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## Summer Service Weekend May 29-31

Register now for the May Service Weekend. Registration forms for members are available on the lodge home page, www.nawakwa.org as well as the Council Service Center. 2015 marks an exciting year as we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of The Order of The Arrow. Don't miss out. Those eligible to participate in the Brotherhood Program MUST register using the forms that are sent via US Mail. The deadline for registration is May 20th.

The Summer Service Weekend will be held at Camp T. Brady Saunders.

# What can I do?

Do you want to become a more active member in the Nawakwa Lodge? Nawakwa Lodge has a committee waiting for your participation. Youths and adults are asked to see where they can pitch in and help out in one of our fantastic committees. Perhaps you have marketing ideas or want to participate in ceremonies. Maybe the dance team is more your niche or contributing to the Tom-Tom or Social Media. Food service is always looking for a few good brothers. There's plenty of opportunities waiting for you.

### TOM-TOM GOING EXCLUSIVELY ELECTRONIC!!!

The Nawakwa Lodge is embracing the 21st Century. In doing so, the printed version of the Tom-Tom will be going away at the end of this year as we prepare to transition to an electronic medium. Requests for a printed version and any feedback should be sent to lodgeadviser@nawakwa.org

## 2015 ArrowTour coming to T. Brady Saunders on June 30th.

Highlights include: 100th Year Celebration; Activities and Games; Branding; Time Capsule; Silk Screening. There will also be a specific patch for the Heart of Virginia Council which can be ordered at http://www.sgtradingpost.com/sub\_cat.php?sub\_category\_id=210



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# Chief's Bonnet

# Adviser's Minute





#### My Brothers,

As my year as the Nawakwa Lodge Chief ends, I would like to thank the lodge for its countless hours of service to the camps and the community.

First, I would like to congratulate the lodge on earning the Journey to Excellence – Gold Level for the year of 2014. Second, I would like to congratulate

all those arrowmen who earned their Ordeal and Brotherhood from the Spring Service Weekend. Along with our 2014 eagle class which Nawakwa lodge helped sponsor. Finally, to the 10 participants we had attend the National Leadership Seminar April  $10^{\text{th}} - 12^{\text{th}}$ .

I hope everyone had a fantastic time at this past years' Section SR-7A Conclave. Looking forward into 2015, May 29th-31st will be the Summer Service Weekend at camp.

This being my last chief's bonnet, I would like to leave you all with a thought. It was a story told to me by a Scout leader who I respect a lot. It goes like this:

A young boy walked onto a beach the day after a large storm. The storm had washed up all types of things. Thousands upon thousands of sea stars had been washed up. They were littered along the bank as far as he could see. There was an old man tossing sea stars back into the ocean. One at a time the old man would pick a sea star, examine it and toss it away. Curious about this the boy walked up to the old man and said "Why are you throwing these sea stars into the sea? Don't you know you can't save them all?" The old man smiled. He picked up a sea star, threw it into the surf, and said "It mattered to that one."

Personally, this is how I like to view service. It is important to understand we can't help everyone, but we can make powerful impacts on certain levels. Whether it is a Scoutmaster giving a ride to his Scouts for an OA weekend or being an LEC committee member, both are giving service that is important.

I want to reshape the word 'service'. We often think of service as hard labor or grind. However, oftentimes, it is much simpler and easier. I think a better way to think about the idea of service is helping others. Something like a random act of kindness, helping a younger scout – become an honor camper--, because we all need role models to show us how to become one; or doing something to impact someone anywhere in a positive manner. So I challenge you with this: *Do a good turn daily.* Make an impact one small action at a time.

Yours in the Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui,



#### Brothers,

I just wanted to congratulate the entire Lodge on a job well done on three major events. The first two events actually took place at the recent Spring Service Weekend which rolled out two major changes; a new brotherhood ceremony and a new weekend schedule which focused on the core principles of our organization, **Brotherhood, Cheerfulness and Service**. Our hard-working ceremonies team successfully

introduced a brand new Brotherhood ceremony which became mandatory on January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year. What a fantastic job our Brothers did on their execution of this ceremony. I trust everyone who attended or plans to attend in May will find the new ceremony rich in new meaning and fulfilling in your continuing journey. The new schedule allowed more time for our chapters to focus on the new ordeal candidates and their ordeal journey to membership. I want to thank the chapters for their service, patience, and followthrough on engaging their members and new Brothers in the true spirit of Cheerfulness and Service. Along with the Lodge Officers and Advisers, you are the key reason for our success. I look forward to the Summer Service weekend where we will focus on the small tweaks and feedback from this past service event and make it an even better experience for all...We have pre-ordered beautiful weather for the May event, so hopefully Mother Nature will deliver warmth and sunshine ...

The third major event was Conclave... you hit it out of the park, with over **230+** Nawakwa Lodge members headed to Jamaica (VA, that is!) at the end of April for what will be the biggest ever Conclave in our Sections history. For our Lodge, this is one of the biggest, if not *the* biggest, non-host Conclave delegation Nawakwa has sent to Conclave ever. I know, with this many motivated Brothers and an intense Spirit agenda, we will ensure SR-7A knows we are the Lodge of the Year!! Thanks again to all of the Chapter Chiefs and Advisers for their hard work in recruiting members to attend this special event. WE ARE NAWAKWA 3!!!

Just a couple of reminders as well, our Lodge will be hosting one of the southern regions 100 year ArrowTour celebrations on June 30<sup>th</sup> at Camp T. Brady Saunders. More information will be forthcoming and I hope you will consider volunteering to help with the event, if not just planning to attend the event. It is a great opportunity to experience some of the fun and excitement that will be present at NOAC in August at Michigan State University where we will celebrate 100 years of Service.

We also have lodge elections at the Summer Service Weekend, best wishes to all of the officer candidates, we look forward to continued success under your leadership.

In Brotherhood,

Keegan McNulty, Lodge Chief

Michael W. Lynch

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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Arrowmen following who eligible for Brotherhood after 10 months Gabriel Michael Romito......T436 Service Weekend, March 2016).



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Christopher Edward Bowen	Г7454
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Michael Lawrence Briggs	T715
Kevin James Bright	Г800
Charles Glasgow Butts Jr	Г7454
Remy Whitfield Butts	Г7454
Samuel Ray Causey	Г1838
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Dean Christopher Daffron	
Thomas Forest Dickens	Г2890
Matthew Robert Dix Jakob Patrick Ferro Barrett Evans Gill	Г6535
Jakob Patrick Ferro	Г735
Barrett Evans Gill	Г2890
Andrew Austin Hatton	
Justin Bennett Hawkins	
Justin Michael Hoffman	Г436
Kyle Cassidy Hoffman	Г736
Nicholas James Humble	Г436
Jacob Bruce Ivey	Г1891
Heather Baxter Jeffrey	
Miles Cray Jeffrey	T1807
Hunter Rowe Jenkins Jr	Γ444
Hunter Rowe Jenkins Sr	Γ444
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Jonathon Parker Kemp	1767
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### Welcome to Scouting's Honor Society!!!





Congratulations the following to Arrowmen who became Brotherhood members at the Service Weekend in March.



# Nawakwa Takes Over NLS

### Submitted by Trey Lyle

From April 10-12, 2015 10 Nawakwa Lodge Arrowmen traveled to Claytor Lake Aquatics Base, near Radford, VA, for the National Leadership Seminar. The National Leadership Seminar, or NLS, is a weekend event held by the Southern Region of the OA and its goal is to teach leaders, both youth and adult, about the groundwork of effective leadership.

Those who represented Nawakwa Lodge 3 included Lodge Chief Keegan McNulty, Chapter 5 Chief Trey Lyle, Chapter 7 Chief Ryan Mayer, Special Events Chairman Kevin McNeilly, Service Chairman Matthew Young, Chapter 28 Chief Chris Schoeb, Training Chairman Brandon Daul and three advisers, Vice-Chief of Program Adviser Phil Victor, Chapter 7 Adviser Ray Ferguson, and Chapter 19 Adviser Mitch Bartholomew. This group of Nawakwa Lodge Arrowmen was one of, if not the largest contingents, that Nawakwa Lodge 3 has ever sent to NLS.

NLS attendees attended multiple training sessions ranging from Tools for Leaders to Situational Leadership. Participants were also able to talk to and interact with National Chief Alex Call, Southern Region Chief Alexander Leach, SR-7A Section Chief Andrew Sorenson and staff of officers from sections across the Southern Region. The NLS Staff also featured our very own Nick Harman, a former Nawakwa Lodge Chief and SR-7A Section



The Nawakwa contingent with National Chief Alex Call and Southern Region Chief Alexander Leach

Chief. Arrowmen from lodges across the region attended, including lodges as close as Virginia and the Carolinas, to Georgia, Alabama, and as far away as Texas. The event was very informative for all of the Arrowmen who attended and they are looking to share their new found knowledge with all of their brothers of Nawakwa Lodge.

# **Paul Teasley receives The Founder's Award**



Congratulations to Paul Teasley, who was the recipient of The Founder's Award at the Spring Service Weekend in March at Camp T. Brady Saunders. Paul is the adviser for The Nawakwa Ceremonial Team.

Introduced at the 1981 National Order of the Arrow Conference, the Founder's Award recognizes Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to their lodge. The award is reserved for an Arrowman who demonstrates that he or she personifies the spirit of selfless service, as advocated by founder E. Urner Goodman and cofounder Carroll A. Edson.

Thank you and congratulations again Paul for your dedicated service to the Nawakwa Lodge!!!

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# **Spring Service Weekend**







# TRAINING

Planning for this year's training at Fall Fellowship and Lodge Leadership Development training (LLD) is underway. For Fall Fellowship we will be hosting James Bond themed courses. Do you have an idea of a course that we can instruct? Let the committee know by emailing your ideas to <u>training@nawakwa.org</u>.

LLD training will be held on November 6-8 at the Cub/Webelos Adventure Camp. We would request that all Lodge leadership attend this very important training so that you can enhance your skills and knowledge in how to run the lodge efficiently. This training also helps you in your everyday life and in your scouting unit too! Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to attend!

Mark your calendars TODAY for both of these fun and instructional events! Brandon Daul, Training chair

### Summer Service Weekend Menu

Friday: Optional Dinner: Super Chicken, Cheddar Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Boston Cream Pie

Food Service Chair: David Maloy

**Adviser: Ed Beach** 

Saturday: Breakfast: Breakfast Casserole, Sausage, Cereal, Milk, Juice
Lunch: Subs, Potato Salad or Chips, Apples, Cookies, Salad
Dinner: Ham Steaks, Yams with Marshmallows, Green Beans, Salad Bar, Spiced Cake
Cracker Barrel: Sundae Bar, Cookies

Suday: Breakfast: Bacon/Egg/Cheese Croissants, Potatoes, Cereal, Milk Juice

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# **ELECTION 2015** Meet the candidates for Lodge Chief



Hello, my name is Ryan McNeilly and I am running to be your next Lodge Chief. To tell you a little about myself, I am a junior at Cosby High School and have been in the Order of the Arrow for almost five years. I am an Eagle Scout from Troop 2815 and a Class of 2013 Vigil Honor member in the OA. During my time in the Order I have spent nearly four years on the Lodge Executive Committee in many positions including Lodge Elections Chairman, OA Troop Representative Chairman, Dance Team Chairman, Chapter 28 Chief, and most recently, Vice Chief of Administration. I have also attended many leadership trainings that have prepared me for this responsibility including Buckskin, Chapter Leadership Summit, Lodge Leadership Development, and National Leadership Seminar. As your Lodge Chief, I plan to continue on this path of change that we as a lodge have undergone these past few years. This includes finalizing the schedule change, continuing to improve our program, and solidifying the Lodge Executive Committee restructure. My focus will be to continue to improve the new Nawakwa Fest and Friday night programs in order to improve our fellowship and fun at our service weekends. I also wish to make this year's 100th Anniversary of the Order of the Arrow Fall Fellowship a great success, because this is such an important year in not only the Lodge's history, but also the Order of the Arrow's history. Together we can make these goals a reality, remember to vote Ryan McNeilly for Lodge Chief.

#### Brothers,

Without a doubt, Nawakwa has risen to become one of the best lodges in the country. Our success can be attributed to the quality leadership that we've seen throughout our history. I would like to continue this tradition of quality leadership by offering my service as Lodge Chief for the 2015-2016 term.

As Lodge Chief, I plan to not only continue the success of Nawakwa, but continue the success of each of our chapters, committees, and arrowmen. I plan to work with each Chapter Chief and Committee Chairman to ensure we prove our success, by earing the Journey to Excellence Gold Award. I plan on working towards a better retention program and increasing our brotherhood conversion rates. I will help encourage our new arrowmen to earn their First-Year Arrowman Award. Together, we will show the other lodges in the section how we work by sending a large contingent to section events.

I completed my Ordeal in May 2010, and sealed my membership in Brotherhood the following year. I have been an active member of the Service Committee serving as both an elangomat as well as the Service Committee Chairman since September 2011. I continue to function in this capacity to this day. I was awarded the Vigil Honor in 2013. During the Fall Fellowship of 2014, I was presented with the Founder's Award. Outside of the OA, I earned my Eagle Scout in 2010. I participated in the Buckskin National Youth Leadership Training and have since been asked back to work on the staff. This year is my 5<sup>th</sup> year on staff. I completed the National Advanced Youth Leadership

Experience at the Philmont Training Center. I attended the 2010 National Jamboree and I have completed a trek at Philmont. Outside of Scouting, I am enrolled at Randolph-Macon College majoring in Political Science. I have the honor of serving as the Lieutenant for the Ashland Volunteer Rescue Squad.

I ask that you vote for me as the next Nawakwa Lodge Chief so we can continue to expand, and reach greater heights and achieve more success than we already have.

In W.W.W. Tom Whitaker



#### Hello My Brothers,

My name is Trey Lyle and I want to be your Lodge Chief for 2015-2016. I'm currently a Brotherhood member and the Chapter Chief for Nagataman Chapter 5. In the lodge, I have served as Spirit Chairman and Nagataman Chapter Vice Chief. Also, I have completed Buckskin and the National Leadership Seminar, both national level leadership training programs. As Spirit Chairman, I started the Friday Night Activity of Fellowship that continued on through this lodge year. As Lodge Chief, I plan to listen to your opinion, in particular about our new schedule, so that we can improve our program for your enjoyment. My main goal as Lodge Chief is to keep improving our program in this transitional period so that our ties of brotherhood can be stronger than ever. Another goal of mine is to continue this great legacy of this lodge. This lodge is 96 years old and also being 100 year anniversary of the Order of the Arrow, I want to continue the legacy by providing the necessary leadership so that we can continue through to the next 100 years of this order. This is why I am asking for your vote, so that I can give you the greatest opportunity to continue to have a successful lodge. Yours in Brotherhood,

# Around Nawakwa Lodge

### CHAPTER INFORMATION

CHAPTER	NAME	DISTRICT	MEETING INFORMATION
4	Absegami	Capital	1 <sub>st</sub> 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.
5	Nagatamen	Battlefield	3rd Monday of the month (except July) at 7:00 pm at Fairfield Presbyterian Church, 6930 Cold Harbor Road, Mechanicsville, VA
7	Pamunkey	Cardinal	1 <sub>st</sub> 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 <sub>st</sub> 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	2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at Gregory Memorial Presbyterian church, 6300 Courthouse Road, Prince George, VA 23875.
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	4th Thursday (3rd Nov & Dec) at 7:30 PM at Hopewell United Methodist Church (corner Rt. 288 and Courthouse Road, not in Hopewell

### 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 at *Service@Nawakwa.org*.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Want something published in the Tom-Tom? Want 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*.

**DANCE TEAM:** Native American Dance and Drum Team is always looking for Arrowmen looking to join the Dance Team and learn about American Indian culture. Please contact the Dance Team at *Dance@Nawakwa.org*.

**LODGE COMMITTEE ADVISERS:** Nawakwa Lodge is searching for a few key adults to serve as advisers and assistants to help grow the committees and enable them to plan and execute towards achieving lodge goals. Committees include: Trail Crew, Unit Elections, Service (this role will split from Ordeal responsibilities before June and needs an adviser and 2 associate advisers); OA Troop/Team Rep Associate Adviser; Special events; Conclave; Fall Fellowship; Nawakwa Centennial; Marketing/Branding; Lodgemaster; Chapel, Elangomat and Training. Please contact Michael Lynch, Lodge Adviser at *LodgeAdviser@Nawakwa.org*.

### FALL FELLOWSHIP

**WANT TO HAVE SOME FUN!!** Mark your calendars NOW so that you don't miss Fall Fellowship on October 16-18. Planning is in full swing. Our theme this year is James Bond. We will have Bond themed games, training and of course lots of good food! This event is nothing but fun from start to finish! We will have gathering games on Friday night that will be hosted by the Spirit committee. Saturday morning we will have numerous "fun" training courses. In the afternoon, participate in James Bond themed games. After dinner we will hold our annual awards ceremony, lodge rededication ceremony and of course more fun activities to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the OA. More details will be provided at the service weekends. If you would like to help plan this fun event please email FallFellowship@nawakwa.org.

Sandra Daul, Fall Fellowship Adviser

W. W. W. **Sons of Uncas By Randy VanNess** Thats it. I am O.K. now lets I'm Timmy Wait! I have out of here! vote in our O.A. What have you got and I endorse something to to show us?? this ad.... election.... show Just a second you'll see.

The deadline for submissions to the next issue of the Tom-Tom is July 1, 2015. Please send your submissions to the Council Office or to TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org



MAY 29-31..... OA SERVICE WEEKEND CAMP T. BRADY SAUNDERS

JUNE 30.....ARROWTOUR CAMP T. BRADY SAUNDERS

AUGUST 2-8 ...... NOAC MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY SEPTEMBER 11-13 .....Fall Service Weekend CAMP T. Brady SAUNDERS

OCTOBER 3.....SR-7A COUNCIL OF CHIEFS CAMP POWHATAN

OCTOBER 16-18...FALL FELLOWSHIP AND BANQUET CAMP T. BRADY SAUNDERS

NOVEMBER 6-8...LODGE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CUB AND WEBELOS ADVIENTURE CAMP

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