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National Chief takes place in Report to the Nation

By Gregory Gounardes
NE-7A Section Chief

In February, the 2011 national chief of the Order of the Arrow, Jonathan Hillis, participated in a nine-person delegation to the annual Report to the Nation for the Boy Scouts of America.

Every year, a group of young men and women from every program in Scouting is invited to take part in a report to several government officials on the recent happenings of the Scouting program over the past year. This tradition dates back to 1910, when the Scouting program was initiated in the United States.

The highlight of the report is a private meeting with the president of the United States, Barack Obama. "With no warning, a door swung open, and the president stood before us, shaking our hands one by one. I remember being flustered, and my hands being cold and sweaty, but as soon as we stepped into the Oval Office, the president's magnetic personality



National Chief Jonathan Hillis and President Barack Obama shake hands inside the Oval Office of the Whitehouse when he visited it with the BSA Delegates.

took over, and the rest was smooth sailing," explains Jonathan of his experience anticipating the arrival of the president. Along with the national chief, this year's delegation consisted of the national Venturing president, Jennifer Lowe;

the national Sea Scout Boatswain, Vanya Keyes; Vasant Bhardwaj; Solomon Goodwin; Jace Taliaferro; Angel Cabanilla; Tony Hansberry; Kevin Garcia; and the host couple, Ron and June Coleman.

During his six-day visit to our nation's capital, Jonathan toured several of Washington, D.C.'s, historical landmarks, including the National Museum of Natural History and the National Cathedral. In addition, Jonathan and the other members of the delegation met with different government officials, including Speaker of the House John Boehner, CIA Director Leon Panetta, and Secretary of Defense Robert Gates.

What makes the annual Report to the Nation so unique is that those whom the program serves give the report—the youth. The report is composed of the accomplishments of the Scouting organization for the past year, such as our centennial celebrations and the 2010 National Scout Jamboree.



President Obama meets with the BSA's Report to the Nation Delegates in the Oval Office.

National Baseball Hall of Fame to Induct Arrowman

By Marty Tschetter
OA History Subcommittee

The National Baseball Hall of Fame will induct an Arrowman into its hallowed halls this summer. Pat Gillick will be immortalized among baseball's greats in a ceremony on June 24 in Cooperstown, New York. Gillick grew up in Van Nuys, California, where he became an Eagle Scout in 1951 and received the Vigil Honor as a youth member of the

Order in 1958 from the former Walika Lodge, which was at the time a part of the San Fernando Valley Council. The lodge merged with Tamet Lodge to form the current Malibu Lodge in 1972. Gillick's Vigil name is interpreted as "worker". He received the honor only months after helping his college team at the University of Southern California win the College World Series.

After college, Gillick spent the next five years in the minor league systems of the Baltimore

Orioles and the Pittsburgh Pirates, venturing as high as the Triple-A level. A left-hander, Gillick posted a win/loss record of 45-32 with an ERA of 3.42 in 164 minor league games.

According to Wikipedia he retired from playing and began a front office career in 1963 when he became the assistant farm director of the Houston Astros organization. He would eventually



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1958 USC Team Photo. Back row: Tony Decarbo, Dave Stephenson, John Christiansen, Bob Santich, Mike Blewett, Rex Johnston, John Werhas, Bill Thom, Jim Conroy, Pat Gillick, Bruce Gardner, Jim Barudoni, Kearny Reeb (trainer).

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May

25 National OA Committee Meeting, San Diego, CA
25-27 BSA National Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA

June

8 Philmont OA Trail Crew Begins
Northern Tier OA Voyage Begins
Northern Tier OA Odyssey Begins
13 OA Ocean Adventure Begins
19-25 Philmont OA Adviser Training, Cimarron, NM

July

3-9 SummitCorps: The New River Experience, Session 1
10-16 SummitCorps: The New River Experience, Session 2
17 OA Ocean Adventure Ends
17-23 SummitCorps: The New River Experience, Session 3
24-30 SummitCorps: The New River Experience, Session 4

August

1-6 Indian Summer, Ridgecrest, NC
17 Philmont OA Trail Crew Ends
Northern Tier OA Voyage Ends
Northern Tier OA Odyssey Ends

September

16 - 18 NLS, New Braunfels, TX
NLS/NLATS, Alpine, NJ

October

7-9 NLS, Salt Lake City, UT
10 OA Steering Committee, Irving, TX
14-16 SOS, Southern Region, Islamorada, FL
NLS, Cincinnati, OH
21-23 SOS, Western Region, Orange County, CA
31 OA Service Grant Applications Due

November

4-6 NLS/NLATS, Haines City, FL
NLS/NLATS, Parksville, MO
SOS, Northeast Region, Alpine, NJ
18-20 SOS, Central Region, Rochester, IN
NLS, Portland, OR

December

27-30 National Planning Meeting, Dallas, TX
31 Lodge Charter Renewal Deadline

2012 National OA Conference

July 30 - August 4, Michigan State University, East Lansing Michigan

Arrowman elected to serve on World Scout Committee

The World Scout Committee is a 12-member team that represents more than 31 million Scouts from 220 countries and territories around the globe. At the 39th World Scout Conference, held in Brazil this January, Dan Ownby, a Vigil Honor member of Colonneh Lodge, was elected to join the committee.

Dan is an Eagle Scout and currently serves on the board of the Sam Houston Area Council. He has served his council in a wide variety of roles and positions, including Wood Badge course director. Most recently, Dan was the chairman of the Sam Houston Area Council's Centennial Camporee, which was attended by over 27,000 Scouts and Scouters. In addition to his service at the council level, he is a member of the International Committee of the Boy Scouts of America as well as the U.S. Foundation for International Scouting.

It has been more than a decade since Dan became active in the international Scouting community; however, his first connection had come many years before. During a summer at a Cub Scout day camp in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Dan met two international Scouts who were visiting from Holland. Now, as an adult, he works to develop similar exchanges and opportunities for Scouts across the world. Seven years ago, he began a similar exchange program between his council and the Scouts from the Republic of Georgia.

Over the next three years, Dan will continue his activity on the international level in this new role. His term will end at the 2014 World Scout Conference; however, he will be eligible for re-election. He hopes to work with the committee to help other nations use the Scouting program to develop the next generation of world leaders.



Pictured is Dan Ownby of Colonneh Lodge, Sam Houston Area Council.



Gillick to be inducted into the Hall of Fame June 24th

GILLICK

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work his way up to the position of director of Scouting before moving to the New York Yankees system in 1974 as the coordinator of player development. In 1976 he moved again, this time to the Toronto Blue Jays, becoming their vice president of player personnel, and in 1977, their vice president of baseball operations. In 1984 he was named executive vice president of baseball operations. Throughout his years

in front office management, Gillick excelled as an MLB executive. Gillick was the general manager of four MLB teams and was instrumental in guiding three of those teams to World Series championships. His hard work and leadership culminated with World Series titles in 1992 and 1993 with the Toronto Blue Jays, and a 2008 title with the Philadelphia Phillies. He was elected to the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 2010 by its Veterans Committee.



Gillick (far right) danced at the 1954 NOAC with the Walika Lodge Dancers (courtesy of Bill Topkis and Dr. Jeff Morley)

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Leaderthink in Service

By **DAN HIGHAM**
2009 National Vice Chief

Leadership is an integral, and obvious, component of our Order. At every level of the organization we elect youth leadership, and at every event there is a youth in charge. However, I would like to highlight an aspect of leadership that is often overlooked: being genuine. Being a genuine person is so fundamental to being a leader, and the OA is made up of so many genuine individuals that for most of us it is not even a consideration when we think about leadership.

So what does being genuine mean? Genuine people act with sincerity and integrity all of the time—even when no one is watching. They behave this way because that is who they are. These type of people are prevalent in the OA, as thousands of Arrowmen enthusiastically participate in brotherhood events across the country. This authenticity harvests a spirit that builds strong leaders.

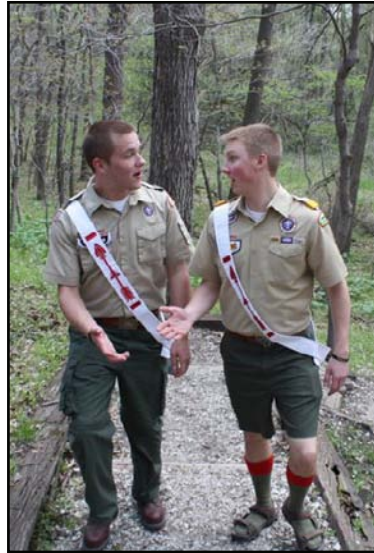
During my term as national vice chief I saw this idea of love for our organization firsthand. I saw it in the newest Ordeal members and the most tenured adult advisers.

One of the great things about being a national officer is the opportunity to travel to events all over the country. This translates into a lot of downtime while going to and from events. To give you an idea, I was on 115 flights throughout 2009. Those in-flight times alone added up, but so did the time I spent in airports alone. Many Sunday nights I was reminded of the words of Kichkinet in the Pre-Ordeal ceremony: sometimes “you may face the isolation” a leader often faces. It is amazing how the ideas encountered in our ceremonies can manifest themselves in our everyday lives. The challenges of the Pre-Ordeal came full circle and became reality. It really showed me how closely related love is to our ability to be genuine. If we love and believe in the OA and

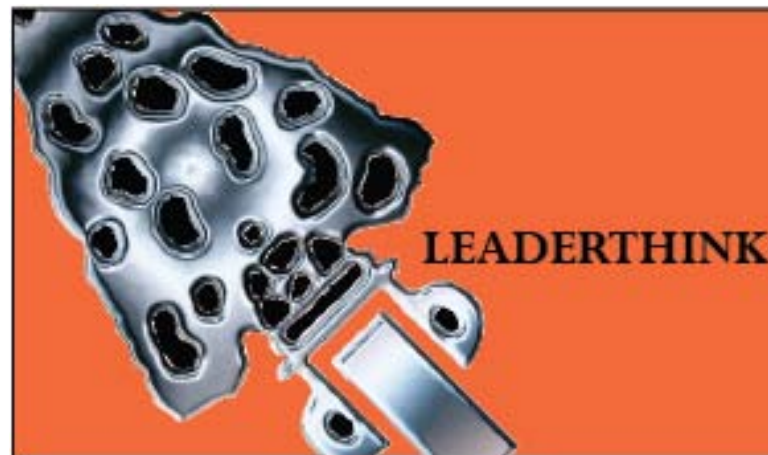
its ideals, then that act alone makes us genuine. The heart is our tool for success.

The experience of serving our Order as the national vice chief taught me much about life. Most importantly, it taught me to enjoy every moment. It was the Arrowmen who I interacted with at every event—the ones who’s genuine enthusiasm was contagious—who taught me this. To be truly successful in both life and leadership, we need to believe in the ideals and challenges of our Order, its people, and ourselves.

Mike Stanbary (Past C-7 Section Chief) and Dan Dick talking about the fun weekend they had at conclave.



Members of the Wetassa Chapter gathered for an extreme service project day cleaning up a local park after a flood went through the area



Burning Issues

I've heard rumors that there won't be a national event in 2014. Is this true?

Yes; in an effort to allow lodges to focus on local activities and prepare for the 100th Anniversary celebrations the following year, the OA will not host a national event in the summer of 2014. For more information see the article on page 6 about the national events calendar.

Send your Burning Issues to Editor in Chief Mark Hendricks at mphendricks@gmail.com.

Chiefly Speaking



Brothers,

At a recent event A.J., a new Arrowman, asked me, “What is the most important trait of a leader?” While thinking to myself about an answer to A.J.’s question, I was able to come up with examples of great leaders. However, it was not until I recognized the most common and powerful trait among these great leaders that I could give him my honest answer. I realized that the leaders were all role models; they all had set the example and raised the bar for the people around them. Leadership is simpler than some believe. The easiest and most inexpensive way to lead people is leading by example. A leader must be himself, and must do his best by being the best person he can be.

Order of the Arrow members are elected because fellow troop members see them as examples of the traits a good Scout stands for. A camp staff member receives recognition each week because all of the campers want to be just like him. A lodge chief is elected because his brothers believe in him. But what motivates others to choose, recognize, or believe in a leader? It is because they have watched him. They know that when he acts, he is being himself. He is being the best he can be and it inspires others to get involved and make a difference.

“Setting an example is not the main means of influencing another, it is the only means.”

- Albert Einstein

Cheerfully yours,

Dan Dick

Dan Dick
2011 National Vice-Chief

Fourteen lodges recognized for outstanding service

National Service Award

The Order of the Arrow is pleased to announce the selection of eight lodges for the National Service Award. Established in 1999,

The National Service Award recognizes two lodges annually in each region that have performed outstanding qualitative and quantitative service for their council. The following lodges are being recognized for their 2010 accomplishments.



National Service Award

<p>Northeast Region Nanepashemet Lodge Yankee Clipper Council #236 Haverhill, Massachusetts</p> <p>Octoraro Lodge Chester County Council #539 West Chester, Pennsylvania</p> <p>Central Region Misichigonong Lodge Lake Huron Area Council #265 Auburn, Michigan</p> <p>Portage Lodge Heart of Ohio Council #450 Ashland, Ohio</p>	<p>Southern Region O-Shot-Caw Lodge South Florida Council #84 Miami Lakes, Florida</p> <p>Mikanakawa Lodge Circle Ten Council #571 Dallas, Texas</p> <p>Western Region Ta Tanka Lodge San Gabriel Valley Council #40 Pasadena, California</p> <p>Wiatava Lodge Orange County Council #39 Santa Ana, California</p>
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E. Urner Goodman Camping Award

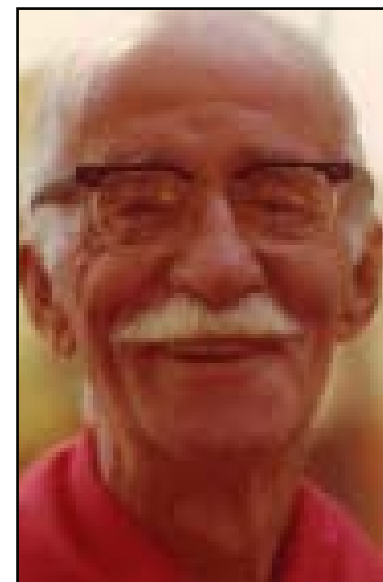
The E. Urner Goodman Camping Award was established in 1969 as a tribute and testimonial to the Order's founder. Its purpose is to encourage and challenge Order of the Arrow members and lodges to increase their effectiveness in promoting and increasing Scout camping in each council.

Awards are presented to two outstanding lodges in each region annually. The following lodges are being recognized for their 2010 accomplishments:



E. Urner Goodman Camping Award

<p>Northeast Region Wyona Lodge Columbia-Montour Council #504 Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania</p> <p>Nanepashemet Lodge Yankee Clipper Council #236 Haverhill, Massachusetts</p> <p>Central Region Nacha Tindey Lodge Gerald R. Ford Council #266 Grand Rapids, Michigan</p> <p>Portage Lodge Heart of Ohio Council #450 Ashland, Ohio</p>	<p>Southern Region Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Middle Tennessee Council #560 Nashville, Tennessee</p> <p>Nawakwa Lodge Heart of Virginia Council #602 Richmond, Virginia</p> <p>Western Region Wa-La-Moot-Kin Lodge Blue Mountain Council #604 Kennewick, Washington</p> <p>Cahuilla Lodge California Inland Empire Council #45 Redlands, California</p>
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Dr. E. Urner Goodman

Nomination deadline set for national awards

Distinguished Service Award, Lifetime Achievement Award, and the Red Arrow Awards to be presented at 2012 NOAC

By **MICHAEL THOMPSON**
 Vice Chairman of the Recognition and Awards Committee

The Distinguished Service Award was created in 1940 to honor those Arrowmen who rendered extraordinary, distinguished, and outstanding service to the Order on a sectional, regional, or national level. The award is presented every two to three years during the National Order of the Arrow Conference. Since the time the first awards were presented in 1940, less than 840 Distinguished Service Awards have been awarded. Arrowmen under 21 and adults (volunteers and professionals) are eligible for nomination. Nominations are not accepted or considered for posthumous awards. All DSA nominations must be received by the OA team leader no later than 5 p.m. CST on January 31, 2012.

The Legacy of Servant Leadership Lifetime Achievement Award was created by the National Order of the Arrow Committee in June 2002 to recognize the Order's second and third generation "founders" – Scouters who have built an enduring legacy to Scouting and the Order of the Arrow through a lifetime of cheerful service to others. A nominee must meet the following criteria: (1) be a Vigil Honor member, (2) be a National Distinguished Service Award recipient, (3) continued to render outstanding and dedicated service to the Order of the Arrow on a sectional, regional, or national level, since receiving the DSA, and (4) be a member of the Order of the Arrow for a minimum of 25 years. The award may not be presented posthumously. Lifetime Achievement Award nominations must be received by the OA team leader by October 31, 2011.

The Red Arrow Award, for distinguished service to the Order, is presented by the National Order of the Arrow Committee to Scouters who are not members of the OA or are not officially affiliated with the Boy Scout program. This service can take many forms and should involve a significant period of time, as opposed to a single event. Only a limited number of awards will be presented; therefore, only those nominees whose accomplishments are of the highest order will be recognized. Nominations will not be accepted or considered for posthumous awards. Red Arrow Award nominations must be received by the OA team leader by January 31, 2012.

If you are interested in nominating someone for one of these awards, the appropriate recommendation forms can be found at www.oa-bsa.org/resources/forms/.



At the 2009 National Order of the Arrow Conference, Del Loder (pictured right) was the fourth person ever to receive the Lifetime Achievement Award. Pictured left is Carl Marchetti, presenting Del the award.

2010 Josh Sain Memorial Scholarship recipients

The National Order of the Arrow Committee is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2010 Josh Sain Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship was established in 1998 to honor the spirit and the memory of Josh Sain, a past national vice chief of the Order of the Arrow. This scholarship, based on exceptional service and academic achievement, is provided to immediate past national officers and section chiefs. The recipients for 2010 include the following Arrowmen.

Brian T. Ahrens of Eastampton, New Jersey. Brian is a member of the Hunnicks Lodge of Burlington County Council in New Jersey. He served as the 2010 Northeast Region chief and is a junior majoring in political science at The College of New Jersey.

Donald H. Combs of Pikeville, Kentucky. Donald is a member of Kawida Lodge of Blue Grass Council in Kentucky. He served as the 2010 Southern Region chief and is a sophomore majoring in business at Transylvania University.

Frederick A. Gross IV of Santa Fe, New Mexico. Frederick is a member of the Yah-Tah-Hey-Si-Kess Lodge of Great Southwest Council in New Mexico. He served as the 2010 Western

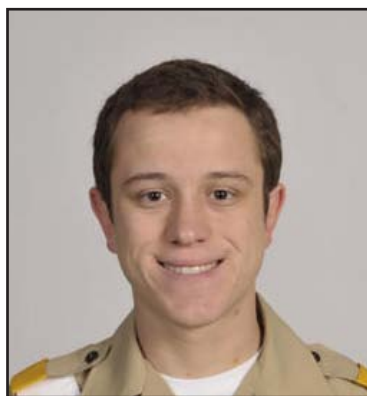
Region chief and is a junior majoring in outdoor leadership at Western State College of Colorado.

Bradford Charles Lichota of Shelby Township, Michigan. Brad is a member of Chippewa Lodge of the Great Lakes Council in Michigan. He served as the 2010 national chief of the Order of the Arrow and is a junior majoring in biochemistry at Michigan State University.

William G. Swingle of Glen Allen, Virginia. William is a member of Nawakwa Lodge of the Heart of Virginia Council. He served as the 2010 national vice chief of the Order of the Arrow and is a sophomore majoring in business at Virginia Commonwealth University.

Will W. Scott of Hamilton, Ohio. Will is a member of Ku-Ni-Eh Lodge of Dan Beard Council in Ohio. He served as 2010 Section C-6B Chief and is a junior majoring in political science at Wright State University.

If you will be an immediate past OA national officer or an immediate past section chief as of December 31, 2011, you are encouraged to submit an application for the Josh Sain Memorial Scholarship. Additional information can be found at: www.oa-bsa.org/resources/forms/sain-scholarship2009.pdf.



Brian T. Ahrens



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Bradford Charles Lichota



William G. Swingle



Will W. Scott

Reconnecting Alumni

By **TOM ELIOPOULOS AND JASON HOOD**

National Alumni Relations

A unique series of events has occurred at Duke University's Fuqua School of Business this spring. A group of 10 Eagle Scouts, including many former Arrowmen, formed a student club for the purpose of reconnecting and giving back to the local Occoneechee Council in Raleigh, North Carolina. This group of Duke graduate students, organized by Tom Eliopoulos, a member of the BSA's national Alumni Relations Committee, was identified by an announcement posting on the school's internal communications server calling for all alumni of the BSA to get in touch with him. Within a few days the club was formed. It now has a physical presence in the halls of the business school, a club board, with marketing materials to help generate further awareness of the BSA's national Alumni Connection initiative at www.BSAalumni.org.

This April, the club partnered with a local Scout district and sent several of these graduate students as delegates to Eagle Scout boards of review in Cary, North Carolina. Most of these Eagle Scouts had not previously interacted with the BSA's programs for several years.

Duke student Ryan Maxwell notes "the opportunity to reconnect with the BSA is really what appealed to me about this club". The Fuqua School of Business is also home to the Center for the Advancement of Social Entrepreneurship. This research and education center is led by Executive Director Matthew Nash, also an Eagle Scout, and among other initiatives hosts an outreach partnership with the local BSA that sends two current MBA students to Occoneechee Council as visiting members of the council executive board.

Later that same month, the Duke club sent another delegation of graduate students to the Crosswinds District Friends of Scouting Breakfast. The event's program featured a nationally recognized comedian. Several business leaders were in attendance to lend physical and financial support to the district. The Duke Club also contributed \$250 to the Crosswinds District Friends of Scouting Fund.

Taken as a pilot program, this highly successful club model is easy to replicate and OA members in graduate schools are encouraged to repeat it at their own universities around the country. "The impact of Arrowmen and Eagle Scouts coming together in this way will be great," notes Jason Hood, a member

of the Order of the Arrow National Committee who is spearheading the OA's alumni efforts. "The strength of the business connections you will make as young professionals through forming these graduate school clubs can be even greater," added Hood. Many young professionals who have entered the business world have also found a home on the www.LinkedIn.com group The Order of the Arrow - Scouting's National Honor Society which already boasts over 3,600 OA alumni.

The OA is working to reconnect with its alumni and friends by identifying former members, DSA recipients, Vigil Honor members, past officers, and others. Lodges are encouraged to reconnect with their former members and to establish their own alumni relations efforts through homecoming activities, communications programs, and similar efforts in their councils to reach out to Eagle Scouts, camp staff, and other friends of Scouting. In addition, if you are thinking about starting a professional BSA alumni club at your university, or have done so already, please send a note to Jason Hood at alumni@oa-bsa.org so that the Order of the Arrow can stay in touch with you and thank you for your efforts.

SR-7B Chapter Summit



Will Swingle addressing the assembly of chapter chiefs and advisers.

By **NICK OCHSNER**

Past SR-7B Section Chief

Chapter chiefs and advisers from across North Carolina came together in October for an opportunity to take part in a training that was one of the first of its kind. Arrowmen gathered at Camp Raven Knob in Mount Airy, North Carolina, home of Wahissa Lodge, for the inaugural Chapter Leadership Summit hosted by Section SR-7B.

Section leaders decided to host the summit after past section chief Michael Turner pitched the idea during his campaign. Soon after his election, Turner began work planning the summit. Tragically, Michael was involved in a car accident just two weeks after being elected section chief and passed away before he could complete this vision.

However, Michael's friends were determined to help remember him by carrying out the program. Past section chief Nick Ochsner and his adviser, Travis Gentry, joined forces to create the new training event.

The team designed a training course aimed at successfully equipping chapter leaders with the skills they need to better serve their chapters. Chapter delegates learned more about framing successful yearlong programs, recruiting and empowering their leaders, and implementing successful Indian Affairs initiatives.

The new skills and enthusiasm carried away by each chapter chief helped to honor the spirit of Michael Turner and his vision of creating a stronger chapter program in SR-7B.

OA State-Wide Service Corps at Kentucky Centennial Jamboree

By **ELIZABETH FIELDER**
Chapter Adviser, Kawida Lodge

This past year's Kentucky Centennial Jamboree was the first event in over 75 years where all three Boy Scout councils that serve the state of Kentucky united to present a premiere Scouting event. Scouts from Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, and Michigan joined their Kentucky brethren to bring the total to 15,000 attendees. The Lincoln Heritage, Blue Grass, and Shawnee Trails councils brought their Scouts and leaders to Tom Sawyer Park in Louisville, Kentucky, where they led multiple programs and activities that concluded with an arena show enjoyed by all. As an integral part of the Centennial celebration, White Horse, Kawida, and Talligewi lodges formed a statewide Centennial Jamboree Order of the Arrow Service Corps.

Members of the Service Corps arrived early on Friday morning and met

in the OA Service Corps Registration tent where they received instructions on where their services would be most needed. Following this, each member went to work immediately helping individuals unload and assisting them to their campsites. Early the next morning, the Service Corps met in the headquarters tent of the Merit Badge Midway and helped to facilitate various activities.

One important function of the OA Service Corps was to assist with the merit badge instruction taking place at the Midway. Over 1,000 Scouts earned merit badges at the 20 different stations, including one or more of the four unique Centennial Merit Badges which were recently revived for a limited time. Members of the Service Corps served as crowd control placeholders, photographers, and videographers, and a few were invited onstage by Alex Boyé, star of Scout Camp: The Movie.



(Top left) Graham Fielder taking video of the day activities for the closing show. (Top right) Alex Boyé and Jesse McCallon, White Horse Lodge Chief dancing on stage. (Bottom left) Service Corp Shirt. (Bottom right) Aaron Shepherd taking pictures at the closing show. Photos by T. Alex Hill and Tom Fielder.

Order of the Arrow national events calendar released

By **AARON SHEPHERD**
Layout Editor

To allow lodges adequate time to build the Order of the Arrow's national events into council and lodge calendars and allow Arrowmen time to make preparations to attend, the OA National Events Calendar has been released through the year 2014.

In August 2012, the Order of the Arrow will return to the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan, for its National Order of the Arrow Conference. We are excited to be going back to Michigan State, where the Order held its 2006 conference.

The Boy Scouts of America national jamboree will move to the Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve near Beckley, West Virginia, in 2013. Along with

transitioning to a new location, the jamboree will reinvent itself with the addition of new and exciting program features. The Jamboree Trek is an all-day adventure in which each troop will take a four-mile hike to the top of Garden Ground Mountain, with interpretative points along the way. Troops will have lunch at the top, followed by an afternoon of games and demonstrations.

The day ends with a barbecue and bonfire, followed by a bus trip back to camp. Another element of the jamboree in which everyone will participate is a day of service in the local community, in the New River Gorge National River area, and perhaps, on the Summit site.

The OA has accepted the Boy Scouts' invitation to become an integral part of the implementation of these program features. The OA

will provide approximately 650 staff members to assist with the execution of these exciting new programs and will continue to support the jamboree program through the OA Service Corps and Indian Village.

The date and location for the 2015 NOAC will be announced by the end of 2012.

On the eve of celebrating our 100th Anniversary, the Order of the Arrow will not host a national event in 2014. Lodges will be encouraged to focus on areas of growth they have identified through self-evaluation with their Scout executive.

As is tradition, the Order will elect national officers for the year. They, along with the section chiefs, will be deployed in teams to develop tools to assist with lodge program. This group will also lay the foundation for our 100th Anniversary celebration.

Camporee Extreme

By **JOHN REHM**
Features Editor

Each spring, the United States Military Academy at West Point hosts a nationwide camporee called the Scoutmasters Conference. Boy Scouts troops, venture crews, and girl Scouts troops from across the nation attend the camporee and compete in a wide array of activities and events, all in the hopes of taking home the coveted sabers. This year's event took place on April 29-May 1 and followed in intense traditions of its predecessors.

"Competitions at the camporee are similar to a typical council or district camporee. There's fire building, canoeing, knots, but what makes it different, is the intensity level. It's all about teamwork and communication," said Brett Garbrick a Chapter Chief of Woapeu Sisilija Lodge and member of Crew 007, which was one of the many crews participating in the event. Order of the Arrow members who attended the Camporee attributed much of their success to the invaluable lessons and skills that they learned in the OA. "Most of the competitions are sort of mind games, very much like trying to construct the tallest tower at NLS," said Garbrick.

The Leadership Reaction Course (LRC), an intense obstacle course,

takes teamwork and leadership. One person was selected to lead the group through various obstacles while carrying a five gallon jug of water along with one member of the team blind folded. "We weren't allowed to talk the whole time, but most of us had completed our Ordeal around the same time and remembered our little tricks to communicate," said Aaron Weber, a member of Woapeu Sisilija Lodge.

"It was a great experience - I can't wait to compete again!"

*- Billy Crites
Woapeu Sisilija*

Many of the cadets who run the Camporee had participated in Scouting and could be seen wearing their Eagle badge on their uniforms or backpacks. "I have always loved the outdoors. I remember when I first attended OA Trail Crew at Philmont and what it was like to meet other guys from all around the country," said one cadet.

"It was a great experience - I can't wait to compete again!" said Billy Crites of Woapeu Sisilija.

2012 NOAC and National Jamboree Dates

National Order of the Arrow Conference
Michigan State University

July 30 - August 4, 2012

National Jamboree
The Summit:
Bechtel Family Scout Reserve

July 15 - July 24, 2013

President Franklin D. Roosevelt's Induction into the OA

By Bill Topkis

History, Preservation and 100th Anniversary

On August 23, 1933, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt became the first and only President of the United States to be inducted into the Order of the Arrow. The induction took place at Camp Man of Ten Mile River Scout Camp (TMR) and was conducted by Suanhacky Lodge of the Queens Borough of New York City, Greater New York Councils.

Roosevelt's service and support to Scouting had begun long before he assumed the President's customary role of BSA Honorary President. In 1924 Roosevelt led the New York City Boy Scout Foundation and was its president.

The New York City Boy Scout Foundation was dedicated to securing a permanent campground that could accommodate the tens of thousands of Boy Scouts in the greater metropolitan New York and surrounding areas.

Ten Mile River Scout Camp was a direct result of Roosevelt's efforts. In 1930, in recognition of Roosevelt's extraordinary dedication to Scouting, the BSA awarded the then Governor of New York the Silver Buffalo Award at TMR.

There was great excitement that the President would be coming back to TMR to be inducted into the Order of the Arrow. National Commissioner Dan Beard wrote to Chief Scout Executive James E. West hopeful of a coveted invitation.

"What is the dedication over at Ten Mile River Camp? I understand that the President of the United States will be there. It might excite unfavorable comment if your National Commissioner is not invited to attend a function of such national character."

- Dan Beard,

Following his induction into the Order of the Arrow, President Roosevelt toured TMR in his open-air convertible complete with Presidential Seal proudly wearing his new OA sash for all Scouts to see.

The OA History Timeline, an interactive Internet website, is scheduled to launch early summer, 2011. The photograph of President Roosevelt featured in this article was found by accident among postcards and other early photographs of TMR.

The group preparing the OA History Timeline researched and uncovered the facts behind the photograph.

This photograph is both iconic and demonstrative of the relationship of our Order and our nation's history.



Note:

In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower was made an 'honorary' member of Zit-Kala-Sha Lodge in Louisville, KY.



President Roosevelt touring Camp Man of Ten Mile River in his open-air convertible.

Final preparations for SummitCorps this summer

On the weekend of April 8-10, the Order of the Arrow descended on the National Guard Armory in Glen Jean, West Virginia, to make final preparations for the Order's project this summer: SummitCorps – The New River Experience.

In less than two months, in collaboration with the New River Gorge National River, over 2,000 Arrowmen will provide service building new mountain bike and hiking trails on New River Gorge land adjacent to the Boy Scouts of America's newest high adventure base and National Scout Jamboree site: The Summit: Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve in West Virginia.

Both Youth Incident Commanders and adult advisers spent the weekend planning the four week adventure at the National River and National Guard Armory.

The Armory will serve as the home base for all participants at the Summit. Both guests and staff will camp, eat dinners, and depart for the worksite and any recreation activities from the Armory. The actual service will be provided within the National River, primarily focused in two specific areas.

During the weekend, the leadership team was able to see the worksites and review the

capabilities of the Armory.

Under the leadership of the four Youth Incident Commanders, each of the functional areas responsible for planning and delivering SummitCorps met throughout the weekend to discuss all aspects of the project. This included, among many items, how the buses would load each morning to the worksite, where the portable showers would be located, and when guests would eat dinner.

The Order's leadership also met with representatives of the National River, the Armory, and the various recreation vendors who will be providing activities for the guests and staff during their stay

in West Virginia.

The weekend concluded with a Sunday to Saturday review of the schedule for each of the weeks. The Youth Incident Commanders lead the group in a discussion of the daily schedule from reveille to taps. All functional areas provided input into the final schedule which has now been adapted into the final Incident Action Plan.

SummitCorps looks to be an amazing Scouting experience this summer and there are still spots available. Check out www.event.oa-bsa.org for more information or ask your lodge chief today. We look forward to seeing you in West Virginia!



Rafting will be one of the many recreational activities offered.

SUMMITCORPS
THE NEW RIVER EXPERIENCE

JULY 3-9
JULY 10-16
JULY 17-23
JULY 24-30

Arrowmen may still register for '11 national events



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MOVE *your* **FEET**

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Arrowmen will work with the National Park Service building multi-purpose trails and removing invasive species from the New River Gorge. A one-week adventure includes fellowship, a commitment to cheerful service, a day of recreation, and awesome memories.

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Join in the excitement of SummitCorps - The New River Experience.
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