Lodge Chief’s Talking Feather, NOAC 2015, newly elected Lodge officers, Fall Ordeal Review, Adviser’s Corner, LLD, Winter Banquet, and 2015 Otter Pass

Lodge Chief’s Talking Feather

New Ordeal members, Congratulations on becoming a member of the Order! Jaccos Towne Lodge and I, Robby Kile, are glad to see that you have taken this big step in your life that should not be taken lightly. This year has been a great year, and I look forward to working closely with you all in the future!

This calendar year has been a huge success! Jaccos Towne Lodge has inducted a total of 270 Ordeal members, 84 Brotherhood members and 14 Vigil members. We have completed more than 5200 hours of cheerful service! None of this would have been possible without help from you, and for that I personally thank each and every one of you, and I hope our Lodge can continue to do great things and be as strong as we can be.

To our new Brotherhood members, I would like to congratulate all of you who have taken the next step and have sealed your member in the Order by becoming brotherhood!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Robby Kile
The 100th Anniversary National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) is the premier event of the Order of the Arrow and is Scouting’s second-largest national event. Over 10,000 Arrowmen from across the national gather for an inspirational and unforgettable experience full of fellowship, training, adventure, and fun!

NOAC 2015 will be at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan from August 3rd through the 8th, 2015.

Participants will receive a patch that can be worn on your uniform and a special red sash of your current membership level as of the date of the conference.

Registration is open now! Get your deposit in to the Lodge to save your place! Forms are on the website.

A Once in a Lifetime Opportunity...

Once in a Lifetime, by definition, is an opportunity that you will never have again in your lifetime. In this case, your parents did not and your children will unlikely have this opportunity. I am speaking of a centennial celebration. The 100th anniversary of the Order of the Arrow brings a NOAC event that promises to celebrate in a monumental fashion. You have the opportunity to be a part of this event and the history that it will surely record.

NOAC is the National Order of the Arrow Conference. Historically, it is generally held on a bi-annual basis. Speaking as a 3 time participant in past NOAC’s, I describe it as having the atmosphere and feel of a National Jamboree. We are housed in college dorm rooms and participate in training related to leadership, service and Native American topics (fun & enjoyable training, no “school” here). Then there are the shows, exhibits and patch trading. Did I mention shows? Each evening brings all participants together for a series of shows that rival professional shows and they are planned, choreographed and directed by Arrowmen. The shows alone are worth the trip to East Lansing, Michigan.

Fall Ordeal, 2014

On the weekend of September 12-14, 2014, the Lodge induced 37 new Ordeal members, completed over 650 hours of service, and held the annual Lodge officer elections.

Congratulations to our newly elected 2015 officers:

Chief-Robby Kile
Vice Chief Admin-Thomas Shulse
Vice Chief Comms-Justin Reis
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East Lansing? Yep, that will be our destination for this gathering of members of Scouting’s Honor Fraternity. It is less than one year from now. At this time next year, we will be telling stories and lamenting of our desire to be there for NOAC 2017. Be sure you are one of the fortunate Arrowmen that are telling the stories, not one of the listeners.

Space is limited and we need to protect our spot as a Lodge. Check out www.JaccosTowneLodge.org for more information and to complete and submit your application to be a part of our Lodge contingent.

Still not fully committed? Ask any Arrowman that has been to NOAC. I look forward to sharing NOAC 2015 with each of you.

Yours in the Wimachtendienk,

Rusty Helms
Jaccos Towne Lodge Adviser

LLD
November 14-16 at Kikthawenund

Lodge Leadership Development or LLD will be held November 14-16, 2014 at Camp Kikthawenund. All Arrowmen are encouraged to attend. The training is mandatory for newly elected Lodge and Chapter Officers!

Cost is $20. If you also attend the Lodge Banquet, the cost is $35. The cost for new 2014 members is $30 with a paid reservation. Cost at the door will be $35. 2014 Otter Pass holders are already paid. Preregistration is appreciated.

There will be sessions for youth and for adults. A group of knowledgeable patch traders are being asked to come help new members understand OA patch trading. There will be some patch trading going on as well!

Come join the fun, learn and practice some leadership skills, and enjoy the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service!

National Vice Chief to Speak at Lodge Banquet

Our national Vice Chief, Taylor Bobrow, will be visiting our Lodge Leadership Development and guest teaching some of the trainings. He will also be in attendance of our Lodge Banquet and will be our guest speaker at the event at 6:00 PM, November 15, 2014 at Camp Kikthawenund.

Taylor is a Vigil Honor member of the Blue Heron Lodge of Tidewater Council in Chesapeake, Virginia. He has also served as lodge chief and the Section SR-7A Chief. In his role as the national vice chief, he hopes to create a Brotherhood where each member can become a better leader, by providing the essential tools that they will need to be successful.

Cost for the Banquet is $15. See the article on LLD for costs to attend both the Banquet and LLD.

LLD Tentative Schedule
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Friday:
6:30 PM Registration
8:00 PM Patch Training
8:00 PM Make and Take
9:45 PM Welcome
10:00 PM Cracker Barrel

Saturday:
8:00 AM Breakfast
8:45 AM Welcome & Introduce National VC
9:00 AM Session 1
10:00 AM Session 2
11:00 AM Team Building
12:00 PM Lunch
1:00 PM Session 3
2:00 PM Session 4
3:00 PM Session 5
4:00 PM Set up Banquet, Patch Trading, Social
6:00 PM Lodge Banquet

Sunday:
8:00 AM Breakfast
9:00 AM Scout’s Own, Graduation, & clean-up
10:00 AM LEC

Lodge-Eagle Scout Council Strip

Available now at Lodge events!
$5.00 each 1 per eagle scout member in good standing with the lodge.
OTTER PASS 2015
2015 Otter Pass will go on sale at LLD/Lodge Banquet in November.

Benefits include:
- 2015 dues
- Registration fees for 2015 Lodge Events:
  - Winter Gathering
  - Spring Fellowship
  - Lodge Ordeal*
  - LLD/Lodge Banquet
- Card and 2015 Otter Pass loop patch - special limited production patch available only to Otter Pass members
- The complete event patch set for the year
- Your health form maintained by the lodge for the year
- Savings of $20!

Otter Pass 2015 cost is $100.