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ORDER OF THE ARROW

Red Bird Newsletter



Founders Award

Congratulations to Michael Greuel from Neosho and Neva and Bill Jennings of Sac & Fox, this years very deserving recipients of the Founders Award.



WWW Award

The WWW award is presented to John Pojman and Denise Bahler, two very hard working and cheerful Ta Tsu Hwa Bothers.

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2004 Vigil Honor Candidates are Brooks Lord, Donald A. Bennett, Jon Nixon, John Pojman, Andrew Treat, Michael Treat, Justin Taylor, Jarrad James Brown, Jay Henderson.



This years Golden Arrow Recipients are Crews A. Douglas, Jimmy Boyd, Jonathan Gaber, Michael O'Connell, Eric Park, Nash Thames, Theresa Dawdy, T.J. Hardin, Jacob Kiesel, Matt Long, Cheryl Worden, Kendall Greuel, Adam Niceley, John Scott, John Van Duyne, Tyler Young, Ben Carlson, Cody Robbins, Caleb Brewer, Chris Smith, Denise Bahler, Robbie Dunham, Glen Fowler, P. C. Hance III, Jerad Kranke, Alex Points



Lets Welcome our Newly Elected TA
TSU HWA Lodge Officers: Lodge Chief
Mason Robbins, First Vice Chief Robbie
Dunham, Second Vice Chief Ben Carlson,
Secretary Robert Sonnenfeld, Treasurer P.
C. Hance

**ORDER OF THE ARROW
TA TSU HWA LODGE #138
2004 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

March 14	Ordeal & Vigil Weekend Planning Meeting	Berean Baptist Church @ 3:00 pm
Also	*Elagomat and Clan Advisor Training - Berean Baptist Church 2 - 5pm.	
March 26-28	Spring Ordeal	Zink Scout Ranch
April 3-4	Vigil Weekend	Camp Garland
April 25	Lodge Membership Elections End	Election Forms to Unit Elec. Chair.
	Hale Work Weekend Planning Meeting	Berean Baptist Church @ 3:00 pm
April 30 - May 2	Section 3A Conclave	Camp James Ray Lake Texhoma
May 3	All Chapter Advisers <u>Must</u> Have Election Forms Turned In To Lodge	
May 14-16	OA Service Weekend	Hale Scout Reservation
July 30-Aug 5	NOAC	Iowa State University Ames, Iowa
August 29	Lodge Fellowship Planning Meeting	Berean Baptist Church @ 3:00 pm
September 11-12	Lodge Fellowship & Brotherhood Day	Camp Fred Darby
September 25	Fall Festival of Scouting	Camp Russell
September 26	Ordeal Planning Meeting	Berean Baptist Church @ 3:00 pm
October 1	Golden Arrow, Vigil, and Founder's Award Nomination Deadline	
October 8-10	Fall Ordeal & Lodge Officer Elections	Garland Scout Reservation
October 31	Vigil Selection Committee	Berean Baptist Church @ 3:00 pm 2111 S. Darlington, Tulsa (21 st between Yale & Sheridan)
November 6	Cub World Workday (8:00am - 12:00 noon)	Zink Scout Ranch
December 4	Lodge Leadership Development Conference	Berean Baptist Church

***Elangomat/Clan Advisor Service Award**

Can be earned each year for:

Attending Elangomat/Clan Advisor Training, Serve as an Elangomat/Clan Advisor, Convert 50% of your clan to Brotherhood. So take your training March 14th, so you will be eligible in 2005.

Award is a really cool Bolo, it will have different color cords and tips, for different kinds of service and number of years earned. Contact Lodge Chief or Advisor for more information.

Lodge Website, <http://www.tatsuhwa.org>

Lots of great information on a really exceptional Website. Check it out, find out who your lodge officers are, download calendars and registration forms.

Chief Davey Blansett **Sac & Fox Chapter**

1st Vice Chief Jerrad Brown
Secretary Jeremy Williams
Treasurer Jerad Worthly

We will be meeting at Epworth United Methodist Church
4811 So. 25th West Ave. Tulsa, Ok. In the fellowship hall.

OA Chapter Meetings is 3rd Thursday - 7:30 - 9:00pm each month.

Ceremonial Team 1st and 4th Thursday of every month 7:30 - 9:00pm.

We welcome our new members, and appreciate the youth who are involved with the Arrow of Light Ceremony. We encourage our older arrowmen to get back involved and let's make Sac & Fox the best Chapter in the Lodge.

For more information contact your Chief or Advisor at 322-3303.



Sequoyah Chapter

Co-Chief - Cody Robbins
Co-Chief - Warren Chatwin
1st Vice Chief - Jacob Kiesel
Scribe - Josh Wichers
Treasurer - Matt Taylor

We have a new meeting place, at the First United Methodist Church of Claremore, 1615 N Highway 88, (Intersection of highway 20 and Highway 88). **We will be meeting the 1st Thursday of each month**, from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. We will be having lots to do over the next 12 months, working on regalia, arrow of lights, working at the Webelos Woods, getting ready for Ordeals. We want to be a Quality Chapter this year. We will need our Adult and Youth Arrowmen to be Elangomats and Clan Advisors at both Spring and Fall Ordeal. Contact your Chapter Advisor, Mike Henry 341-6512 or your Chapter Co-Chief's Cody Robbins 834-3659 or Warren Chatwin 274-1351 for information.

Eagle Chapter

Chief Nash Thames
Vice Chief Michael O'Connell
Secretary Grant McLoughlin
Treasurer Michael LaGarde

Eagle chapter Meeting Place: Kirk of the Hills Presbyterian Church at 7:00 pm on the **first Thursday** of each month. Eagle is a active chapter that has been involved in many OA Activities and events. With the retirement of Indian Chiefs Chapter, we're very excited that Eagle has taken on two additional troops: Troop 26 and Troop 22.

For more information contact your Chapter Chief Nash Thames 743-9338, or your Chapter Advisor, Monty Thames 743 9338.

Tulsa (T-Town) Trade-O-Ree March 12-13, 2004

Please join your fellow Patch Traders for a fun weekend of Patch Trading. There will be scout memorabilia for sale and trade. A large Ta Tsu Hwa display of our Lodge memorabilia. We hope to have a free patch from the 'Patch Bucket' to all Scouters wearing their uniform.

Where: Econo Lodge, 11620 E. Skelly Drive. Times: Friday 1pm to Midnight, Sat 9:00am to 5:00pm
For more information, contact Larry Trook 918-636-5480 or Mike Cale 918-272-3181

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**Next Red Bird Issue
Deadline for Publication
June. 3, 2004**

All information must be in the hands of either the Red Bird Committee or Adviser by this date.

Thanks

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Ceremony Team Training

If you are not already involved in a Ceremony Team, we have a training sessions available:

- Thursdays at 7:30pm at Berean Baptist Church, 21st and Darlington in Tulsa

Your Lodge is in great need for ceremony teams. Come on out and join us for training. You will find it a fun and rewarding experience.

Please contact Michael Treat @ 245-4644 or Kevin Koloff @ 744-5939 for more information.

National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC)

A reminder for yourselves and your Chapter Members, the deadline for the NOAC deposit of \$100 to reserve a spot for the 2004 NOAC at Iowa State, Ames, Iowa is **February 15th, 2004.**

If you really want to increase your knowledge of the OA and have a fantastic time as well, you can't beat NOAC. As far as Scouting events, particularly on a National scale, you won't find a better bargain. At \$400-\$425 total cost for everything included (NOAC fee, transportation, food, patches, T-shirt, and hat) it is one of the better deals in Scouting for an event like this.

Bokchito Chapter

Chief Michael Cantwell

If you would like to learn how much fun it is to be a part of the Chapter, please call your Chapter Adviser, or your Chapter Chief. Michael Cantwell 647-3679 for more information.

Neosho Chapter News

Chief Tyler Young

Vice Chief Kendall Greuel

Treasurer John Van Dyne

Meetings held in connection with District Round Table, 2nd Thursday of each month at the Church of Christ in Ft Gibson. Meetings begins at 7:00pm and last no longer than 1 hour. Arrow of Light Ceremony teams are being formed, and team members will begin practicing during monthly meetings. All Arrowmen are welcomed to join us. Contact your Chief or Lodge Advisor for more information.

Twin Arrows Chapter

Kevin Aitken Chief

Jerad Cranke Vice Chief

Zach Every Secretary

Our Regular Chapter Meetings are the 3rd Thursday of each Month, 7:00pm to 8:30pm, First United Methodist Church, Main and College in Downtown Broken Arrow, please contact your Chapter Chief Kevin Aitken 250-3592 or your Chapter Advisor, Chris Thoma 258-6654, email (cthoma@quiktrip.com), for more information.

Oka Tuli Chapter

Chris Miller Chief

Jacob Coulter Vice Chief

For Feb 12th, we will be meeting at the Lakewood Christian Church at 6:30 PM which is the 2nd Thursday of the month. Our Service project is "God's Little Angel Park" located off of 6th Street in McAlester. The chapter provides clean-up a minimum of three times in the year. We will be doing clean-up the end of March as we get it ready for April 19th memorial of the Oklahoma City Bombing.

We will also meet Feb 12th, to make plans for the year. We are excited about getting more involvement out of our Scouters. We plan to have some sessions for Junior Leader Training prior to Summer Camp. Please contact your chapter adviser, Chris Taylor, either by phone, **423-1932**, or by email to,

chakfan@myexcel.com.

Chiefly Speaking

Hello my brothers. I hope that everyone had a wonderful start to this great New Year. I again would like to thank everyone who came out to the Lodge Banquet and helped Ta Tsu Hwa kick off another prosperous year. I would also like to congratulate everyone who received an award for their cheerful service and for those who did not receive any recognition but, continue to serve our lodge, the OA, or the boy scouts in general, I thank you for your service.

This year is going to be a great year for the lodge. Matt Treat has left a great foundation on which I am ready to lead in building a strong future for our lodge. I encourage every arrow man to come out to our events and help build what will be our nation's greatest lodge. Remember we have the Spring Ordeal at Zink, Section 3 Conclave, and NOAC coming up so make sure to register and help make our lodge the best! Well, I hope everyone is having a great year and I'll see you at our meetings and events.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Witschendit Chesimus

Mason Robbins

ADVISER'S MINUTE

Congratulations to our new Vigil Candidates recognized at the OA Banquet. I would also like to thank everyone for attending and joining me in recognizing the many deserving Arrowmen for their accomplishments and efforts throughout the past year. Without their effort and hard work, many of the activities and events would not happen or would not remain at the high caliber we have come to expect from Ta Tsu Hwa Lodge 138.

The Lodge Officers have recruited most of the Committee Chairmen for the 2004 Lodge program. There are still openings for Committee members at large and always room for new ideas on making the Lodge a more useful service to its members and to the Council. If you are interested in serving on a Lodge Committee, please contact 1st Vice Chief, Robbie Dunham (622-9169), for standing committee opportunities, and 2nd Vice Chief, Ben Carlson (693-2608), for ad-hoc committee opportunities. For more information on Officer contacts, consult our official Lodge web site www.tatsuhwa.org.

The National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) will be held July 31 –Aug. 5, 2004, at Iowa State University. In 1992, I attended my first NOAC with my son and have been hooked ever since. If you really want to see Scouting's youth at their best, you don't have to look any further. The level of commitment, organization, enthusiasm, idealism, and professionalism is absolutely amazing. From learning opportunities to ceremonies, from Native American crafts and competitions to theme shows, from basketball, volleyball, and swimming competition to lip synch contests, and from OA Jeopardy to the OA Outdoor Place, there is something for everyone. And, of course, there is patch trading. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to learn more about and experience the Order of the Arrow. It will be a highlight of your Scouting tenure. NOAC forms are available at the Scout Service Center and on the Lodge Web Site.

As we move into this year, let us remember what the Order is about and why we were chosen by our fellow Scouts – Cheerful Service to others. That means service to our home Unit, our District / Chapter, the Lodge, the Council, and service to our communities. "He alone is worthy to wear the Arrow who will continue to serve his fellow man."

Don Atwood, Lodge Adviser

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