

The Newsletter of Occoneechee Lodge 104, WWW · A National Quality Lodge of the Order of the Arrow, BSA

Breaking News on the Lodge Building



Yamni Wakpa Chapter Chief, Thomas Grimes, presents Chris Newton and Rodney McDonald, Lodge Chief and Advisor with a check for \$1000, from Yamni Wakpa, in order to be used for the Lodge Building Fund. Thomas also challenged all of the other Chapters to meet their donation.



Yamni Wakpa has challenged all the Chapters of the Lodge to met their donation. Eno has pledged \$1,500. What can your Chapter do?

Talk to your Chapter Chief about fundraising for the Lodge Building.

Chris Newton, Lodge Chief

n a beautiful Saturday afternoon at Fall Fellowship, Occoneechee Arrowmen gathered at the Nello Teer Lake of Camp Durant to partake in the Groundbreaking and Fundraising Kick-Off of the Charley Sullivan Lodge Building and Training Center.

Among the disginished guest were Scout Executive John Akerman, Council President, Dan Bryson, the Council Comssioner, Jack Nicholson and former Lodge Advisor Dennis Nichols. The Key-3 of both our lodge and our council took part in giving a kick-start to our fundraising campaign for the building, challenging all Arrowmen to step up to the plate and contribute to the building fund.

And step up to the plate they did: each of the council key-3 pledged to contribute \$1,000, Yamni Wakpa presented a check for \$1,000, and Lew Boyles announced that Charley Sullivan would be enacting Sullivan's Law, where if Sullivan pays, everybody pays...and Sullivan always pays. To that effect, Charley will contribute \$50,000 to the fund. Look for more upcoming information and mailers concerning our future efforts in this endeavor.

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The Chief's Corner

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had a chance to experience something this summer that I thought I never would. I have always heard of people attending the National Jamboree, but I never really thought that I would get to go for myself. However, when several of my good friends told me that they were going as assistant scoutmasters, I decided that I wanted to experience this jamboree for myself. I must say, experience is the right word for the occasion. I had the chance to "experience" 43,000 of my closest friends from all around the world come to Fort AP Hill. I can honestly tell you that I had no idea what to expect in my nearly two weeks up there, but I came back different than I was when I left. I will tell you this: you can be proud of your fellow lodge members. They served as troop scoutmasters and sub-camp staff members, as well as serving in action centers, shows, the merit

badge midway, security, and much more. In all of these positions, they demonstrated the amazing Occoneechee spirit of which we are so proud. I got the chance to meet many people, (entire troops at a time, for that matter), and I got a chance to see how people do scouting across the country. But, what meant the most to me was learning that I could go to Jambo at all.

Like many of you, I have a tendency to sit back and let other people do things that I think I will never get the chance to do. However, I stepped out and tried something new. Yes, at times it was tiring, frustrating, HOT, and difficult, but I would not have traded the opportunity for anything in the world. Likewise, I encourage all of you to step out, try something new, and see what new opportunities you can experience.

Chris Newton Lodge Chief





Lodge 104 — Home of the Thunderbird!

Administration Annotations by Noah Asbill VC of A

am proud to report that all is well in the world of Administration. We had a very successful Fall Fellowship, marked by a great Induction and good numbers for the Brotherhood Trail. I would like to say thank you to everyone who helped

out with both of those programs and congratulate all the new Arrowmen in our Order and congratulate all those who obtained their Brotherhood.

With Fall Fellowship over, now we must

look to the next big event in our lodge and that is Winter Banquet. I encourage everyone to buy a ticket because I know the Recognitions committee is going to put on an event to remember.

Well I hope everyone is doing well and I will see you at Winter Banquet.



Jonathan Jordan (Neusiok), James Spratley (Neusiok) and Lodge Chief Chris Newton (Lumbee Anilorac) give thumbs up as they wait for the 2005 National Jamboree Closing show to begin. The Jamboree and the show did not leave anyone disappointed and despite the heat, turned out to be a awesome scouting experiences.

Communications Corner

J-T Wells Vice Chief of Communications

Tello again my brothers. I hope you had a good summer and are ready to for the great fall that we have planed for the lodge. I would invite all of you to come this September the 16th through the 18th. Also we have ArrowHEADS SR-7B Seminar in October on the 28th-30th. Finally we have Lodge Leadership Development in late September that I would highly encourage anybody looking to lead in the lodge to come and help hone your leadership skills.

This summer, I went to the 2005 National Jamboree as part of the council contingent and had a great time. I

wanted to report that the lodge was well represented with our mighty chief Chris Newton being a Chaplain and many other lodge leaders serving in positions of leadership and serving in other ways

Finally, we can always use help doing our future Tipi's. There is currently a spot for an editor, as well as other positions for people that would be interested in helping put with producing these great publications, and if you are interested, please contact me at 919-847-6651, and any help that you offer would be greatly appreciated.

Finally, I hope you enjoy this Tipi and I hope to see all of you at Fall Fellowship and LLD! 上

Finance News

by Daniel Harris, Vice Chief of Finance

The patch committee proposed an awesome design for a new fund-raiser flap for the Charlie Sullivan Lodge Building. A local Occoneechee Council scouter and artist, Charles Wolfe designed the flap. Mr. Wolfe also designed the very first lodge building fund-raiser flap. The flap was approved at the EC meeting at Fall Fellowship, so be on the look out.

The first in the series Charlie Sullivan monochromic flaps was available at Fall Fellowship. The EC has approved more of these in various colors to be issued over the next year or so as a fund-raiser flap. These were specifically approved to be sold at a lower cost so the youth could feel like they too were contributing to the raising of funds for the lodge building.

Keep an eye out for event pre-registration at future events. It will provide a convenient way for you to register in advance for an event and pay with a credit card. Pre-registration will not be required but it will be provided as a convenience to you. This system will also assist the lodge in controlling expenses by having an initial idea of attendance figures.

The trading post committee thanks everyone again for their support at Fellowship.

Next year is sure to be an exciting one as the fundraising campaign for the lodge building kicks into full swing. All support is greatly appreciated. 🛃

Winter Banquet - Edenton Street UMC Raleigh

prother, its getting close to that time of year again, yes you guessed it our annual Winter Banquet! The night will include a catered Italian meal, a silent auction, and special awards. Tickets will be \$13.00 per person, and it is open to the whole family and friends. So come on over for a good time.

Date: December 3,2005

Time: 6:30 pm (Silent Auction) 7:00pm (Food serving starts) 7:45 pm (Awards program starts)

Edenton Street UMC 228 W. Edenton Street Raleigh, NC 27603

Tickets: \$13.00 per person

Only a limited number of tickets are available, so hurry up and make sure you reserve your seat by purchasing tickets right away by mail from:

Rob Grau 5200 Wood Valley Dr. Raleigh, NC 27613

Just remember our most important special guest is YOU the arrowmen of our lodge!

Adviser's Minute

I hope that you have all had a great summer. It has been a busy summer with many of you serving on camp staffs as well as attending the National Jamboree. This coming Scouting year will prove to busy once again for Occoneechee Arrowmen. On top of our regular schedule there are opportunities for all of us to participate and serve. Join us as we continue to serve Scouting and our communities.

I want to send thanks to our summer camp staff for once again holding Brotherhood Conversion during the 5 weeks of camp, with 45 arrowmen choosing to seal their membership in the order. We still need others to come to Fall Fellowship and take the Trail to Brotherhood so that we can once again qualify for Quality Lodge.

2006 is another National Order of the Arrow Conference or NOAC. Occoneechee hopes to send another great contingent. Twice we have returned with the National Spirit Award as well as successful participation in dance and ceremonies competitions. Stay tuned for more information to come, as we determine cost for this year's conference, which will be held at Michigan State University in East Lansing Michigan.

This year will be an opportunity for participation in Section SR-7B's ArrowHEADS training conference.

Patterned after the National Leadership Seminar or NLS, this conference will feature topnotch trainers from across the section and some national trainers, who will offer 5 different tracks. The conference will be held at Campbell University in Buies Creek, just as our



own LLD. Dates are October 28-30. The lodge is offering to pay 50% of all youth participant fees, or \$25 of the \$50 fee. Registration forms are available on our website, but should be turned into our Registration staff. Other details will follow.

This years Council Camporee will be held at the Highway Patrol Center in Raleigh. The Lodge has been asked to serve, by staffing a concession stand as well as our own trading post. Our AIA group will once again put an Indian

Village and Pow Wow together. We also need members to help staff the Campfire show on Saturday night. In support of our NOAC Contingent the Council is allowing us to have a food concession on the Cub Scout side offering lunches of hot dogs and chips. All proceeds from the concession stand will go to offset costs for that contingents travel. We need your help to make all of this successful for not only our own membership but for all of Occoneechee Council.

By the time you receive this newsletter, you should have received the first mailing for the Charley Sullivan Lodge Building and Training Center. The campaign to raise the funds for this new facility has been ongoing for several years, but we begin again in earnest at this year's Fall Fellowship, with a Ceremonial Groundbreaking. We need your support! We have a long way to go to raise these funds for a facility like none other in Scouting.

As I end my "minute" let me once again thank all those who work to support Occoneechee Lodge. Many spend countless, thankless hours to provide a program that is next to none in the Order of the Arrow. As always we need more help. Join us as we have fun and serve!

Yours in the Brotherhood,

Rodney

Sons of Uncas

by Randy Van Ness



Let's chat about Chapter Meetings for a second. Lodge events are great and all, but a good place to really get involved is at your Chapter's Monthly Meeting. The following is a list of Chapter Meeting times and locations.

District	Chapter	Meeting Place	City	Day	Time
Hemlock	Amangi Newo	Garner United Methodist Church	Garner	3rd Thursday	7:00
Cape Fear	Canotka	Buies Creek First Baptist Church	Buies Creek	1st Thursday	7:00
Mawak	Eluwak	St. Paul's United Methodist Church	Durham	3rd Thursday	7:00
Orange	Eno	Sunrise Baptist Church	Chapel Hill	1st Monday	7:00
Baden-Powell	Impeesa	St. Giles Presbyterian Church	Raleigh	3rd Thursday	7:30
Falls	Kato Hochuli	Benson Memorial United Methodist Church	Raleigh	3rd Thursday	7:00
Kia Kima	Lumbee Anilorac	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Fayetteville	4th Thursday	7:00
Moore	Natisihi	Latter-Day Saint Church	Southern Pines	4th Thursday	7:00
Crosswinds	Netami	St. Andrews Catholic Church	Apex	3rd Thursday	7:00
Neuse River	Neusiok	Millbrook United Methodist Church	Raleigh	2nd Thursday	7:30
Tuocs	Niganit	Fayetteville Christian Church	Fayetteville	2nd Monday	7:00
Three Rivers	Yamni Wakpa	St. Lukes United Methodist Church	Sanford	1st Thursday	7:30
Great Northern	Wazeyahtah	Louisburg United Methodist Church	Louisburg	2nd Sunday	3:00

Summer Adventures

OA Trail Crew: An Adventure of a Lifetime by Daniel Harris



This summer I had an amazing opportunity at Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico. I was selected to serve on the OA Trail Crew. I learned of this program and of availabilities in the latest edition of the OA National Bulletin. The 14-day OATC experience turned out to be one of the most unforgettable programs I have ever taken part in. I met ten other arrowmen from all over the country and from many different lodges. We shared difficult times along with many laughs along the way. The experience helped us become the best of friends.

The first week of the two at Philmont was a week of trail construction. This task was a difficult but enjoyable one. OATC 803 (my crew) completed roughly 150 feet of trail and a switchback. If anyone is familiar with Philmont, we worked on a new trail that starts at Copper Park and goes to the ridge that leads up to Baldy Mountain. We were replacing a much more difficult path that traverses directly up the side of the ridge. This week turned out to be very rewarding.

The second week was a 6 day trek experience. We got to hike from the North Country of Philmont all the way back down to base camp near the Tooth of Time. This condensed version of a regular trek was a great reward for the arduous tasks we had completed the week before. At each staff camp we stayed, we also assisted the staff with any service projects they requested.

This experience was one that I will never forget and one that has affected who I am. I strongly suggest that all arrowmen who will be between the ages 16 and 20 next summer check out this amazing program. It is a rewarding and cost effective way to experience Philmont, which is in one of the most beautiful parts of the country. The best way that I can think of to summarize this program is with the ideals of our order: Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service.

Yamni Chapter

Advisor Report for Yamni Wakpa Chapter:

even Yamni's volunteered at the Three Rivers Cub Day Camp held at Lee County Wildlife Club in July. Four Brotherhood and three Ordeal members helped with activities that included BB Shooting Range, Archery Range, Fishing, and just general Cub Fun Events. In addition, the Arrowmen packed up and hauled the 2 truck loads of material required for the event back to its storage area in Chatham County.

Yamni Wakpa Chapter holds the chapter elections on September 1st. Many new ordeal members are getting involved and running for Chapter offices, while many of our senior youth members are very busy at the Lodge level. We would like to thank Josh Henderson, outgoing Chapter Chief, for his service over the past year and wish him much success as he begins his college experience at Appalachian State University.

I would like to thank Greg Grimes for "minding the store" as Chapter Advisor while I was deployed to Iraq last year. This Fall Fellowship marks my 3rd year as Advisor and I want to personally thank the youth I have been involved with for their hard work in building Yamni Wakpa Chapter and helping to keep Occoneechee Lodge 104 a great Scouting organization.

Sincerely,

Chuck Church, Adult Advisor

Yamni Wakpa Chapter 👗

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NOAC 2006!!! Sign Up Today

National Order of the Arrow Conference is held every two years. 2006 NOAC will be held at the Michigan State University in East Lansing, from July 29 to August 3. That's right, for one week, Arrowmen from lodges from across our great nation will invade the entire college campus and reign supreme in Michigan. There are competitions for dancing, drumming, and ceremonies, training sessions that are some of the best anywhere, patch trading that goes day and night! (Occoneechee patches are always HOT traders!).

How Much? How Do I Pay?

The total contingent fee is paid to the lodge. This includes bus transportation to and from NOAC, NOAC registration, accommodations dorm campus, and meals from

Saturday evening through Thursday breakfast, contingent only memorabilia (patches, cap, neckerchief or bolo and Tshirt)

The fee is expected to be between \$600 - \$750 but will depend on the final transportation figures. We are striving to get the costs as low as possible to make it feasible for as many Arrowmen who want to go to be able to attend.

Please understand that to make any large trip like this work, you are committed to paying the full fee when you send in your deposit. The deposit is transferable, not refundable.

When Does the Contingent Leave and Return?

The driving time to East Lansing, Michigan is about 14 hours. The bus can be expected to leave NC Friday morning, July 28 and return Friday afternoon/ evening, August 4.

What Will We Do at NOAC?

Every day there is training that ranges from how to be a good leader, to American Indian crafts, OA history, dance, ceremonies, regalia, etc. (One NOAC it is said that there was even one

> class on "how to pick up chicks in your Boy Scout uniform.") There are competitions, exhibits, and of course **TOAP** (The Outdoor Adventure

Place) full of challenges for the strong and brave.

The last thing on the Conference's agenda every night is an evening show. The shows are exciting and unique. The highlights of each evening usually are:

- Saturday Region Gatherings
- Sunday the beginnings of the Order
- Monday Performances by the Dance and Drum competition winners
- Tuesday Conference Social
- Wednesday Founders' Day

The last night is a closing show that never disappoints. Fireworks and an ice cream social follow the show.

Occoneechee Lodge **NOAC Schedule**

November 2005 \$100

Deposit (Sept. -Oct.) \$100

December 2005 Great Holiday Gift Idea!!

January 2006. \$100

February 2006 \$150

March 2006......\$150

Pow Wow Meeting March 17 - 19, 2006

May 2006. Memorablia Payment

May 6, 2006 Meeting Mandatory Parent/Participant Health Forms Due

Spring Inductions Final May 19-21, 2006 Meeting

July 28, 2006 . . NOAC Begins

August 3, 2006 . . NOAC Ends

No one sleeps late at NOAC ... there are just too many exciting things to do!" Still have questions? Find members of your chapter that have been to NOAC – ask a fellow dancer or ceremonialist, chapter and/or lodge leadership or call Gail Barker (919-942-8084)

There are a limited number of openings avaiable. Sign Up today before there are gone. Any addition names will be put on a waiting list and will be informed if a opening beomes available.



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2	OA Troop Rep Committee Request Calendar of Events	SÅ
2	October 15 - 16 Vigil Gathering at	- X
2	ATTENTION OA Troop Representative!!! October 28-30 SR-7B ArrowHEADS Seminar	Å
2	The job of the OA Troop Rep. is to act as communication link between the unit and the November 5 National One Day of Service	Å
)	Lodge. The OA Troop Rep. Committee keeps the OA Troop Rep. informed about what November 18-20 Lodge Leadership Development	nt 🗼
)	is going on in the lodge. Then the OA Troop Rep. informs the unit, particularly the OA December 3 Winter Banquet	*
4	troop members, about what the lodge is doing. This position of responsibility fulfills the position of responsibility requirements for Star, Life, and Eagle.	A
2	March 17 - 19, 2006 Spring PowWow at	Ä
2	I, as the chairman of the above committee, am putting together a list of all of the OA Troop Reps. In Occoneechee Lodge. This position is extremely important to the success	Å
7	of the lodge. By serving as your unit's OA Rep., you are ensuring that the members April 21 - 23,2006 SR-7B Conclave at Camp Cherokee	Å
2	of your troop are informed about the activities of Occoneechee Lodge. Many units already have an OA Troop Rep.; others do not. If your unit does not have an OA	Å
2	Troop Rep., talk to your Scoutmaster about volunteering for that position. Many	Å
,	units have not contacted me yet. If your unit has not contacted me, please do so July 28 - NOAC at	¥
	soon. All OA Troop Reps. Should contact me with the following information: August 3,2006 Michigan State University	_ 3
	Name, address, email (if applicable), phone number, Unit number, Chap-	A
2	ter, and Tenure of Office. I can be contacted in the following ways: email (mseeling@bellsouth.net), phone (919-662-5566), or mail (621 Starburst	Å
1	Lane, Raleigh, NC 27603).	X
2	Yours in Service, Marc Seelinger, OA Troop Rep. Committee Chair	Å
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