



THE THUNDERBIRD!

KAWIDA LODGE #480 – BLUE GRASS COUNCIL, BSA

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The Rules Inspired by H. B. Olson

Never give away your only copy of any document.

Give a person the benefit of the doubt—especially when no one else will.

Send thank-you notes.

Nothing makes a person feel more welcome than for you to remember their name.

Praise the cooks.

Chiefly Speaking: By T Alex Hill

Brothers,

What an exciting year it's started to be! The 2011 Lodge Officers have been hard at work since the Winter Banquet planning the year's events. At the Winter Banquet, I announced the project of building a new Shower House at Camp McKee. As we draw closer to the Summer Camp season, it's time to start work! Our goal is to finish the Shower House by May 1st, 2011 - just in time for the 2011 Summer Camp Season.

I've spoken about the 2011 Lodge slogan, "GET Involved in 2011". For some of you 'getting involved' will be attending the Spring Fellowship, (The Race to the Arrow) on March 25th. But for some others 'getting involved' will be helping the Lodge build a Shower House. There's no easy way to ask for money, so I'll do it the only way I know how. I've truly enjoyed Camp McKee..it's one of my favorite places to spend time. We need willing individuals to come forward and help pay for this project.

We'll be producing a special

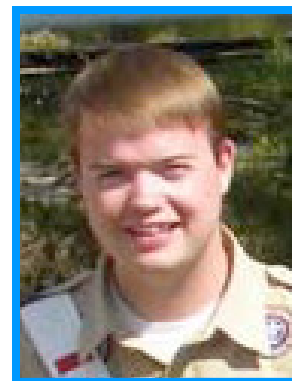
fundraising Lodge Flap that will help fit the bill, but it'll only cover a small fraction. The rest will be funded by you, the Arrowman. This is your opportunity to help Camp McKee in a direct manner. Money raised will go directly towards the Shower House, I guarantee you that. We're ready to serve our council camp, and we're ready for you help.

"Those who choose you, need you"

Serving,

T Alex Hill

Lodge Chief



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From the 1st Vice's Mouth: By Alan Bast

Fellow Arrowmen,

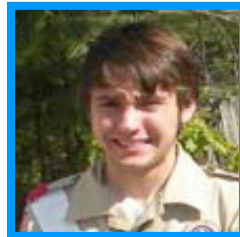
I would like to thank all of you for allowing me the privilege to serve as Vice Chief of Service this year. Together, we can make 2011 a wonderful year for the lodge. I have several goals that I would like to do this year.

First, I would like to improve ordeals. In the past, it seems like all the service we do during ordeals are to put up and take down tents. This is a large duty that the lodge does for camp, so we still are going to help with that. But, I would like to do more fun service that needs to get done, like building bridges, etc. However, in order for the ordeals to improve, I need more arrowmen to attend ordeals.

With more arrowmen at ordeals, we can have more elangomats, which means that we can have smaller clans and a more personal experience for the candidates. This would greatly improve the ordeals and improve membership retention.

2011 can be a great year for Kawida Lodge, but only with your help.

Yours in Service,
Alan Bast
Vice-Chief of Service



Spring Fellowship: By Nathan Vick

Spring Fellowship 2011 will be themed! "The Race to the Arrow" will have participants racing around Camp McKee and performing different tacks to earn points. It will be similar to the hit TV show "The Amazing Race."

Two of the events will be climbing and orienteering. The rest are kept under wraps...

Spring Fellowship will also host the Vigil weekend. All Vigil candidates will need to attend. The traditional Vigil breakfast will be held Saturday morning. There will also be a Brotherhood ceremony on Saturday. This is an ideal time to convert to Brotherhood if you are eligible.

Come to Spring Fellowship! You'll have a blast!!

Yours in Brotherhood
Nathan Vick
Lodge Treasurer



You may be a
Scoutmaster if...

You eat ants on a
log and like it.

You know all the
words to "Little
Bunny Foo-Foo",
but can't remem-
ber where you
left your brief-
case.

You have some-
thing on your
shoe...and
you're sure it's
only mud.

Your neighbors
hide when they
see you going
door to door
with "that order
form" again.

From the 2nd Vice's Mouth: By Jake Redenbaugh

Brothers,

I can't begin to describe the excitement I have for 2011. This year we're going to be setting the bar high, so urge your ordeal brothers who are eligible, to seek conversion this summer. This year, I'll be functioning as the camp chief, so any current brotherhood members who would like to participate in the ceremonies, please let me know at camp.

The 2011 officer class is full of energy and enthusiasm, and one way we'll be measuring success this year is by how involved our brotherhood members are, so set an example for your brothers, get involved, and come join the fun! Once

again, I'm very excited for Kawida 2011, and with your support, we'll make this year one to remember in lodge history.

Yours in brotherhood,

Jake Redenbaugh

Vice-Chief of Brotherhood



Conclave: By Sunder Willett

Greetings, fellow Arrowmen. Conclave is fast approaching us and this year it's the closest it'll ever be for years.

Conclave 2011 is being hosted by Talligewi Lodge at Camp Crooked Creek near Shepherdsville, KY, April 8-10th. There registration forms to be downloaded on the council website or at kawida.org Early bird registration costs \$37 if you send it in before February 25th, regular registration is \$42 before March 25th, and \$47 after that. There's also the cost of gas and whatever patches you may buy.

However, Conclave isn't for everybody and certain people should not attend. If you don't like trading patches, don't come. If you don't like learning new stuff or making Native American crafts, don't come. If you don't like meeting and hanging out with some of the coolest people in Scouts, don't come. And, this is most critical, if you

don't like having fun, playing crazy games (frozen t-shirt relay, brown bag special, dizzy bat race) or being a part of world records (like the world's longest slip-n-slide last year), not only should you not come, but you should also cover your ears every time someone even mentions the word "Conclave".

If you haven't already figured it out, Conclave's gonna' be a blast.

See you in April!

Sunder Willett

2011 Kawida Lodge Secretary



You may be an "extreme" Boy Scout if...

Latrines at camp start becoming comfortable

You were arrested by airport security because you wouldn't give up your pocket knife until the officer said "thank you"

You can't eat eggs anymore unless they are cooked in a zip-lock bag

You actually own a left-handed smoke shifter

Summit Corps

This summer, the Order of the Arrow is sponsoring two national events. The first, in July, is Summit Corps. As you may have heard, the Boy Scouts of America has recently purchased over 10,000 acres land for a new high adventure base and National Jamboree grounds called the Summit in West Virginia.

At the planned activities for the base include mountain biking, climbing and whitewater rafting. However, right now the Summit is undeveloped and unready for use.

THIS IS WHERE YOU COME IN!

Kawida Lodge and dozens of other lodges from around the country will be sending arrowmen to build and restore hiking and biking trails at the Summit. Don't expect to get bored just working though. Arrowmen will spend time not only trail breaking but also enjoying some of the activities that the Summit will provide.

Our lodge will send its contingent through July 17-23rd. The cost will be \$250 plus transportation costs. The lodge has eight spots available on a first-come-first-serve basis so SIGN UP NOW AND BE PREPARED FOR A BLAST!



Indian Summer

This summer, the Order of the Arrow is sponsoring two national events. The second, in August, is Indian Summer.

Indian Summer is for arrowmen who are slightly interested all the way up to gung-ho about ceremonies, dancing and American Indian Events (AIE). It is a week of fun and learning where professional actors and drama teachers will teach you how to improve as a ceremonialist; where courses will be held on how to improve ceremonies, inductions, ordeals etc.; where arrowmen can learn about American Indian dancing,

singing, crafts and culture. And let's not forget meeting hundreds of cool arrowmen from around the country!

This year, Indian Summer is being held at the Ridgecrest Conference Center in Ashville, North Carolina, August 1-6th. Depending which housing arrangement you choose, the cost will be \$325 or \$425 plus transportations costs.

The lodge only has ten spots available and there is a \$50 late fee for not signing-up by April so sign-up now!





2011 Membership Update and Dues

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Personal Information

Please check here if you are submitting information to be updated (i.e., change of address, new phone, etc.)

Last Name, First, Middle

____/____/____
Birth Date (M/D/Y)

E-mail Address (VERY IMPORTANT)

Scout Adult (21+)

Mailing Address

Ordeal

City, State, Zip

Brotherhood

Home Phone Alternate Phone

Vigil

Current Leadership Position in Scout Unit

Unit Number

Ordeal Location

____/____/____
Ordeal Date

____/____/____
Brotherhood Date

____/____/____
Vigil Date

BSA Number ID

Photo Release:

I, being the parent/legal guardian of the Scout listed above, hereby consent that his image or likeness may be used by the Blue Grass Council for future promotional pieces. This authorization shall remain in effect until revoked by me in writing.

By: _____, parent or guardian Date: _____

Service

Please select areas of interest:

- | | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Cooking | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Banquet | <input type="checkbox"/> Ceremony | <input type="checkbox"/> Dance Team |
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Dues

Dues for 2011

OA MEM



\$15.00

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Dues \$ _____
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Invoice Number

Date dues paid

Data _____
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Member card given

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**Kawida Lodge
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Blue Grass Council, BSA**



**Spring Fellowship/Vigil Registration Form
March 25, 26, and 27, 2011
McKee Scout Reservation Stamler Dining Hall**

Registration begins at 6:00 p.m. Vigil Candidates will be contacted individually for arrival times. All members should plan to attend a weekend of FUN, FELLOWSHIP, and SERVICE. There will be no Friday meal, but a cracker barrel will be available late in the evening. On Saturday morning the Vigil Breakfast will be served at 7:00 a.m. Anyone may attend the Vigil Breakfast. It is highly desirable if we know you are attending so we can plan to have the proper amount of food. Lunch, supper, and a small cracker barrel will also be served on Saturday as well as breakfast on Sunday morning. The event will conclude at 11:00 a.m. Sunday. All the water will not be on at camp and no tents will have been set up, so plan accordingly. We are scheduled to be working out of Stamler Hall. Walk-ons are discouraged. Please register by March 21st. Please check our website, www.kawida.org for program information.

Costs: Attending Members for the weekend, \$20.00 each. _____
 Vigil Breakfast Only, \$8.00 each _____
 Brotherhood \$25.00 additional _____

If you have any questions please contact Alan Watts at 606-207-3488 or actwatts@roadrunner.com.

Registration Information:

Name _____ [] Youth [] Adult (over 21)
 Address _____ City _____, KY, Zip _____ - _____
 Phone (Home) _____ (Work) _____ (Mobile) _____
 Email _____, Unit (type/ #) _____

Emergency Contact Information:

Name _____ Address _____
 Phone _____ Mobile _____

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING A CURRENT MEDICAL FORM !!!!!

Make check payable to:
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RETURN PAYMENT, AND FORM TO:
 Blue Grass Council, Boy Scouts of America, 3445 Richmond Road, Lexington, KY 40509

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Lodge Adviser's Minute: By Alan Watts

Fellow Lodge Members, this winter has been a cold and snowy one. Your lodge officers have been busy planning a year filled with fun activities and rewarding projects. We have much to do in service to others as we grow in spirit.

There are two National Activities this summer, Summit Corps and Indian Summer. Summit Corps offers Arrowmen the opportunity to help develop recreational opportunities at Scouting's new facility in West Virginia. Indian Summer is a Native American seminar in North Carolina. Our Lodge has spots for both, but you need to act

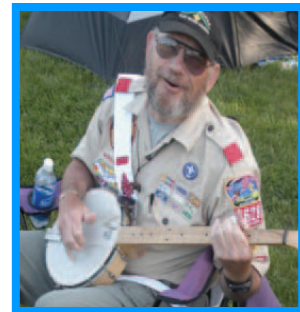
quickly as spots are expected to fill up fast.

We have much to do here at home. The Lodge Chief has decided we are going to build a shower house behind Stamler Hall at Camp McKee. It should be finished when summer camp starts. All of us with any ability to help should be excited and willing to help get this needed project done. We are now awaiting the plumbing permit from the State Government.

All this and we still have 4 Or-deals, two Fellowships, and camp promotions/troop elections to get

done. There will be some work, some service, and much more fun. Remember to pay your dues for 2011, attend events, and spread the Spirit of Scouting.

Alan Watts
Lodge Adviser



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Calendar 2011

Spring Fellowship—March 25-27th Summer Ordeal—TBA
Shower House Work Day 1—April 2nd Indian Summer—August 1-6th
Conclave—April 8-10th Lodge Service Project—TBA
Shower House Work Day 2—April 16th Fall Ordeal—September 9-11th
Spring Ordeal—May 13-15th Fall Fellowship—October 7-9th
Summer Camp Ordeal—June 17-18th Lodge Ldrshp Dvlpmnt—Nov 11-12th
Summit Corps—July 17-23rd Winter Banquet—December 3rd