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DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR THE 2013 SECTION SR-7A CONCLAVE TO BE HOSTED BY BLUE HERON LODGE FROM APRIL 26TH TO 28TH!

The deadline for registration is March 15th. 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



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#### **Mountain Top Experiences**

Mack provides the inside scoop on all of the incredible opportunities that await Nawakwa Arrowmen in 2013.

# Nawakwa Lodge 2013 A Challenge for Excellence



The upcoming year looks to be a year that will challenge our lodge to provide the excellent service to Scouting that we have historically given. We will need to have our membership step forward to help the lodge in meeting our annual goals.

Individual chapters will be working with their district Troops to hold elections for new members and perform Arrow of Light and Crossover ceremonies for Cub Packs.

Nawakwa Lodge will be holding three Service Weekends to welcome those elected

into our Order, our Brotherhood, and our Lodge. The Nawakwa Lodge Trail Crew will be starting their newest project over the weekend of April 5-7 at Camp Albright. The SR7A Conclave will be held over the weekend of April 26-28 where Arrowmen from the six Virginia Lodges join together for training, brotherhood, and fun. The June Service weekend serves a dual purpose with the Lodge holding our annual meeting where our officers for the next year will be elected. The National Jamboree will be kicking off at the Summit in July with lodge members taking on staff positions. Later in the year, the Lodge will be taking part in the 100th Anniversary celebration of the Heart of Virginia Council. Fall Fellowship is our last event at Camp T. Brady Saunders where we celebrate the year and start preparing for 2014. We end our lodge year with our annual community service project at the Richmond Carillion.

Are you ready to step forward in service?

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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!

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# Chief's Bonnet

Brethren,

Thank you all for an amazing 2012. It was a year full of events and Nawakwa could not have done it without your help. We have another busy year ahead of us and I am confident that with our combined efforts we can make this a successful 2013.



Keep in mind we have very important events coming up for the lodge! On the weekend of March 15 we have our Spring Service Weekend. In April 26-28 we have the SR-7A Conclave! A very exciting weekend with arrowmen from all over the state of Virginia with some very special guests, such as the past national chief will be present. At the most recent LEC, I made a deal with the chapter chiefs that if we can break our goal of 148 than each chapter can pie me in the face at their chapter meeting.



The National Jamboree is quickly approaching and they need help! They are looking for arrowmen to serve as guides for various areas at the Bechtel Summit. I went to the past jamboree as a member of OA Staff and it was a life changing experience! I certainly hope Nawakwa will have a strong presence at the jamboree.

Finally, if you are interested in going to one of the High

Adventure Bases with the OA I encourage you to apply for one of the section scholarships. The application is simple and will pay for your entire fee to the respected base. All you have to pay for is transportation! It is a great opportunity to go to the High Adventure Bases. I look forward to seeing you all at the Spring Service Weekend.

Yours in Brotherhood, Marc Reiner

# Adviser's Minute





Brethren,

Have you paid your Nawakwa Lodge dues for 2013? If you are not sure about your dues status check your address label on the Tom-Tom. The date over your first name is your dues date. If it does not read 2013 or later you owe dues now. You should have received a dues letter with a form

to be completed and returned with \$15 payment. The form is also available from the council office or can be down loaded from the website, www.nawakwa.org . If you dues are not paid this will be your last Tom-Tom. Be active, support your Lodge and enjoy the fun, fellowship and adventure of The OA.

SR-7A Conclave, April 26-28 at Camp Lions, Spring Grove, VA Register now to attend this fun filled adventure. Pay on line at conclave.sr7a.org. Register before 3/15 to avoid the \$15 late fee.

Ordeal Members with ten months or more membership, now is the time to seal your membership in the brotherhood. It is not another Ordeal. The OA handbook or website [jumpstart.oa-bsa.org] provides all the information needed.

Elections for Lodge Chief, Vice-Chief Administration, Vice-Chief Program and Secretary/Treasurer will be held on Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> at the Summer OA Service Weekend. If you are interested in running for office please bring the following to the Spring Service Weekend [March 15-17]:

- Your picture for the Tom-Tom. If you do not have one a photographer for the Tom-Tom will take one for you.
- An article about your qualifications for office and your plan for the next Nawakwa year to be published in the Tom-Tom.
- Parent/Guardian written permission slip for you to run for office.

You will also need to meet with Michael Lynch and me to discuss your plans for the 2013-2014 lodge year. It is a very easy process. It is our hope that at least two candidates will seek each office. If you are not interested in running for office, please encourage the Brother who, in your opinion, would be the best one for the job. Your active participation determines your lodge's future.

See you at the Service Weekend and Conclave, register today!

In W.W.W. Mack Ruffin

## **NEW ADULT MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

The national Order of the Arrow committee has modified the requirements for the nomination of adult unit Scouters to become candidates for induction into the Order. The changes will increase the number of currently-serving Scoutmasters and Varsity Team Coaches and other unit Scouters who can be nominated to be candidates. These modifications apply only to adult leaders in Scout troops and Varsity teams who are 21 years of age or older. They become effective at the beginning January 1, 2013.

The following requirements are from the Order of the Arrow Guide for Officers and Advisers:

Adult leaders in units: Each year, upon holding a troop or team election for youth candidates that results in at least one youth candidate being elected, the unit committee may nominate adults to the lodge adult selection committee. The number of adults nominated can be no more than one-third of the number of youth candidates elected, rounded up where the number of youth candidates is not a multiple of three. In addition to the one-third limit, the unit committee may nominate the currently-serving unit leader (but not assistant leaders), as long as he or she has served as unit leader for at least the previous twelve months. Recommendations of the adult selection committee, which consists of the lodge adviser, the chairman of the council committee on which the lodge adviser serves, and the lodge staff adviser, with the approval of the Scout executive, serving as Supreme Chief of the Fire, will be candidates for induction, provided the following conditions are fulfilled:

• Selection of the adult is based on the ability to perform the necessary functions to help the Order fulfill its purpose, and not for recognition of service, including current or prior achievement and positions.

• The individual will be an asset to the Order because of demonstrated abilities that fulfill the purpose of the Order.

• Fifteen days and nights of Boy Scout camping in the last two years including one long term camp of six days and five nights.

• The adult leader's membership will provide a positive example for the growth and development of the youth members of the lodge.

### UNIT OA ELECTIONS

The OA election season is here. Has your troop scheduled an election for 2013? Contact your local chapter to arrange for an Unit Election team to come to your troop meeting.

# The Tom-Tom Staff

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#### Subscribing

Individuals who are not current members of Nawakwa Lodge may subscribe to *The Tom-Tom* for an annual fee of \$10. Mail your address to the council office (see return address above the mailing label) with a check made out to "OA/BSA." Members receive copies as a part of their yearly dues paid. This service is provided as an effort to keep our brothers who may have moved away in touch with the activities of Nawakwa Lodge.

#### 2013 VIGIL HONOR

The following youth was awarded the Vigil Honor for 2012. Below is his name is the new Lenni Lenape name and the English translation

CHARLES HARWOOD VAUGHAN SAKIMA MACHEU MIECHHEKEN CHIEF WITH GREAT HAIR

### 2013 Lodge Dues are Due TODAY!!!

If you have not yet paid your 2013 Lodge Dues of \$15, then please do so TODAY!. Dues forms can be found on the lodge web site at http://www.Nawakwa.org/ or at the Council Service Center. Please check your mailing label to see if your dues are current...if 2013 or later appears on your label, then your dues are current...if 2012 or before appears, then your need to pay your dues immediately. Those who don't pay by the end of the year will likely cease to receive mailings from the Lodge.

## NAWAKWA SPRING SERVICE WEEKEND

March 15<sup>th</sup> is rapidly approaching where we will be welcoming candidates seeking to join our Order and Nawakwa Lodge. The central purpose of the Ordeal is to challenge the candidate to undertake challenges symbolic of the virtues of brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service; and in so doing, make them believe that they can and should apply these virtues to their everyday lives.

Our service weekends are an important time for our Lodge. Not only do we induct new members, we also perform an vital service for the Heart of Virginia Scout Reservation (Camp T. Brady Saunders and the Cub and Webelos Adventure Camp).

Ordeal members. Have you been a member of the OA for at least 10 months? Seal your membership in the Order by completing your Brotherhood during the Service Weekend. Completing your Brotherhood is one of the things you need to do to earn the First Year Arrowman award.

The registration form to take part in the Service Weekend is included in this issue. Register now to join in on the fun, camaraderie, and service.

	Spring OA Service Weekend Campsite Assignments						
	<u>Site</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	Site	<b>Chapter</b>			
	Koch #3	5	Turner #6	4 & 19 & 23			
	Newlon #4	7	Overstreet #15	28			

## ATTENTION ALL ELANGOMATS

"Elangomat" is the Lenni Lenape word for "friend." The Order of the Arrow gives the title of Elangomat to Arrowmen who lead Ordeal candidates through the power of their example. Elangomats are like mirrors held to the candidates, who, through inspired leadership, reflect to the candidates their own innate abilities to accomplish the challenges of the Ordeal and lead a life of cheerful service. In this sense, the Elangomat may be one of the most important parts of the Ordeal



experience, second only to the candidates themselves.

All leadership in the Order of the Arrow is by example. Therefore, in order to lead the candidates through the Ordeal, Elangomats volunteer to participate again in all of the challenges of the Ordeal along with the candidates, including

scant food, silence, arduous labor, and the night alone. In approaching all the challenges, the Elangomat must be the representative of the entire Order, and lead by enthusiastic example and cheerful dedication. Candidates will approach the challenges with greater dedication when shown the example of an Elangomat who is similarly dedicated. As Allowat Sakima says, "He who follows such a pathway in unwavering cheerful service will be seen by many others and, by inspiration, lead them."

### THE SERVICE COMMITTEE HAS MAJOR CHANGES

The changes are as follows: Elangomats are to meet at the CUB CAMP WELCOME CENTER Clans will be forming in the CUB CAMP DINING HALL Clans will be bedded down in the DOUGLAS S. FLEET camping area Elangomats will be sleeping WITH the clans

## NAWAKWA TRAIL CREW 2013



form if your physical was after 4/1/12.

To make this event happen, we need at least 100 youth to attend, so please register today. With your support, this service project will truly be a living legacy.

Codey Daul Trail Crew Chair TrailCrew@Nawakwa.org



Nawakwa and Shenandoah are among the 5 lodges in the Southern Region selected for an OA Service Grant for 2013. Nawakwa Lodge will receive \$1,676 dollars to put toward the building of the five (5) mile hiking trail loop with an ADA

### Camp Finley Albright Loop Trail

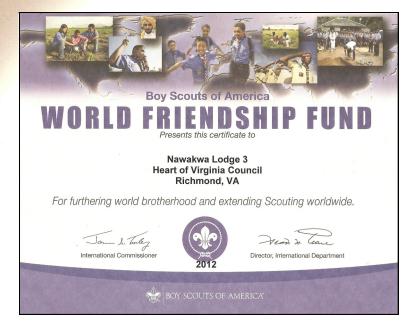
The First Annual Camp Finley Albright Trail Crew project is right around the corner. On April 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> 2013, our Lodge will begin building a trail that will become a five mile loop in the wilderness area of Camp Albright. For those attending, there will be great food, collectible restricted patches, and the never-ending satisfaction of a job well done. To register for Albright Trail Crew, fill out the registration form in the February 2013 *Tom-Tom* (or online at nawakwa.org).

Due to the nature of this event, all participants will need to be at least 14 years old by April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013. In addition, everyone will need to submit a copy of their current medical form (Parts A, B and C). You can use your summer camp health



accessible shelter at Finley Albright Scout Reservation.

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Nawakwa Lodge has been recognized by the World Friendship Fund for the support in furthering world brotherhood and extending Scouting worldwide in 2012.



Congratulations to John F. Brady, Nawakwa Lodge Vigil Honor member, on his election to Delaware's Sussex County Clerk of the Peace



# Carillion Service Project 2012

Nawakwa's Lodge's annual community service project, The Carillon, was a huge success. The Carillion was December 22 and 23 at Bird Park in Richmond. The Lodge assisted by moving the stage scenery set and props as well as assisting with crowd control during the pageant. Afterwards we all gathered for our celebratory donut shop for some fantastic donuts. We hope to see even more Arrowmen next year. Codey Daul



Dr. David H. "Bootie" Reames, Jr.

1921 - 2012

Vigil Honor, Nawakwa Lodge

# OA HISTORY TIMELINE

Check out the latest web-site for the history of the Order of the Arrow. WWW.HISTORY.AO-BSA.ORG

We hope that you enjoy your many adventures on the OA History Timeline and that you will come back again and again. As you meet that part of our Obligation that calls upon each of us to "Observe and Preserve the Traditions of the Order of the Arrow" try to catch that oft times elusive glimpse of the Higher Vision our founders boldly gave us when they created a Brotherhood for those that serve others cheerfully.

# Around Nawakwa Lodge

CHAP- TER	NAME	DISTRICT	MEETING INFORMATION	NAWAKWA	
4	Absegami	Capital	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month (no Nov. meeting) at 6:30 PM at First Baptist Church (before Roundtable). Meeting date and time may change in 2013.	ORDER OF the ARROW	
5	Nagatamen	Battlefield	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month (except July) at 7:00 pm at Fairfield Presbyterian Church, 6930 Cold Harbor Road, Mechanicsville, VA		
7	Pamunkey	Cardinal	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month (except July) at 7:30 PM at the Virginia United Methodist Church Conference Center, 10300 Staples Mill Road, Glen Allen.		
18	Witchindin	Huguenot Trail	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month (except July) at 7:00pm at Mt. Pisgah United Methodist Church, located at 1100 Mt. Pisgah Dr, Midlothian.		
19	Karakona	Crater	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at Gregory Memorial Presbyterian church, 6300 Courthouse Road, Prince George, VA 23875.	<b>W</b>	
23	Chesakawon	Rivers	Next meeting December 6th at 6:30 PM at Beale Memorial Baptist Church, Rt 17 North of Tappahannock (during Roundtable)		
28	Takachsin	Arrohattoc	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday (3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov & Dec) at 7:30 PM at Hopewell United Methodist Church (corner Rt. 288 and Courthouse Road, not in Hopewell)		

#### CHAPTER INFORMATION

### LODGE COMMITTEES

**SERVICE:** The first impression of the OA and Nawakwa Lodge for new ordeal candidates are the Elangomats on the Service committee. The Service committee, chaired by Tom Whitaker and advised by Rowland Creamer, works to make sure our new members have the most rewarding experience. Contact Tom for information about becoming an Elangomat.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Want something published in the Tom-Tom? What something on the Lodge web-site? The Communications Committee is the group that "gets the word out". Each Chapter and Committee should have an Arrowman to be their "reporter" to make sure they get their information published. Contact Alec Nelson, Communications Chair at *Communications@Nawakwa.org*.



**NAWAKWA LODGE DANCE TEAM:** Are you impressed by those Arrowmen in their fancy regalia (not costumes)? Do you want to learn about native American dances and customs? Join the Nawakwa Lodge Dance Team for the fun, learning and great experiences. Stop by the Indian Village during any Service Weekend to learn how you can be a part of this exciting group.

**CHAPEL SERVICES COMMITTEE:** We are responsible for planning and conducting the Chapel Services at the four Lodge functions during the year. NEEDED, Additional YOUTH members. If you are interested in serving the lodge through our committee, please meet at the dining hall fireplace on Saturday at the March (2013) Service/Ordeal weekend immediately after lunch.

**FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE:** Every organization runs on its stomach. Members of the Food Service Committee are tasked with the challenge to provide tasty wholesome meals for the brothers and Ordeal candidates. Want to serve your lodge in a fun and important role, join the Food Service Committee.



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#### Sons of Uncas

**By Randy VanNess** 



The deadline for submissions to the next issue of the Tom-Tom is April 15, 2013. Please send your submissions to the Council Office (return address, below) or to TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org



MARCH 15-17 .....OA SERVICE WEEKEND CAMP T. BRADY SAUNDERS APRIL 5-7.....OA TRAIL CREW CAMP FINLEY ALBRIGHT APRIL 26-28 ......SR-7A CONCLAVE PIPSICO SCOUT RESERVATION MAY 31-JUNE 2 .....OA SERVICE WEEKEND Camp T. Brady Saunders Lodge Office Elections & Lodge Leadership Development Course All youth & adult advisors are invited to attend (ends at 3pm) July 15-24 ......2013 National Jamboree Summit Bechtel Reserve September 6-8 .....OA Service Weekend Camp T. Brady Saunders

### THE TOM-TOM

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