



# The RedBird Newsletter



TaTsu Hwa #138 Indian Nations Council Tulsa, Ok.  
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## Lodge Leadership

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## Lodge Banquet

The lodge banquet is on January 5, 2008 at Garnett Church of Christ, 12000 East 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm. A delicious dinner will be provided. This is a time for great fellowship and the opportunity to recognize your fellow Arrowmen who will be receiving Lodge awards such as, the Golden Arrow and the Founders Awards. Following the dinner we will be holding the Vigil Honor Call Out Ceremony. There will also be an Indian regalia exhibit, so show up and support your lodge and its decorated members.

Tickets are available at the Service Center or there is a Ticket Order form available on our Lodge website at [www.tatswuhwa.org](http://www.tatswuhwa.org). Tickets must be purchased by **December 28, 2007**.

## Lodge Leadership Development Conference

Our Lodge Leadership Development Conference (LLDC) will be held January 5, 2008 at the Garnett Church of Christ. The Conference will begin at 9:00am and lunch will be provided.

The LLDC is for all Arrowmen! It is especially important for all Lodge and Chapter Officers and Advisers to attend. There will be information for all Arrowmen to better their leadership abilities and gain information about our Order so we will be able to accomplish our purpose.

Following the LLDC there will be a Lodge Executive Committee meeting. All officers should be in attendance and other Arrowmen are welcome to observe. Our Banquet will follow the meeting.



## Section 3 Conclave

The upcoming Section Conclave for 2008 will be held at Will Rogers Scout Reservation near Cleveland, Okla., April 25-27, 2008 and is sure to be a blast! Ema'o Mahpe Lodge from the Cimarron Council will be the host for this Conclave. The camp is less than an hour drive from Tulsa so there is no excuse for TaTsuHwa not only having the best Lodge there, but also the biggest representation!

As usual there will be fun activities to compete between lodges, like tug-of-war, and the infamous root beer chug. There will also be pre-ordeal and brotherhood ceremony competitions for all the lodge

ceremony teams. On Saturday night there will be a pow-wow for all to attend with Indian dancing competitions, including: straight, traditional, fancy, grass, and old style dancing. Last but not least there will be a plethora of patch trading between lodges and chapters. Your attendance at conclave would greatly help support our Ta-Tsu-Hwa lodge.

Further information regarding the conclave will be coming soon. It will be posted on our website as soon as it becomes available.



# *ARROWCORPS* 5

*5 SITES - 5 WEEKS - 5,000 ARROWMEN*

Time is running out to be a part of this awesome opportunity to partake in to provide Cheerful Service in our country's national forests. Working closely together, the United States Forest Service and the OA have chosen

five project sites, spread across America, which will be the focus of our combined efforts. For more information visit <http://www.event.oa-bsa.org/>. or contact our Lodge Adviser B. Dale Southerland at 437-2273



### Coming Attractions

January 1	Lodge Membership Elections Begin	
January 5	Lodge Leadership Development Conference	Garnett Rd. Church of Christ 9am
January 5	Lodge Banquet	Garnett Rd. Church of Christ 5:30pm
March 9	Ordeal & Vigil Weekend Planning Meeting Elangomat Training	Berean Baptist Church @3:00pm Berean Baptist Church 2:00-5:00
March 14-16	Spring Ordeal	Hale Scout Reservation
March 29-30	Vigil Weekend	Camp Garland
April 24	Lodge Membership Elections End	Election Forms to Unit Elec. Chair
April 25-27	Section 3A Conclave	Will Rogers Scout Reservation

## Chiefly Speaking

*Greetings Brothers in Service*

*Well, as the holidays move ever so closer it always reminds me how much I enjoy being an Arrowmen.*

*Every year around this time it seems everyone tries to help each other out, but I am proud to be a part of an organization that believes in a lifetime of cheerful service. Its part of the oath we all take, whether we have been in the Order of the Arrow 5 months or 50 years. We are to practice cheerful service for the rest of our time on this earth. Not when the holidays roll around, not when we are in the mood or when it fits us best, but for the rest of our lives. It's a mighty oath, one that should not be taken lightly. So as we come to pay our membership dues let us remind ourselves of the oaths we have taken to fulfill them, to keep the flame burning within us so that it will one day truly light the world. So I call on you, that as you send in your dues to*



*rededicate yourself to the values of the Order of the Arrow, and go out and help your other brothers rededicate themselves and lets get Quality Lodge and sign up all members past and present.*

*Some side notes: LLD is NOT in December but at 9 am on Jan 5 at Garnett Church of Christ-the same place as banquet. If you go to LLD you will get \$5 refund of your banquet ticket. Any Arrowmen, Adults and Youth are welcome to attend. The LLD will be followed by the Lodge Executive Committee Meeting at 3. We will begin the gathering period for the Banquet at 5:30pm and the banquet will start PROMPTLY at 6pm. If you have any questions feel free to contact me at [tatsuhwa\\_chief@yahoo.com](mailto:tatsuhwa_chief@yahoo.com).*

*Yours in Brotherhood*

*Chris Miller  
Lodge Chief*

## Secretary Note

*I am Jordan Whetsell, the newly elected Lodge Secretary, and I am looking forward to serving the Lodge. I hope we can boost conversions and have more attendance in chapter meetings*



*themselves. The upcoming events, like Lodge Banquet and Section Conclave this spring will be an opportune time to participate in fun activities and*

*competitions. I am also looking forward to receiving the letter for Brotherhood from all of our Ordeal members who have or will have completed their 10 months of service to their Unit, the OA and Scouting, and will be sealing their membership by becoming Brotherhood members.*

*Jordan Whetsell  
Lodge Secretary*



## RedBird Question

In the previous Redbird issue we were mistaken in reporting that there were no correct answers. Arrowman Stefon Irby did correctly answer the question regarding the symbolic meaning of the arrow at the Pre-Ordeal.

We did have 2 youth Arrowmen correctly answer the latest question and received the Centennial Bird. Jonathan Cody Hunt from Neosho Chapter and Skyler Bennett from Eagle Chapter. Congratulations!

The question was: "In the Ordeal ceremony, what is the symbolism of holding onto the rope? The correct answer can be found in the Brotherhood game on the "Jumpstart" link on our website and also the national site.

This issue's question is a 2-part True and False question. You must answer each part correctly. The questions are: 1. To receive the Founders Award as a youth, you must have served as the Lodge Chief. 2. You must be a Vigil Member to receive the Founders Award.

Email your answers to [RedBird138@cox.net](mailto:RedBird138@cox.net). The first 3 youth Arrowmen to submit the correct answer will receive the newest edition Centennial Bird.

## Advisers Minute

Brothers,

We have had a great year! We are extremely close to making our Brotherhood requirement for Quality Lodge. The only other issue before us to STOP us from making Quality Lodge is that we must have one more person re-new their membership in the OA than last year. Last year we had approximately 1102 members in our Lodge. That means we need 1103 to pay their dues BEFORE DECEMBER 10th. So if you have not paid your dues, please do so now. You may either pay them with the Troop Recharter or you may pay them at the Scout Resource Center. Please note that if you pay your dues on or before December 1<sup>st</sup>, you will also receive our Early Bird patch, which this year will be a patch honoring the Garland Scout Reservation.



The Lodge has done a tremendous job in supporting the Council, Troops and Cub Packs this year. You are to congratulate yourself for

the "**Cheerful Service even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities.**"

The Lodge Leadership Development Conference and Lodge Banquet are January 5<sup>th</sup>. Please remember to buy your ticket early, because we will not be selling them at the door!!! The deadline to buy your ticket is December 28<sup>th</sup>. Again, NO TICKETS AT THE DOOR!!!!

Our Supreme Chief of the Fire, Kent Caraway is retiring at the end of the year. Kent has been a great asset to our Council and Lodge and we wish him and his wife well in their retirement. Please stop by the Scout Service Center on Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> anytime from 4:00-6:00pm to personally congratulate Kent on his retirement and 38 years of dedicated service to the Boy Scouts of America.

Have A Super Fantastic Day!!  
Dale Southerland  
Lodge Adviser



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**LODGE AWARDS & RECOGNITION BANQUET**

**JANUARY 5, 2008**

**TICKET ORDER FORM**

**Place: Garnett Church of Christ - 12000 E. 31<sup>st</sup> Street, Tulsa, OK**  
**Time: 5:30 pm – Gathering Period**  
**6:00 pm – Dinner, Awards & Recognition**  
**8:30 pm - Vigil Call Out**

Menu

**Chicken Fried Steak /Mashed Potatoes & Gravy**  
**Green Beans /Salad/ Dinner Rolls w/ Butter**  
**Cake / Ice Tea, Lemonade, or Water**

Name _____	Phone _____	H
Address _____	_____	B
_____, OK _____		
E-mail address _____		
Unit Number _____	Chapter _____	

**Tickets must be purchased no later than Friday, December 28, 2007. The Scout Resource Center will be closed during the Holidays on December 24<sup>rd</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup>. Normal hours are weekdays 8:00am to 5:30pm and 9:00am to 1:00pm on Saturday. Please make sure and purchase your tickets by the 12/28/07 deadline, as we must turn in the number attending to the caterer that afternoon. NO EXCEPTIONS PERIOD!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Tickets @ \$13 ea . = \$** \_\_\_\_\_

[ ] Please hold my tickets at the door. I will pick them up the night of the Banquet.

<b>Make checks payable to:</b>	<b>Indian Nations Council, B.S.A.</b>
<b>Return form and payment to:</b>	<b>Donald W. Reynolds Scout Resource Center</b>
	<b>4295 S. Garnett Road</b>
	<b>Tulsa, OK 74146</b>

**OA BANQUET**