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## **Letter from the Section Chief**

Brothers,

Can you believe that Conclave is just a little more than two months away?!? Although our days are filled with the beauty of Pamlico Sound at beautiful Camp Boddie. Spending time in the outdoors, interacting with live exhibits and participating in Native American events is the perfect cure for the cabin fever that we're all coming down with now.

Make sure to read over this month's entire newsletter to pick up great tips on brotherhood conversation and section events. I look forward to seeing you in April!

In WWW,

Nick Ochsner  
SR-7B Chief

## **Come Visit the Indian Village at OAX**



Besides the booming of the cannon this year, be expecting to hear the sound of the great exhibits that you have come to expect from our friends in headaddresses, construction, and of course the tee pee's. In addition, presentations on all

Everyone is encouraged to check out what the Indian Affairs exhibits have to offer how to make a flute?

## Baden Powell Look-a-Like Contest



Do you know who Lord Robert Baden Powell is? Do you look like him? Well, if you do, then you should come on down! Any arrowman, whether youth or adult, may enter the contest by APRIL 1, 2010. You can come to Conclave 2010, show your BSA Centennial costume during the whole day, while roaming around OAX, quest events

The contest will be judged by the conclave participants yes your brotherhood will be on it for conclave participants to place any coinage they have for the contest

On Sunday at the Closing Ceremony and Awards show, the contestants of the contest will be announced. Each contestant will receive a certificate with the BSA Centennial Book and the youth winner receiving the BSA Centennial Anniversary Medal

We need your help to sign-up and participate or spread the word about the Lord Robert Baden Powell Look-a-Likes.

Remember please fill out [FORM 20](#) located on the [Section Website](#) by the Chief of Program Bradley Taylor.

Good luck to all contestants!!!

## Brotherhood and Membership Retention

The most common issue shared by every lodge across the county is Brotherhood conversion. Lodge leaders encourage ordeal members to take the next step and walk the trail. Out of this comes the million dollar question: how do we get members in my lodge to seal their membership? One way is to simply make it cheap. Wouldn't going through the ordeal be cheap (or, even better, free!)? Some lodges around the section have recently started incorporating the ordeal and members have no excuse to not go through ten months later.

To compliment this, the easiest way to increase conversions is to make sure that the lodge is educate

lodge membership begins immediately after the Ordeal member is given their sash. Pitch going through advancement.

However, be careful not to imply that those who are not Brotherhood are not full members of the order. To walk the trail is to have chapters facilitate a meeting with all new Ordeal members before the induction. Members have a better idea of to what they will be asked before arriving at the trail.

Johnny Arrowman will be much more willing to convert if he has to prepare before the event. Also, as a Brotherhood candidate. Always convey the positives of going through the Brotherhood trail.

## Conclave Experience: Wahissa Lodge 118

Conclave 2009 was so amazing that I can only hope Conclave 2010 will be better! As a new arrowman, fellow chapter and lodge brothers encouraged me to attend saying that ♦ Conclave is the greatest event they were talking about.

After arriving at Camp Tuscarora, the fellowship among my lodge brothers grew and reached an extreme. On Saturday came an unbelievable experience as I traveled around OAX to see all of the vendors. I did crafts and more! The quest events were a blast ♦ I got to compete in one of them and the brotherhood.

Overall...I really enjoyed attending Conclave 2009 and am looking forward to Conclave 2010! I signed

Kenneth Erickson  
Lodge 118

## Report to the State Recap

History was made this year with the celebration of 100 years of Scouting in America. On February 8th, the Governor and his wife traveled to the State Capitol to deliver a centennial report to Governor Beverley Perdue and her Husband, Bob Eaves. Each report represents the entire state but also signifies the 100 years of Scouting in America. In addition to one report from the State, each Council and Lodge Chief, who read a report from their council to the governor.

The day began with a grand procession down Fayetteville Street, a main downtown artery, to the State Capitol. After taking tours of the Legislative building, Supreme Court, and Capital building. During these tours the State Justice Sarah Parker and Justice Paul Newby, who is an Eagle Scout and was responsible for organizing

Finally, after a quick lunch, the moment everyone had been waiting for: it was time to meet Governor Perdue's arrival. When She arrived Governor Perdue began by giving a speech in which she addressed the impact of the South Carolina in the past 100 years. After she spoke each of the council representatives delivered their reports on hours of community service in all!

## Conclave Deadline Reminder

As Conclave approaches, here is a reminder of upcoming Section Deadlines:

- January 1: Communication Award Entries due to Section Secretary (Form 9)
- January 30: Lodge Memorabilia Summary Form Due (Form 7)
- March 1: Physical Arrangements Form Due (Form 7)
- March 1: Camping Promotions Exhibit Physical Arrangements Form Due (Form 16)
- March 15: Patch Auction Photos Due to Wahissa Lodge
- April 1: Guest Registration Form Deadline (Form 5)
- April 1: Delegate Substitution Form Deadline (Form 6)
- April 1: General Information Form and Money Deadline (Form 8)
- April 1: Lodge Registration Excel File Deadline
- April 1: Pre-Ordeal Ceremony Competition Deadline (Form 10)
- April 1: Brotherhood Ceremony Competition Deadline (Form 11)
- April 1: Team Dance Registration Deadline (Form 12)
- April 1: Team Singing Registration Deadline (Form 13)
- April 1: Cooking Competition Registration Deadline (Form 17)
- April 1: Section Conclave Insurance Form Deadline (Form 15)
- April 1: Baden-Powell Look-a-Like Contest Form Deadline (Form 20)

## Do you Love Facebook and Twitter?

Do you find yourself checking your Facebook account every time you can get to a computer? Do you take more pictures with your camera more than your face behind it? Do you love graphic design? Are you interested in learning more about social media?

If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, you should consider volunteering with the Section Staff. We need you to join us in promoting the 2011 Conclave at Camp Raven Knob. If you have the talent and drive to do so, Contact [Timothy Hinson](#) today to see how you can join!



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