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Chiefly Speaking

Fellow Arrowmen,

First, I would like to congratulate all of our new Arrowmen who recently completed our Winter Ordeal; the service that was accomplished would not have been possible without each new member. I would also like to congratulate the three Vigil candidates who were called out after the Ordeal ceremony; Ryan Johnston, Colby Broussard, and Kodey Kershaw are three deserving Arrowmen who will be thoroughly tested in the near future. I would also like to apologize for the short-notice postponement of the Winter Ordeal. There were weather conditions preceding the original date that were deemed unsuitable and dangerous for outdoor camping. The LEC (Lodge Executive Committee) met and decided on a new date for the event. For those who were not able to attend the rescheduled ordeal, there will be another opportunity in the Spring for those who wish to attend.

I would also like to take this opportunity to extend an invitation to all Arrowmen, families, and friends to our upcoming Annual Lodge Banquet. It is an evening of recognition of all those who have faithfully strived to serve our lodge throughout the year. It is also the ceremony for the induction of the new lodge officers for the upcoming year, as well as a great opportunity to share in fellowship with your Brothers. We will be serving a wonderfully prepared meal. More details can be found inside this issue. I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the banquet.

Yours in Service,
Joel Dees
Quelqueshoe Lodge Chief



UPCOMING EVENTS

Vigil Night
January 8
Camp Edgewood

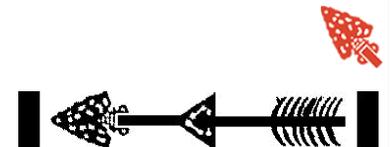
Annual Lodge Banquet
January 9
Camp Edgewood
\$18 Per Person

LLD
January 22-24
Camp Edgewood



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ANNUAL LODGE BANQUET

It's almost here! The biggest event of the year is the Annual Lodge Banquet, and this year it will be held on Saturday, January 9. With special guests coming from all over the region, including Judge Ron Ware, and your closest friends in attendance as well, this event is a "can't miss."

This year the annual Lodge Banquet will be held in its traditional location, Camp Edgewood. We will begin at 6:30 P.M. In 2010, as in past years, a special emphasis will be placed on pre-registering for the event. Those who pre-register will be served a delicious meal prepared by our resident chef, Mr. Donn E. Dees, and his hard-working crew. The menu calls for pork steaks with homemade rib sauce, potato salad, baked beans, and Texas toast. Those who do not pre-

register will be served hot dogs, chips, dessert, and tea. The kitchen crew will also prepare this meal, but I wouldn't expect as high of a quality. Because of this, IT IS CRITICAL THAT YOU PRE-REGISTER. The cost is \$18 for both situations. Registration is available at Quelqueshoe

Online by following the link on the home page or at the Calcasieu Area Council Scout Office through January 7th. You may pre-pay during the same time period. Come share in fellowship with your brothers as awards are presented, the 2010 Lodge Officers are in-

stalled, and the State of the Lodge Address is given. We hope to see all of you and your families at the Annual Lodge Banquet. Remember...pre-register. Your meal depends on it!

EVENT: Annual Lodge Banquet

DATE: Saturday, January 9th

TIME: 6:30 P.M.

LOCATION: Camp Edgewood

COST: \$18



ADVISER'S MINUTE

Fellow Arrowmen,

The time has come for me to write my final Adviser's Minute. First, I want to thank all you Arrowmen for making this a great year. We faced a new challenge with the restructuring of the Lodge Executive Committee, but this challenge was met by a number of new and enthusiastic young Arrowmen willing to take on roles of leadership and responsibility in the lodge. Our lodge chief was elected to the position of section chief in April, an accomplishment we were all proud of.



**Outgoing Lodge Adviser
Donn E. Dees**

This means a change in leadership, which was once again met by our outstanding youth leaders. The 2009 LEC and adult advisers pulled together and worked out the bugs in our new system, resulting in a year of many achievements that culminated in our submission of the paperwork for 2009 National Quality Lodge distinction. As a lodge, we have also made a commitment to the Calcasieu Area Council to supply labor and other help in the capital improvement of Camp Edgewood that will take place over the next two years. We have pledged to work closely with the Council and improve the communications between the Executive Board and the LEC, a relationship

that must be thriving if we are to succeed in the future.

One of the challenges of being the lodge adviser is that you are one of the adults responsible for an organization made up of youth leaders. Every Arrowman is a leader of other Scouts. That is what makes this one of the more difficult jobs in Scouting, but one that I have enjoyed nonetheless.

For the past year and a half I have watched our active membership and retention rate grow as our youth have gained maturity, leadership skills, and experience. I have been a member of this lodge for a very long time, and this group of youth would rival any group I have experienced. I am proud to have served with these wonderful Arrowmen. They are hard-working, conscientious, and have represented our lodge well.

It is with great pleasure that I will be succeeded by one of my favorite lodge officers of the past. Justin Abshire will be taking over the role of lodge adviser. I have no doubt that Justin will do a great job with lodge communications and organization. His technical skills and leadership will help our LEC to grow and make the right decisions to contribute to

the council, lodge, and section for years to come.

Once again, I want to sincerely thank everyone, both youth and adults, who have worked so hard and so diligently to do the best possible job to make our lodge one of the best around.

WWW,
Donn E. Dees
Lodge Adviser

The Brotherhood Most Wanted List

1. **CAMPBELL FLYNT**
2. **MATT WALKER**
3. **NICHOLAS CALDARERA**
4. **JOE DEES**
5. **JACOB WILLIS**
6. **WILLIAM SYCK**
7. **JOSH ANDERS**
8. **JONATHAN BRANKLINE**
9. **ETHAN BYRD**
10. **MATTEW LAFLEUR**

WANTED

Arrowmen in Action



(Below) The power pole being conquered by one daring Arrowman at the Fall Fellowship.



(Below) Arrowmen Jared Amiot and Robbie Broussard prepare for some rock climbing at the COPE course.

(Below) The OA ceremony ring before the Ordeal ceremony in August.



(Above) A long line of sashes as new brothers are welcomed to our Order at the Summer Ordeal.



(Left) Arrowman John Williams of Troop 107 enjoying COPE at the Fall Fellowship.

Lodge Leadership Development

The Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) is an event designed to train the leaders of tomorrow by those of today. The course consists of a variety of training sessions that will enable the youth Arrowmen who will lead our lodge in the coming year to have the tools and knowledge to be successful. The National OA Com-

EVENT: Lodge Leadership Development
DATE: January 22-24
LOCATION: Camp Edgewood

mittee has recently modified the four-fold purpose of the Order of the Arrow to reflect its emphasis on development of youth leaders. It is only natural that we do our best to make our Arrowmen the best leaders they can be. Each year, the course is tailored to fit the current needs of the lodge, focusing more on areas of needed im-

provement rather than areas that are already lodge strengths. Past lodge chiefs, advisers, and other experienced Arrowmen facilitate the LLD sessions and offer their years of experience. This event is open to all Arrowmen. If you are interested in attending, contact lodge chief Joel Dees using the information on page 1.



Haddock Passes Torch

James Tarbox, National Bulletin

In 2000, past national chief Brad Haddock became a trailblazer again for the Order of the Arrow with his appointment as chairman of the national Order of the Arrow committee. As national chairman, Brad worked tirelessly the traditions upon which our brotherhood is founded. He led the effort to expand the role of the Order in Scouting, with emphasis on leadership and outdoor stewardship.

The results of this effort are obvious in projects such as Philbreak, OA high adventure programs, and *ArrowCorps5*. Implementation of strategic plans and changes to the mission and purpose of the OA enhanced servant leadership. Nine years later, the legacy that he has helped to create illustrates his unprecedented commitment.



Ray Capp



Brad Haddock

“Brad has been the ideal person to lead this committee during this new millennium. His experience, vision, energy, dedication, and approach through servant leadership has made us a stronger, more viable, and engaged organization. Our program, events, and vitality to our councils, communities, and the nation have all grown dramatically during the time of his leadership.”

- Ray Capp, National Chairman

“Brad’s license plate says it all: SRVTLDR.”

- Jake Wellman, 2008 National Chief



As national program director, E. Urner Goodman greatly expanded the BSA training programs for adult leaders, establishing the BSA’s highly regarded national training center at Schiff Scout Reservation in New Jersey in 1932, and later he developed the training program at Philmont Scout Ranch, beginning in 1938.

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Under Brad's leadership, the Order of the Arrow has experienced five national OA conferences. Attendance at each was more than 6,500 with a record 8,000 participants at the 2006 NOAC. Nonconference years also boasted elaborate national programs: Indian Summer in 2003 focused on Native American culture within the Order, and the

National Conservation and Leadership Summit in 2007 prepared the OA for *ArrowCorps5* and the current strategic plan.

In both 2001 and 2005, the Order of the Arrow made its mark at the national jamborees through successful mobilization of the OA Service Corps, execution of the American Indian Village and The Outdoor Adventure Place, as well as two unforgettable shows.

On September 1, Ray Capp, the outgoing vice chairman for technology and special projects, stepped into his new role as national chairman. Ray, on behalf of our entire organization, expressed a sincere gratitude for the weighty responsibilities Brad Haddock had assumed on behalf of the Order of the Arrow during the past decade. He looks forward to Brad's continued service with national Order of the Arrow committee.

Resisting Stereotypes

Thomas Eliopoulos, National Bulletin

The recent national OA conference offered a chance to observe not only a congregation of nearly 7,000 Arrowmen, but also how they interacted with one another, responded to challenges, and carried themselves. Without a doubt there will be many similarities among us Brothers; after all, we are all role models in Scouting and in our communities. When so many men and women who occupy these roles come together in one place, a degree of commonality is to be expected. However, at the same time, the differences between us are equally as important to emphasize because these individualities are what make our organization such a dynamic one.

In groups large and small, politics can often play an important role in helping us achieve our goals of getting elected to an office or swaying public opinion and having our ideas adopted by the rest of the group. However, it is important to recognize that there is no set formula to be an effective and inspirational leader—no universal

manner of dressing, behaving, or even set of background characteristics which exists that will allow you to typecast yourself as the 'ideal' role model. Often, and especially for younger Arrowmen, it is easy to look up to someone like an adviser or OA Section Chief and believe that mimicking their leadership style or adopting similar mannerisms is necessary to

"Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference."

—Robert Frost

achieve our own success or to follow in their footsteps. This is not always the case. Evidence of this is found even in the highest offices of our government, where our current president and the most recently appointed Supreme Court justice have both had pasts more atypical than any of their predecessors—but nevertheless have still maintained a very high degree of

success as leaders.

Several years ago, I encountered a young man who often liked to quote a line from the famous Robert Frost poem, *The Road Not Taken*, in his speeches when running for elected offices in the OA. "Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference." By far, this is a pattern that has proved itself true time and time again. It is important to remember that we are all distinct leaders, each with unique strengths and weaknesses, and that because of this there are always several roads that can lead us to achieve the same goal.

Don't be afraid to take on a challenge or to try something new just because it is hard or has never been done before. In the end, it will be these differences—this individuality in the choices you make—that will distinguish you as a leader and a friend. In this way it is possible, then, that by simply not blending into the crowd as much you can render yourself an even greater service to others.

Arrowmen Honored for Their Service

National Bulletin

The Distinguished Service Award was created in 1940 to honor Arrowmen for their service to the Order beyond the lodge level. The award is presented to those Arrowmen who have rendered distinguished and outstanding service to the Order on the area, regional, or national basis. The award is presented at National Order of the Arrow Conferences. Since the time the first award was presented, 839 Arrowmen have been recognized with this honor.

The award consists of a sterling silver arrowhead, bearing an arrow pointing upward and to the wearer's right, suspended from a white-neck ribbon upon which are embroidered red arrows.

At the 2009 National Order of the Arrow Conference, the following Arrowmen were presented with the Distinguished Service Award, The Order of the Arrow hereby recognizes these Arrowmen and thanks them for again their service:

Kevin L. Anderson, South Plainfield, NJ

Kyle W. Becker, Bismarck, ND

Michael D. Bliss, Klamath Falls, OR

Forrest I. Bolles, Raymore, MO

Alexander F. Braden, Covina, CA

Russell A. Bresnahan, St. Louis, MO

Wayne Brock, Irving, TX

Toby D. Capps, Renton, WA

Evan P. Chaffee, San Juan Capistrano, CA

Jay H. Corpening II, Wilmington, NC

Dustin J. Counts, Charlotte, NC

Darrell W. Donahue, Old Town, ME

S. Tyler Elliott, Fairborn, OH

Thomas H. Fitzgibbon, Tempe, AZ

James A. Flatt, Huntsville, AL

Jonathan E. Fuller, Columbia Cross Roads, PA

T. Alex Gomez, Miami, FL

John H. Green, Irving, TX

Kenneth J. Hager, Smock, PA

Adam D. Heaps, New Holland, PA

Mark P. Hendricks, Richland, WA

Douglas G. Hirdler, Ely, MN

Burl E. Holland, Charlotte, NC

Don G. Hough, Hoffman Estates, IL

Michael S. Kirby, Anderson, SC

Andrew J. Kuhlmann, Laramie, WY

Thomas Y. Lambert, New Orleans, LA

Geoffrey S. Landau, Miami, FL

Andrew P. Martin, Montgomery, AL

Robert L. Mason, Winston-Salem, NC

Bruce F. Mayfield, San Rafael, CA

Robert J. Mazzuca, Irving, TX

Sean M. Murray, Norwich, NY

Larry M. Newton, Georgiana, AL



David J. Nguyen, Los Angeles, CA

James W. Palmer Jr., Jackson, NJ

Ian M. Romaine, Goodlettsville, TN

Patrick W. Rooney, Springfield, VA

David E. Schaub, Boothwyn, PA

W. Christopher Schildknecht, Cincinnati, OH

Benjamin L. Stilwill, Okemos, MI

Francis W. Sturges Jr., Charlotte, NC

W. Keith Swedenburg, Dallas, GA

J. Mason Thomas, West Columbia, SC

Kieran J. Thompson, Burbank, CA

Kaylene D. Trick, New Berlin, PA

C. Edward Tudor, Bradenton, FL

Jacob P. Wellman, Albuquerque, NM

Chad E. Wolver, Tempe, AZ



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Upcoming Events

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Camp Edgewood