



# The RedBird Newsletter



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## Section 3 Conclave

TaTsuHwa Lodge had the largest contingency at the Section 3 Conclave. We had over 100 Arrowmen attending the weekend of great weather, fun, fellowship, training and competitions.

Ta Tsu Hwa Lodge was recognized by the Section as a 2008 Honor Lodge.

The members of our ceremony teams participated in the ceremony completions for Vigil, Brotherhood and Pre-Ordeal. We received an Excellent rating in the Vigil and Brotherhood Ceremonies. Members of the ceremony teams were Jonathan Stranton, Connor Murphy, Skylar Bennett, Anthony Floyd, Jimmy Wilson, Jordan Whetsell, Trevor Ball, Andrew Kast and Kevin Von Holton.

Our website won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Website Competitions and our newsletter, "The RedBird" took 2<sup>nd</sup> Place.

Our Native American dancers blew away the competition: Kevin Von Holten placed first in grass dance, Anthony Floyd placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in grass dance, Ethan Nole placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the fancy dance, and Andrew Kast placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the traditional dance.

Aside from the competitions the Saturday morning was filled with some great training and information. There were classes on everything for Arrowmen, both youth and adults, from the individual level all the way to the national level. There were also classes on cooking, beading, regalia, dancing, and drumming classes out at the conclave. These classes offered fun things that could be helpful when trying to work on Indian regalia, or even cooking on a troop campout.

Many of our Arrowmen participated in the Quest competitions and did a great job in our efforts to regain the Golden Arrow.

Ta Tsu Hwa Arrowman Cody Jaynes served as a CVC of Shows and Chris Thoma as the adviser. Firelight Production, Larry and Denise Bahler and Jim Thoma, put on an awesome fireworks show at the closing campfire.

As usual the food and fellowship was bar-none, and patch trading was occurring everywhere. Next year we will be moving to the newly created Section 8. So, next year more than ever we will need members to attend conclave, so we can show that we are a strong and crucial part of Section 8 and its activities.

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## Congratulations New Vigil Honor Members



L to R: Glenn Fowler, Mark Conrad, Cody Hunt, Cody Robbins, Kenny Davis, Justin Hollie, Patrick Henry, Lloyd Bennett, Warren Chatwin, Bill Rochester, Dennis Ingram, J.J. Jorische, Skylar Bennett, Kevin Von Holton, Stefon Irby, Andrew Kast and Jim Von Holton.

## News Briefs

### Section Realignment

There has been a realignment of the Sections. We will no longer be in Section 3. Effective June 1<sup>st</sup> we will be part of a new section, Section 8. This Section will include all Oklahoma Lodges and 4 Arkansas Lodges.

### Events Fees

In order to be better stewards of our Lodge's funds effective immediately there will be a deadline for registration on all Lodge events. Registrations submitted after the deadline will have a late fee assessed on the event. Typically the first deadline will be 2 weeks out and a late fee of \$10 and 1 week out from the event it will be \$20. The deadlines will be posted on the registration forms and on our website, [www.tatsuhwa.org](http://www.tatsuhwa.org).

### OA Representatives

The Lodge is still in need of the names of each unit's OA Representative. If you are the Scoutmaster, Team Coach or your Troop or Team Representative please contact our Ken Miles at [mileskg@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mileskg@sbcglobal.net) or 745-0212.

### OA Answerman

Our Lodge is fortunate to have the infamous OA Answerman associated with our website. The Answerman has an abundance of information that he is happy to share. He will answer any questions you might have regarding the OA. However, he will not answer any of the RedBird Questions. His email address is [OAanswerman@cox.net](mailto:OAanswerman@cox.net).

## RedBird Question

We did have 2 youth Arrowmen correctly answer the latest question and received the Centennial Bird. Paul Williams from Eagle Chapter and Jonathan Woommavovah from Sac and Fox Chapter. The correct answer is D, his Unit. Congratulations!

This issue's question is: The Order of the Arrow was founded in 1915 but in what year was it recognized as an official part of the BSA?

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.

## TaTsuHwa Chapter Information

<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>MEETINGS</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Eagle</u></b>                      Chief Zach Vetal (299-2427)                      Adviser – Al Davis (747-4802)</p>	2nd Thurs 6:30pm	Christ United Methodist Church 3515 S Harvard Tulsa, Ok.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>NEOSHO</u></b>                      Chief Cody Hunt (441-1807)                      Adviser – Kenny Davis (458-9132)</p>	2nd Thurs 7:00 pm	Muskogee LDS Church Muskogee, Ok.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>OKA TULI</u></b>                      Chief Cody Enloe (426-5592)                      Adviser - Ryan Dalley (916-0055)</p>	2nd Thurs 6:30 pm	Lakewood Christian Church McAlester, Ok.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SAC &amp; FOX</u></b>                      Chief David Sherier (445-7416)                      Adviser – Lynn Whetsell                      (291-1304)</p>	1st Thurs 7:00 pm	Epworth United Methodist Church 4811 S. 25th W Ave. Tulsa, Ok.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SEQUOYAH</u></b>                      Chief Jordan Gerben (371-9993)                      Adviser – Doug Arns                      (272-0938)                      Associate Adviser Bobby Benn                      (371-9372)</p>	3rd Thurs 7:00 pm	First United Methodist Church Owasso, Ok.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>TWIN ARROWS</u></b>                      Chief Matt Krause (455-6623)                      Adviser - Mark Bruski                      (252-1299)                      Associate Adviser –Bob Kimble                      (366-7706)</p>	3rd Thurs 7:00 pm	LDS Church 1701 N Hickory Broken Arrow, Ok

## TaTsuHwa Coming Attractions

August 24	Lodge Fellowship Planning Meeting	Berean Baptist Church @3:00pm
September 12-14	Lodge Fellowship & Brotherhood Day	Camp Fred Darby
September 14	Ordeal Planning Meeting	Camp Fred Darby @4pm
September 20	Fall Festival of Scouting	Camp Russell
October 4	Golden Arrow, Vigil, and Founder's Award Nomination Deadline	
October 3-5	Fall Ordeal & Lodge Officer Elections	Garland Scout Reservation

## New Brotherhood Members

*Congratulations to these Arrowmen who have sealed their membership in the Order of the Arrow this past year.*

<u>EAGLE CHAPTER</u>			<u>OKA TULI CHAPTER</u>		
Troop 1	John	Eagleton	Troop 2	Ryan	Dalley
Troop 8	Michael	Bowery	Troop 2	Mason	Miller
Troop 8	Tyler	Sluss	Troop 2	Reuben	Mosco
Troop 20	Luke	Leifeste	Troop 441	Douglas	White
Troop 20	Larkin	McCann			
Troop 20	John	Nielson	<u>SEQUOYAH CHAPTER</u>		
Troop 22	Edward	Mitchell	Troop 80	Wesley	Mitchell
Troop 26	Ted	Dubie	Troop 88	Lance	Lammers
Troop 81	Joe	Fincher	Troop 98	Don	Benn
Troop 81	Jon	Fincher	Troop 99	Paul	Grant
Troop 81	Kevin	McMahon	Troop 2002	Marion	Blake
Troop 222	Jack	Ward	Troop 2002	Trae	Hurd
Troop 222	Jimmy	Wilson	Troop 2002	Chris	Shultes
Troop 241	Tom	Winegar	Troop 2005	Bryan	Maxwell
			<u>TWIN ARROWS CHAPTER</u>		
<u>NEOSHO CHAPTER</u>			Troop 10	Anthony	Galutza
Troop 743	Joshua	Hamilton	Troop 10	Edwin	Laney
Troop 743	Devin	Potts	Troop 10	Darrell	Parke
			Troop 10	Matt	Parke
<u>SAC &amp; FOX CHAPTER</u>			Troop 117	Lee	Seaman
Troop 66	Ted	Imhoff	Troop 149	Eric	Cagle
Troop 66	David	Sherier	Troop 900	Alden	Cheffey
Troop 66	Michael	Smith	Troop 900	Collin	Cheffey
Troop 66	Rick	Warren	Troop 900	Bernie	Nally
Troop 188	Floyd	Burton	Troop 903	Phillip	Bettinger
Troop 225	Dylan	Hurlbert	Troop 903	Blayne	Bettinger
Troop 225	Ernest	Penrose	Troop 935	Charlie	Gleason
Troop 225	Willie	Rochester	Troop 945	Grant	Deisenroth
Troop 225	Frankie	Tousley	Troop 970	Matthew	Lyon
Troop 225	Walter	Wilson	Troop 977	Phillip	Britton
Troop 520	Wyatt	Justice	Troop 977	Kenneth	Krause
Troop 520	Gina	Justice	Troop 977	Matthew	Krause
			Troop 990	Chris	Jacobsen

## Attention all Ordeal Members

If you are an Ordeal member with over 10 months in the Order of the Arrow and why isn't your name on this list? As you know we did make Quality Lodge this past year after several years on not doing so. The one requirement that has held up back in the past was our Brotherhood conversion ratio. So by not sealing your membership and become a Brotherhood member it is making it difficult for our Lodge to attain Quality Lodge each year.

## Welcome New Arrowmen.

*The following Arrowmen completed their Ordeals from the 2007 elections.*

<u>EAGLE CHAPTER</u>			<u>SAC &amp; FOX CHAPTER</u>			<u>TWIN ARROWS CHAPTER</u>		
Troop 1	Morgan	Jones	Troop 66	Daniel	Sherier	Troop 4	Scott	Smith
Troop 8	John	Johnson	Troop 66	Dennis	Sherier	Troop 4	Anderson	Lough
Troop 8	David	Bowery	Troop 101	Jonathan	Woommavovah	Troop 10	Sam	Laney
Troop 8	Jackson	Stewart	Troop 101	Walter	Phillips	Troop 117	Steve	Corbett
Troop 8	Roy	Baker	Troop 171	Charles	Busby	Troop 117	Ian	Corbett
Troop 19	James	Britt	Troop 171	John	Busby	Troop 117	Kyle	Seaman
Troop 20	Jackson	Barton	Troop 224	Andrew	Cockrell	Troop 117	Stephen	Genay
Troop 20	Riley	Nielsen	Troop 224	Tyler	Mans	Troop 117	Damon	King
Troop 20	Mason	Morgan	Troop 225	Walter	Wilson	Troop 149	John	McDaniel
Troop 26	Jacob	Givens	Troop 225	Tyler	House	Troop 149	Izaiah	Bivins
Troop 26	Mark	Keilbarth	Troop 507	Bob	Sternke	Troop 149	John	Walters
Troop 26	Tyler	Saxton	Troop 507	Matthew	Thornburg	Troop 149	Thomas	Walters
Troop 26	John	Carstens	Troop 507	Justin	Floyd	Troop 646	Zachary	Harper
Troop 26	Michael	Armer	Troop 520	Lamar	Justice	Troop 900	Shawn	Eulenfold
Troop 81	Alex	Brown	Troop 520	Chance	Walker	Troop 903	Joshua	Gray
Troop 81	Alex	McKinstry	Troop 520	Kenneth	Laster	Troop 903	Zachary	Washington
Troop 81	Cooper	Weyland				Troop 903	Michael	Stephan
Troop 81	Nick	Weyland				Troop 903	Samuel	Stephan
Troop 81	Brendan	Dolan				Troop 903	Blayne	Bettinger
Troop 123	Chad	Sullivan				Troop 909	Joshua	White
Troop 123	Alex	Hinkle				Troop 909	Austin	Lee
Troop 123	Stan	Krause				Troop 911	Earnest	Marshall
Troop 123	Nick	Krause				Troop 935	Caleb	Anderson
Troop 123	Dallas	Elmore				Troop 935	Charles	Layland
Troop 153	Eric	Klammer				Troop 935	Matthew	Layland
Troop 153	Michael	Kelley				Troop 935	Duwayn	Anderson
Troop 173	Hunter	Emigh				Troop 935	Brandon	Crow
Troop 173	Alex	Doll				Troop 935	Rhett	Gause
Troop 222	Payton	Dunning				Troop 935	Patrick	Neal
Troop 241	Paul	Williams				Troop 970	Jacob	Turner
Troop 241	David	Williams				Troop 970	Jacob	Shipley
Troop 241	Jeff	Brown				Troop 970	Nathan	Hughes
Troop 945	Evan	Little				Troop 970	Robert	Scott
						Troop 975	Will	Gray
						Troop 975	Nick	Fulton
						Troop 975	James	Weiss
						Troop 975	Corey	Weiss
						Troop 975	Joe	Anderson
						Troop 977	Isaac	Williams
						Troop 990	Levi	Giese
						Troop 990	Austin	Givens
						Troop 990	Aaron	Jacobsen
						Troop 990	Wayne	Spence
						Troop 990	Aarron	Spence
<u>OKA TULI CHAPTER</u>			<u>NEOSHO CHAPTER</u>					
Troop 2	Phil	Beatty	Troop 603	Archie	Kisner			
Troop 2	Phillip	Beatty	Troop 603	Tommy	Riddle			
Troop 417	Josh	Smith	Troop 603	Belinda	Jaynes			
Troop 417	Rowdy	Thurman	Troop 627	Austin	Sayers			
Troop 417	BJ	Collums	Troop 627	Dillon	Pierce			
Troop 449	John	Bullard	Troop 637	Christopher	Nicely			
Troop 470	Taylor	Brinlee	Troop 637	Kevin	Nicely			
Troop 470	Chuck	Higdom						
			<u>SEQUOYAH CHAPTER</u>					
			Troop 80	John	Norwood			
			Troop 80	Braden	Norwood			
			Troop 80	Ridge	Rainer			
			Troop 80	Kyle	Snyder			
			Troop 83	Nathan	Bedford			
			Troop 83	Christian	Considine			
			Troop 83	Samuel	Trout			
			Troop 88	Jimmy	Peacock			
			Troop 88	Dallas	Terry			
			Troop 89	Austin	Davis			
			Troop 89	Jackie	Laughlin			
			Troop 89	James	Laughlin			
			Troop 98	Landen	Backhus			
			Troop 2002	Carson	Talley			
			Troop 2002	Geoffry	Simmons			
			Troop 2002	Dylan	Bowles			

## Chiefly Speaking

Greetings My Fellow Arrowmen,

I hope the school year is going great for you youth members, I know if you are like me you are ready for it to be over with, and it quickly is. As I am writing this I have a pile of study guides to prepare for finals, however by the time you actually read this, my school year will be over. This year has gone by super fast but has been awesome for our



Lodge. Conclave was AMAZING...our Lodge did awesome...unfortunately we did not win the golden arrow, but neither did any other lodge. Our ceremony and dance teams did very well at conclave, as did the website and newsletter. Our website is #1 in the Section, and our newsletter came in second. We will

be making improvements to both as well as to ceremony and dance teams in preparation for NOAC 2009. As summer quickly approaches please know that the Hale Scout Reservation and Webelos Resident Camp can still use some staff members. Contact the Scout Office and ask for Lloyd Hasty for Hale Staff, and Don Atwood for Webelos staff. I hope to see most of you at Hale this summer. Remember I have an "open door" policy (even though I have no office, or door). So feel free to email me at [tatsuhwa\\_chief@yahoo.com](mailto:tatsuhwa_chief@yahoo.com)

Yours in Brotherhood  
Chris Miller  
Lodge Chief

## Adviser Minute

WOW!!!! What a Section Conclave we just had at Will Rogers Scout Reservation in Cleveland, OK hosted by Ema'o Mahpe Lodge 14. Our Lodge did a tremendous job in all the competitions and those who competed are to be commended. Our website won first place and our newsletter won second



place. A big thanks to Justin Hollie, Jordan Whetsell, and John Pojman for their efforts in these two areas. Our Lodge had the highest number of members present than any of the other lodges in our Section. Cody Jaynes was the Section Conclave Vice Chief for Shows and Chris Thoma was his adviser. They did a great job and our lodge paid for a fireworks display at the close on Saturday that everyone at the Conclave raved about how beautiful it was and that it really capped off the last conclave to be held with the

current lodges. I would also like to personally thank Denise Bahler, Larry Bahler and Jim Thoma who came to the conclave and supported Cody and Chris by putting on the fireworks display.

Effective June 1<sup>st</sup>, we will be a member of Section 8. This new section will be all five of the Oklahoma Lodges and 4 of the Arkansas Lodges. Our conclave next year will be April 24<sup>th</sup> to April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

I hope to see all of you at the Hale Service Weekend on May 16<sup>th</sup> to May 19<sup>th</sup>. The camp really, really needs as many people to be as possible as we have lots of wind and rain damage that we need to overcome plus do our normal setup of the camp.

In Brotherhood,  
Dale Southerland  
Lodge Adviser

Is there something you would like to see in the next RedBird? Would you be interested in helping with our newsletter? If you want to help or have any suggestions, please let us know by emailing us at [RedBird138@cox.net](mailto:RedBird138@cox.net). Your comments and suggestions are appreciated.

Jordan Whetsell, Lodge Secretary

## Becoming a Member of the Order of the Arrow

The induction sequence seeks to encourage and inspire Arrowmen with the ideals of the OA and Scouting. This allows the traditions that Arrowmen hold dearly to be passed along.

It all begins with your election by the Scouts in your unit who feel you best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law. Following your election, you were called out. Next came your Ordeal, which began with the Pre-Ordeal ceremony before an unlit fire, and ended with the Ordeal ceremony before a blazing campfire. Here you accepted the Obligation and received your Ordeal sash. The final step is the acceptance of Brotherhood membership. This step is unlike becoming an Ordeal Member, that is because your fellow Scouts made the decision that you were deserving of membership in Scouting Honor Society. In becoming a Brotherhood member the decision is yours and yours alone whether or not to seal your membership of which your fellow Scouts originally believed you were worthy.

### The Induction Sequence

1. Election
2. Call Out
3. Pre-Ordeal Ceremony
4. The Ordeal
5. The Ordeal Ceremony
6. New Member Orientation
7. Journey to Brotherhood
8. Brotherhood Ceremony

As you can see in the official OA induction sequence Ordeal journey is not complete until you completed all 8 steps of your Ordeal.

### Are You New To The Order Of The Arrow?

Are you a new member of Scouting's Honor Society?



Do you know what it means to be an Arrowman? You were exposed many things the Order of

the Arrow was about during your Ordeal weekend but you probably only remember the scant food, hard work and silence. There is much more involved in our brotherhood. Grab your handbooks and visit our

website [www.tatsuhwa.org](http://www.tatsuhwa.org). Click on the JUMPSTART link, sit back and discover what kind of organization your fellow scouts felt you are deserving of.

The Jumpstart program is not only for our newest brothers, it is a great way for all Arrowmen to refresh themselves about what the Redbird flap on our uniform stands for.

### NOAC

It has been announced the next **National Order of the Arrow Conference** will be August 1-6<sup>th</sup>, 2009. This NOAC will be held at Indiana State University, and is sure to be a blast! If you are a new member and have heard others talking about NOAC then this will fill you in. NOAC is a national gathering of Arrowmen, even including some Lodges from Europe, Asia, and Australia. Like conclave there are competitive events like ceremonies, dancing, and

athletic events. There will also be many informative classes that you can take all week, including regalia construction, loom beadwork, and leadership classes. First and foremost the NOAC is all about brotherhood between Arrowmen. Throughout the work there are great ways to have fun, like patch trading and shows. If you have never been to NOAC, or if you are a veteran, then the 2009 NOAC is the place you want to be.

