



# The RedBird Newsletter



**TaTsu Hwa #138 Indian Nations Council Tulsa, Ok.**

**September 2005**

Voted Section 3's Best Newsletter

## Ta Tsu Hwa Lodge To Expand

*Good news, our Lodge is going to increase in size. There were over 300 Scouts and Scouters called out this summer to our brotherhood. We will have that many more Arrowmen to help strengthening its ties to the values that the organization was*

*founded upon: brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service for the fortification of the lodge's ties to our council, and to provide expanded leadership development and service opportunities to the youth of Scouting.*

## Fall Ordeal



*Our Fall Ordeal will be held at Camp Garland on September 30 through October 2, 2005. This is an important time for our Lodge. Not only are we receiving*

*new ordeal members it is another opportunity for the existing Ordeal members with at least 10 months of membership to seal their membership in the Order by completing their Brotherhood.*

## It's Election Time!

*Your Chapters will be holding elections in the next couple months. Now is the time to have some input in your chapter. But not only is your input important, why not show your leadership! Run for an office in your chapter and use those skills.*

*Not only is your input important at the Chapter level but also at this Fall Ordeal we will be electing the Lodge Officers for 2006. (See the website for officer petition form [www.tatwahwa.org](http://www.tatwahwa.org))*

**Arrowman!!! This is your Lodge, Do you part in assuring Ta Tsu Hwa has the best leadership to guide us through 2006!!!**

# National Order of the Arrow Conference

**July 29, 2006 – August 3, 2006**  
**Michigan State University**  
**East Lansing, Michigan**

The Lodge NOAC Contingent is being to be formed. Be a part of the gathering of OA members from across the nation. Competitions, Games, Training and Great Shows are only a small part of the fun and experience of NOAC. Registration will be on a first come basis. The number of adults will be based upon the number of youth participants (1:2). The final cost of participation will be determined in the near future. At this time we are figuring between \$375 and \$400. However, an initial deposit of \$100.00 will reserve your spot. We will have a monthly easy payment plan as in the past, with monthly payments due Sept 31, Oct 31, and Nov 31.



**UPDATES AND DETAILS WILL BE PLACED ON THE WEBSITE [www.tatsuhwa.org](http://www.tatsuhwa.org) AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE**

## Recognizes Your Fellow Arrowmen

It is time of the year to show appreciation for those Arrowmen for their service. Nominations for the Golden Arrow, Vigil Honor and the Founders Award are **due October 1<sup>st</sup>**. Don't let these Arrowmen go unrecognized.

The **Golden Arrow Award** is bestowed on deserving Arrowmen by our Lodge. The requirement is simply outstanding or noteworthy service to the OA at the Chapter or Lodge level.

The **Vigil Honor** is a highest honor that the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon its members for service to the lodge, council and Scouting. It dates back to 1915, when



founder E. Urner Goodman became the first Vigil Honor member. The Vigil Honor is mark of distinction and

recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond their immediate responsibilities of their position or office to one or more of the following: their lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting or their scout camp. The Arrowman must have been a Brotherhood member for a period of two years or more.

The **Founder's Award** is presented as recognition to those who have given outstanding service to the Lodge and who have demonstrated to their fellow Arrowmen that they memorialize in their every day life the spirit of achievement as described by the founder of the Order of the Arrow, E. Urner Goodman.

Nominations forms can be found at the Scout Service Center or on our web site [www.tatsuhwa.org](http://www.tatsuhwa.org).

# Lodge Leadership Development Conference

December 3, 2005 is the **Lodge Leadership Development Conference**.



required for all Lodge and Chapter officers

We will cover several administrative areas such as Unit Election procedures, Ordeal

This is an outstanding day of training for those Arrowmen, both youth and adult, desiring to learn more about the OA and leadership qualities. This is

and event planning, Chapter programs, etc. Ceremonies, the Brotherhood program, and other topics of interest will also be offered as well as sessions on How to be a More Effective Leader, How to Have a Quality Troop Program, Camping Promotion, Where to Go Camping, and other areas of interest. In addition, there will be Team Building Games, fun, food, and fellowship.

A special temporary patch will be available to recognize participants and staff that are trained at Lodge Leadership Development training courses. For more information check our webpage [www.tatsuhwa.org](http://www.tatsuhwa.org).

## Congratulations to our New Brotherhood Members

Congratulations to the following Arrowmen who have sealed their commitment in the Order of the Arrow and became Brotherhood members at the Fall Fellowship that was held at Camp Darby.

### Adults

Lloyd Bennett, Edward Daniels, Alan Hart, Leonard Kiddy, Kimble, Robert Dana McBride, Tim Nall, Darrell W Scott, Shonna Underwood, Jim Von Holten and Randy Wolf.

### OA Youths

Jordan Anderson, Skyler Bennett, Conner Biswell, Justin Boyd, Zachary Burgess, Austin Cagle, Chris Cremin, Steven Daniels, Beckman Delarzelere, Eric Doutey, Dalton Farris, Dwight Griffis, Blake Ham, Jerald Henderson, Parker Henry, Andrew Kast, Zac Kuhn, Scott Millican, Dylan Nall, Robert L. O'Daniel, Ben Perrault, Micah Schneider, Rusty Scott, Nicholas Starkey, Garrett Stege, Alex Tirrell, Caleb Underwood, Zach Vetal, Kevin Von Holten and Kevin Woolsey.



# ORDER OF THE ARROW

## TA TSU HWA LODGE #138



### 2005-2006 Calendar\*\*

September 10-11	Lodge Fellowship & Brotherhood Day	Camp Fred Darby
September 24	Fall Festival of Scouting	Camp Russell
September 30 - October 2	Fall Ordeal & Lodge Officer Elections	Garland Scout Reservation
October 1	Golden Arrow, Vigil, and Founder Award Nomination Deadline	
October 30	Vigil Selection Committee	Berean Baptist Church @ 3:00pm
November 12	Cub World Workday (8:00am 12:00 noon)	Zink Scout Ranch
December 1	Lodge Re-Charter Early Bird Deadline	Scout Service Center
December 3	Lodge Leadership Development Conference	Berean Baptist Church
January 2, 2006	Lodge Membership Elections Begin	
January 7, 2006	Lodge Banquet	Garnett Rd. Church of Christ
March 5, 2006	Ordeal & Vigil Weekend Planning Meeting Elangomat Training	Kirk of the Hills Church @3:00pm Kirk of the Hills Church 2:00-5:00
March 24-26, 2006	Spring Ordeal	Zink Scout Ranch
April 1-2, 2006	Vigil Weekend	Camp Garland
April 21-23, 2006	Section 3A Conclave	Slippery Falls Camp

**\*\*NOTE: This is suitable for posting on refrigerators, Troop bulletin boards and any other conspicuous places which are visible to Arrowmen**

Although we try to set the program and calendar for the Order of the Arrow Events two years out, occasionally Council dates may dictate a change. Please visit our Lodge Web Site at [www.tatsuhwa.org](http://www.tatsuhwa.org) for the latest information. We will post any changes immediately as they may occur. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

What would you like to see in our Newsletter? If you have any suggestions or comments, send them to us at: [RedBird138@cox.net](mailto:RedBird138@cox.net).



## Lodge Leadership

<b>Lodge Chief</b>	Mason Robbins	h) 834-3659
<b>First Vice Chief</b>	Kevin Aitken	h) 250-3592
<b>Second Vice Chief</b>	Nash Thames	h) 743-9338
<b>Secretary</b>	Zach Avery	h) 307-0370
<b>Treasurer</b>	P.C. Hance	h) 627-4496
<b>Lodge Adviser</b>	Ken Martin	h) 299-8991 w) 523-2215
<b>Past Lodge Adviser</b>	Don Atwood	h) 258-6448 w) 392-1234
<b>Lodge Staff Advisor</b>	Lloyd Hasty	w) 743-6125

## Chapter Leadership

<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>MEETINGS</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>BOKCHITO</u></b></p> <p>Chief - Austin Younger (427-1752) Adviser – Sheldon Aylesworth (962-5696)</p>	4th Thurs 7:00 PM	Panama First Baptist Church Panama, Ok
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>EAGLE</u></b></p> <p>Chief - Don Bennett (299-7477) Adviser - Monty Thames (743-9338)</p>	1st Thurs 7:00:PM	Kirk of the Hills Presbyterian Church 4102 E. 61st Tulsa, Ok.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>NEOSHO</u></b></p> <p>Chief - William Casey (473-3359) Adviser – Kenny Davis (458-9132)</p>	2nd Thurs 7:00 PM	Church of Christ Fort Gibson
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>OKA TULI</u></b></p> <p>Chief - Chris Miller (423-1932) Adviser - Chris Taylor (423-1932)</p>	2nd Thurs 6:30 PM	Lakewood Christian Church McAlester, Ok.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SAC &amp; FOX</u></b></p> <p>Chief - Jordan Whetsell (291-1304) Adviser - Ray Blansett (322-3303)</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></p> <p>Chief - Warren Chatwin (274-1351) Adviser - Mike Cale (272-3181) Associate Adviser - Tom Harris (274-7118)</p>	2nd Thurs 6:30 PM	First United Methodist Church 1615 N. Hwy 88 Claremore, Ok.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>TWIN ARROWS</u></b></p> <p>Chief - Shane Bruski (252-1299) Adviser - Chris Thoma (622-2481) Associate Adviser- Mark Bruski (252-1299)</p>	3rd Thurs 7:00 PM	LDS Church 1701 N Hickory Broken Arrow,Ok

# Chiefly Speaking

Dear Fellow Arrowmen,

The fall fellowship went great, we had fun together, and joined with our brothers who have been given the honor of brotherhood. We have several things coming in a short amount of time, the



Elangomat and clan advisor training is September 18, all of those new brotherhood members should consider going to this training and becoming an Elangomat at the fall ordeal. At the fall ordeal we will have the majority of those 300 candidates come and we need all the Elangomats and clan advisors as possible so please consider going to the training and then join us in guiding these candidates on the path to brotherhood.

Lodge elections will be held the same weekend at Camp Garland and since you are already going to be there you should stick around and help decide the leadership for the next year for our lodge. (Newly elected lodge officers should be prepared to have an emergency LEC sometime that weekend.) In December we have our lodge leadership development conference all of our newly elected lodge and chapter officers should plan to attend this conference however it is open to every member of our lodge. At this conference we will be learning leadership skills and have other training sessions for both youth and adults. We have lots of things coming up fast, so buckle your seats and enjoy the ride.

Kevin Aitken  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chief  
Ta Tsu Hwa Lodge

## What Is the OA Troop/Team Representative?

The Troop/Team Representative program was begun in 1999, and is a program of the Order of the Arrow that has been officially adopted by the Boy Scouts of America. The OA Representative is now an official



leadership position within the troop or team, and boys can earn time towards their leadership rank requirements, just as with Den Chief, Troop Scribe, or any of the other leadership positions.

## What Are the Responsibilities of the Troop/Team Representative?

There are numerous possibilities for the [job description](#) of the OA Representative. The beauty is that it is flexible enough to allow your unit to fine-tune the exact responsibilities. However, the most basic tasks of the Representative will be to coordinate service opportunities within the unit, to coordinate unit involvement with the Order of the Arrow, including Unit Elections, Camp Promotions, and Inductions, and request lodge and chapter resources to help meet unit needs.

# ADVISER'S MINUTE

*I hope everyone had a great time at Summer Camp. We elected over 300*



*candidates into the Order of the Arrow in the Spring. Most of them went through the call-out at Camp Hale and our OA*

*Representatives, Michael Greuel and*

*Matt Rom, and the Call-out Ceremony Team did a great job of keeping things lined out in camp.*

*I know what you are thinking, and you are absolutely right. With over 300 people elected that means a HUGE fall Ordeal. We had a Good Fall Fellowship / Brotherhood Day, September 10 – 11. We had 43 go through Brotherhood and another 47 member at the event. I would like to give a big thank you to Ken Miles and Russell Hudgens for making the Fall Fellowship a big hit. We need Elangomats, Clan Advisers, general workers, and very importantly, Ceremony Team members to be at the Fall Ordeal, September 30 - October 2. Elangomats training is set up for September 18. The large number expected at the Ordeal certainly provides us a challenge, but I have every confidence that the Arrowmen of Ta Tsu Hwa will rise to the occasion and meet this "...weighty responsibility." Remember, for those just elected this is their first experience with the Order of the Arrow. Let's make it a memorable one, not a forgettable one.*

*We will be electing new Lodge Officers at the Fall Ordeal. Those wishing to run should fill out a "Lodge Office Candidacy*

*Petition Form" before the Ordeal. Forms are available at the Fall Fellowship, or on the Lodge web site [www.tatsuhwa.org](http://www.tatsuhwa.org), or on request from the Lodge Adviser (299-8891h, 523-2215w, or e-mail [kmartin@callidus.com](mailto:kmartin@callidus.com).*

*Next year Conclave is April 21-23, 2006 at Slippery Falls. Also, NOAC will be held on the Campus of Michigan State University, July 29 – August 3, 2006. Pre-registration forms are available at the Scout Service Center and on Lodge web site. A \$100 deposit is required. Total cost is anticipated to be approximately \$375 - \$400. Final costs will be determined after receipt of material from the National OA Committee in November. Don't miss out on this fantastic event*

*We had Camp Hale Work Weekend and it was a great event. I would like to thank Mark Bruski and his team for making the event a great weekend.*

*Upcoming events: Cub World Workday / Brotherhood on November 12, 2005, Lodge Leadership Development Conference December 3, 2005, Nomination for Vigil, Golden Arrow, Founders Nomination from October 1, 2005, Lodge Re-Charter Early Bird December 1, 2005, Lodge Banquet January 7, 2006 and Spring Ordeal will be March 24-26, 2006, at Zink Scout Ranch.*

*If I can be of service to you or your unit, or if you have questions that can't be answered by your Chapter Adviser, please feel free to call me, Ken Martin Lodge Adviser [299-8991] or Lloyd Hasty, Staff Adviser [743-6125] at any time*

*Ken Martin, Lodge Adviser*