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Conclave Work Days at Camp Powhatan April 2nd, 8:00 a.m. April 9th, 8:00 a.m. April 16th, 8:00 a.m.

Lodge Meeting

April 9th, 4:30 p.m. (new time) Camp Powhatan

CONCLAVE

April 29th - May 1st Camp Powhatan

Spring Ordeal

May 13th - 15th Camp Ottari

Summer Ordeal

June 3rd - 5th Camp Powhatan

Fall Ordeal

September 9th - 11th Camp Powhatan

Fall Fellowship

October 7th - 9th Camp Powhatan

Winter Banquet & Lodge Meeting

December 10th Location TBA

Camp Powhatan Getting Facelift

Tutelo conducting major service projects in advance of Conclave 2016

Tutelo Lodge is steadily making progress on a number of important service projects Camp Powhatan preparation for the arrival of over a thousand Arrowmen from across Virginia beyond on the weekend of April 29 - May 1. While these projects are important for the SR-7A Conclave, which comes to Camp Powhatan every six years, they will also provide lasting benefit to the council's summer camp program for many years to come.

One of the most visible projects is the refitting of the camp's amphitheater. advance of the 1993 SE-8 Conclave, Tutelo Lodge rebuilt



entire amphitheater, expanding it to seat 1,000 Scouts. Later, the facility's seating capacity was further expanded. More than twenty years later, many of the bench tops and some of the support posts are being replaced. This will ensure work functionality of the camp's gathering spot into the future.

"Brotherhood Rina" ceremonial site northeast of the camp's reservoir is also almost completely being reconstructed. The site has been regraded, and the stone wall surrounding the circle has been rebuilt. Additional seating will be also be added.

Other service projects currently being conducted include the construction of new tent platforms, renovation of a shower house, and numerous plumbing repairs throughout camp. Your help is needed to make a lasting difference at camp! See the Lodge Calendar for remaining workdays in April.

#FuelScoutingsAdventure with **Operation Arrow at the 2017 Jamboree**

In 2017, the Order of the Arrow will continue tradition of providing cheerful service to the National Scout Jamboree. More than 750 vouth Arrowmen will answer the call to serve in Operation Arrow by staffing one of the OA's program areas, which include the Service Corps, Trek Guides and Indian Village.

Each program component of Operation Arrow carries a unique legacy of jamboree service and caters to various types of Arrowmen. The OA Service Corps, a tradition



Above: OA Service Corps members help prepare Base Camp Echo at Jambo 2013.

dating back to 1950, provides reliable manpower support to other essential iamboree programs. Service Corps staffers work to accomplish projects, both big and small,

exemplify the commitment to "service with a smile."

The OA Trek Guides lead units on their day-long jamboree trek to the summit of Garden Ground Mountain, where participants spend a day enjoying unique programming. Trek Guides enjoy rugged, outdoor adventures and help their crews find fulfillment in their jamboree experience.

The OA Indian Village serves as the hub for American Indian programming. Indian Village

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Chiefly Speaking

Greetings Brothers,

The first few months of this year have been very exciting and we have accomplished a great deal.

If you have not yet paid your dues, please do so as soon as possible. We're excited to announce that dues payment and function registration may now be done online at www.tutelo161.org!

Currently, after a just few work days, our lodge has over 1,150 service hours, which is nearly twenty percent of the total hours for all of last year! I would like to give a big thank you to all of those who have come to the workdays and put in service hours.

At our March lodge meeting, it was decided that we will be



introducing two new awards: one for participation and the other for exemplary service. At the next lodge meeting (4:30 p.m. on Saturday April 9th at Camp Powhatan) we will be presenting proposed changes to the lodge's by-laws.

Throughout this month, we have many opportunities to expand your leadership skills by coming to Conclave work

days. There are work days nearly every weekend and we can surely use your help.

Also, register for Conclave! Tutelo currently has over 200 Arrowmen registered for the event. In a normal year, this would be a great number, but since we are hosting, we need many more Arrowmen to help.

In the next month, I urge you all to strive for excellence and serve your fellow brothers because with all of your help this Conclave will be nothing short of excellent.

Who do you know?

Carter S. Elliott, IV Lodge Chief

Adviser's Minute

Brothers,

We sure got started off this year with a busy schedule. We already had most of our workdays and tons of work has been accomplished. This will make Camp Powhatan look good for Conclave, and also gives a jump start to Summer Camp preparations. The chapters have all done a great job with the hosting the work days. Thanks for a job well done! There is still a lot of work to be done to pull this off. Also, be ready to claim the coveted section awards we shall earn...I know all will be ready. I have no doubt that this will be the best conclave ever!

So in case you were not listening, Conclave is coming. 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.

So please do not miss the opportunity to go to this event. This will be an Conclave to remember. We need every chapter and every Arrowman to promote Conclave in your chapter and troop meetings. We do not want any Tutelo

Arrowman to miss out.

The spring and summer functions will be just a couple of weeks after Conclave so we will have to be planning those at the same time. So, let's stay focused and have a lot of fun.

I'm looking forward to the greatest Conclave in history with the greatest lodge in the Nation!

Who do you know?

Kevin Reedy Lodge Adviser

Conclave 2016 Update

The Conclave Committee has been working hard to get ready for Conclave which will be right here at Powhatan. We would like to thank everyone who has already help us, but encourage you to come out and help for we still have a long way to go. We are on an excellent track to host the best Conclave in the history of SR-7A, and hope to see you there. If you are attending Conclave there are some things to know before arriving:

- Please car pool and follow instructions from the transportation staff.
- Be prepared to pitch your own tent. Camp tents WILL run out.
- Be courteous and kind as all of Tutelo are the hosts.
- There are a lot of activities to participate in. This is a rain or shine event come prepared and come early!



Above: The New Arrowman Luncheon (attended by all brotherts who were inducted last year plus each lodge chief) is one of the many highlights of Conclave.

Register by April 15th!

All Tutelo Arrowmen should register for Conclave by April 15th to avoid the late fee. Registration is easy: just go to conclave.sr7a.org, click on "Registration Portal," and follow the instructions.

In order to make this Conclave a success, Tutelo needs to bring almost twice the usual number of Arrowmen to work on service staff as well as participate in all of the fun Conclave activities in order to win honors like the Lodge of the Year Award, Spirit Award, or Quest for the Golden Arrow.

If you have questions about Conclave, check with your chapter chief or adviser. We'll see you at Camp Powhatan on April 29th - May 1st!

National Chief to be at Camp Powhatan

As if you didn't need more reasons to be at Conclave 2016, here's one more: We are excited to announce that National Chief Hunter Jones will be there! This is a fantastic and rare opportunity to get to know a national OA officer while showing him all of the things that make SR-7A Conclaves so awesome!

As National Chief, Jones 200,000 nearly represents Arrowmen. He joins National Sea Scout Boatswain Edward Campbell and National Venturing President Edward Abraham as the three highestranking youth leaders in the Boy Scouts of America.



Hunter is from Middle Tennessee Council in Nashville, Tennessee He is an Eagle Scout and Vigil Honor member of Wa -Hi-Nasa Lodge 111. Hunter has served previously as section chief for SR-6 and the lodge chief of Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge. He is the recipient of the Centurion and Founder's Awards and is a James E. West Fellow. Hunter is studying animal science and pre-med at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. In his spare time, he enjoys trap shooting, boxing and traveling.

This may be the first time that a sitting national chief has been to a Conclave at Camp Powhatan. Hunter will be participating in many activities throughout the weekend and will be the keynote speaker at the New Arrowman Luncheon on Saturday. Don't miss this historic moment!

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Tutelo Lodge is excited to announce that members may now pay lodge dues, purchase annual passes, and register for individual functions online at www.Tutelo161.org!

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Koo Koo Ku Hoo Chapter

We have had a great start to the second century of the Order of the Arrow. However, we can still soar higher, shoot further. We need your help to make this year one to be remembered. Service comes in many different forms: whether you would like to serve as a Nimat for your brothers as they seal their membership in the Order or staff the tomahawk-throwing station at a district Camporee, service will appreciated. Piedmont District Arrowmen, join us on April 7 at Heritage United Methodist Church, 582 Leesville Road, Lynchburg, Virginia, 24502, at 7:00 PM to make this century even greater than the last.

Lappilennin Chapter

We have created the first ever Lappilennin Chapter t-shirts which will display our new totem! We will be selling the shirts to members of the lodge soon so don't miss out. Lappilennin also plans to do a service project at our usual place. Bethlehem meeting United Methodist Church has been generous by letting us use their space and we want aive back to them. Furthermore, we have decided to create a wooden nickel for Conclave this year. This will be the design:





Wil-Kip-Jo Chapter

We are having an amazing year so far. We have already fundraiser done а and, alongside Moneton, have taken apart all of the old benches at the amphitheater and started replacing them. We have acquired 1000 bags for conclave giveaway items. Wil Kip Jo's ceremonies team is preparing for the SR-7A ceremonies weekend conclave. We will be meeting as usual at the Wytheville Presbyterian Church on the second Monday of every month.

Activities Committee

The activities committee has been steadily planning for the upcoming functions. We have also appointed Ethan Carrol as our new vice chairman! If you are ever interested in joining the Activities Committee, contact Hunter or Taylor.

By-Laws Committee

The By-Laws committee is finalizing the currently Proposed By-Laws that will undergo discussion and voting. In the upcoming weeks, a finalized By-Laws document will be posted on the lodge's website for all members to look at and see if they have any issues suggestions.

Ceremonies Committee

The Ceremonies Committee is looking forward the to Ceremony Weekend on April 15-17 at Camp T. Brady Saunders. We are also looking forward to Conclave. Conclave there will be several teams competing SO encourage you to come out support fellow your

brothers. We hope to see you at Conclave and look forward to seeing you at functions.

History Committee

1915 and 1916 were years of change for a lot of people. The Order of the Arrow was just formed at Treasure Island, the Easter Rising had started in Ireland, and war was over the horizon. You may ask, "Gabe, why do I care what my old history teacher says, other than not getting an F on the report card?" The best way to sum it up is in this excerpt from the famous theologist and historian R. Collingwood: "History is for human self-knowledge ... the only clue to what man can do is what man has done. The value of history, then, is that it teaches us what man has done and thus what man is." Some of us learn because we are proud of our heritage, others from interest in the subject. We should all learn because we can and we have access to knowledge, and to know our place in future times.

Publications Committee

We hope you are enjoying the new format of The Torchbearer. The next issue will come out in August. Please forward article submissions to John Nimmo by July 14th. We are in the process of building a new and lodge website, look forward to launching it in May.

Service Committee

The service committee is excited for conclave and for the busy function season this year. If you have any service project ideas or requests, contact Eric or Tim .



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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.



Operation Arrow

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staffers educate Scouts on American Indian life by teaching dance, craft, song and drumming.

In addition to these teams, the OA will have small exhibit, shows, recreation, program, administrative services and non-emergency medical transportation staffs.

The 2017 National Scout Jamboree staff experience promises to be even more rewarding than previous years, based on improvements made response to feedback received in 2013. Among other improvements, staff members will have greater access to onsite transportation to shorten the commute between staff lodging and workstations. Additionally, the iamboree leadership committed to ensuring that all staff members receive at least one full day off to explore other jamboree areas. Finally, staff dining will be improved to include stronger lunchtime offerings and incorporation of retail food stands in the design of staff villages. These changes are welcome news for new and returning OA staffers who work in intense, highly active programs.

The Operation Arrow team has been accepting applications to join our staff since October 2015, and our quota is filling quickly. Interested Arrowmen can find more information on our program areas and a link to apply by visiting the Operation Arrow website (http://event.oa-bsa.org/events/jambo2017/)



Above: An OA Trek Guide prepares a Jamboree troop for its early morning hike to Garden Ground Mountain.

by following @OperationArrow on Twitter. Prospective staff members should be able to commit to Session 1 (the full two week period), must be at least 16 years old by the start of the iamboree and must meet current **BSA** membership, fitness training and requirements.

If you are unsure if you are able to commit just yet, but interested in staffing in 2017, you can fill out our interest form and a member of our Operation Arrow leadership team will reach out in the upcoming months with more information.

Furthermore, there are several opportunities highly for qualified youth Arrowmen, including Project 2013 alumni, to join our promotional efforts through the Operation Arrow Street Team, our grassroots promotional group, and the **Ambassadors** Program, recruitment program for section and lodge leadership. Current and prospective youth Operation Arrow staff members are strongly

encouraged to participate in these initiatives.

The summer of 2017 seems like a long time away, but planning for the next national Scout jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Reserve is already well underway. The Order of the Arrow will continue to release information about Operation Arrow staff opportunities and how to become involved in the coming months. We look forward to serving alongside you at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in 2017!

General questions about Operation Arrow staff and the OA's role at the 2017 National Scout Jamboree can be directed to operationarrow@oa-bsa.org.



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