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## Lodge Calendar

Fall Ordeal

September 9th - 11th  
Camp Powhatan

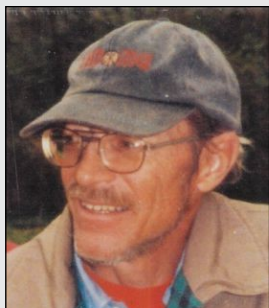
Fall Fellowship

October 7th - 9th  
Camp Powhatan

Winter Banquet  
& Lodge Meeting

December 10th  
Smith Mtn. Lake 4-H Center

## Gone Home



Robert Alan Russell  
4/7/1952- 7/20/2016



## A Busy Summer: Prism and NEXT

Tutelo leaders learn skills to move lodge into OA's second century

In June, a contingent of Tutelo Arrowmen (including J.D. Castleman, Troy Chaconas, Warren Crandall, Jacob DeJarnette, Riley Millward, Chris Bryant, Gary Harvey, Taylor McKinnis, and Kevin Reedy) had the opportunity to experience an inaugural ceremony at the Summit Circle, which is the ceremonial site located at the Summit Bechtel Reserve. Also, the Arrowmen were able to explore the Summit and preview what will be available at the 2017 National Jamboree. In addition, participants engaged in service projects and training sessions. The Summit Circle is a recreation of the first



*Tutelo's Prism contingent prepares to enter the newly-dedicated Summit Circle at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in New Hope, WV.*

ceremonial ring at Treasure Island on the Delaware River in Pennsylvania, which was recently abandoned due to repeated flooding. The stone

podium was taken directly from the original ring. Also, the Summit Circle showed the

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## Conclave 2016 Wrap-up

Record-breaking OA event at Camp Powhatan was a huge success

On the weekend of April 29th through May 1st, over one thousand (1,006, to be exact) Arrowmen from across Virginia and beyond converged on Camp Powhatan for the 2016 SR-7A Conclave. The brothers of Tutelo Lodge spent the winter and spring preparing for the event, completing major service projects for camp, including the rebuilding of the amphitheater and Brotherhood Ring, plumbing and roofing repairs, tent floorboard construction, and much more.

Special guests included National Chief Hunter Jones and Southern Region Chief Jeff Sedlacek (who also attended the Spring Ordeal at Camp Ottari). Each year, the service lodge has a great deal of behind-the-scenes work to perform, including running the dining hall, trading post, health lodge, transportation services, and supporting all of the Conclave program areas. This can make it difficult for the lodge to also participate in the various competitions at Conclave, but the 254 Tutelo brothers who attended did a

phenomenal job. Tutelo won the Lodge of the Year Award along with the Quest for the Golden Arrow. Three Tutelo teams achieved the honor level in Pre-Ordeal ceremony evaluations, and one Tutelo team earned this status for the Brotherhood ceremony.

Conclave Service Lodge Chairman Warren Crandall and his adviser David Rutherford would like to thank everyone who worked so hard to make this a truly great Conclave. Next year, Conclave will be at Pipsico Scout Reservation with service lodge Blue Heron 349.

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# Chiefly Speaking

Brothers,

We've made it through our summer camp season, and we are about to resume our normal lodge operations. I hope everyone had a great time with various summer camp programs, or with any trips they took this summer.

Some of our lodge leadership attended Prism and/or NEXT this summer, and the Lodge Executive Committee will be meeting in late August\* about how we can incorporate what we learned from these events



to better our lodge. You could be the one who innovates a different way our lodge operates in a certain area, and I encourage you to begin processing your new ideas as

we continue into the next century of our Order.

I leave you with this quote from author and leadership expert John P. Kotter: "Leaders establish the vision for the future and set the strategy for getting there."

Jacob DeJarnette  
*Lodge Chief*

\*The EC is gathering at the Council Office on Saturday August 27th from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to discuss what was learned at NEXT.

# Adviser's Minute

Brothers,

Wow, where has the summer gone??

I hope everyone had a great summer; as for mine I have had a busy one. First, we pulled off the greatest Conclave ever with nothing but high praise from everyone who was involved. Way to go Tutelo, I knew you could do it! Secondly, I had the honor of attending Prism with a group of Tutelo brothers and that was an awesome experience. I then made a quick trip to camp to spend the rest of the week with my troop at camp to end up a great week of Scouting. Summer camp was awesome and our OA ceremony on Friday night was wonderful.

Then, there was NEXT! This was the highlight of summer and an OA experience I will not forget. It was unbelievable to see the passion of the members of this great organization we are a part of. I learned a lot about the



operations of the Order of the Arrow, took classes on leadership, organization of a lodge, and how to work with other people. Best of all was the fellowship with 1,600 of my brothers from across the nation. NEXT was a great experience and I am looking forward to helping get the next century of the Order off to a great start. So everyone get ready: we came back with a lot of new ideas to share with the Lodge.

I hope everyone had a summer filled with memories they will never forget. Okay, enough talking about the summer. The fall is already

here and we have lots of things to do to finish up this year. By the time you get this article the Fall Ordeal will be upon us, so let's make sure we are ready. We will also need to be working on planning the Fall Fellowship: every chapter should be planning for a big event and a good turnout. At this event, you will be selecting your leaders for the upcoming year so we need every chapter to be represented well. You should also be looking ahead to the Winter Banquet where we will be recognizing some of our brothers who have worked hard this year.

In closing, I ask that we all take a look at our goals for this year and work on getting them completed so we can make this year one of the greatest years in Tutelo history!

Kevin Reedy  
*Lodge Adviser*



# Prism & Next

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original tests of the Ordeal. The tests were "stick together," "lift one another," and "join hands." Prism was a great experience for all who attended.

From July 30th to August 3rd, a delegation of five (Jacob DeJarnette, Riley Millward, John Nimmo, Mike Holcomb, and Kevin Reedy) went to the NEXT conference at Indiana University. While there, they learned about many new programs that national has created to help the lodge. They also learned best practices from other lodges that will be used to ensure our lodge's success in the second century of the Order. There were many great seminars for the youth and



Above: The Tutelo delegation to NEXT prepares for a show in the auditorium at Indiana University.

adults to learn from, and there were many fun games. Feedback from the lodges will be used to help develop the next strategic plan for the Order of the Arrow. A bonus was that the delegation got to

scout out the next NOAC location, and it looks like it will be a great place. Tutelo Lodge looks forward to returning to Indiana University for NOAC in 2018.

## SR-7A Ceremonies Weekend a Hit

By Ben Pycraft

oa-bsa.org (edited for length)

On the weekend of April 15 - 17th, over 60 Arrowmen arrived at Camp T. Brady Saunders in Maidens, Virginia to deepen their understanding of ceremonies and to share their experience in brotherhood with others.

Over the past couple of years, it began to appear that instead of working alongside one another, the lodges had a sense that each year at conclave, they would send their best team to 'compete' against the other lodges and discover which team is the best. This is a common trend found across the nation, and while this was great as far as a friendly competition to push each other



to improve, it didn't really appear to be the most beneficial approach.

Recently, the leadership has been pushing to transition from the idea of competing, to instead holding evaluations. These evaluations focus on valuable feedback for the participating Arrowmen on their performance and ability in portraying the important principals of our Order. This was the intent behind the SR-

7A Ceremonies Weekend.

Participants started their adventure on Friday evening, when youth were organized in bunkhouses based on the ceremonial principal with which they identified. In those groups, they were able to form the strongest bonds of brotherhood, and spend hours in conversation talking earnestly about how to portray

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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](http://www.Tutelo161.org)!

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# Chapter & Committee News

## Koo Koo Ku Hoo Chapter

2016 has been a great year; the coming together in Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service that was Conclave this past spring was truly remarkable. However, true service never ends. We need your help to make a difference in the community; to continue living our lives in devotion to these three great principles. Your participation in our chapter is needed and appreciated. Whether your strengths can be seen in a flying frisbee or in the text of an email, we have a niche for you. All members of the Piedmont District are cordially invited to our chapter meetings on the second Thursday of each month (the September meeting, however, will be on the third Thursday to facilitate attendance of newly-inducted Arrowmen) at Heritage United Methodist Church, 582 Leesville Road in Lynchburg at 7:00 p.m. Our next meeting will be on September 15, 2016.

## Lappilennin Chapter

Lappilennin Chapter had a great time at Conclave and was thrilled to help bring home the Golden Arrow. At the Spring Ordeal, we had one new Arrowman join us and at the Summer Ordeal, we had seven new Arrowmen join the chapter. We had a very successful district tap-out ceremony at Fairystone State Park in the spring and we are planning on providing refreshments at our District Trade-O-Ree on Aug. 26th at Fieldale United Methodist Church. It is free to attend but will cost \$5 to rent a table and there are 15 tables available.

The event will be from 5pm-10pm. All are welcome to attend! Our chapter meets on the third Sunday of each month at Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Sydnorsville at 4:00 p.m.

## Moneton Chapter

Moneton Chapter has had an excellent Summer! One of our members attained the rank of Eagle in June and our chapter held a "four winds" ceremony for him. We have another four winds ceremony coming up for Aaron Burleson who is earning his eagle rank. I would also like to give a personal thankyou to any member of Tutelo Lodge who spent their summer working on the Blue Ridge Scout Reservation, helping to enrich the lives of scouts and scouters from all over the country. Their service will be remembered by all the scouts they served this summer I look forward to joining all of you in cheerful service at the upcoming Fall Ordeal!

## Tuscarora Chapter

The Tuscarora Chapter is looking forward to an action-packed rest of the year. After the Fall Ordeal we as a chapter are going to VIR to race go carts to celebrate all the new members we inducted throughout 2016.

## Wil-Kip-Jo Chapter

After taking the last few months off for summer and vacations, we have some exciting things to look forward to in the upcoming months. Our chapter will be working alongside Moneton on making improvements to the Stephen Austin Memorial in Austinville, VA. There will be a work

weekend at Claytor Lake Aquatics Base scheduled for this fall. We will also be having our second Pizza Hut fundraiser this fall. Wil Kip Jo will continue meeting as usual at the Wytheville Presbyterian Church on the second Monday of every month. We look forward to completing another great year of service.

## Activities Committee

Over the summer, the activities committee has been patiently awaiting for the Fall Ordeal and Fall Fellowship. Thanks to Lodge Chief Jacob DeJarnette, who has given our committee a new game to try out on Friday night at the functions. If anyone is interesting in joining the Activities Committee, please email me.

## Arrowman Activation Committee

The Arrowman Activation Committee is not taking it easy as the year winds down. We are in the development stages of some sub-committees that will help us achieve our goal of assisting new Arrowman become active brothers of our lodge.

## Ceremonies Committee

Ceremonies has had a great year thus far. At Conclave we had four teams perform Pre-Ordeal, one team perform Brotherhood, and two ceremonialists perform Vigil. At the Spring Ordeal, there were two Pre-Ordeal ceremonies, two Ordeal ceremonies, and one Brotherhood ceremony conducted. At the Summer Ordeal there were two Pre-

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# Conclave 2016 Highlights







# 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 discussed 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](mailto: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 Ordeal .....Sept. 9-11 .....\$15

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

☐ Winter Banquet.....Dec. 10 .....\$25

☐ LATE FEE / PAID AT DOOR.....\$5.00

☐ TOTAL ENCLOSED .....\$

### SELECT YOUR PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Check ☐ Credit Card:

Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Card Information NOT kept on file

♦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.



# Chapter & Committee News

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Ordeal ceremonies, two Ordeal ceremonies, and one Brotherhood ceremony held. Jacob DeJarnette and Riley Millward participated in presenting the Pre-Ordeal ceremony at NEXT. We will also be taking a trip to Amangamek Wipit lodge's function where we are asked to help them improve their ceremonies events. We are also getting ready and looking forward to Fall Ordeal. If you are interested in or want to join ceremonies please feel free to email me. Look forward to seeing you soon.

## History Committee

Members of the History Committee assisted with the museum at Conclave in April, which featured items and information from the former Blue Ridge and Piedmont Area Councils as well as Powhatan, Koo Koo Ku Hoo, and Tutelo Lodges. At the Spring Ordeal,

we processed and scanned five boxes of materials donated by Kevin Bezy, Mike Glasgow, Greg Gooch, Brian Maddox, Richards Miller, and Marylin Sites. Some of these items were shipped to the National OA Archives, and the remaining papers and photos of local interest were added to the Roanoke Area Scouting Collection held in the Virginia Room of the Roanoke Public Library. We are also pleased to announce that copies of the Tutelo history book are now available to the public in the reference collections of the Virginia Room of the Roanoke Public Library, Jones Memorial Library in Lynchburg, and the Library of Virginia in Richmond.

## Publications Committee

The new lodge website at [tutelo161.org](http://tutelo161.org) has been slowly rolling out over the summer, and we will be adding content and functionality over the next few months. The final issue of

the Torchbearer for 2016 will arrive in homes in early November, so submissions from lodge officers, chapter chiefs, committee chairmen, or members of the lodge are due to John Nimmo no later than October 11th.

## Lodge Rock



Last year, Tutelo, along with most other lodges, submitted a rock engraved with its name and headquarters city to be incorporated into the Summit Circle ceremonial grounds. Brothers attending Prism this summer were excited to see that our rock is supporting the "Brotherhood" pillar in the main circle.

# Hillcourt Scholarship for Jambo '17

William "Green Bar Bill" Hillcourt, author of the Handbook for Patrol Leaders and America's first Wood Badge Scoutmaster, was the father of BSA youth leader training. Very few experiences develop servant leadership as effectively as service on the Order of the Arrow National Jamboree staff. With that in mind, the "Green Bar Bill" Hillcourt Foundation and the Order of the Arrow will award a limited number of scholarships to assist youth Arrowmen committed to serving the OA and Scouting



as members of the national jamboree Order of the Arrow staff. Youth Arrowmen who wish to apply for a scholarship should forward this completed application to the national service center at

the address listed below by December 31, 2016. The amount of the scholarship will be a maximum of \$250. Recipients will be selected from amongst applicants based on merit and need. Each recipient chosen will be notified by January 31, 2017 and the scholarship amount will be applied toward the 2017 National Jamboree staff fee. Download the application here: [http://oa-bsa.org/uploads/resources/2017\\_william\\_hillcourt\\_scholarship.pdf](http://oa-bsa.org/uploads/resources/2017_william_hillcourt_scholarship.pdf)

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Instead, the purpose was to use First, Dave is proud of the imagine how beneficial the guide to best help teams qualified youth that stepped up committing time to walking the principal. After a night of improve. This was to organize the event through the motions, OA jeopardy, Arrowmen rested accomplished by discovering Experienced ceremonialists led symbolism, meaning, emotion up and prepared themselves for parts of the ceremony that engaging sessions that were and message of the ceremonial the day of learning ahead of needed improvement, no informative and rewarding. The texts will help you better them. Since nearly every matter what level the team is at participants found the trainers understand them. That is the credible and looked up to them key to providing ceremonies with respect. Without the that are pivotal in the Scouting youth, the ceremonies careers of our members. It's weekend would have turned also what contributes to the out entirely different. Secondly, because of how in-lodges across the country. For more information about the fact they basically had a and see when you can register national evaluations trainer, was section ceremonies adviser, a whole weekend to dive through for 2017, keep an eye on present during the evaluations, role that he believes had the as he has been before for the bar set high. "Gary was a tough previous six Section SR-7A act to follow" recalled Dave, minute 'heads up' to learn a Conclaves. The evaluations, and they worked closely part for the first time and fill in a although in depth, were not together overseeing this vision role for a ceremony on Friday expecting an honor level that was laid out by the youth that situation, then you can standard from each team. in front of them.

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