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A Message from the Chief

Brothers,

I hope you all have had a wonderful and exciting summer, and were able to take advantage of the many opportunities that were offered with Scouting this summer. I was glad to see so many Arrowmen from SR-7B at NOAC and at our section gathering during the week. SR-7B, and other North Carolina lodges, left quite the impression on NOAC 2015 with being top competitors in all aspects of Indian Affairs along with staffing and training next generation Arrowmen to uphold the principals in which the Order of the Arrow was founded.

Continuing on the energy from the summer, your section leadership has begun preparation for Conclave 2016, at Camp Boddie, April 15-17. The leadership has some outstanding ideas for Conclave 2016, but this is your Conclave as well. We want to hear what you would like to see at Conclave 2016 to make this a Conclave

for the record books. You can express your ideas to your Lodge Chiefs, or you can email one of your elected section officers.

We look forward to a great year in SR-7B, and in the Order of the Arrow, and we hope that you join us at Conclave and at Chapter Leadership Summit this year. There will be plenty of opportunity for brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service this year with activities on the lodge, section, and national levels but these opportunities are only available if you take the initiative to start the journey. It is up to us to set the standard for this new century in the Order of the Arrow. "It Starts With Us!"

Yours in Brotherhood,

Jeff Sedlacek SR-7B Chief, 2015-2016

Memories from NOAC

Hundreds of Arrowmen from SR-7B celebrated the 100th Anniversary of the Order of the Arrow at the National Order of the Arrow Conference this year. Here is what some of you had to say about NOAC:

"#NOACGEO was the coolest thing ever!" - Gray Barnhill, Occoneechee

"Going to shows with my goofy lodge members was great." -Jordan Kornegay, Nayawin Rar



SR-7B Performs Strongly at NOAC



As many of you know, the centennial celebration of our Order's 100th year was held at Michigan State during the first week of August. One of the more exciting portions was the plethora of AIA events and competitions that took place throughout the course of the week. I'm proud to say that SR-7B was well represented in these competitions. As a section, we had 11 top ten dancers from Tsiotsi Tsogali, Occoneechee, and Croatan. Wahissa and Croatan participated in the Southern Singing completion in which they placed fourth and fifth respectively. Croatan also brought home two second places in Northern Singing and Powwow Team Dance Exhibition. Great job to everyone who participated! I can't wait to see what we can do in 2018!

Thanks,

Jackson Lamm American Indian Affairs Chairman

Earn the Arrowman

Service Award!

The Arrowman Service Award is a recognition only available during the Centennial year. It recognizes those Scouts who have been an active part of the Order of the Arrow in 2015, and can be earned by both youth and adults.

It is one of very few patches that can be officially worn on the OA sash. Learn more at the link below so you too can be a part of the Order of the Arrow 100th Anniversary.

Get Started

#DareToDo



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During the National Order of the Arrow Conference at Michigan State University this summer, Arrowmen were challenged to accept the #DareToDo Challenge. It began with the idea that Scouts could change the world by performing simple daily acts of service for the next 100 days.

The movement started in the OA is growing. Accept the challenge and learn more by clicking the link below!

Take the Dare!



Lodge Spotlight: Wahissa

Brothers,

I hope that you all are doing well. Wahissa Lodge has been hard at work the past few months completing

Camp Spotlight: Raven Knob Scout Reservation

Raven Knob Scout Reservation provides year-round adventure for Scouts across the eastern United States. Located at the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains in western Surry County, high ridges overlook the Big and Little Endicott Creek valleys that merge to form Lake Sabotta in the center of camp. The 3,200+ acres at Raven Knob offer hiking, backpacking and climbing opportunities like no other.

Each summer, some 5,000 Scouts and Scouters from nearly a dozen states head up to the Knob for one of eight weeks of summer camp. Merit badges and activities range from robotics to forestry and BSA Lifeguard to the Wilderness Challenge. At Raven Knob, Scouts enjoy state of the art facilities while still living a summer camp experience that has changed little since 1955.

There's always something exciting going on at Raven Knob, with Scout troops, Wahissa Lodge, and a variety of other groups there each week. Go to www.ravenknob.com to schedule a trip and make sure to like us on Facebook. See you there!

service projects at Camp Raven Knob and around the council. We are currently preparing for our last events of the year: Fall Fellowship where we elect officers and our Annual Banquet where the new year begins. We are also preparing for our Cub Scout Parent/Son Camporees staffed by Wahissa Lodge members. We have thoroughly enjoyed the past year and are looking forward to wrapping it up and beginning anew.

Yours in WWW,

Hugh Atkinson 2015 Wahissa Lodge Chief

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