR REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE. NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER APRIL 15TH!

REGISTRATION FORMS MAY BE FOUND AT NAWAKWA.ORG OR AT SR7A.ORG



## Indian Summer 2011 Provides Enriching Experience

*Nawakwa Arrowmen Discover Training, Fellowship, and Fun*

By **SAM BEAUGLASS**  
**SHEXAXKAPEU PEMIKAN GENTGEEN**  
(Straight Arrow Dancer)

Even if you've never been part of a Dance or Ceremony, Indian Summer has something for you. The classes there ranged from crafting and dancing to ceremony instruction, leadership seminars, and cultural studies, so everyone was able to find a place where their interests matched a class offered. I personally took many crafting and geographical classes to improve my Dance Regalia, but others in the contingent took Ceremony instructions and even participated in a High Challenge Ropes Course and Laser Tag.

The Geographical courses were very helpful to us, allowing us to compare our regalia with the outfits of Native Americans from the time period we try to emulate, and the ceremony classes opened the attendees to different perspectives and interpretations. The Crafting classes in particular helped me, since it gave me an opportunity to learn an easier method of beading for adornment on outfits than what I had tried previously. Many classes were aimed to help beginners get a foothold on Ceremonies or Dance, offering advice, knowledge, and time to work on techniques and their

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### Mountain Top Experiences





Mack provides the inside scoop on all of the incredible opportunities that await Nawakwa Arrowmen in 2012.

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### Looking for a Few Good Men

Have you ever had a hankering to attend a National Jamboree as an assistant Scoutmaster for a council troop? We need you!

### Get social with us online!

-  <http://nawakwa.org>
-  <http://twitter.com/nawakwalodge>
-  <http://on.fb.me/nawakwa>
-  [publications@nawakwa.org](mailto:publications@nawakwa.org)



# Chief's Bonnet

My Brothers:

I'd like to start by thanking you all once again for an amazing 2011. It is because of all your hard work and dedication to our Order's values that we are able to provide consistently excellent service to the council and the community.

Next, I'd like to remind you all of some very exciting opportunities this year. First, we'll be doing the final GW/Jeff Trail Crew project March 30-April 1. This is a great chance to help out the National Park areas that so many of us use every year. Then, our section Conclave will be April 27-29 at Camp Rock Enon. This is an incredible event that offers great training, fun, and fellowship.

And, of course, NOAC will be held at Michigan State University July 30- August 4. This conference is a truly amazing experience. When I had the privilege of going in 2009, I had a great time and even got to help set the world record for largest kazoo band (true story).

I look forward to seeing you all in March at the Spring Service Weekend.

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Allen Crump



# Adviser's Minute



Brethren,

2012 is a year with many opportunities for adventures that are the stuff that build lasting memories of mountain top experiences.



GW/Jeff Trail Crew, Mar 30 to Apr 1 - All we need to complete the Nawakwa Connection is 100 trail builders, 14 and older. So come be part of the celebration on our completion of this three year cheerful service project! I hope you heard the call as Uncas did and will answer as he did by participating.

The fee is \$30 which includes a special flap, fun, fellowship and fantastic food!

SR7-A Conclave, Apr 27-29 - Our Section Conclave will be held at Camp Rock Enon, a beautiful camp high in the mountains on the WV border. Everyone is invited to register and come enjoy the fellowship, fun, competition, training and good food and outstanding feast Saturday night after the show. Registration materials are available on our web site or at [www.sr7a.org](http://www.sr7a.org). The registration deadline is Mar 5 with late registration (\$20 charge) by Apr 15.

National Order of the Arrow Conference, Jul 30 to Aug 4 - NOAC is being held at Michigan State University where you will live in air conditioned college dorms and eat in their cafeterias. There will be training opportunities in the morning, activities afternoon and shows at night plus the best ice cream you have ever tasted. I have had the good fortune of attending several NOAC's and I have found that they all have that little something different that makes them a true outstanding mountain top experience. Registration information is available on our website or from Razz at [RAZZOABSA@aol.com](mailto:RAZZOABSA@aol.com).

I look forward to seeing you at our Spring Service Weekend and Ordeal March 16-18 to hear your plans to be a part of the big three adventure of 2012.

In W.W.W.  
Mack Ruffin

## Spring OA Service Weekend Campsite Assignments

Site	Chapter	Site	Chapter
Koch #3	5	Turner #6	4 & 19 & 23
Newlon #4	7	Overstreet #15	28
Frise #5	18	<i>No camping in any other location</i>	

## 2013 Jamboree Staff Positions

The Heart of Virginia Council is sending eight troops to the National Jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Reserve, July 15 – 24, 2013. This is the first jamboree to be held at the BSA new wilderness site in West Virginia. If you think you might be interested in serving as a 3rd assistant Scoutmaster for one of the Council’s jamboree troops, you can find a link to an application on its website. You must be eighteen years of age by July 15, 2013 but not yet twenty-one years of age by July 24, 2013. The fee for attending Jamboree in this position is \$425.

## Nawakwa Arrowman Elected Section Secretary at COC



Chris Bonelli, 2010-2011 Nawakwa Lodge Chief, was elected and installed as Section Secretary at the recent Council of Chiefs (COC) meeting held February 4th in Waynesboro. The COC is made up of the Section Chief, Section Vice-Chief, Section Secretary, Immediate Past Section Chief, the Lodge Chiefs from each Council, as well as appointed Arrowmen who serve as Conclave Vice Chiefs.

Other Nawakwa Arrowmen joining Chris at the meeting included Lodge Chief Allen Crump, Lodge Vice-Chief of Program Marc Reiner, and 2010-2011 Lodge Secretary-Treasurer Tyler Reekes. They are pictured to the right as they worked to complete a Journey to Excellence exercise.



### The Tom-Tom Staff

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applications. The adults teaching the classes were very knowledgeable in their fields, and were always willing to help someone newly interested in something to become even more active in the pursuit of that interest.

Throughout the week, there were three powwows where we could go out and dance to live drums and see what we had been learning put into action. A few dancers were selected during these powwows for performances during the opening and closing shows, including many of our contingent’s dancers. Between the classes, the application of the concepts in those classes at the powwow, and the adult leadership and advice inside and outside these activities, everyone was able to learn new pastimes that they may have otherwise not had an opportunity to discover.

When Indian Summer comes around, I know I’ll be there. Anyone with any kind of interest in Native American culture, dance, or ceremony should definitely go. It’s one of the most enriching experiences I’ve been a part of, and I think it was just as enriching for anyone else that attended as well.

## ARROWMAN HONORED FOR SERVICE TO YOUTH

Nawakwa’s own Bob Tucker was recently featured on NBC 12’s “Acts of Kindness” segment for his 37 years as Scoutmaster of Troop 529. You can watch the segment at [nbc12.com](http://nbc12.com)



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### Sons of Uncas

By Randy VanNess



The deadline for submissions to the next issue of the Tom-Tom is March 23rd. Please send your submissions to the Council Office (return address, below) or to [TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org](mailto:TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org)



## The Lookout

**MARCH 16-18 ..... SPRING SERVICE WEEKEND**  
CAMP T. BRADY SAUNDERS

**MAR 30-APR 1..... GW/JEFF TRAIL CREW**  
WASHINGTON/JEFFERSON NATIONAL FORESTS  
*Registration form is online at [nawakwa.org](http://nawakwa.org)*

**APRIL 27-29 ..... SR-7A CONCLAVE**  
CAMP ROCK ENON IN GORE, VA  
*See [nawakwa.org](http://nawakwa.org) or [sr7a.org](http://sr7a.org) for info on how to complete online registration*

**MAY 18-20 ..... SUMMER SERVICE WEEKEND**  
CAMP T. BRADY SAUNDERS  
*Lodge Office Elections & Lodge Leadership Development Course  
All youth leaders & adult advisers are invited to attend (ends at 3pm)*

**JUL 30-AUG 4 .... NATIONAL OA CONFERENCE**  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY  
*For more information, visit <http://event.oa-bsa.org/events/n2012>*

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