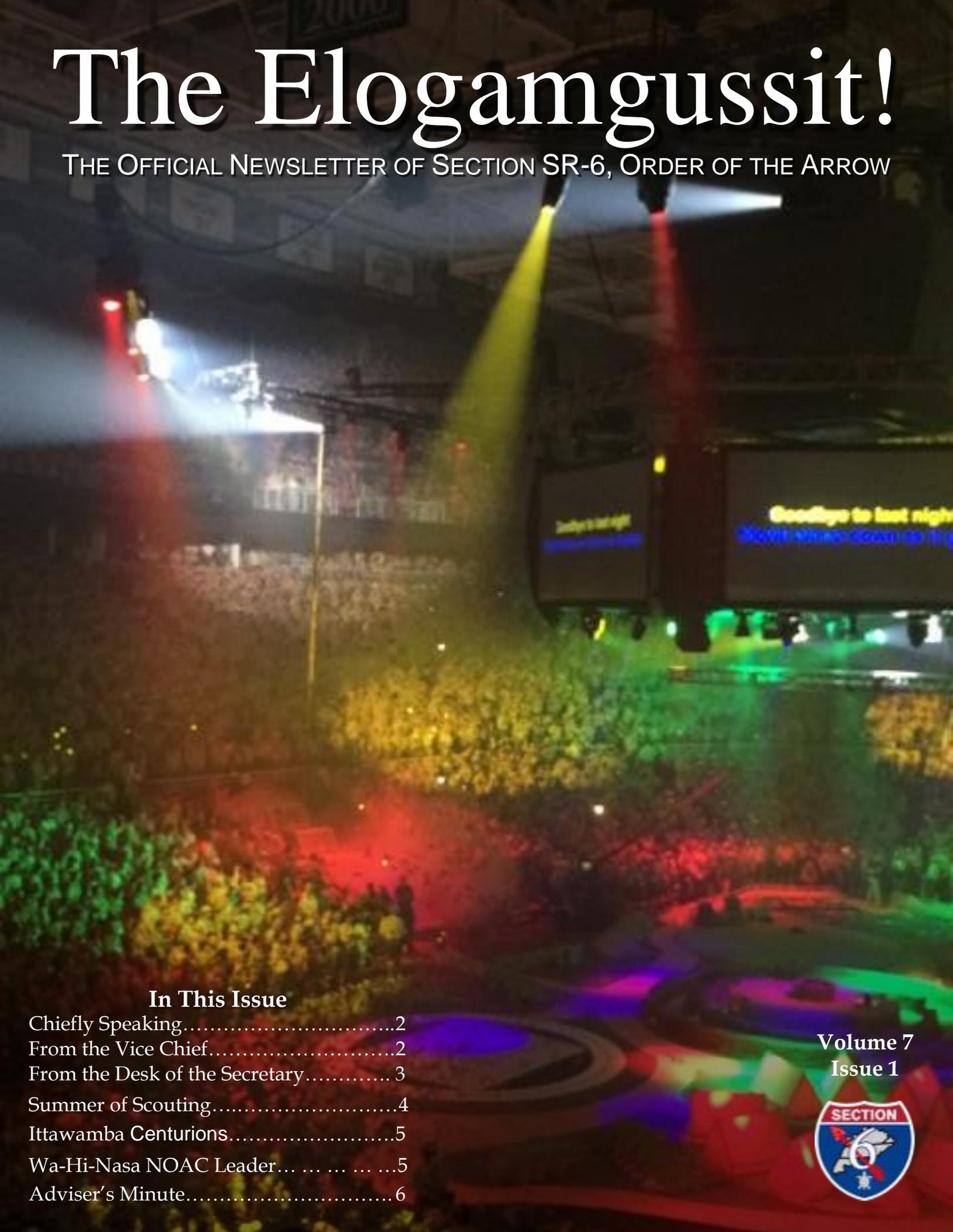


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## Chiefly Speaking

Brothers,

As the summer season is coming to a close, section business has just begun to heat up. The section officer team has been working diligently throughout the summer to begin preparing for what we plan to be an unforgettable Conclave at Kia Kima Scout Reservation.

Collectively, our vision for this year is to build an even stronger foundation for the

section. One way in doing this is through the formation of a lodge relations committee. This committee will be composed of two individuals from each lodge, one being the lodge chief and the other being a second lodge representative who has considerable knowledge of lodge operations. Our hope is that this committee will be a way to facilitate a better line of communication between lodges and create a

greater sense of unison in the section.

I am excited for the year we have ahead of us. It will definitely be one to remember. Stay tuned to the section website and social media sites for updates on all things happening around the section.

**Hunter Jones**  
*Section Chief*



## From the Vice Chief

Summer camp, what an experience! It's a place where scouts of all ages can have fun, hang out, and most importantly, learn. At summer camp you can find Scouts of various ages and experience, leaders – new and tenured, and those elusive Camp Staffers that always seem to be around. Camp Staffers are **vital** to summer camp. They teach classes, lead camp activities, and are great people who are easy to talk to. The odds are that many are members of the Order of the Arrow. Why does this matter?

The mission of the OA is to train strong youth leaders. What better place to build upon the positive

leadership found in lodges than summer camp? Here, Scouts get to test and try their leadership abilities. Through the efforts of the Lodge Key 3 and others, effective youth leaders form. With such young leaders other scouts have more examples to follow and a domino effect arises. Summer Camp prepares Arrowmen to return to their home units with the skills and confidence to lead others. These Arrowmen will then go on to be great leaders in the units and lodges. Many return to summer camp as staffers themselves!

Without summer camps, there would be a gap in our Order. Likewise, without the Order of the

Arrow, there would be a hole in summer camps. The two are different but rely and depend heavily on the success of the other. Plus, both are super fun! So, think about your summer camps; think about all of the superb staffers who help make your camping experience great, and think about staffing at your local summer camp.

**Anthony Johnson**  
*Section Vice Chief*  
*6-Time Camp Staffer*



## From the Desk of the Secretary

On June 6<sup>th</sup>, your SR-6 officers and advisers met at the Jackson, TN, Scout office to plan for the next year. We began by talking about Kia Kima Scout Reservation, the site of our 2016 Conclave. We learned that the camp has had many new renovations like a new dining hall, with camp facilities being clustered around it, so there won't be a lot of walking around for us. The campsites are also very accessible, so unloading gear should be very easy. Unlike some camps, Kia Kima boasts something that many Arrowmen may be excited about- cell phone service!

Later on, the officers discussed chairmen for the year- these are the people who plan Conclave; they put the puzzle pieces together. Watch for those announcements soon!

Next we talked about Conclave 2015 and things we would like to carry over to next year –the Friday night burger bar, fun and energetic special events, and great Arrowmen involvement while also discussing what can be tweaked for more efficient delivery along with several new ideas that will be presented during the Fall Council of Chiefs.

We also discussed our goals for the year. As a group, we see the chance to manage our time and resources better than ever before, to involve more Arrowmen in leadership and teams, and to reach out to all nine lodges. I think a great point mentioned was that “a Section is supposed to be more than a Conclave.” And why not? If we expand our involvement and impact to being more than an

event, but to being a resource to the lodges that make up SR-6, we can benefit each of you more, and in greater ways.

That planning meeting was not the first, and won't be the last, time that I feel excited not only about what I am doing as a Section Officer, but also about the people I am working with, and you, the people we are working for. I cannot wait to see what this year has in store for all of us, and I look forward to being there every step of the way, with each and every one of you.

### Harrison D. Fry

*Section Secretary*



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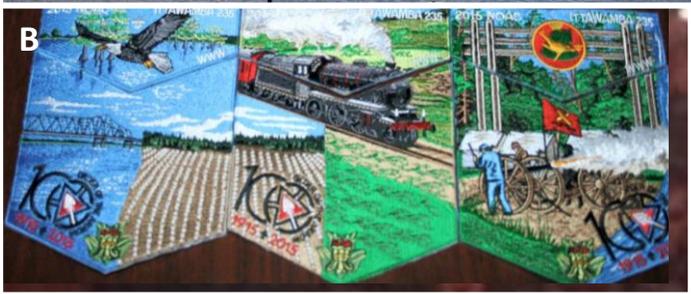


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# Summer of Scouting

From summer camp to NOAC and everything in between, we asked and you shared! Here are some of the highlights of your Summer of Scouting!

A.) Campers at Bluegrass Council's Camp McKee are enjoying the sailing program at summer camp. Thanks, Kawida Lodge, for this submission! B.) Ittawamba Lodge released a commemorative patch set for NOAC showing geography and landmarks of West TN. C.) Sequoyah Lodge's NOAC contingent had a blast in Michigan this summer! D.) Kia Kima Scout Reservation kicked off the summer with the first-ever flag ceremony at the new Dining Hall. Ahoalan-Nachpikin Arrowmen invite all of you to see it at Conclave next year. E.) What a view! Lincoln Heritage Council campers at Roy C. Manchester enjoyed this Kentucky Lake view every morning. Nguttitehen Lodge submitted this snapshot. F.) Did you go to Arrowtour? Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge hosted the first stop in our Region, and really had a great day with it. G.) Chicksa Lodge held its August Ordeal recently at Camp Yocona, inducting several new members. Check out that regalia! H.) Pellissippi Lodge joined brothers from across the nation by placing wood into the Centennial Fire at NOAC. I.) Talidandaganu' showed off their lodge history with a beautiful legacy lid for NOAC's historical displays. Awesome artwork, guys!



# Ittawamba Announces Centurions *by Paylor Eubank*

Four members of our Lodge were recent recipients of the Centurion Award in celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the OA. We are proud of each of our recipients and all that they have done for the Lodge. Our Centurions are former Lodge Adviser Dr. Bob Carney, Section Adviser Jim Cheatham, former Lodge Chief Nick Varnick, and Lodge Chief Paylor Eubank.

Dr. Bob Carney has been involved in the OA since 1958. He became Ittawamba Secretary in 1959, the first Vice Chief in 1962, earned his Vigil and was Lodge Chief for two terms in 1963 and 64. As an adult, Dr. Carney continued to be involved with our Lodge as an Adviser for 35 years. He is also a Founder's Award recipient and earned the DSA in 1986. In addition to being involved with the Lodge, Dr. Carney is also the West Tennessee Area Council's Central District Eagle Board Chairman.

Jim Cheatham completed his Ordeal in 1993 and has been involved with the Ittawamaba Lodge since. As a youth member, Jim earned his Vigil in 1996 as Lodge Chief. He was voted the SR-6 Section Chief from 1997 until 2000, when he was the Southern Region Chief. Jim was the Ittawamba Lodge Adviser and Associate Section Adviser from 2009 through 2012 when he took the role as Section Adviser; a position he still holds. Jim has also been awarded the James E. West Fellowship Award, the DSA, and he is also a Founder's Award recipient.

Nick Varnick is the first of Ittawamba Lodge's youth award winners. Nick joined the Lodge in 2007 and earned his Vigil in 2011. He was voted in as a Lodge Vice Chief in 2011, became Lodge Chief in 2012, and held that position through 2014. Nick was awarded the Founder's Award in

2014. Nick is still very involved in the Lodge.

Current Lodge Chief Paylor Eubank was the second youth to earn the Centurion Award for the Ittawamba Lodge. Paylor went through his Ordeal in 2012. He was elected Lodge Secretary in 2014 and became Lodge Chief at the beginning of this year. He still plans to remain heavily active in OA.



At NOAC this summer, Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge was led by contingent leader Shane H. (right, with Lodge Chief Jack A.) When asked why he enjoyed NOAC, he said because it "brought together Arrowmen from everywhere to meet, learn, have fun, and lead, and we also get to try new things." For him personally, it "energizes me about Scouting again." Thanks to Shane and all contingent members who got us through the week!

## Wa-Hi-Nasa NOAC Leader Speaks



## Adviser's Minute

Dear Brothers,

Morgan Snyder has a blog entitled making Make Good Soil. It is a very good blog and podcast series regarding personal and spiritual development. In a recent posting, he described an unsuccessful elk hunting trip in which he was unable to find an elk that he had shot and trailed. He felt he had rushed his shot and was not prepared to take a proper shot. The thought that went through his head was: **What Story Do You Want?** As those words went through his mind, it completely changed his approach to hunting from that day going forward.

NOAC 2015 is now in our rearview mirror, and we have returned to our home lodges. I pose this question to you. **What story do you want**, as an Arrowman and lodge member? The historical reflection that has taken place leading up to the Order's anniversary has been very motivating. The NOAC theme was "It Starts With Us." The next century of service *starts with us*. I challenge you to complete one, if not all of the following:

1. Complete your Arrowman Service Award
2. Make plans to attend your Lodge's Fall Fellowship

3. Volunteer to be on staff at your next lodge event
4. Make plans to participate in the the 2016 Section Conclave

No matter what you do, make plans now to kick start our next century of service! Let us all strive to make our next story truly great!

Yours in Service,

**Jim Cheatham**  
Section Adviser



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## SR 6 Communications Team Needs You!

have you ever wanted to help out on a Section level? Maybe you're a budding writer, an inspired photographer, or even an awesome web editor! We could surely use your help. The SR-6 Communications and Publications Team is recruiting Arrowmen from all across the section to help with our newsletters, website, and other materials. If you are interested, please contact Section Secretary Harrison Dean Fry at [secretary@oasection6.org](mailto:secretary@oasection6.org)! Thank you!

***Thanks for reading! See you soon!***

**October 23, 2015- NLS/NLATS Registration Deadline**

**October 31, 2015- Fall Council of Chiefs**

*Bowell Scout Reservation- Lebanon, TN*

**November 6-8, 2015- National Leadership Seminar**

**National Lodge Adviser Training Seminar**

*Joe C. Davis YMCA Camp- Antioch, TN*

**January 30, 2016- Winter Council of Chiefs- TBA**

**April 15-17, 2016- Conclave 2016-**

*Kia Kima Scout Reservation- Hardy, AR*

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