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DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR:  
2015 FALL SERVICE WEEKEND  
SEPTEMBER 11-13

REGISTER AT NAWAKWA.ORG

## Can Members Who Are Not Dues Paid Wear A Lodge Flap?

Straight from the 2015 Order of the Arrow Adviser's Conference, the question was asked of Chairman Capp: "In my lodge, there is a question that is always asked. Can a Scout or Scouter who completed their Ordeal continue to wear the lodge flap even though they have not paid their dues or attended any events?"

The Chairman answered: "Thank you for your question about wearing lodge flaps. This is addressed on page 58 of the Order of the Arrow Handbook. It will also be covered even further in the 2015 edition which will be available this summer.

An Order of the Arrow member can always wear their sash and the Universal Arrow Ribbon once they have completed the induction. However, wearing a lodge flap indicates that their current dues are paid in the specific lodge that the flap represents. So, if the individual has not paid their dues, they should remove the flap from their uniform."

Ray Capp

## Heart of Virginia and Nawakwa Lodge makes history hosting ArrowTour on June 30, 2015.

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## Fall Service Weekend September 11-13

The Fall Service weekend is right around the corner. Don't forget to register and join your brothers for a weekend of brotherhood and service. We hope to see everyone there.



**APRIL 24-26, 2015**  
 Bayport Scout Reservation  
 Jamaica, VA

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CEREMONIES TEAM READY FOR  
NOAC, CHECK IT OUT ON PAGE  
6!!!

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# Chief's Bonnet

# Adviser's Minute



Brothers,  
I would like to start my first Chief's Bonnet by thanking everyone for their support. I'm really looking forward to this year and am hoping that it will be one to remember. I would also like to congratulate all of the new ordeal members that were inducted at this past Summer Service Weekend, as well as all of those who sealed their membership and received their brotherhood.

In this Bonnet I would like to discuss one of the main aspects of the Order of the Arrow, brotherhood. If anyone wishes to have a fun and enriching experience in the Order of the Arrow, then they need brotherhood. Many may wonder how they can fulfil this part of our obligation, and I am here to tell you that the best way, is to get involved in a committee that interests you. There, you will develop close bonds with those that you work with, and with these bonds of brotherhood, you will make friends that will last a lifetime. By making these bonds with your brothers, cheerfully serving and doing the tasks that you find most interesting, you find your place in our lodge, and once you find your place, all of the joys of the Order come out. Then, much of what the order stands for will make much more sense, especially the brotherhood aspect. There are many committees to choose from, ranging from Ceremonies, Museum, Food Service, Spirit, Dance, Health Services, and many more, and all it takes, is for you to find that one that fits you. With this being said, find your place in the Order, this will help you immensely in your commitment of brotherhood, made in our obligation. Thank you and once again I am looking forward to a great year, I hope to see you all at the Fall Service Weekend.

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Ryan McNeilly  
Nawakwa Lodge Chief

## Fall Service Weekend Menu

### Friday:

**Optional Dinner:** Pork Loin, Brown Rice, Lima Beans, Boston Cream Pie

**CB:** Chicken Fries, Tator Tots, Cookies

### Saturday:

**Breakfast:** Belgian Waffles, Bacon, Fruit, Cereal Milk/Juice

**Lunch:** BBQ Pork or Chicken, Fries, Cole Slaw, Cookies, Apples

### Saturday Continued:

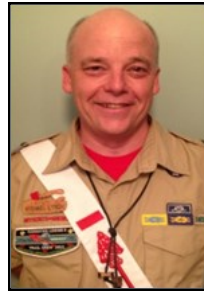
**Dinner:** Super Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Chocolate Cake

**Nawakwa Feast-CB:** Chicken Wings, Celery Sticks, Cookies, Dipping Sauces

### Sunday:

**Breakfast:** Biscuits/Sausage Gravy, Sausage, Sliced Apples, Cedreal, Milk/Juice

**Menu is subject to change due to vendor availability.**



Brothers,  
Congratulations are once again the order of the day. First, congratulations to our newly elected 2015-2016 Lodge Officers. They have already hit the road running and are planning a great program for the coming year. Please contact them and offer them your help and service as they shape the coming year to be even better.

I would also like to thank Keegan McNulty for his leadership and service to the Lodge. Despite some rather daunting challenges, he helped lead our youth leadership team through some rather exciting changes and worked tirelessly to ensure the transition to a new schedule was as smooth as possible. Best wishes as he joins the ranks of our college bound brothers and embarks on his next life journey.

Congratulations on earning the section SR-7A Lodge of the Year award and for making one of the largest non-host Conclaves such a huge success. We are very proud to have taken our largest Conclave contingent to the largest ever Conclave in our sections history. We are Nawakwa!!

I would also like to take a moment and congratulate the Lodge membership and all our Brothers who unselfishly volunteered to help host the recent ArrowTour Century Celebration event. It was an honor and privilege to be selected as a host lodge for this national event and to showcase our great Heart of Virginia Council and Camp T. Brady Saunders. The regional road crew was extremely impressed with every aspect of the event. We are very proud of the over 50 volunteers who came out to help setup and staff the event throughout the day with over 300 Brothers, visitors and summer camp participants in attendance. Please read more about the event in the following pages and on our social media sites.

Our Lodge continues its journey to excellence by improving our program and membership. This is only possible because we are able to stand firmly on the solid foundations our brothers before us have provided through their unselfish dedication, hard work and cheerful spirit... our future is bright because of this legacy and I look forward to working with each of you in the years ahead to ensure we build a lasting legacy for the next generations of brothers. Now, ON TO NOAC and Michigan State University where we will dedicate ourselves to another century of service...Pass it on!!! Hope to see everyone at the September Service Weekend.

In Brotherhood,  
Michael W. Lynch



# CONGRATULATIONS



*Congratulations to the following Arrowmen who became members of the Order by completing their Ordeal at the Summer Service weekend. These new brothers are eligible for Brotherhood after 10 months of membership has been attained (Spring Service Weekend, March 2016).*



Daniel Jasper Adkins ..... T2890  
 Jacob Ezra Altizer ..... T2819  
 Benjamin Gray Arnett ..... T436  
 Joseph Lindley Beck ..... T1829  
 Frank Joseph Becker Jr ..... T418  
 Zachary J Blados ..... T555  
 Trent David Brown ..... T2806  
 David Michael Cable ..... T255  
 Neal Alan Chappell ..... T185  
 Benjamin Alexander Christie ..... T255  
 Joseph Scott Combs ..... T2860  
 Jason Douglas Coppinger ..... T498  
 Connor Fredrick Crabtree ..... T418  
 Emorty Cayson Crawford ..... T553  
 Noah Ryan Crone ..... T736  
 Drummer Sadler Daniel ..... T444  
 James Murell Daniel III ..... T185  
 Neo Bryce Davis ..... T2862  
 Steven Wade Davis ..... T303  
 Charleston Wingfield Dodson ..... T498  
 Devin Thomas Donovan ..... T250  
 Connor Michael Downey ..... T436  
 Nolan Bryce Ekers ..... T2860  
 Zackary Ronald English ..... T553  
 Casey James Fenster ..... T444  
 Matthew Hunter Ferrigno ..... T715  
 Eric Monroe Fisher ..... T443  
 Patrick William Fleming ..... T2860  
 Michael Earl Francis Foltz ..... T2862  
 Charles Leon Foster ..... T767  
 Gain Michael Foster ..... T767  
 Zachary James Glazier ..... T2880  
 Deborah Irvin Graves ..... T2806  
 John Daniel Herrera ..... T553  
 John Chase Huddleston ..... T2860  
 Candy R Johnson ..... T2806

David Alan Johnson ..... T2806  
 Dayton Wayne Keene ..... T2880  
 Gryphin Sean Kennedy ..... T735  
 Nicholas William Legett ..... T705  
 Benjamin William Lockhart ... T2806  
 Michael John McDaniel Jr ..... T2877  
 Tyler Charles McDaniel ..... T2877  
 Adolf John Mezynski ..... T2860  
 Nicholas Adam Mezynski ..... T2860  
 Wyatt Wesley Mingus ..... T443  
 Timothy Curtis Morini Sr ..... T185  
 Thomas William O'Keefe ..... T763  
 Alexander Vaughan Parlow ..... T2877  
 Tyler Alan Perkins ..... T2806  
 Andrew Donald Pomeroy ..... T735  
 Michael Samson Sainsbury .. T710  
 Jakob Thomas Sanne ..... T418  
 Alexander Maxwell Sellers .... T720  
 Herbert Reynolds Short III .... T444  
 Braedon Tyler Smith ..... T2862  
 Darin Michael Smouse ..... T1829  
 Jacob Darin Smouse ..... T1829  
 Matthew Pace Stevens ..... T710  
 Sean Miller Stimpson ..... T6357  
 Alexander Wesley Stuart ..... T418  
 Evan David Summers ..... T2842  
 Andrew Neil Tiller ..... T6357  
 William Orrin Tune ..... T400  
 Caleb Benjamin Wells ..... T2880

### **Welcome to Scouting's Honor Society!!!**

Congratulations to the following Arrowmen who became Brotherhood members at the summer service weekend!!!

Felicia Wilhoite Ferrigno ..... T715  
 Daniel Robert Hall ..... T897  
 William Jonathan Jordan ..... T715  
 Connor Billings Jorgensen .... T304  
 Ryan James Keough ..... T715  
 Austin Christopher Lane ..... T715  
 Daniel Jay Maloy ..... T897  
 Thomas W Markwood Jr ..... T101  
 James Monroe McLemore .... T715  
 Matthew Thomas Norby ..... T862  
 Andrew David Ricks ..... T505  
 Barry Durmont Sellers ..... T720  
 Sam Allan Wickstrom ..... T2815

## **Lodge Design Contest**

The Lodge is holding a patch design competition for their 2016 event patch, lodge flap and t-shirt. The requirements of the event patch and t-shirt are as follows: it must somehow incorporate the theme of the Lodge for next year, which is "Passing the Spirit", it must have a torch (ex. Olympic torch) incorporated into the design, have the fleur-de-lis, it must have the cardinal, WWW, the lodge name, and room for text to be added to the bottom of the patch. The Lodge flap is required to have all of the above except having to be based off of the theme for next year. This is a lodge wide design competition open to all OA members. The deadline for the designs are, if the design is hand drawn it is due by the September Service Weekend and if it is digital, October 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **2015/2016 Lodge Goals**

1. Earn Gold Level-Journey to Excellence
2. Develop a lodge level Order of the Arrow High Adventure Scholarship
3. Have 2016 planned by January 1st
4. Increase participation at national and sectional events over previous year
5. Increase participation at service weekends over previous year
6. Look for opportunities to improve service weekend schedule by January LEC Meeting



# ARROWTOUR

OUR NATIONAL CENTENNIAL EXPERIENCE

Tuesday June 30, 2015, Arrowmen, Scouts and Scouters came to Camp T. Brady Saunders to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of The Order of the Arrow. T. Brady Saunders was chosen to host ArrowTour, Our National Centennial Experience on this historic day. Other lodges represented included, Amangamek Wipit (National Capital Area Council), Blue Heron (Tidewater Council), Mowogo (Northeast Georgia Council), Nentico (Baltimore Area Council), Shenandoah (Stonewall Jackson Area Council) and Wahun-senakah (Colonial Virginia Council). 261 participants checked-in for the event, several walk-ins and camp participants came to check out the event. A big thanks to all who helped before, during and after this event to make it a huge success.







ArrowTour Staff from Southern Region



Arrowmen and Scouters enjoying some of the exhibits



## Nawakwa Representing!!!

## ArrowTour Coin & Pledge



Tom-Tom Chairman Andrew Steele, attending the ArrowTour North Region Event at Baden-Powell Council's Camp Tuscarora in Gulf Summit, NY with his grandfather.



This is the Official ArrowTour Coin and Pledge that was presented to each person that was present at the closing ceremony. The back of the coin reads:

"As a citizen of the world, I pledge to serve. I will place the needs of others above my own. I will demonstrate through action that service to others represents the highest form of leadership. In so doing, I will create opportunities for others to join me in my quest to serve. Though these words constitute my pledge, let my actions demonstrate my commitment of service to others."



# Conclave 2015

With **1,239 participants**, the 2015 SR-7A Conclave at Bayport Scout Reservation is in the record books as being the biggest Conclave our section has ever held! Our Conclave celebrated the centennial anniversary of the Order of the Arrow and provided brothers with leadership training, fun activities, and fellowship. Most importantly, it welded tightly the links that bind our section in Brotherhood.

For the third year, brothers of SR-7A performed cheerful service to the community by conducting *two* service projects. We set a goal of assembling 10,000 meal kits in partnership with Stop Hunger Now, but by the time the project ended, Arrowmen had assembled **18,792 kits!** As a second project, Conclave participants celebrated the OA's 100th birthday with a goal of donating 100 pints of blood to Virginia Blood Services. Due to a vehicle break-down, however, only one of the two scheduled blood-mobiles made it to Conclave. That being said, participants donated **50 life-saving pints of blood!**

The generous spirit of SR-7A Arrowmen continued into Saturday night, when **\$3,413.00** was raised at the Conclave Patch Auction to help fund the service projects.

## LODGE OF THE YEAR!!!!



With 241 Scouts and Scouters registered and 223 checking in, Nawakwa took Lodge of the Year at the 2015

## Ceremonies Team Ready For NOAC

The Ceremonial Team is ready for NOAC. At their last official round of performances before NOAC at Summer Service Weekend, the team was already looking to be in great shape. Their Pre-Ordeal and Ordeal ceremonies once again delivered their timeless message to the candidates, a message that has remained unchanged for decades. The Brotherhood Ceremony on the other hand, has only remained unchanged for a few months. On January 1 of this year, the ceremony became the official Brotherhood Ceremony of the Order. With the ceremony being brand new, how will the team get ready to perform it at NOAC?

In June, the team spent a weekend with ceremonialists from Shenandoah and Tutelo Lodge for a top notch training opportunity. Lessons were taught by Paul Lackie, co-author of the Brotherhood Ceremony, as well as by experienced ceremonialists Michael Todd and Johnny Cirillo from Tipisa Lodge in Central Florida. The weekend gave the Nawakwa Team a chance to learn from and perform in front of some of the biggest names in Ceremonies. The road to NOAC has not been easy, as chairman Tripp Cappelli noted that the hardest part of being prepared for the conference is, "practicing and getting the timing right." As Paul, Michael, and Johnny evaluated each performance at the weekend, the team was reminded that attention to detail was of the utmost importance. Fine tuning all aspects of their performances throughout the weekend, the team kept improving, and is confident that they are all ready for NOAC. – Kyle Hoffmann



# Around Nawakwa Lodge

## CHAPTER INFORMATION

CHAPTER	NAME	DISTRICT	MEETING INFORMATION
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.
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.
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

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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: LEC Advisers: Member Services, Electronic Communications, Lodge Publications, Marketing/Branding, Secretary, Ordeal, Special Events, Associate Lodge Adviser. Subcommittee Advisers: Elangomat, Trail Crew, Fall Fellowship, Conclave 2016, Nawakwa Centennial 2019 Please contact Michael Lynch, Lodge Adviser at [LodgeAdviser@Nawakwa.org](mailto:LodgeAdviser@Nawakwa.org).

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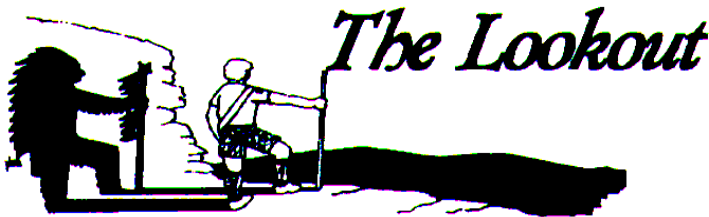
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Sons of Uncas

By Randy VanNess



The deadline for submissions to the next issue of the Tom-Tom is October 10, 2015. Please send your submissions to the Council Office or to [TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org](mailto:TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org)



# The Lookout

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

DECEMBER 22-23 ..... CARILLON SERVICE PROJECT  
THE CARILLON AT BYRD PARK

SEPTEMBER 11-13 ..... FALL SERVICE WEEKEND  
CAMP T. BRADY SAUNDERS

JANUARY 3, 2016..... LODGE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER

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

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