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February 13th, 8:00 a.m.

February 27th, 8:00 a.m.

March 5th, 8:00 a.m.

March 12th, 8:00 a.m.

March 19th, 8:00 a.m.

April 2nd, 8:00 a.m.

April 9th, 8:00 a.m.

April 16th, 8:00 a.m.

Lodge Meetings

at Camp Powhatan

February 13th, 3:30 p.m.

March 12th, 3:30 p.m.

April 9th, 3:30 p.m.

Conclave

April 29th - May 1st

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Camp Ottari

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Camp Powhatan

Tutelo to Host Conclave 2016

All Tutelo Arrowmen Needed for Camp Powhatan's Biggest Conclave Ever!

On the weekend of April 29th through May 1st, Tutelo Lodge will host the annual SR-7A Conclave at Camp Powhatan. More than 1,000 Arrowmen from lodges across Virginia and beyond will converge on the Blue Ridge Scout Reservation for a weekend of competitions, training, fellowship, and fun!

The last time Conclave was at Powhatan was 2010, and it won't be back until 2022, so this is our best shot at showing the other lodges in the section what Tutelo can do! Whether you just joined the lodge last year or have been a member for decades, Conclave 2016 promises to be an incredible



event! The weekend will kick off with a show and carnival with games and activities Friday night. Saturday will be full of training sessions, American Indian dance competitions, ceremonies evaluations, and the famous Quest for the Golden Arrow, where the section's six lodges

compete in volleyball, tug of war, lodge (dodge) ball, a relay race, and more! Other activities will include the Expo with activities and demonstrations, the OA High Adventure area, an OA museum, and a Top Shot competition where marksmen from each lodge will compete for bragging rights in speed and accuracy. Saturday night will feature a big show followed by a Pig Roast!

Register Now!

All Tutelo Arrowmen are encouraged to register for Conclave as soon as possible. Those who sign up by

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Lodge Awards Bestowed at Banquet

On December 12th, over 200 Tutelo Arrowmen gathered at the Smith Mountain Lake 4-H Center for the lodge's annual Winter Banquet. The program featured speeches by lodge officers, photo highlights of the lodge's participation in the OA's centennial year, and recognition of Arrowmen who performed remarkable service to the lodge and community.

Founder's Awards were presented to Dakota Ward and Dennis Ratliff for their outstanding service to the lodge. Mike Holcomb received the George D. Carr Award for inspiration and service to the lodge's youth members. The



Above: Former Koo Koo Ku Hoo Lodge 161 members (left to right) Andy Bowling, Tony Tucker (standing), Marshall Anthony, and Bill Callahan were guests at the banquet.

Centurion Award is a special one-time recognition created by the National Order of the Arrow Committee to honor those "hometown heroes"

who have meaningfully contributed to the forming, maturing and ongoing

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A NOTE FROM THE PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

This issue of *The Torchbearer* marks a transition to new staff following the tireless work of Publications Adviser Pat Costa and the many youth chairmen who served with him since 2000.

Please bear with us as we get up to speed in order to continue providing you with meaningful and engaging communications into the future. Please contact John Nimmo at jnimmo773@gmail.com if you have any questions, comments, or suggestions.

Chiefly Speaking

Greetings Brothers,

My name is Carter Elliott and I have the honor of serving as your 2016 Lodge Chief. I am an Eagle Scout, Vigil Honor member, currently serve as the SR-7A Secretary, and am an Assistant Scoutmaster in Troop 184. I live in Lynchburg and am currently attending Lynchburg College where I am majoring in political science and history.

The Executive Committee Retreat at the beginning of January was packed with training and planning for the upcoming year. During the retreat, the Executive Committee came up with many ideas to help the lodge in 2016. With the commitment of the lodge officers, committee chairmen, and



chapter chiefs, the lodge will do many great things this year!

However, there are still many exciting opportunities for Arrowmen to gain leadership and help their fellow brothers. So, if you are interested, do not hesitate to contact any member of the Executive Committee.

Adviser's Minute

Brothers,

Well, we finished up another great year and had a wonderful time in Michigan at NOAC. Way to go Tutelo! We also start the New Year off running with a busy schedule. We held the fifth annual weekend-long executive committee training retreat. This event was well-attended and all of the comments have been very positive. I think everyone left the weekend with a much better idea of what their roles and responsibilities are for their positions. The chapter chiefs and their advisers, and the committee chairs with their advisers, discussed many ideas and set goals for their respective groups.

Next, we have a busy spring ahead so let's get rolling on what is looking like the most



challenging spring in a long time. We are hosting Conclave this year in April. There are tons of service projects planned to get the camp ready to show the rest of the section the type of event that Tutelo can really put on. We need to promote this event as much as possible this year. This is a great event that we are honored to host. We want every OA member to know and to experience this awesome event that is held

Also, mark your calendar for the upcoming conclave workdays and lodge meetings at Camp Powhatan.

As I come to a close in our first newly-revised *Torchbearer*, I would like to leave you with a quote from my talk at the Winter Banquet: "I exhort you as the chieftain, in the upcoming year, to dare to do more. Do things you haven't done before, accept new leadership roles, and work with your fellow brothers." This year Tutelo Lodge can do many new and exciting things but, without the help of every Arrowman, we will not live up to our full potential. *Who do you know?*

Carter S. Elliott, IV
Lodge Chief

every April, but only comes around to us once every six years.

Please do not miss the opportunity to go to this event. We need every Chapter to promote Conclave in your chapter meetings. We are a little behind this at this time on registration for Conclave so we need everyone's help to reach our goals.

The spring and summer functions will be right on the heels of Conclave and we will have to be planning those also. So, let's stay focused and have a lot of fun! Looking forward to another year in service, working with my Tutelo brothers, and meeting new faces. Let's Have A Great Year!

Kevin Reedy
Lodge Adviser

Conclave

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February 1st will have a chance to win prizes like a Bose Bluetooth Speaker or a \$100 REI Gift Card! Registration is easy: just go to conclave.sr7a.org, click on "Registration Portal," and follow the instructions. Newly-inducted members will soon be receiving a special postcard with a code that gives them a chance to win a free Conclave Registration as well!

Service Lodge Staff Needed

Once you have registered for Conclave, please consider volunteering for staff with your fellow Tutelo brothers. Hundreds of Scouts and Scouters are needed to perform the service functions that make the Conclave program possible. Arrowmen may choose to serve on one

of the following staff committees: Food Services, Ceremonies & Vigil Rededication, Health Services, Hospitality/Security, Registration, Service, Special Events, Transportation, Registration, and Trading Post. Once you have registered online, please complete and submit the enclosed "Staff Interest Form."

Service Days at Camp

It takes a lot of work to prepare camp for the arrival of over 1,000 Arrowmen who will be using almost all program facilities simultaneously. Tutelo Lodge has planned eight work days at camp during the months of February, March, and April to help get everything ready (see the "Lodge Calendar" on page 1 for the dates). Work will start at 8:00 a.m. each of these

workdays, and both skilled and unskilled volunteers are needed. Projects will include amphitheater repairs, cleaning campsites, renovating the Brotherhood ring, setting up tents, and repairing roads and trails. To reduce travel during this busy time, the February, March, and April lodge meetings will be held at Powhatan in conjunction with the workdays.

Earn a Special Patch!

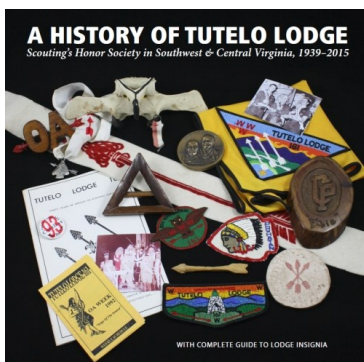
Brothers participating in at least five out of the eight service days will receive a special patch as a token of appreciation for their service.

For more information on how you can get involved, contact Warren Crandall. Also, remember to **register for Conclave today at conclave.sr7a.org!**

Lodge History Book Published

In celebration of the OA's centennial anniversary in 2015, the National Order of the Arrow Committee asked each lodge to develop or update a history of the lodge for submission to the National Scouting Museum. In response to this challenge, Tutelo Lodge has produced and published a comprehensive history of the Order in our area.

The 313-page book features text and images describing the development of early camps operated by Blue Ridge and Piedmont Area Councils (like Camp Monocan and the old Camp Powhatan) as well as information on Ne-Pah-Win/Koo Koo Ku Hoo 161 and Powhatan 456, the two lodges that preceded Tutelo.



Over 120 Arrowmen, family members, and individuals from the community contributed valuable information, images, and memories to this project.

The full-color book contains rosters of lodge officers, chapter chiefs, committee chairmen, and advisers from 1939-2015; Vigil honorees from 1954 to 2015, and a complete guide to lodge flaps

from Koo Koo Ku Hoo, Powhatan, and Tutelo Lodges. In addition, over 1,300 names, places, and subjects are indexed!

Copies of the book are available for \$19.99 from the Scout Office in Roanoke. They may also be ordered at www.tutelohistory.org/book, or by using the order form enclosed in this edition of *The Torchbearer*.

The Lodge History Committee will use this book as a springboard for future projects and initiatives. Comments, additions, or corrections may be submitted by email to tutelohistory@gmail.com.

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DUES REMINDER

It's time to renew your lodge membership for 2016! Only members with current dues may participate in lodge events. To make a payment, follow the instructions on the enclosed 2016 Function & Dues Form. *Thank you!*

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Operation Arrow @ Jambo 2017

After a record-setting national conference in 2015, the Order of the Arrow will again seek to make history with Operation Arrow at the 2017 National Scout Jamboree.

To continue a tradition that dates back to the 1950 National Scout Jamboree, over 750 youth Arrowmen will answer the call to serve as part of Operation Arrow – the largest jamboree staff team ever assembled by the OA!

Operation Arrow staff members will support the jamboree program by joining one of three primary OA program areas: the Service Corps, the Trek Guides and the Indian Village.

The summer of 2017 seems like a long time away, but planning for the next national Scout jamboree at the Summit



Bechtel Reserve (SBR) is already well underway.

In addition to jamboree staff requirements, prospective Arrowmen must:

- Be at least 16, but not yet 21 years of age by July 19th, 2017
- Be able to commit to the full length of the jamboree (staff session 1)
- Be physically fit and meet the BSA's height & weight

guidelines

- Obtain approval from their lodge adviser

When applying, please make sure to have your BSA member ID accessible. Arrowmen should choose Session One (July 15th-29th, 2017) and select one of the following staff teams in order to be considered:

- 6211 (Program) OA Service Corps
- 6221 (Program) OA Jamboree Trek Guides
- 6231 (Program) OA Indian Village Staff
- 6213 (Program) OA Medical Transport Corps (Adult-only)

Apply online at www.oa-bsa.org/jamboree/

Awards

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operational excellence of their lodge during the OA's first century. Centurion Awards were presented to Buddy Baker, Chris Bryant, George D. Carr (posthumous), Brandon Gregory, Gary Harvey, Bradley Long, Ken Lyons, and Scott Smith.

In addition to these honors, other Arrowmen were recognized, including the 2015 Class of Vigils, along with patch designers, committee chairmen, chapter chiefs, lodge officers, and advisers.

The Elangomat Committee earned the Strongest Committee Award, and Moneton Chapter took home the Strongest Chapter Award.



Ceremonial team members who won honors at the National Order of the Arrow Conference in August received their medals (see above) in shadow boxes for display.

Last but not least, Tutelo Lodge's Kitchen Crew was recognized and thanked for the tireless service that it performed at functions over the past year.

Conclave Theme: Star Wars

The Tutelo Lodge Executive Committee has selected a Star Wars theme for the lodge's participation in Conclave 2016. T-shirts as well as lodge flaps (see design below) may be pre-ordered when you register for Conclave at conclave.sr7a.org.





Tutelo Lodge #161

2016 Function Form

MAIL TO: Blue Ridge Mountains Council – BSA

P.O. Box 7606, Roanoke, VA 24019-0606

Fax: 540-265-0659 Email: tutelo161.membership@gmail.com

ONLY 1 PERSON PER FORM

When faxing or mailing: if you are paying for multiple people by Credit Card/check, note ALL names that are being paid for.

We are in the process of converting to LodgeMaster.

You can help by completing ALL the information asked for below on each form you complete.

Except for signatures, PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

NAME: _____

LAST FIRST MIDDLE

BSA ID NO. (REQUIRED) _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY ST ZIP

PHONE: _____

HOME CELL

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

EMERGENCY _____

CONTACT: NAME PHONE NO. _____

BIRTHDAY: _____

If under 18, the below PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS must be completed

TROOP /CREW/PACK #: _____ Troop Rep: ☐ YES ☐ NO

(^ Circle one ^)

CHAPTER: ☐ Koo Koo Ku Hoo ☐ Mingo ☐ Moneton
☐ Lappilennin ☐ Tuscarora ☐ Wil Kip Jo

Date(s) of Honor(s)
(month/date/year)

Ordeal

Brotherhood

Vigil

Functions start at 7 p.m. on Friday and end 11 a.m. Sunday. ORDEAL CANDIDATES need the following gear: Work clothes, work gloves, water bottle, sleeping bag, ground cloth Friday night; Tent and Full Class A Uniforms for Saturday night

PARTICIPANTS REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL PERSONS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE:

PARENTAL & MEDICAL RELEASE: This form must be signed below by the youth's parent/guardian to be eligible to attend.

Parent/guardian Name: _____ Insurance Carrier: _____

Emergency Phone No(s): _____ Policy Number: _____

MEDICAL, PHYSICAL OR ALLERGIES:

Please note that we may NOT be able to address all food allergies by providing special foods; If you need to discuss special arrangements with the kitchen crew ONLY AS IT PERTAINS TO FOOD ALLERGIES, please do so IN ADVANCE by contacting Ed Hamilton at echamilton@carilionclinic.org.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION...Please read carefully. I hereby authorize my above named child to attend the following Tutelo Lodge #161 functions:

(CHECK APPROPRIATE ONE): ☐ SPRING ORDEAL (OTTARI) ☐ SUMMER ORDEAL (POWHATAN) ☐ FALL ORDEAL (POWHATAN) ☐ FALL FELLOWSHIP (POWHATAN)

And give my permission for his full participation in this OA/BSA event. In the event of illness or accident going to or from or during this event, I request that treatment be instituted without delay as judgment of medical personnel dictates. In the case of an emergency, I understand every effort will be made to contact me. In the event I cannot be reached, I hereby give my permission to the physician selected by the Order of the Arrow leadership to render proper treatment which may include hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery and injection of medications.

TEMPORARY GUARDIANSHIP DESIGNATION: (CHECK APPROPRIATE ONE):

_____ Parent/legal guardian will participate in this event.

_____ The following Scouter (adult) has agreed to act as temporary guardian for my son to, from and during this event:

PRINTED NAME OF TEMPORARY GUARDIAN: _____ Phone No.: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:

DATE:

YOUTH AGREEMENT: I agree to obey the rules and regulations provided by the BSA and the Blue Ridge Mountains Council. I also understand I will be responsible to the OA leadership and, if applicable, also to the above named Temporary Guardian during this event and the trip to and from the event.

YOUTH SIGNATURE:

DATE:

RCVD @ BRMC OFFICE:

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

DATE RCVD: _____ Amt RCVD: \$ _____

☐ PAID AT FUNCTION: WALK-IN:
Function Fee +\$5 late fee Amt RCVD: _____

DUES MUST BE CURRENT TO ATTEND LODGE EVENTS

☐ 2016 Dues\$10

☐ 2016 Tutelo Annual Pass.....\$80

(Includes all Functions, Patches & Dues. Must be paid by April 30)

☐ Ordeal Candidate PAY ONLY\$35

(Includes Candidate fee, Current Years Dues & Function Fee)

☐ Brotherhood Candidate\$30

(Includes Candidate fee and Function Fee; LATE FEES APPLY)

If ATTENDING Check the A box next to the function

If ELANGOMAT Check the E box next to the function [No Fee]

A E
☐ ☐ Spring Ordeal.....May 13-15\$15

☐ ☐ Summer Ordeal.....June 3-5\$15

☐ ☐ Fall OrdealSept. 9-11\$15

☐ Fall Fellowship (NO Ordeal) Oct. 7-9\$15

☐ Winter Banquet.....Dec. 10\$25

☐ LATE FEE / PAID AT DOOR.....\$5.00

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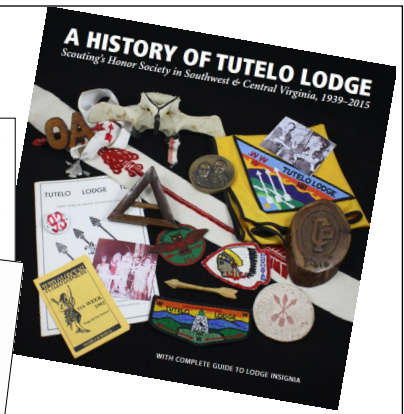
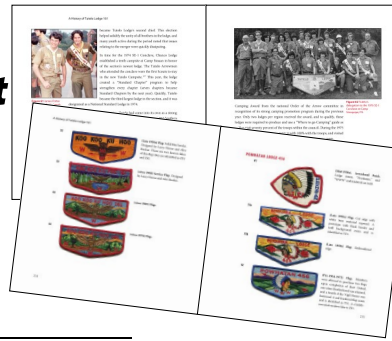
♦Function forms must be in the council office prior to the function
OR there is a \$5.00 Walk-in/Late Fee at the door.

♦If you bought Gold Card and will be taking your Brotherhood,
there is an additional Brotherhood/function fee of \$15.

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Conclave 2016 Staff Interest Form

It's time to start preparing for the 2016 Conclave! We need a lot of people to help host this event. There are lots of things to do. Join your brothers in the fun and cheerful service. Please return this form by e-mail to the address shown or to the council office. Please mark three committees (1st, 2nd, or 3rd) in the order that you would like to serve.

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Food Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Registration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trading Post | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality/Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Vigil/Ceremonies/Projects |

Name _____
Home Phone _____ Other Phone _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____
Unit _____ Chapter _____

Size for Staff T-shirt _____ (There will be a nominal charge for the shirt)

Conclave 2016 will be held at Camp Powhatan on April 29 – May 1, 2016. Please mark your calendars!

NOTE: All Tutelo Lodge members interested in serving on staff must register for Conclave at <http://conclave.sr7a.org> in addition to submitting this staff interest form.

Yours in Service,
Warren Crandall
2016 Conclave Chairman

E-mail to: wrcranda@gmail.com
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Attn: Conclave Interest Form
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Chapter & Committee News

Koo Koo Ku Hoo Chapter

We are ready to start the second century of the Order of the Arrow and make it even greater than the first! However, we need your help to make a difference in the community. Whether it's serving your brothers as an Elangomat or managing the staff of a District Camporee, we have a place for you. All members of the Piedmont District are cordially invited to our Chapter Meetings on the second Thursday of the month at Heritage United Methodist Church, 582 Leesville Road in Lynchburg at 7:00. Our next meeting will be on February 11, 2016.

Lappilennin Chapter

Lappilennin Chapter is starting out 2016 strong with a new leadership team: Chief Troy Chaconas, Vice-chief Nathan Jennings, Secretary Dylan Smith; and Treasurer Ben Hudson. This month we are excited to order the first ever Lappilennin Chapter t-shirts which will display our new totem! We'll also make these shirts available to our Tutelo brothers later this year. Our next meeting will be at 4pm on Sunday February 21st at Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Sydnorsville. Saturday, March 19th will be our chapter's day to provide lunch at Camp Powhatan for all the Tutelo workers getting ready for Conclave. See you there!

Mingo Chapter

Brothers, the Mingo chapter is excited to start the new year off strong. With the introduction of the retention committee to our chapter, we

will be trying to increase attendance at meetings and functions. Our other goals include the creation of a second ceremonies team, a high retention rate, and finally to increase the amount of service we give back to our community. Our next meeting will be on Sunday, February 14th at North Roanoke Baptist Church. We look forward to the new year and are expecting great things to happen!

Moneton Chapter

Moneton Chapter has had a great start to the new year! Our next Chapter meeting will be on February 9th, preparing us for our first Conclave work day on February 13th. We look forward to another successful year with the rest of Tutelo Lodge!

Tuscarora Chapter

Tuscarora chapter is preparing to host our winter camporee which some are already calling "better than Jambo" and "the greatest experience anyone can have in Scouting!" This year, the theme is American Indian Pow-Wow.

Wil-Kip-Jo Chapter

In the past we have always received the strong chapter award and we hope to get it again this year. This year we have some of the same goals as last year including but not limited to receiving the strong chapter award, completing lots of service, and creating a special bond that can only be forged in an organization like the OA. On the other hand, it's a new year and we have new goals like conducting elections and camp promotion for all of the units in our area, provide

quality chapter meetings, and grow chapter membership. Our chapter meeting will be held as usual on the second Monday of every month.

Activities Committee

If you have ever wondered the people are that plan the movie nights and fall fellowship, then look no further. We have been talking about updating and adding to this year's roster of activities. The activities committee is ready to give you one the best years yet for activities; if you are interested in helping out feel free to contact us!

History Committee

Do you want to help your lodge, but don't know how? Do you like history? Join the History Committee! Hi, I'm Gabe Plichta, and I need YOU to help create a database, gather information about the lodge, and display information on function nights, and other tasks. If you are wondering what you can do, don't sweat it. We need someone from every chapter as a delegate, and others who just want to help. Send me an email if you are interested!

Winter Banquet Committee

We have a great opportunity to make this year's winter banquet the best one yet! Brothers are needed to take pictures during each function for the slide show. My goal is to have at least one person from each chapter to join this committee. That would get a lot more pictures of our brothers than if I did this alone. If you are interested, please contact us!

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