



The Washita Warrior

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National Leadership Summit

From July 31 to August 3, three Arrowmen from Washita Lodge #288 attended the National Leadership Summit in Fort Collins, Colorado. With an attendance of about 12,000 Arrowmen, the Summit was almost twice as big as NOAC. This gathering was not supposed to be a NOAC, however. As stated by our National OA Chairman Ed Pease in the opening show, it was a working conference.

The Summit was a working conference indeed. Participants learned about how our Order will fulfill its Strategic Plan, which was unveiled at the 1998 national Order of the Arrow conference. Washita's representatives included Sean Urban, Jacob Schultz, and Jim Lewis, and Bob Crume serving as representative for section SR-3A. They all attended sessions on the new Troop/Team Representative program, the new requirements for National Quality Lodge in 2000, the New Role of the Section, and got to be on stage during the unveiling of the newly updated Lodge Leadership Development course. They also attended elective classes ranging from the new ceremony manuals to The Outdoor Adventure Place (TOAP). Recreations included traipsing around Ft. Collins, volleyball, and of course, patch trading.

Despite all of the new programs introduced at the Summit, don't expect any earth-shaking changes to happen too quickly. The results that come from the progress made may not be noticeable for a few years. If you have any questions regarding the Summit, please refer to Jim Lewis, our Lodge Adviser Bill Alexander, or your section chief Bob Crume.

Kane New Lodge Chief

Jess Kane was elected by the Tribal Council to fill the term of Bob Crume (who was elected 3A Section Chief and was required to resign his post by section rules.) Jess has already been active in getting the Tribal Council underway for the fall fellowship. He was also active in the summer camp ceremonies.

1999-2000 Lodge Calendar Dates!

October 1-3	Fall Fellowship, Camp Cherokee
December 11	Winter Banquet, Bartlesville
April 14-16	SR-3A Conclave, Camp Dierks (OK)
May 5-7	Spring Conclave, Camp Cherokee

Free Brotherhood!

Beginning this year, the cost of Brotherhood is free! Zip-Zilch-Nada! Now each Arrowman can move forward in the OA journey without consideration for another cost at the event. We hope that every eligible Arrowman will take this important step at Fall Fellowship. The requirement that must be completed prior to attending is 10 calendar months of service through your troop as an Ordeal member of the OA. There will be a session at the Fall Fellowship for you to complete the rest of the requirements. You will also learn at this time why you are able to turn the points of your lodge lanyard Eagle claws outward. Don't miss this opportunity. For more info on the requirements of Brotherhood membership, check out pages 50-51 of your OA Handbook.

1999 Dues

Our Lodge membership needs each of you to renew your dues. It is a bargain at \$5 per calendar year. The Scout Office now has mail dues renewal packets, so you can call and renew by mail with your credit card. The mail out rate is \$7, since postage, envelopes, and the like are needed to get your items to your home. You will also be asked about the address information, e-mail, and phone number to make sure we have your correct address for the 1999 directory. We need membership growth to continue to be a National Quality Lodge! Please note your mailing label to see if you need to pay dues for the year.

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Farewell Brothers

Brothers,

As many of you know, I was elected as the chief of section SR-3A in April. This is a great honor for the lodge and myself. Because of the new responsibilities placed upon me, I am no longer able to serve as your lodge chief. On June 17 of this year my resignation from lodge chief became effective. Please welcome my successor, Jess Kane. Jess has served as lodge vice-chief, and is a brotherhood member in our lodge.

Thank you for the support that you have given me, and be sure to give Jess that same support. Even though I will not be as active in the running of the lodge, I will still be around and willing to help as needed. Like I have said to many of you this summer, "Hey, I'm not going anywhere!"

In the Spirit of Service,

Bob Crume
1999 Chief of the Washita Lodge
1999-2000 Section SR-3A Chief

Letter from the Chief

Fellow Arrowmen,

I sincerely hope you have had an enjoyable and fulfilling summer. I congratulate and welcome all of our new Arrowmen to the lodge who went through the Ordeal this summer at summer camp. Many great things await you here in the Order of the Arrow and Washita Lodge. Your dedication to the high ideals of Scouting have earned you a place in this, our honored order, and I again remind each of you, that you are expected to give even richer service to your troops for this honor they have bestowed upon you.

I urge every Arrowman to come to the Fall Fellowship at Camp Cherokee and have another glimpse of the Order of the Arrow outside of its summer camp activities. I thank you for the chance to serve you as your lodge chief.

In true Brotherhood and Service,

Jess Kane
Chief of the Washita Lodge

Fall Fellowship Events

This promises to be a highly attended fall fellowship event, and you are strongly encouraged to attend. The totem pole will be assembled and dedicated at 11:00 on Saturday, and various Native American Indian tribes and other special guests will join us. The new lodge officers will be elected for the coming year. Several events are scheduled for special items, such as painting the tips of your lanyard Eagle claws, finding out what the lodge and chapter officers do, Indian costume making, and a ceremonies training. We will have Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies. Cost of the event is only \$15 so don't miss out on this exciting event.

OA Museum Flap Set Planned

The Tribal Council has approved a set of Indian Chief flaps to raise matching money for a challenge grant for upgrading the OA Museum at Camp Cherokee. This is a real opportunity for the Lodge to display the traditions of Scouting in this excellent facility. These will be individually, or for a whole set. The unveiling of this set is planned for winter banquet.

Vigil Blankets

The tradition of Vigil blankets is being resumed this year! Vigil members will be able to order a blanket at the Fall Fellowship.

Many Thanks...

Thanks to Family Dentistry for donating a vacuum cleaner and VCR for the OA museum.

Thanks to Jim Sharp for hosting the OA museum visitors during the last weeks of summer camp.

Thanks to those Arrowmen who served on staff at Pinetree-NJLTC, Cub Day Camp, and Summer Camp!

New Lodge Backpatch

The Lodge has designed a new backpatch that is being sold for \$10 for pre-orders only. Be sure to take advantage of paying for the pre-order and save \$5 as the patch will be sold for \$15 after winter banquet. This is a six inch round patch designed to go on the back of a jacket, and looks great! Don't miss this opportunity to get this incredible patch as a real savings. Backpatches can be ordered at the Fall Fellowship.

New Vigil Honor Member

This summer, George Hood of Troop 27 took one of the greatest adventures of his Scouting career. On June 24th, George went through his Vigil Honor ceremony, and is now a Vigil Honor member of Washita Lodge #288. George received his sash before the whole camp at the closing campfire. Please join the whole lodge in congratulating George on this monumental accomplishment!

Suggested Amendments to By-Laws

On May 5, 1999, the Tribal Council approved the following amendments to the Lodge By-Laws. The lodge will vote whether to accept these amendments at the Fall Fellowship, and any questions will be answered before the voting takes place.

Section II. E.

Elevations. Honor through elevations shall be conferred according to the latest printed guidelines set forth by the **Recognition Committee and approved by the** Tribal Council. Adult Brotherhood members shall begin their elevations at the same honor level as youth members.

Suggested Change

Strike the bold faced words.

Section III. C.

Officer Term. The term for all officers shall be from the date of installation at the Winter Banquet until the successors have been duly installed.

Suggested Change

Rewrite it so that it reads as follows:

Officer Term. The newly elected officers shall take office at the end of Fall Fellowship, and their terms shall expire at the end of the next Fall Fellowship. The outgoing officers shall plan and conduct the Winter Banquet, with the ceremonial installation of the new officers.

Section IV. F.

Quorum. A quorum of the seven (7) voting members, at least three (3) officers (one of whom may be a Chapter Chief) and three (3) committee chairmen among the seven.

Suggested Change

Rewrite it so that it reads as follows:

Quorum. A quorum of the Tribal Council shall consist of no less than one-half (50%) of the voting members, with at least three (3) officers (one of whom may be a Chapter Chief) and two (2) committee chairman among the one-half.



Welcome to Our New Brothers

This past summer at Camp Cherokee, our lodge called-out 46 Scouts and Scouters to undergo the Ordeal. The following passed the tests of the Ordeal while at Camp Cherokee:

Name	Unit	
Baker, A. J.	66	
Black, CJ	5	
Carmer, James	3	
Davis, Ronnie	69	
DeFrees, Virginia	2000	Adult
Eckert, Darrell	19	
Eckert, Quentin	19	
Farhan, David	5	
Fugett, Mike	23	Adult
Gatewood, Luther	66	
Grein, Ben	1	
Guild, Chris	33	
Hansen, Brian	5	
Hicks, Robbie	11	
Jewell, Patrick	104	
Johnson, Bradley	101	
Karleskin, Chase	78	
Keaton, Matthew	23	
Keeney, Joshua	11	
Larson, Dale	69	Adult
Larson, Dustin	69	
Lee, Theodore	32	
MacIrvine, Caleb	21	
MacIrvine, Rod	21	Adult
McCune, Robert	3	
Meredith, Ryan	104	
Morgan, Seth	32	
Nienhuser, Chris III	19	
O'Brien, Justin	12	
Oliver, Ryan	12	
Pichay, Carlo	32	
Ropp, Heath	12	
Ropp, Roger	12	Adult
Sammer, Greg	104	
Schultes, Brian	3	
Shepherd, Jeff	78	
Slater, Chase	3	
Slater, Robert	3	Adult
Strimple, Eric	23	
Terrell, Trey	21	
Thomas, Ryan	78	
Trosper, Trey	3	
Veit, James	11	Adult
Walsh, Donny	21	
Ward, Brandon	1	

A New Look for the Warrior

The Washita Warrior has a new look! Currently we are still in the "test" stage, so if you have any suggestions, please give them to the newly elected Corresponding Secretary at the Fall Fellowship. We want to make the Warrior a 1st place finisher at section conclave this next year, so if you have any articles of interest, don't hesitate to submit them!

The Warrior Team

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Official OA Logos throughout History



Circa 1965



1976



1998

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Washita Lodge 288 Fall Fellowship Code of Conduct
(Officially adopted by the Tribal Council)

1. Observe the Scout Oath, the Scout Law, the Explorer Code and the Obligation of the Order of the Arrow.
2. Wear the officially designated Boy Scout uniform as required during the fall fellowship.
3. Attend planned and general training sessions.
4. Confine the trading and swapping of Scout related items only to free periods and in designated areas only.
5. Be personally responsible for breakage, damage or loss of property.
6. Observe quiet hours and times for lights out.
7. Keep my quarters clean and dispose of trash in the proper places.
8. Do not sleep in any of the buildings at camp.
9. Allow no unregistered person to occupy my quarters.
10. Wear suitable covering in the quarters and to and from latrines.
11. Observe all BSA policies about the purchase, possession, or consumption of alcoholic beverages or illicit drugs.
12. Respect the rules prohibiting the use of fireworks or firearms.
13. Respect the rules prohibiting gambling.
14. Do not buy or sell items at the event. The only official sources for the purchase of items is Bundles or the special items offered for sale.
15. Do not leave camp without the express permission of the headquarters.
16. Remember that at all times you are a guest of the lodge and the Boy Scouts of America. Please observe rules of common courtesy.
17. Park only in designated areas.
18. Abide by the liquid fuel policy as stated in the BSA camping guidelines.
19. Report any injuries to the health lodge.
20. Have a great time!

***Failure to abide by these rules & regulations will force your removal
from the event and the camp premises.***

Washita Lodge 1999 FALL FELLOWSHIP

Camp Cherokee • Oct 1-3, 1999

COST is \$15.00

FIRST NAME _____ **LAST NAME** _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP** _____

PHONE _____ **GENDER:** Male Female

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

AGE: Youth Adult (21+) **HONOR:** Ordeal Brotherhood Vigil

ELEVATION: Drummer Firebuilder Runner Keeper Medicine Man

I have read and completed the personal health and medical history and I have read and understand the Code of Conduct (over).

Signature of Participant / Staff / Guest _____

Class 1 PERSONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL HISTORY

To be filled out by parent, guardian, or adult participant. Please print legibly in ink or type.

Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Sex _____

Name of parent or guardian _____ Telephone _____

Home Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business _____ Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

If person name above is not available in the event of an emergency, notify

Name _____ Relationship _____ Telephone _____

Name _____ Relationship _____ Telephone _____

Name of personal physician _____ Telephone _____

Personal health/accident insurance carrier _____ Policy No. _____

In case of emergency, I understand that every effort will be made to contact me (if an adult, my spouse or next of kin). In the event I cannot be reached, I hereby give my permission to the physician selected by the adult leader in charge to secure proper treatment, including hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery, or injections of medication for my child (or for me, if an adult).

Date _____ Signature of parent/guardian or adult _____

Send Registration forms to:

288 Fellowship
C/O Cherokee Area Council
121 SE Adams Blvd.
Bartlesville, OK 74003

If you don't register for the Fellowship,
you won't get to eat! Tell us that you
are coming so that we can provide
food for everyone!