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Chiefly Speaking...

By Nick Oliver



Hello Kawida Lodge! I hope everyone is enjoying this beautiful season of fall. During this past year myself and all of your officers have learned a great deal about the greatness of this lodge. I am sad to say goodbye to the position of lodge chief but I am looking forward to the adventures that walk into my life in the future. But enough of the goodbye talk! The year isn't over yet!

I would like to talk you about a couple of programs that the lodge will be participating in in the next month. First off I hope to see everyone at winter banquet. This year we are doing something a little different and we need your help! We will be collecting gently used coats for charity. If you have any gently used coats we ask that you bring them to winter banquet so we can fulfill our mission of service not only to our camp but also to the lives of many Americans that can't afford the luxuries that we have today. Next is conclave staff! During winter banquet we will be giving out a lot of info on how you can be involved in this historical conclave hosted right here at camp McKee! We need you to help us represent this great tradition called kawida lodge! You can't make it to winter banquets on December 7th? Well first off shame on you! Second off check out our nationally awarded website kawida.org on details for being on staff.

With all these things I must say I hope to see you at winter banquet. It has been an honor to serve as our 2013 lodge chief. I've made great memories and most importantly I've met great lodge members along the way. I thank all of you for your time and dedication to this organization for you made it a blast for me. I'm excited to see what Nathan Vick does to keep our great tradition growing. It's been a blessing from above and all I can say is thank you and God bless. -Nick Oliver Proverbs 16:9

The heart of man plans his way, but the Lord establishes his steps.

Lodge Adviser's Minute

Nick Oliver

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New Chief Speaking!!!! Next year, I want

By: Nathan Vick

**Brothers!** 

Thank you for the privilege of being your 2014 Lodge Chief! I'm really excited for this coming year, and I hope you are too! Next year, I want to strengthen our chapters, service a great Conclave, and help this lodge become the best it can be. With our outstanding team of 2014 Lodge Officers, I believe that this vision can become real. Let's have an amazing year!

## Nathan Vick



# From The Desk of The Secretary By: Jacob Roberts

Hey Guys! Your Lodge Secretary here. Just reminding you that you should check out our awesome Kawida Lodge Website www.kawida.org and also to check out our Lodge Facebook page www.facebook.com/ KawidaLodge480.

Also if anybody is interested in being part of the Publications committee you can email me at my lodge email secretary@kawida.org. Thanks and remember to keep the party rocking

Kawida. I would like to announce to you your new secretary Collin Stapleton.

Jacob Roberts



#### **Treasurers Vault**

By: Sean Hillwig

As my last article as Treasurer, I would like to thank everyone for your support and belief in me. I hope everyone one has fun with the patches. This year we have had no issues in the treasury and have had great success in the

Trading Post. Next, I know Ben is up to the challenge that this position poses. I wish my best to you for the next year.

Sean Hillwig



## CONCLAVE 2014

Mark your Calendars:

March 8 and April 5 -- Camp McKee Service Days April 25-27 -- Conclave at Camp McKee!! May 9-11 -- Spring Ordeal

### Skilled In A Craft?

Plumbers, HVAC, Contractors, Electricians, Cooks, Website, Computers ......

**We Need You!!** Many areas of Camp McKee are in need of service/repair. At your convenience, or on the service days listed in this newsletter, please volunteer your time/expertise to helping Kawida prepare for Conclave 2014. Contact Ranger Ken Green at <u>ranger@campmckee.org</u> or campmckee.org Check out <u>http://campmckee.org/resources/worklist.pdf</u>

**DUES:** Contact your SM or crew adviser for a recent mailing -- pay your dues as a troop/crew. Or, use attached membership form and mail to council office with your dues payment: 3445 Richmond Rd., Lexington, KY 40509

## OA Awards, etc.

• OA Unit of Excellence Award www.oa-bsa.org/resources/forms/ unitexcellenceaward-2013.pdf

• OA Innovation Award www.oa-bsa.org/resources/forms/innovationaward
 -2013a.pdf

• OA Provisional Troop for summer camp <u>www.oa-bsa.org/programs/</u> <u>getkidstocamp/</u>

> OAHA OA High Adventure www.adventure.oa-bsa.org

Who: 16 to 20 year olds Where: New Mexico; Canada; Florida; West Virginia How much: Most are ≤ \$250 How long: Up to 2 weeks!!

### This Could be YOU!!!

New

OA

PATCHES!!!!! YES PATCHES!!!!!!



# 2014 Lodge Officers

2014 Lodge Chief-Nathan Vick 2014 Lodge Vice Chief of Service-Sean Hillwig 2014 Lodge Vice Chief of Brotherhood-Nolan Buland 2014 Lodge Secretary-Colin Stapleton 2014 Lodge Treasurer-Ben Gilbert

### Chapter Updates!!!

## Gikino Ballet

#### By: Devon Gonzalez

Wow, how the year has flown by! It's been a great year in the Gikino Ballet Chapter. We have held elections, provided cheerful service to our units, district, and camp and had great fun and made new friends at the Spring and Fall Fellowships!

As I write this I am at Camp McKee attending LLD for the second time. It was good to see new Gikino Ballet Arrowman in attendance. The skills learned here this weekend will only serve to make our chapter and lodge stronger. Chapter elections will be happening soon and I will be contacting your Scoutmaster shortly with those updates. The year is coming to a close with Winter Banquet and I would really like to encourage all of the Gikino Ballet Arrowman to attend and help celebrate the great year we have had. As we look towards 2014 it's going to be an exciting and busy year. The Conclave will be held at Camp McKee in 2014 and we need all hands on deck. There is a place for all of us to help make a difference and do cheerful service. There will be several workdays coming up over the next several months to help prepare camp for Conclave so please keep an eye on the calendar and mark the dates!

As 2013 comes to a close I would like to thank the Arrowmen of Gikino Ballet for the opportunity to serve as your Chapter Chief.

Yours in Scouting,

Congratulations to you!

Deven Gpuzalez

# Lenni Lenape

#### By: Steven Cottle

Here in the Lenni Lenape chapter we just held a small event with good attendance, stronger than the last few. We held our Key 3 elections and the 2014 chapter officers are: Chief - Chance Bullock

Vice-chief- Adam Hoeler Secretary-Treasurer- William Mciver We are currently working on encouraging attendance at the lodge level events such as winter banquet and spring ordeal as well as planning several chapter events for the upcoming year!

Yours in the Wimachtendink,

Chance Bullock

# Tecumseh By: Daren Jones

Hello everybody, I hope everyone is doing well, as you know Tecumseh has just finished up this year's OA elections and it is now time to get down to business, and oh do we have so much to do. In the next few months we have several ordeals that will be taking place as well as brotherhood conversations I personally would love to see everyone who is eligible to become brotherhood do so. Also this summer Tecumseh has been put in charge of a special project. This project is large and will take some time and effort to be able to complete before the 2014 conclave which if you didn't know is being held at camp McKee. The project will entail blazing a new trail and clear-

ing out a new ceremonies ground. I will need arrowmen both youth and adult to help me with this historical endeavor so if you would like to be a part of this project simply come to the chapter meetings, as we will be discussing this in more detail in the next meetings or if you cannot attend the meeting feel free to send me an email at tecumseh.chief@kawida.org

May your arrows fly straight and your aim be true,

Daren Jones

Tomahaken	incorporating unicorns into our
By: Mac Hall	chapter.

In our last meeting, we ate at Fazzoli's and talked Chapter Chief, about a ceremony team. We *Mae* Hall also talked about the National Jamboree and possible candidates for the future election. We even discussed the possibilities of

#### We-Ha-Li

By: Mark Brumbaugh

Our chapter has had many new members and we are still a strong and good size chapter. We hope to increase our total members and increase attendance at our meetings. We would love to be a very active chapter by next year. Overall we have had an excellent year.

## Mischa Mokwa

#### By: Lee Frazier

The Mischa Mokwa Chapter has set several goals for 2014:

-That every Scout and Scouter that re-registers in Scouting for 2014 will also pay their dues for the year so that we have 100% dues paid for the Chapter

-That all Brotherhood eligible members convert to Brotherhood in 2014 We look forward to another great year.

Mark Brumbaugh

### **Community Service Project:**

Bring item(s) of warm clothing to Winter Banquet for donation to the needy. (good quality items, please)



#### Order your Indian Winter kits now! <u>www.kawida.org</u> See form for details

-That all members of the chapter attend at least 1 Ordeal and 1 Fellowship

-We will be doing Summer Camp promotion in January as well as Troop elections. Our goal is to complete elections for each Troop that has eligible Scouts.

Finally, we want to have a Chapter hike of the Mischa Mokwa Trail and use this hike to mark the miles with little bear markers much like those used to mark the trail originally.

Lee Frazier

Chapter Vice-Chief

## CALLING ALL KITCHEN CREWS ....

Your lodge is in need of two or three crews to alternate serving as Kitchen Crew for lodge events -- sometimes in Keeneland; sometimes in Stamler. If you enjoy challenging service that is appreciated by all, and would like to serve on one of these crews, then contact Doug Vick at adviser@kawida.org or 859-806-6999. Hurry though, as space is limited...

# Make Sure You Pay Your Yearly Dues!!!!!



### Adviser's Minute

## By: Doug Vick

To youth serving as leadership of Kawida's lodge & chapters this year: Outstanding! Kawida is looking at a Gold JTE award for the second year in a row. Congratulations & Well Done! To youth officers and chairmen for 2014: Welcome, and Thank You! We stand ready to support and be led by you during this year of the Conclave as we prepare for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Order of the Arrow in 2015.

To adults who have served as advisers: my deepest gratitude! New from National: The OA's Unit of Excellence Award seeks to identify units, and the leaders within them, who excel at incorporating the OA into their annual planning. Look for information on the national OA website. You'll find a photo of the new OATR/ASM patches somewhere in this newsletter. Goals are set -- Goals are worked -- Goals are achieved. Conclave is April 25-27, 2013. It's time to prepare. Conclave will be AWESOME! Catch the vision .....

Doug Vick

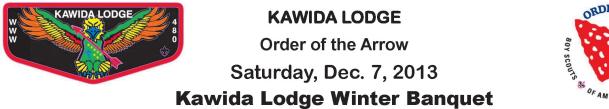




Remember to bring at least two youth to each event.



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On Saturday, December 7th, at 5:30 pm, the lodge will gather for our Annual Awards Banquet at McKee Scout Reservation in Stamler Dining Hall. Please plan to attend. All properly registered Scouts, members in good standing with Kawida Lodge and their families are invited. The 2013 Vigil Honor Class will be recognized as well as the bestowment of lodge and national awards. The 2014 Kawida Lodge Officers will also be installed. In addition the lodge will be selling and displaying lodge merchandise. We plan a wonderful evening of catered food, fun, fellowship, and recognition. Your presence and support are greatly appreciated as we celebrate continued growth and a quality Lodge Program.

#### Walk-Ins are highly discouraged.

#### Please register by Tuesday December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### Cost: \$20.00 per attendee

If you have any questions please contact Connie Lane at 859-231-7811 or <u>connie.lane@scouting.org</u> or Doug Vick at 859-806-6999 or <u>adviser@kawida.org</u>.

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You feel like you have been walking for what seems like a lifetime. Your feet hurt, your hands hurt, and you have not eaten anything all day. All you can think about is getting some sleep. Continuing on with the fellow Scouts you've been working with all day, you walk even more. Drums resound in the distance, and a glimmer of hope resides within your heart.

Remember this point in your Ordeal? That point of anticipation, not knowing what was in store for you. Everything leading up to that instance was the result of the hard work from fellow youth working together as a lodge to bring forth your Ordeal. What happened after that was really special and helped pave a foundation in your Order of the Arrow legacy...

Ceremonies are a vital part of what the Order of the Arrow is. American Indian lore is a major ingredient to the effectiveness of the ceremony and is a key way the Order projects its vision and mission. Every youth member of Kawida Lodge is encouraged to be a part of its legacy by taking part in ceremonies.

**INDIAN WINTER** is an event being held annually by Kawida Lodge. All Arrowmen with an interest in learning more about the American Indian culture, Kawida Lodge, or the Order are of course welcomed. Participants will have the opportunity to delve deeper into the ceremony world of settings, props, symbolism, performing the ceremonies, the development of ceremonial attire, and understanding the ten induction principles.

Whether you've been in ceremonies since your induction, or have yet to make that step, Indian Winter will be an event that will bring you to places you didn't know you could go.

"Who among you now is ready? Who will go upon the journey? You must choose..."

#### Without a kit — register by Monday, Jan. 13, 2014 With a kit—register by Dec. 20th, 2013

NOTE: Walk ins discouraged due to supplies being ordered.

Cost:	BASIC COST** (mandatory)	\$25.00	Arrive Friday 6:00 PM, depart	
	Bracelet Kit	\$10.00	10:00 AM Sunday	
	Choker Kit	\$12.00	**Includes: Cracker barrels,	
	Brotherhood Conversion	\$20.00	Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner, Sunday breakfast	
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### 2013/2014 Kawida Lodge Calendar

Winter Banquet	December 7
Indian Winter	January 17-19
Camp McKee Workday	March 8
Spring Fellowship	March 21-23
Camp McKee Workday	April 5
Conclave	April 25-27
Spring Ordeal	May 9-11
Summer Camp Ordeal	June 27-28
Third Ordeal	August 8-10
Fall Ordeal	September 5-7
Fall Fellowship	October 3-5

# For Updates and Other Events, Visit <u>www.kawida.org/calendar</u>