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FIRST ORDEAL, JUNE 6-8

The first and most important Ordeal of 2003 is nearly upon us. We will need to have a large number of Ordeal candidates and attending members present at this event to prepare the camp for summer.

There needs to be several active work crews going in order to get all the campsites ready for summer camp. There are several other projects that will need to be done besides just setting up the tents. Please plan on attending yourself, and inviting other

**Make sure to
bring an
up-to-date
Medical form!**



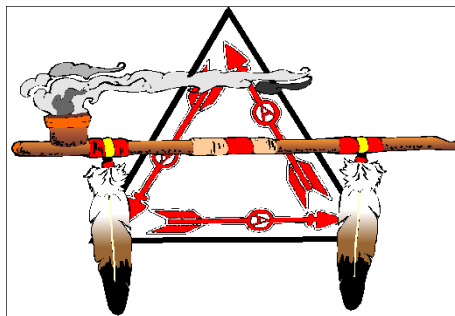
Lodge members you know to attend. If you can provide transportation, please do so to get more members there. Check-in time will start at 6:00 PM Friday night.

Please bring a tent, just in case all of the staff tents are full. The weekend cost for those going through their Ordeal is \$35.00, the cost for Brotherhood candidates is \$25.00, and the cost for any attending member is \$10.00. **The lodge needs you, so we hope to see you there!**

NEW 2003 VIGIL HONOR MEMBERS

In recognition of their service and dedication to Kawida Lodge, (9) nine Kawida Lodge members were inducted into the Vigil Honor on Friday, May 9th at McKee Scout Reservation.

The lodge wishes to extend its congratulations to the following youth members who kept the vigil: Shawn Whitis, Tripp Watts, Todd Haydon, and Shane Patterson, and to the following adult members who kept the vigil: George Cook, Glen Whitis, Alan Watts, and John Kingsley all (8) eight of which were nominated at this year's Annual Awards Banquet.



Also inducted was Dan Miller, the 1977 Kawida Lodge Chief who was selected as a Vigil Honor candidate in 1977, but could not attend his Vigil Honor induction weekend due to being away at college.

Dan is an Eagle Scout, an ac-

tive member of the Blue Grass Council Executive Committee, and a practicing local attorney. As with all applications of this type, Dan's Vigil Honor application had been sent to the national office in 1977 with the understanding that he would complete his Vigil Honor induction. Thus, his name is included on the national register of Vigil Honor members from Kawida Lodge.

It was discussed and decided by the Lodge LEC to have Dan undergo his Vigil Honor induction weekend with this year's Vigil Honor class. If you see any of these new Vigil Honor members, please congratulate them.

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2004 NOAC FLAP DESIGN

New Event And Sash Pricing

We need designs for the 2004 NOAC Fundraiser Flap. If you wish to submit a design, please notify Todd Haydon prior to the Lodge Executive Committee (LEC) meeting at the first Ordeal.

In order for your design to be selected, you must have a sketch/drawing that the LEC could view at the first Ordeal.

The design must include:

1. The lodge name (Kawida Lodge)
2. The lodge number (480),
3. The lodge totem (Thunderbird)
4. The words "National Order of the Arrow Conference" or "NOAC"
5. The date "2004".

If you have any questions please contact Todd Haydon, Lodge

The LEC has set new event pricing for the coming year to offset rising costs. The price changes by member status are as follows:

Ordeal Candidates.....\$35.00
 Brotherhood Candidates.....\$25.00
 Attending Members.....\$10.00

LODGE CHIEF'S WORDS OF WISDOM



TODD HAYDON
2003 Kawida Lodge Chief

The year is off to a great start. We have had 2 very successful workdays at Camp McKee, and the SR-6N Conclave was a great experience. With things running so well, we need to keep the momentum going in order for us to be prepared for next year's conclave since Kawida Lodge is the service lodge for the event.

If anyone is interested in becoming a member of a conclave committee, please let me

know. There is plenty for everyone to do. We are all here in cheerful service, so everyone can be a part of the planning process.

The first Ordeal is quickly approaching, and I wish to see every member possible there. We want to have a meaningful Ordeal, and to accomplish this we need a good program and a good turnout. Remember, there will be a large number of Ordeal candidates attending, so let's show them what Kawida Lodge is all about. I hope to see everyone there.

NATIONAL VICE CHIEF

The 2003 National Vice Chief, Rich Moore attended the pre-Vigil Honor ceremony and workday at McKee Scout Reservation on May 9th and 10th.

Rich is a member of Ku-Ni-Eh Lodge #145 out of Cincinnati, Ohio, and he is currently attending Eastern Kentucky University. Rich is a very knowledgeable young man, and a great representative of Scouting and the Order of the Arrow.

Rich plans on attending more Kawida events if his schedule allows.

Conclave 2003

On April 25th, forty-five Kawida Lodge members traveled to western Kentucky to participate in the Section Conclave. Despite the weather, everyone had a great time.

There was training covering all aspects of running a successful lodge and how lodge members can help strengthen their troops. There was ceremony evaluation. Kawida's pre-ordeal team was rated superior. There was dance competition. Shane Patterson was first in his dance style. The show on Saturday night was very entertaining and rewarding. With Kawida being service lodge in 2004, I hope many Kawida members will step up to help out to make it a success.

Shane Patterson
First Vice Chief



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LAKOTA CHAPTER NEWS

Our chapter is working hard to see that great things happen in 2003. Our year has already begun, and by the effort shown so far, we will be a strong chapter to contend with.

All of our OA unit elections and camp promotions have been completed. Our most recent event was at the Spring Camporee held on May 17th at Taylorsville Lake. Twenty Ordeal candidates were called out, of which 16 were youth and 4 were adults while three Brotherhood candidates sealed their membership in the Order of the Arrow.

The ceremony team for this event consisted our own Kawida Lodge Chief (Todd Haydon), Taylor Stamper, Scott Briedert, Bryan Haydon, and Adam Nease. The ceremony turned out great even with the rain. However, the rain stopped just long enough to have the ceremonies. There was a slight fog coming

from lake, which added just the right touch to the campfire. Other elected OA youth in the chapter have made plans to attend a call out ceremony at summer camp.

Our chapter is working towards attaining "Quality Chapter Status". This will only be accomplished when we have all Lakota Chapter members (old and new) pay their dues, and become active at Ordeals and other events. Remember together we are strong! Hope to see you at the first Ordeal on June 6th.

Yours in Service,

Bryan Haydon, Chapter Chief
Debbie Haydon, Chapter Adviser



The Second Vice Chief Speaks

Fellow Arrowmen,

I hope that all of you are doing well. I just wanted to give you a brief recap as to how business is going among the duties of the second vice chief. I'm glad to report that we are completely done with unit elections and camp promotions.

Also, I wanted to remind everyone that every Thursday night during Summer Camp, we will be holding a Brotherhood ceremony at the camp.

Finally, if any youth members are interested in participating in the ceremonies at camp, please feel free to ask me as I'll will be a member of the summer camp staff this year.

Yours in Service,
Cody Todd
Second Vice Chief



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KAWIDA LODGE CALENDAR

August

- 15th-17th 2nd Ordeal, Camp McKee

September

- 12th-14th 3rd Ordeal, Camp McKee

October

- 4th LLDC, Camp McKee
- 17th-18th Fall Fellowship, McKee

November

- 15th Workday, McKee

December

- 6th Workday, McKee

Annual Awards Banquet

- February 7, 2004

News From The Trailblazers—Gikino Ballet Chapter News

This spring has been quite a busy one for the Gikino Ballet Chapter. In March, four arrowmen from our chapter attended Order of the Arrow University (O.A.U.) in Nashville, Tennessee. Degrees awarded were: Bachelors in Ceremonies, Bachelors in Communications, Masters in Advising, and one current Doctoral candidate in Adult/Youth. This is one jam-packed, fun-filled weekend of learning more about the Order of the Arrow!

April brought a close to unit elections and camp promotion. Our number of troops visited and candidates elected surpassed the totals in 2002. Thanks to all those Scoutmasters that allowed us to visit you and your troop for an evening of doing what we are sup-

posed to be doing. We look forward to seeing you next year. Also, in April our chapter (around 15 arrowmen) was well represented at the SR-6N Conclave held in Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

On May 10, a chapter call-out as well as a Brotherhood conversion ceremony was conducted at Camp McKee. Fortunately, the weather calmed down and both events went off successfully. A special thank you from your advisor to those individuals who helped before, during, and after the ceremonies!

Attendance at the two workdays in April and May was not as strong as we would have liked, and with Kawida Lodge designated as the service lodge for the 2004 Conclave, **we need your help**. There are several workdays scheduled for

2003/2004, and surely you can be at camp for at least some of them!

The first Ordeal is only a few weeks away on June 6-8. Brotherhood conversion will also be held that weekend. Thus, if you are eligible, please go ahead and convert. Also, if you have not yet paid your dues for 2003, it's permissible to pay them ASAP!

See you in June,
Tripp Watts Chapter Chief
"C" Watts Chapter Advisor



Kawida Lodge to host 2004 Section Conclave

Camp McKee, Blue Grass Council. Our council camp will be transformed next April into a gathering place for over 700 Arrowmen from all over the Section. This event is the highlight of the year for many Scouts and Scouters and you should make plans now to attend. As the Service Lodge, we have the opportunity of helping to put on one of the best Conclaves in years. We have great facilities at Camp McKee but we need one other ingredient to make this event a success-- you.

There are many opportunities for any Arrowmen that wishes to help. Right now, we are recruiting committees to be responsible for various functions at the event. There will be Registration, Facilities, Food Service, Parking, Security, and other opportunities to help. We need youth and adult Arrowmen. Don't miss this great event and don't miss the opportunity to help make it great. As Chingachgook visited the tribes of the Lenni-Lenape looking for those willing to serve his fellow man, we will be looking for those willing to serve. Be ready to answer the call and you will be rewarded with a great time.

Anyone interested in taking an active role in the planning of this event, please see the lodge chief or lodge advisor at the next event. Or see the Conclave committee advisor, James Smith at the June Ordeal.

“2003 Kawida Lodge Membership Dues - \$10.00”

Or

“2003 KawidaKard Membership Dues - \$50.00”

Date _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone#:(Home) _____ (Work) _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Date of Ordeal: Month _____ Year _____

Date of Brotherhood Month _____ Year _____

Date of Vigil Honor: Month _____ Year _____

Chapter: _____

Troop and Position in Scouts: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Youth: _____ Adult: _____ Receive *The Thunderbird* By: Mail _____ or E-Mail _____

Send your dues soon as receiving the next issue of the *Thunderbird* depends on it! You can pick up your card at the next lodge event, or if you want your 2003 membership card mailed to you, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope with this dues form and payment.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO..... **Kawida 480, B.S.A.**

SEND CHECKS TO..... **Robert Palmer, 125 Taylor Drive, Cynthiana, KY 41031**

“Change Of Address/Telephone Number”

Name: _____

Old Address: _____
(City) (State) (Zip)

New Address: _____
(City) (State) (Zip)

Old Telephone No. () _____ New Telephone No. () _____

E-mail Address: _____

Send To: Robert Palmer, 125 Taylor Drive, Cynthiana, KY, 41031 (859) 234-1750

1968 Lonesome Pine Philmont Contingent



Seen above is a photo of the 1968 Contingent from the Lonesome Pine Council that went to Philmont Scout Ranch. The photo was sent in by Frank Sizemore (back row, 9th person from the left). Frank was a Brotherhood member from Tomahaken Lodge of Pikeville, KY. Also in the photo is John Leach (back row, 7th person from the left). John was the 1968 Lodge Chief from Tomahaken Lodge #241. The Lonesome Pine Council and the Tomahaken Lodge #241 merged with the Blue Grass Council and Kawida Lodge #480 in 1979. To represent this merger of the lodges, a tomahawk was added to the Kawida Lodge totem and this can readily be seen today in our current lodge flap.

Philbreak 2004

During the spring of 2004 the Order of the Arrow and Philmont Scout Ranch will provide a rewarding experience to all youth Arrowman.

Those Arrowman attending will work on trails that are in need of repair. The first week Arrowman will do trail repair and the second week they will be hiking a trail for fun and excitement. This will be a great experience for Arrowman and a great help toward the up keep of trails at Philmont. If any youth Arrowman are interested, please see or contact Todd

Indian Summer in North Carolina

August 4-7, 2003 will be a National Order of the Arrow event.

This event will provide training and hands on experience to Arrowman interested in both dancing and ceremonies.

If you are interested in attending this event and want more information, please see or contact Todd Haydon or Harold Phillips.

Multiple *Thunderbirds* to Same Household

To cut down the cost of the newsletter, only one newsletter will be sent to a household.

If you would like for each Arrowman in your household to receive one, please see Harold Phillips about this. Thanks

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“2003 MASTER ROSTER”

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**For 2003 Ordeal Info
We're on the web!**

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FROM THE LODGE ADVISER

Kawida Lodge has already had several successful events this year including the section conclave, two workdays, and the Vigil Honor induction. First, I want to thank those who went to the SR-6N Conclave, which was held in April at the Western Kentucky Fairgrounds near Hopkinsville. I know that everyone who attended had a great time. Second, I would like to thank those who attended the two workdays at Camp McKee. Thanks to your efforts, numerous work projects were completed. Also, congratulations need to go out to the new Vigil Honor members for a job well done.

We were honored to have the National Vice Chief, Rich Moore of Ku-Ni-Eh Lodge #145, attend the second workday. He demonstrated his "cheerful service" by helping to repair the arena benches, and his presence was an inspiration to all.

With the first ordeal fast ap-

proaching we need to come together even more as a Lodge, and see a large improvement in attendance and participation. In order to get things ready for summer camp, it will be very important to have as many ordeal candidates and attending members present at the event.

We have had a few members step up to become chairmen and advisers for several different committees. However, we still need more youth and adults to do so as there are several lodge committees still vacant. With Kawida Lodge hosting (and acting as the service lodge) next year's conclave, we need several more arrowman to either chair or serve on at least one committee.

The 2004 National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) will be held in Iowa, and it would be great to have a large contingent from Kawida Lodge going. Those who

went in 1998 know it will be a great "road trip", and a great learning experience.

We have many new Ordeal candidates that have been elected this year. If any of them are in your troop, please encourage and help them to attend one of the three ordeals this year. Also, if you have been an Ordeal member for at least 10 months, (or know of someone who has), please plan on sealing your membership and becoming a Brotherhood member.

Again, lets all work and come together as a Lodge to help make Scouting in the Blue Grass Council even greater.

In W.W.W.,

Harold Phillips
Lodge Adviser

