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SUMMITCORPS

JULY 3-9

JULY 10-16

JULY 17-23

JULY 24-30

<http://event.oa-bsa.org/events/summitcorps2011/>



SummitCorps & Indian Summer

Two National OA Programs That You Shouldn't Miss!

In 2011, there will be two national events hosted by the Order of the Arrow that are sure to be hits among Arrowmen. First are the week-long sessions in July to help develop trails near the new permanent site for the National Jamboree, and next is the training/fellowship week of Indian Summer in August.

SummitCorps - New River Experience

The National Order of the Arrow Committee is pleased to announce SummitCorps - The New River Experience - a hybrid of ArrowCorps5 and our OA High Adventure programs. During July 2011, SummitCorps will provide service to the New River Gorge National River in West Virginia. Upgrading the trail bed of the Garden Grand Hike and Bike Trail, along with invasive species removal, will be the focus of the project. The Garden Grand Hike and Bike Trail connects the New River Gorge National River to the Boy Scout's new high adventure base and home of the Jamboree - The Summit: The Bechtel Family National Reserve.

The Nawakwa Lodge contingent has chosen the third session to attend: July 17-23. There are three other sessions open to attend if the one the

Lodge chose does not fit your schedule- 1st) July 3-9, 2nd) July 10-16, and 4th) July 24-30. Similar to ArrowCorps5 and BSA High Adventure programs, the week will consist of service and recreation opportunities.

The cost for each participant is about \$250. Youth and adults may participate in SummitCorps. Lodge contingents are responsible for transportation to and from the event site. Youth OA members must be at least 14 years of age by July 1, 2011. Youth and adult Arrowmen who are registered members of the Boy Scouts of America, and the Nawakwa Lodge and have their council's approval, are eligible to participate in SummitCorps.

Participants will be required to meet the BSA High Adventure Height/Weight Requirements found on the BSA Annual Health and Medical Form and have a current health form.

Our Lodge currently has slots for 8 Arrowmen, so if you are thinking about attending the SummitCorps, don't wait. Visit www.nawakwa.org to sign up. This will be a great experience for any OA member. You not only get to help build the Summit camp, you will be one of the very few that will leave the

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Chief's Bonnet

My Fellow Brothers:

I hope you all had an enjoyable Holiday Season and the winter months are going well. I anticipate another great year of brotherhood and cheerful service ahead of us, and I am excited for it to begin.

First and foremost, I would like to extend congratulations on behalf of Nawakwa Lodge to the over 320 new brothers who were inducted in 2010. It is a great honor to be selected by your peers to join the Order, and each of you is expected to show your appreciation by earning Brotherhood status in 2011. You'll receive a letter when you are eligible (ten months after your Ordeal), and I hope to see you in the Brotherhood program at the earliest opportunity.

Looking forward into 2011, we have a calendar packed with Lodge activities. First, the March Service Weekend will be March 18-20. Next, brothers from our Lodge will be travelling to the George Washington and Jefferson National Forest to continue work on the trails adopted by our Lodge during the weekend of April 1-3. We are hoping to have 100 Arrowmen in attendance at this event, so please go online to www.nawakwa.org for more information and to get your registration forms. To round off our activities for the spring, the 2011 SR-7A Conclave, hosted by Nawakwa Lodge at our very own Heart of Virginia Scout Reservation will be taking place April 29 to May 1. Please go to the lodge website to sign up for this event. The rest of the year will see two more service weekends, the first sessions of SummitCorps, the Indian Summer program, the Fall Fellowship/Banquet, and it'll all end with our traditional service project at the Carillon Christmas Pageant.

As you can see, our calendar is very full, and turnout is essential to ensure each event is a success. Make sure to make every effort to be in attendance, and I hope to see you at the Service Weekend in March!

Your fellow Arrowman,
Chris Bonelli



Adviser's Minute



Brethren,

Congratulations to Nawakwa's own Will Swingle for a successful year serving as the 2010 National Vice Chief. We are proud of his leadership in service on the national level. He brought honor to The Order, Nawakwa, and himself. Our best wishes and support go with Will in his future endeavors.

Have you registered for the next three major Lodge events? The registration forms/procedures are on our website [www.nawakwa.org]. They are easy to complete and will insure that you can bring new life to Nawakwa Lodge #3 and the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service.



Our Spring OA Service Weekend and Ordeal is March 18-20. It will be a very busy weekend but filled with fun and fellowship. We need Brotherhood program participants as well as Ordeal candidates. You are our salesman and can make good attendance a reality. We will also train and prepare for the GW/Jeff National Forest Trail

Project. The deadline to register for this Service Weekend is March 9. Do not wait...register now!

The GW/Jeff National Forest Trail Project is April 1-3. We need 100 Arrowmen 14 years and older to insure success in our project. This is your opportunity for good fellowship helping Nawakwa build a legacy of cheerful service. Please register as soon as possible (registration info available at www.nawakwa.org). Remember you will receive a special limited GW/Jeff lodge flap patch for participation.

SR-7A Conclave hosted by Nawakwa Lodge #3 is April 29 to May 1. The registration form can be completed on line and printed off for mailing with your payment to the Council Office. The registration deadline is March 31 (a late fee is imposed for registrations received April 1-15). I recommend that you register now to ensure that you will be part of the great fun and fellowship of an outstanding Conclave.

Do not hesitate; this is your opportunity to be part of an exciting spring in The Order. "He alone is worthy to wear the Arrow who will continue faithfully to serve his fellow man."

In W.W.W.,
Mack Ruffin

Spring OA Service Weekend Campsite Assignments

<u>Site</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Chapter</u>
Koch #3	5	Turner #6	23 & 4 & 19
Newlon #4	7	Saunders #14	18
Frise #5	18	<i>No camping in any other locations</i>	

Nawakwa Lodge #3 to host SR7A Conclave 2011
Hear the Whisper, Ignite the Light

Nawakwa Lodge has the pleasure of being the Service Lodge for the upcoming 2011 Conclave from April 29 through May 1 at the Heart of Virginia Council Scout Reservation. For those that have been involved in past conclaves, you know there will be much to do. Not only does Nawakwa need to fill a delegation, but it also must provide adequate staff to ensure a great event. Lodge Conclave Committee Chairmen and Advisers have begun to fill many positions. If you are asked to serve on staff please accept, and if you are not asked, please sign-up to be a lodge delegate.

On-line registration is open, and instructions are available at www.nawakwa.org. There will be no paper registrations. The Conclave fee will be \$50.00 if you register and pay by March 31. (There will be no refunds after this date unless we fill your slot by someone else.) After that date, there will be a late fee of \$15.00.

When you are registering, do not forget to complete the medical form and submit it with signatures. Note that you do not need to fill out the physician's part. For any questions, please contact Razz at the Council Office: 804-355-4306 or Razz@nawakwa.org.

Visit the Nawakwa Lodge Scouting Museum at the 2011 Conclave

During the 2011 Conclave hosted by Nawakwa Lodge, you are invited to visit the Nawakwa Lodge Scouting Museum for an experience to remember. The museum will be hosting many fun activities including a contest with a highly-coveted prize! Come get a custom made-to-order name tag for only \$8. Come learn about the history of Nawakwa Lodge and the Order of the Arrow, see patches from every lodge, and peruse a variety of vintage memorabilia that you may never have another chance to see. Museum staff will be running shuttles from camp to the museum, so plan to take a break, sit down, and enjoy a ride to the best place for fun and prizes during Conclave 2011!

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Summit and know that your work will benefit thousands of Scouts for many years to come. So, come and leave your MARK on the Summit. Be a part of the SummitCorps!

Indian Summer

From August 1-6, in Asheville, North Carolina, the Order of the Arrow will offer an opportunity for all Arrowmen across the Country to participate in focus areas of the Order, notably the area of Native American Indian Culture and the area of OA Inductions and Ceremonies

The Native American Indian Material Culture will focus on learning about Native Crafts, Dance Clothes, Dance & Pow-Wows, Song& Drum. Arrowmen will be able to complete hands-on craft experiences under the direction of some of the best craftsmen in the Scouting organization.

OA Induction and Ceremonies will include a wide range of topics from areas concerning ceremonialists to such activities as running an Ordeal and conducting unit elections. Highlights will include acting skill and technique workshops taught by real-world theater professionals.

Nawakwa Lodge is currently collecting interest information from youth and adults for this event. If you are interested in attending this wonderful week of training and fellowship, please visit www.nawakwa.org for more details on the event and for information on how to sign-up.

This event is as close to being at the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) as possible, yet it is only about half of the price. Don't miss this great opportunity to participate in a program that has been known to positively impact the lives and experiences of its participants. 🦋

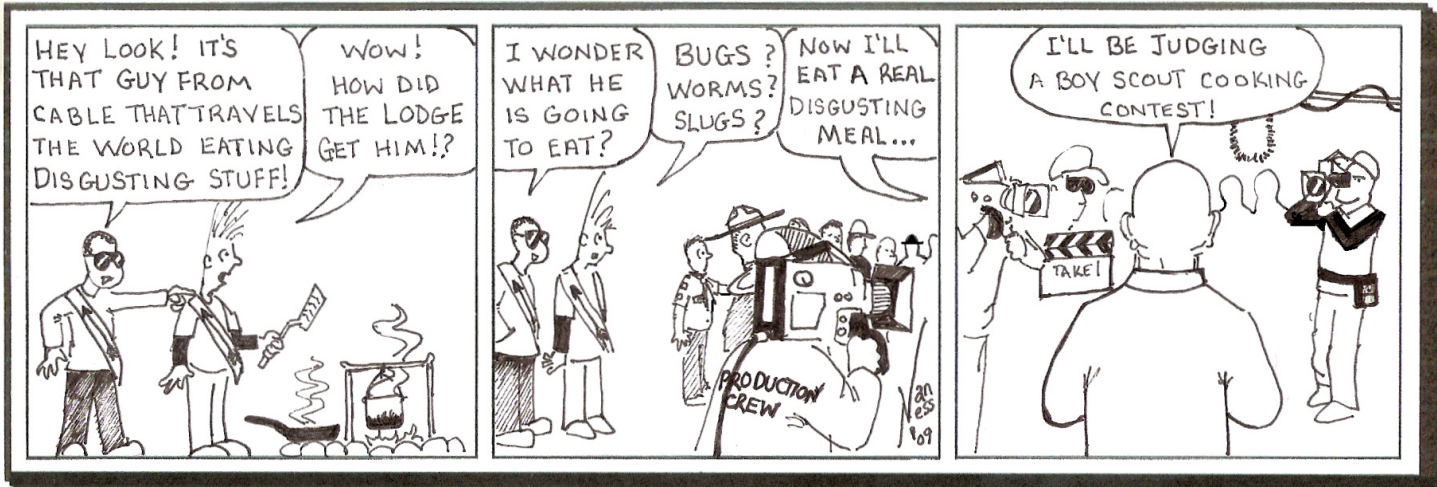
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Sons of Uncas

By Randy VanNess



The deadline for submissions to the next issue of the *Tom-Tom* is March 25th. Please send your submissions to the Council Office (return address, below) or to TheTom-Tom@Nawakwa.org.



THE LOOKOUT

March 18–20.....Spring Service Wknd
Camp T. Brady Saunders

April 1–3National Forest Project
Washington/Jefferson National Forests
Registration form is online at nawakwa.org

April 29 – May 1.....SR-7A Conclave
Heart of Virginia Scout Reservation
See nawakwa.org for info on how to complete online registration

May 20–22..... Summer Service Wknd
Camp T. Brady Saunders
*Lodge Officer Elections & Lodge Leadership Development Course
All youth leaders & adult advisers are invited to attend (ends at 3 PM)*

August 1–6 Indian Summer 2011
Ridgecrest Conf. Center, Asheville, NC

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