

THE THUNDERBIRD!

KAWIDA LODGE #480 - BLUE GRASS COUNCIL, BSA

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The Rules Inspired by H. B. Olson

The MAC truck rule: If you get hit by a MAC truck a week before your event, is someone ready to take your place?

Never forget who your friends are.

Don't get mad; don't get even; get ahead.

If you aren't willing to help make it right, don't criticize. Send Christmas cards.

Chiefly Speaking: By Alan Bast

Brothers,

To start off, I would like to thank everyone who has attended the last two ordeals and provided service. The Lodge would not function if it were not for you and others like you.

The year is starting to wind down with the ordeals finished, but the Lodge still has much it is going to do. Fall Fellowship is just a few weeks away. It is one of the largest events the Lodge does every year. I want a huge turnout this year. There are few reasons for an Arrowman not to attend. We are going to have fun with various activities, including a Pow Wow. On a more serious note, we will be holding Lodge Officer Elections and the Awards Committee

After Fall Fellowship, the Lodge has Lodge Leadership Development Training, or LLD. This event trains Arrowmen to be leaders, whether in the Lodge or in general. It is being held in conjunction with University of Scouting this year. I cannot stress how much you can learn at this event.

Finally, I want to thank Steve Ritter and the crew he brought from Lexmark to work on the Shower House. That crew put the roof on it and more. It has been a long way coming, but it is almost done.

For Ordeal Members who have been inducted this year, I urge you to attend Fall Fellowship and LLD. These events will show you what the Order of the Arrow truly is.

Yours in service, Alan Bast Lodge Chief



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The shower house is finished! (Our Section Chief agrees.)



Summer Ends and Brotherhood Continues: By Ben Brown

As we bring the summer to a close, I must say that Kawida lodge has made this time of year a great success. After the second summer ordeal and the fall ordeal, the lodge has inducted a large number of new ordeal candidates as well as a good amount of members that sealed their membership with brotherhood status. A lot of work has been done for the camp by candidates and OA members alike.

On a future note, Fall Fellowship is quickly approaching. October 7th - 9th is when this event is occurring. This will be our biggest event of the year and I encourage **every** lodge member to be there. There will be no work that needs to be done; it will all be fun and games that weekend. Over that weekend, we have the potential to open up shooting sports, the climbing tower, the zip line at the cope course and many more areas around camp. QUEST games are likely to occur that weekend, which could range from tug of war, to a spam toss, to the brown bag special. Not only will fun and games be featured,

we are honored to have the Southern Region Chief, Dwayne Fontenette Jr., attend this event.

On a more serious note, the future of Kawida lodge lies in your hands. The new lodge officers for 2012 will be elected at this event, which includes Lodge Chief, Vice Chief of Service, Vice Chief of Brotherhood, Secretary, and Treasurer. All youth (20 and under) are able to vote for these new officers. We are relying on you to make a decision and bring our lodge to a bright and shining future. I hope to see everybody there at the one and only Camp McKee.

In Brotherhood, Benjamin Brown Vice-Chief of Brotherhood





A Scout Is... Friendly

Courteous

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Indian Summer Recap: By Nathan Vick

Indian Summer 2011 was a blast!!! It was a fun-filled week of ceremonial & inductions training, American Indian Activities, fellowship, and much more!! The week began with a NOAC-style opening gathering with music, a keynote address by National Vice Chief Dan Dick, and the reciting of an old Lenape legend.

There were two main tracks offered at Indian Summer: Inductions & Ceremonial Events (ICE) and American Indian Activities (AIA). ICE focused on the Inductions Process and on the ceremonies mainly through two groups of classes: ReAction and Finding the Arrow. AIA was all about dancing, ceremonial costuming, leatherwork, and other aspects of American Indian lore. In addition to these tracks there was a new program, Independent Study, for those who wished to take classes from both ICE and AIA.

Attending Arrowmen were also organized into four nations, each led by a region chief. Each nation was also divided into tribes and then clans. Over the week, at the nightly tribal meetings, servant leadership quotes were discussed at both the tribe and clan level. On Wednesday night clans were asked to write a definition of servant leadership. The best 15

quotes were picked and read at the closing gathering by a delegate from that clan. The highlight of this nations program was the Wednesday night Gathering of Nations, a carnival-like activity with fun and games for all participants.

The Closing Gathering was held Friday night. The highlight of the show was the story of the 22 first youth Arrowmen who took it upon themselves to run the OA after it was formed at Treasure Island. Jonathan Hillis, the 2011 National Chief, also related his experiences as a ceremonialist. A personal highlight for me was being asked to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. This show brought Indian Summer to a satisfying close.

Yours in Brotherhood, Nathan Vick Lodge Treasurer





Kawida Lodge's Indian Summer 2011 delegation.

From left to right back row: Sam Lyons, Alan Watts, Doug Vick, Don Combs From left to right front row: Barby Newell, Claudette Watts, Nathan Vick, Aaron Shepherd, T. Alex Hill

2011 Ordeal Statistics

| Ordeal | Ordeal Candi- dates | Brotherhood Conversions | Attending Members | Total |
|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|-------|
| Spring | 33 | 7 | 46 | 86 |
| Summer Camp | 22 | 1 | 29 | 52 |
| Sporting Clays | 43 | 11 | 36 | 90 |
| Fall | 27 | 5 | 33 | 65 |
| Total | 125 | 24 | 144 | 293 |

As you can see, we've had a great year's worth of ordeals! To all those who helped make this a great year,

THANKS A LOT!



Kawida Lodge, Order of the Arrow



Fall Fellowship/ Brotherhood Conversion

October 7, 8 & 9, 2011 McKee Scout Reservation



The Officers of Kawida Lodge invite all Lodge members to the 2011 rendition of Fall Fellowship.

Conversion to Brotherhood will also be offered. A full weekend of fun, food, and fellowship is planned.

This year's highlights will be the Tsoyaha Indian Dancers, and Mossy Creek Singers. All meals and two cracker barrels are included. There will be shotgun and rifle shooting. Native American Dancers and Craftsmen from our own lodge will be on hand to help you learn about the culture. The Kawida Lodge patch collection will be on display. There will also be some old time music and a little patch trading. Event cost includes camping, please bring your own tent. Lodge Officer Elections will be conducted right after lunch on Saturday. Any youth wishing to run for any office must contact the Lodge Adviser by September 26th. Sign in beginning 6pm Friday October 7th. The event ends 11:00 am Sunday October 9th. Proper pre-registration for first 175 includes event flap.

WALK-ins are discouraged.

Please Register by Monday October 3, 2011

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Lodge Adviser's Minute: By Alan Watts

From the Adviser

We have gone from summer to fall in the life of the lodge for the 2011 year. Kawida Lodge has accomplished much since our last newsletter, but there does remain more to do to make this year a success.

The shower house, delayed by spring rains, is near completion. It would be great to have a hot shower there at Fall Fellowship! The lodge conducted its third Ordeal and supported the Blue Grass Council's Sporting Clays Classic event. We got all the tents, cots, beds, and mattresses stowed for the can vote for the 2012 officers of year. We have also completed the last Ordeal and the officers did a great job with top notch ceremo-

nies and keeping to the schedule. My congratulations to all who attended.

On the yet to do side is to register some more of our brothers who have not paid their 2011 dues. We need about 55 folks to step up and become members in good standing. The brotherhood conversion rate is now above 34%. Anyone who knows a scout or scouter who needs to pay their dues needs to see that they get this done.

The Fall Fellowship Event is upon us. It is very important that all youth Arrowmen attend so they their choice. It is the best time to have your say in how the lodge runs. The 2011 officers have a

great program lined up with shooting sports, climbing, seminars, and a Native American Pow Wow scheduled now. I urge you not to miss this great time. Remember, those who chose you need you!

Alan Watts Lodge Adviser



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Fall Fellowship———Oct 7-9th
Lodge Leadership Development
(recent change to coincide with University of Scouting) ——Nov 5th
Winter Banquet———Dec 3rd