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Fall Fellowship
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Lodge Leadership Development
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2009 Section Conclave
To Be Held at Camp Barbee

The 2009 Section C-2C Conclave will be held at Camp Barbee in Leesburg, IN. It will be held April 17-19. The section is made up of six OA lodges in Indiana. The theme of conclave this year is Arrowstock.

All Arrowmen are encouraged and welcomed to attend for fellowship, training, competition against other lodges (games & ceremonies), and fun!

Registration forms are available at Lodge events and on the forms page of the Lodge’s website at: http://www.crossroadbsa.org/oa/

Jaccos Towne Lodge
Makes National Bulletin with Fall Fellowship/Scoutreach Event

If you were not able to attend this past year’s Fall Fellowship event you really missed out! Because of our Lodge’s effort to strengthen the ties between Scoutreach and the Order we have made the front page of the National Bulletin published by the National Order of the Arrow Committee.

To view the article just go to http://www.oa-bsa.org/bulletin/ and click the edition titled “December 2008-February 2009.”
Brother Arrowmen,

I am very honored to be able to write to everyone as your 2009 Lodge Chief. I am excited about the year ahead and all that it has to offer. My number one priority for this year is to represent the youth of our lodge and serve to our lodge to the best of my ability.

Over the past few years, I have learned so much from the Order and the whole Scouting program. Nothing can replace all of the great times that I have had at ordeals, fellowships, or working at summer camp. The Order of the Arrow means very much to me. The leadership skills that I have learned through the various positions that I have held are priceless. I have learned many life long lessons through the various Scouting programs I have been involved with, but I feel that the most valuable lessons were taught in the Order. I hope that throughout the year every Arrowman can have the chance to experience all of the great things our Order has to offer.

Yours in the Brotherhood of cheerful service,

Andrew Bowman
2009 Jaccos Towne Lodge Chief

Founder's Awards Made At Winter Banquet

Three Arrowmen of Jaccos Towne Lodge were awarded the Founder's Award in December. Vice-Chief of Program (now Lodge Chief) Andrew Bowman, Lodge Communications Advisor Gay Hanson, and WAP Chapter Advisor Anne Phillips were the recipients.

Introduced at the 1981 National Order of the Arrow Conference, the Founder’s Award was created to honor and recognize those Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to their lodge. The award is reserved for an Arrowmen who demonstrates to fellow Arrowmen that he or she memorializes in his or her everyday life the spirit of achievement as described by founder E. Urner Goodman and cofounder Carroll A. Edson.

2009 Ordeal Dates

**Kickapoo**
May 8-10 at Camp Wildwood
August 18-20 at Camp Krietenstein

**Kikthawenund**
May 15-17 at Camp Kikthawenund

**Lobarlehense**
May 15-17 at Johnson County Park

**Lowanee Allanque**
May 15-17 at Camp Ransburg

**Macquissin**
May 15-17 at Camp Bear Creek

**Quanasita**
May 8-10 at Camp Kikthawenund

**Seke Maque**
May 15-17 at Camp Bear Creek

**Tatankaskah**
May 15-17 at Camp Rotary, Crawfordsville

**Wahpekahmekunk**
May 8-10 at Camp Redwing

**Wapsuchuppecatt**
May 15-17 & August 21-23 at Camp Belzer

**Wundchenenne**
August 18-20 at Camp Krietenstein

**Lodge Ordeal**
September 18-20 at Camp Krietenstein
Look out for these High Adventure Service Projects this 2009 summer!

Philmont Trail Crew

The Order of the Arrow Trail Crew Program is one of the best ways to experience Scouting’s premier high adventure base, Philmont Scout Ranch. For two weeks, participants see and experience all that Philmont has to offer and much more.

For the first week, participants have the chance to make a significant difference to Philmont by participating in trail building in the backcountry. Work will include clearing terrain for trail and constructing switchbacks, retention bars, and several other erosion controls. The impact of this service will be felt by scouts for decades!

The second week of the program is spent experiencing Philmont in its finest. Unlike regular treks, Trail Crews make their own itinerary, instead of selecting from pre-planned routes. You can do and see just about anything, from the Tooth of Time to Baldy Mountain, your crew decides!

Wilderness Voyage

The Order of the Arrow Wilderness Voyage program is an experience like no other. For two weeks, you will join together with Arrowmen from around the country and experience all that the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in northern Minnesota has to offer. The first week of the program is spent giving back to the Boundary Waters through portage trail restoration work. Participants have the opportunity to leave their mark on the Boundary Waters that will enable millions of visitors each year to better enjoy their experience. Trail work involves restoring and protecting trails that have existed for centuries and are in dire need or repair.

The second part of the program is a trek planned by the crew. From the 8-1/2 mile "Grand Portage" leading to Lake Superior, to the Height of Land, even the pictographs on Fishdance Lake, crews have done and seen all in the Boundary Waters.

OA Ocean Adventure

OAOA is already full for the 2009 season.
National Vice-Chief
At Winter Banquet

National Vice Chief Ben Stilwill was the special guest speaker at Lodge Winter Banquet in December. He spoke of some of his experiences and how the Order of the Arrow had influenced him. He was also a good sport and let himself be “pie-ed” to help raise funds for NOAC.

Officers Get Pie-ed to Raise Funds for NOAC

A number of Lodge Officers, the new Lodge Advisor, the Section Chief, and the National Vice-Chief allowed themselves to be “pie-ed” during the activities part of Winter Banquet. Bids were taken and the person with the highest bid got to throw a cream pie at the Arrowmen they bid on. Money raised was to help defray costs for NOAC.

Advisor’s Corner

The Order of the Arrow arose in a Scout camp. Scouts who camp will sooner or later come face to face with practical applications of the Scout Oath and Law. Camp promotion is a major service that Arrowmen provide our council. Now is the season of Camp Promotion. Use every visit to a Troop or Pack as an opportunity for Camp Promotion. Keep a record of this visit on the Election Form and the Monthly Chapter Report form and be sure to report your Camp Promotion efforts to your District Outdoor/Camping Chairman. The success of our Lodge with this task is dependent on the commitment of our members.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Ed Finley
Lodge Advisor

NOAC IS COMING!
GET YOUR APPLICATION IN TODAY!!

Applications are available on the Lodge Website.
Vigil Honor Nominations
Due at March LEC

It is not too early to start thinking about Vigil Honor nominations! The Vigil Honor is the highest honor that the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon its members for service to lodge, council, and Scouting.

The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who have been Brotherhood members for a minimum of two years and have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position of office to the Lodge, Order of the Arrow, Scouting community, and/or Scout Camp.

Any member of the Order of the Arrow registered in Scouting and in good standing may make a Vigil Honor nomination. A Vigil form may be found on the Lodge website.

Unit Elections and Adult Nominations

It is Unit Elections and Camp Promotions time of year again! Please make sure your Unit Elections Teams are trained and are providing the opportunity for the unit to have a Camp Promotion at the same meeting.

There is a new 3-part form for Unit Elections, and it is the only one that will be accepted by the Lodge. This new form has a check box at the bottom for Camp Promotions. Forms are due at the March LEC!

Adult nomination forms have not changed and are also due at the March LEC. Remember that a unit must elect at least one youth candidate in order to nominate an adult, and adults must meet the same camping requirements as the youth do!

If you have any questions, please contact the Vice Chief of Inductions.

Kinohsamia Mailing Request

The Lodge Executive Committee voted to stop mailing the Lodge newsletter to members* unless specifically requested beginning with the second issue in 2009. Below is a form that must be mailed to the Lodge in order for a hardcopy of the newsletter to be mailed. The newsletter will be available online at the Lodge website: www.crossroadsbsa.org/oa.

REQUEST THAT LODGE NEWSLETTER BE MAILED

| Name: | |
| Address: | |
| City: | Zip: |
| Chapter: | |

Mail to: OA Staff Advisor
Crossroads of America Council, BSA
1900 N. Meridian
Indianapolis, IN 46256

*only current dues paid members may receive mailed copies.
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