THE ELOGAMGUSSIT

Chiefly Speaking



BY: DON COMBS

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Arrowmen, I am happy to be back and working on another great year and Conclave! This year we have a lot of opportunities to improve on our program, communication, and so much more. I want each of you to stay informed and on top of all the great things that are going to happen. One of these is our new system of committees. Instead of having one person spearhead a committee, like Quest or Trading Post, we will have at least four people on a committee with a chairman leading that committee. We want any youth whether experienced or not, who is interested in helping out to please apply. If any adult out there knows of a youth that should be considered please let me know. We hope this will give more youth a voice in the section and allow for more participation and a better program.

Please remember, if anyone has any suggestion or information please do not hesitate to send me an email, I want feedback. This is our section and only we can make it better. If you do not like something or think we can improve on something please let me know, and maybe we can come to a compromise and allow the section to grow. It's going to be a great year for the section and everyone involved, we want to know your ideas to make it even better.

I can't wait to see how this year is going to turn out, and again it is great to be back. Please let me know if I can help any of you in any endeavor that you undertake. I am more than happy to help you all. Let's all work together and raise this section to new heights. It's going to be a great year!

Vice Chiefly Speaking



BY: MITCHELL SAULSBURY

WOW!! Conclave has already been here and passed. We have already started the planning for the next Conclave, which will be a great event, held at Camp Boxwell. Throughout the year I will be contacting many of you to conduct the Lodge Assistance Program (LAP's) possible for your Lodge or maybe just to help with another lodge. These programs will not only help your lodge but they will also help the Section in many different ways. Please remember we are always looking for ways to improve the section and our Conclave, so if you can help out in anyway please contact me through my section email address.

Yours in Service, Mitchell Saulsbury

From the desk of the Secretary



BY: ALEX HILL

Brothers,

What an eventful few months it has been since Conclave at Camp Davy Crockett. I'd first like to thank everyone for electing me to this position. Secondly, I would like to say thanks to Ahoaloan Nachpikin for allowing me to attend their Ordeal in May. It was definitely a long hall down to Kia Kima Scout Reservation in Hardy, Arkansas, but it was totally worth it – I had a blast!

What you are reading is the first issue of the Elogamgussit, and I bet you're wondering what happen with the name. Well, a few years back, this is the way it was. One name, but two newsletters. So we decided to change it back to the old way. There will be four issues published before Conclave, and three at Conclave, for a total of seven.

If anyone has any questions, or suggestions, please feel free to contact me.

Adviser's Minute

I always find it interesting looking at what people put on their Scout uniforms. If you think about it, you can tell a great deal about a person based on the insignia, knots, patches, and other devices a person may or may not choose to wear. We of course know this and we all make choices to either sew a new patch on or not - or at least get someone to sew it on or not.

I've seen Scouters who it looks like they've earned just about every uniform knot available in the catalog. I've also heard plenty of Scouters brag about the fact that they have earned plenty of knots - but they just choose not to wear them.

I think most of us recognize that the uniform we wear can have a great impact on the particular audience we are set to interact on any given day's Scouting event. There are times where wearing anything but a very basic, scaled down uniform, would frighten and intimidate your audience. There are other times when wearing most of all of your awards and recognition patches can be an important tool to quickly establish a level of respect amongst Scouts and Scouters and help you accomplish your goals faster. To achieve this, some Scouters I know even have whole uniforms decked out for different occasions. Others even go to the extreme of using velcro strips temporarily affix the desired insignia.

I think that an important way one can be an effective leader in Scouting is to be conscious about how you look and what signals your uniform is sending out. But more importantly an

effective leader should look at others not with a critical eye to see what he or she has or hasn't earned. An unadorned uniform can be worn by the most effective Scouts and Scouters amongst us.

What I like most about Scouting uniforms is that whatever someone is wearing on their uniform, you always find something that is a great conversation starter. Scouting's uniforms are not very effective yardsticks to pre-judge how someone measures up. They are a great starting point to help you make a new friend, develop a new resource, find a mentor, or to extend a helping hand out to others along the Scouting trail.



BY: CARL HEAD



First of all, thanks to everyone who worked hard in putting on Conclave. Chicksa definitely enjoyed the food, fellowship, and football. Since Conclave, Chicksa has had an ordeal and four tap out ceremonies, where a total of 73 were tapped out, along with seven vigil candidates. Aside from this, our ceremony team, drum team, and dance team have been hard at work in preparation of OA campfires, NOAC, and Conclave. Once again, thanks to all that put on Conclave, and I hope you will all attend NOAC.

WWW, Malachi Baggett Chicksa Vice-Chief of Communications

Kawida Lodge has been extremely busy these past few months. The busiest part of the year, summer camp, has just ended and our total membership rate is currently at 527 and our Brotherhood conversion is just shy of the 30% required. The lodge leadership has worked well this summer with managing weekly Brotherhood call-out ceremonies and tap out ceremonies. Along with this, we have had two summer camp Ordeals, one to setup camp and another to take down part of the camp.

The Lodge is excited for the upcoming NOAC in a few weeks and has many members on staff this year along with a large contingent attending. Most of the staff at NOAC from our lodge will be working in the communications or Founders Day areas. The lodge contingent is leaving early to visit the Louisville Slugger Museum and also attend a patch tradeoree.

We still have a work day, an ordeal and a fellowship left this year before out Winter Banquet December 5th. The lodge is hoping to finish this year out with a bang like it has been so far. If anyone is interested in learning more about our upcoming events or any more information check out www.kawida.org.

Serving, Aaron Shepherd

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Talligewi Lodge 62 has been busy so far this year. In April we went to Conclave and won the coveted Quest for the Golden Arrow. This was followed by out first Ordeal in May. At this Ordeal we started an on the site publication of the happenings of the weekend. We feel this can help keep new Arrowmen in the OA by giving them a publication that has their picture in it and what is going on in the Lodge, as soon as they join. We have also been busy at Summer Camp at Camp Crooked Creek the host of the 2011 Conclave, preforming a callout and ice cream social each Thursday night. To finish our summer we will be sending over 45 Arrowmen to NOAC at Indiana University, August 1st to 6th and conducting our last two Ordeals of the year with one in August and one in September. Finally we will end our program year with a party . . . a birthday party as this October at our Fall Fellowship, we will be marking the 15th Anniversary of our origins and are encouraging all Arrowmen to come and help us celebrate.

NOAC COC Breakfast

This year at NOAC, the Section had the idea to have a small unofficial COC. What we mean by small is that it's for Lodge Chiefs and the youngest Arrowmen from the lodge. Something like a VIA Dinner at Conclave. The current plan is to have it in the Wilikie Dinning hall on Monday morning during breakfast.

For further information on this, please email or call Alex Hill at NOAC. secretary@oasection6.org | (606) 264-0350

Conclave 2009 Re-Cap

Brothers,

I want to thank each and every one of you that attended the first SR-6 conclave at camp Davy Crockett. From the call of the Indian singer to the cheer of a lodge, hopefully you were able to gain the full experience of conclave.

Whether it be you first or 40th I hope you were able to gain a taste of the true spirit of this event that may include the mouth watering BBQ, the rope burn from tug of war, or even the chance to make a new friend. Conclave is the physical being of our section and it is my hope to see you all next year at Boxwell Scout Reservation!

In service,

Tom Klug 2009 Host Lodge co-chairman



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