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## OA at the Jamboree Debrief

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**By Aaron Shepherd**  
*Section Secretary*

The 2010 National Scout Jamboree was a major success! With strong participation and incredible enthusiasm, the Order of the Arrow had great results from the four different programs we offered.

The first area, the Mysterium Compass, served approximately 25,000 Scouts. More than just a show, over 300 staff members helped stage the five different acts of

the experience.

The first act taught Scouts about teamwork; in the second act Scouts were challenged with different obstacles that may occur in life. The third act allowed Scouts to experience the results of being lazy, and the fourth act had Scouts run through an obstacle course to simulate the challenges of life.

The final act brought everything together. Scouts put together the different

segments they had gathered throughout the experience to form the Scout fleur-de-lis. "Life gives you many opportunities. It's the decisions you make that lead you in your life," said Patrick Rooney, director of VIP and guest relations.

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## Section Leadership Seminar

**By Mitchell Saulsbury**  
*Section Chief*

The fall is starting and it is time to keep on planning for our ultimate goal, the 2011 Section Conclave.

In order to make sure this happens, we will be having our yearly section leadership seminar November 5<sup>th</sup> to the 6<sup>th</sup> at Boxwell Scout Reservation near Nashville.

Saturday morning, each lodge officer will break a group. The chiefs will go in a

group, the vice chiefs in a group, and the secretaries and treasures will go in a group. Each group will be led by the respected section officer. In the training sessions, the section officer in the group will help the lodge officers in fully understanding what their job is and also learn what other lodges do.

Afterwards, the leadership will break down into committee meetings and the chairman and advisers will

start planning on what they are going to do at the Conclave and who is going to do what.

After lunch, the first Council of Chiefs meeting will start. During this meeting we will plan out the most important details regarding Conclave. Each committee will also give their report.

If you have any words of wisdom or would like to help, please let me know.

# One Day of Service

By Aaron Shepherd  
Section Secretary

The One Day of Service is a day that Lodges are asked to provide service to a local community area such as a school, church, or a local food drive.

This year, the One Day of Service is scheduled for October 16th. However, Lodges can do a service project before or after this date as long as they follow the requirements

for One Day of Service.

If your lodge has not yet scheduled a One Day of Service project, it may not be too late! Call your lodge chief and see if they can setup a project and invite members to it. Your local chapter can also do a project, just be sure to tell your lodge chief and adviser when and what you are doing.

The deadline for applications is on October 22nd and they need to be turned into



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## Jamboree Continued

PACEsetters was new to the jamboree, and a total of 960 Scouts completed the program. Scouts had to complete a study guide while visiting 12 fitness stations, four of which challenged Scouts physically. The reward for completion was a PACEsetters colored dog tag, a membership card, and their signature on the member board.

“Based upon the positive response, I could envision a program like this conducted on a local and national level in the future,” said James Tarbox, associate adviser.

The American Indian Village was also very popular, and many Scouts earned the Indian Lore



merit badge. Different vignettes were available for Scouts to learn more about American Indian cultures. “The jamboree provided opportunities for Scouts to learn more about American Indian culture and how to respect it,” said Jimmy Dickson, jamboree vice chief of the American Indian Village.

The Indian Village conducted two pow wows

throughout the jamboree, and Scouts were encouraged to bring their own regalia and participate.

The Order of the Arrow service corps provided support throughout the jamboree. Composed of 161 Arrowmen from across the country, the team provided 11,196 hours of service. That is approximately 74 hours per Arrowman. “Overall, I think the service corps did an outstanding job fulfilling the needs of the 2010 National Scout Jamboree,” said Will Scott, service corps jamboree vice chief. “I’m proud to be a member of the service corps.”

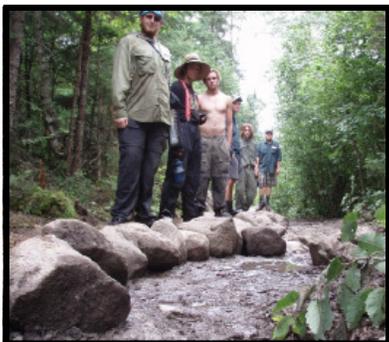
Be sure to check [www.bsajamboree.org](http://www.bsajamboree.org) for pictures of the OA venues and the jamboree.

## Brotherhood, Cheerfulness and Service Abroad: Order of the Arrow Canadian Adventure

By Tyler Morris  
*Elogamussit Staff Writer*



Almost every Boy Scout has heard of the BSA's three high adventure bases and dreams about going to them. Many Boy Scouts have gone, had a great time, and would like to go back but these bases cost thousands of dollars to attend. This prevents some from going back and others from going. These bases offer opportunities of a lifetime, give Scouts life lessons, and offer valuable experience. Not as many Scouts have heard of Order of the Arrow High Adventure. This program offers members of the OA an opportunity to go to the high adventure bases for a fraction of the cost and offers opportunities which a standard crew does not have. An OA crew does one week of service (trail maintenance, for example) and one week of



trekking. In July 2010, I embarked on one such journey as a member of the OA's Canadian Odyssey, OAWV714C.

My story begins at the 2009 Conclave where I attended a class about the Order of the Arrow High Adventure program. The presentation piqued my interest. After talking with some of the members in our Lodge, I decided to take a closer look. I went online and did some research. I decided to apply for the Canadian Odyssey. Although I applied for it in July 2009 I was not notified until sometime in March 2010 that I was chosen.

I left for Ely, Minnesota by car in July. The trip took two twelve hour days, but along the way I did some sightseeing along Lake Superior. When I arrived in Ely around 9 p.m. it was 62 degrees.

The following afternoon I checked in at Charles L. Sommers canoe base. I had time to get settled in the cabin and eat dinner before the others arrived on the shuttle from the airport. Three OA crews arrived that day, two regular crews who would work in the United States and one Canadian Odyssey crew who work in Canada. Our crew was a small one consisting of three other participants and two foremen. Our foremen were Jason Mellon and Matt Hall. The

other participants were from Gila Lodge, El Paso Texas, and Amangamek Wipit Lodge, Washington DC. When everyone arrived the full check-in process began.

We had a shakedown where we found out there were a lot of items we brought from the list which were not necessary. These items were stored at the base. The next morning we got up at 6:30 a.m. and completed a swim test in boots before leaving base camp. We took a five hour drive up to Atikokan canoe base in Canada where we picked up our canoes. We then drove to Nym Lake where we started canoeing towards the campsite where we would stay at for the duration of the work week on Lake Maria in Quetico Provincial Park.

It was almost dark when we stopped at a campsite with a lot of wild blueberries. It was fun going to sleep that night with the sound of loons and the hum of billions of mosquitoes.

*Learn more about Tyler's experience and read his entire article at [www.oasection6.org](http://www.oasection6.org).*



## From the Chief

As the leaves start to fall and summer turns to winter we are all set into a whirl wind of commotion. Everyone has something that is going on whether it is High School football, cookouts, or a fall fellowship, we are all constantly busy. But please remember our Order as you have an obligation to it, you are the ones chosen to lead your brothers so be

there for them.

This is also a very important time for me and all the other section officers; much of our Conclave planning has been thrown into motion. For this all to work, we will be meeting in November at the SLS. Lodge officers are all invited to attend.

Thought all of the commotion of the fall I hope you take the time to truly enjoy the changing

of the seasons. With all the events that come with the fall may your bonds of brotherhood grow stronger!!!

*Yours in Service,*  
 Mitchell Saulsbury  
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**Mitchell Saulsbury,**  
 Section Chief

## From the Vice-Chief

Summer has come and gone and it is time to get down to business again. I would first like to challenge each of you to think of one new way you can improve your Lodge, big or small, and do it! It takes at least one person to get a Lodge pumped, why can you be that person?

This year promises to be one that won't soon be forgotten,

particularly Conclave. The section leadership is doing its best to make sure you all will have the time of your life come April, and if you have a great idea, share it!

Last, I am pleased to say that this year's LAP's are scheduled and I am excited to see those Arrowmen as we work towards improving their already strong lodges.

It's going to be a great year, and if you have any questions, or are interested in helping with the lodge visitations please feel free to contact me.

*Yours in Service,*  
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**Tom Klug,**  
 Section Vice Chief

## From the desk of the Secretary

Summer has passed and it's once again time for planning of the 2011 Conclave.

In early September I had the chance to attend the Section Officer's Seminar in Nashville. A lot of ideas were shared and also a lot of new information was released. Information regarding SummitCorps and Indian Summer were released and also items regarding the OA Mentoring program. I

suggest that you check out the section website for information about these.

One of the new ideas that I came back home with was a Conclave Promotion Packet. This packet would include flyers, brochures, newsletter articles, and much more all helping lodges to already have a resource put together to help promote their lodge in attending Conclave.

I hope to have the final product of this before the January COC, so be ready to print some of this material out start promoting!

In closing, I ask once again if anyone is interested in helping with the Elogamgussit, especially at Conclave, send me an email.

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**Aaron Shepherd,**  
 Section Secretary

# 2011 Summer Events

**By Aaron Shepherd**  
*Section Secretary*

Order of the Arrow members should get ready for a busy summer in 2011. The OA is hosting another major service project and also the Indian Summer training.

Since ArrowCorps5 was a major success, the next major service project will be at the New River Gorge in W. Va. The OA will work with the National Park Service to upgrade the trail bed of the Garden Grand hike and Bike Trail. Arrowmen will also be removing invasive plant species throughout the trails.

“SummitCorps, through Arrowmen’s support, will be the first and premier program to ready the BSA’s new High Adventure Base,” said Brad Lichota, National Order of the Arrow Chief.

Each lodge will be responsible

for traveling up as one contingent. There is a total of four different weeks lodges can attend: July 3-9, July 10-16, July 17-23 or July 24-30. Together, there will be 500 Arrowmen providing service to the new high adventure base.

Indian Summer will offer an opportunity for Arrowmen to engage in American Indian Material. Arrowmen will pick a focus area ranging from American Indian material culture and OA Inductions and Ceremonies or a combination of both areas.

The American Indian material culture track focuses on Indian dance clothes, dance, and song and hands on craft experiences.

Arrowmen in the OA Induction and Ceremonies track will emphasize topics ranging from ceremonialists to running an Ordeal and unit

elections. Arrowmen will work on their acting skills and techniques in workshops. Ceremony teams will be able to receive one-on-one coaching.

The third track is for independent Arrowmen. This study will allow Arrowmen to choose the areas in which they want to focus.

“Indian summer will be one of the best experiences for Arrowmen to expand their knowledge,” said Will Swingle, National Vice Chief of the Order of the Arrow. “Arrowmen will be able to experience powwows and participate in ceremony evaluations.”

The weeklong conference will be August 1-6 at the Ridgecrest Conference Center near Asheville, N.C.

For more information, visit [www.event.aa-bsa.org](http://www.event.aa-bsa.org).



Pictures from [www.event.aa-bsa.org](http://www.event.aa-bsa.org).

## Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Update

It has been an exciting time for the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge! The weekend of September 17-19, 2010, was the annual Fall Fellowship. Members had a great all-around time from huge inflatables, a biathlon, Dodgeball Challenge, Canoe Wars, and even learning to Yo-Yo from a real Yo-Yo champion.

At the fellowship, 2011 Lodge Officer Elections were held.

2011 Officers are: Zack Rice, chief, Drew Farley, Mason Johnson, and Trey Banks, vice chief, Hunter Jones, secretary, and Adam Weatherell, Treasurer.

On October, 8-10, Wa-Hi-Nasa played a major role at the Middle Tennessee Council Jamboree. Our members served on Service Crews to ensure the success of the event.

We are also looking forward to fulfilling the requirement for Quality Lodge for this calendar year!

Winter Banquet: December 4

Winter Camp: December 27-31

Order of the Arrow University:  
March 11-13

- Matt Brown, Lodge Chief

## Talidandaganu Lodge Update

Earlier this year in May, Talidandaganu' Lodge held its first Ordeal of the year, where we had the largest attendance in recent year's history. Also, this summer, Talidandaganu' held weekly OA fellowships and call-outs at our summer camp, Sky mont Scout Reservation.

The summer having been completed, our lodge is looking forward to our second ordeal of the year, to be held

September 24-26th. At this event, we expect just as great a turnout as we did at our Spring Ordeal. In addition to our upcoming ordeal, we will also be having our annual Fall Fellowship (October 29-30), Lodge Winter Banquet (November 13), and LLD (December 11). If anyone from other lodges would like to visit any of our events, our doors are open to you. All you have

to do is contact our lodge chief, Josh Williams, at [chief@tali293.org](mailto:chief@tali293.org).

Lastly, our lodge is already beginning to plan for when are to host Conclave in 2012. If you have any suggestions or questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Activities Chairman, Jacob Wirz, at [activities@tali293.org](mailto:activities@tali293.org).

- Jacob Wirz, Treasurer

## Talligewi Lodge Update

Fellow Arrowmen, it has been a great year for Talligewi Lodge 62, the service lodge for the 2011 Section Conclave. So far, we have had four great ordeals, two to help prepare for Conclave.

We are extremely excited to play host next year to the largest section event, Conclave. Other events our lodge has

held this year include Ordeals at Lincoln's Boyhood Home – Knob Creek, and at historic Tunnel Mill Scout Reservation.

Upcoming events include our Vigil Weekend where we will induct eleven new Vigil Honor Members, the Kentucky Centennial Jamboree, Fall Fellowship, and Winter Banquet and sponsoring our Council's

annual First Class Banquet.

These upcoming events are filled with fun and excitement and allow all Arrowmen to come together in fellowship and receive awards.

We cannot wait to see you April 8-10, 2011 here at Camp Crooked Creek. I'll be there, will you?

- Josh White, Lodge Chief

# Conclave Onsite Visit

**By Tom Klug**  
*Section Vice Chief*

On August 28th, the section leadership had the privilege of touring Camp Crooked Creek, site of the 2011 Conclave.

Among many meetings and a tour of the camp, the section officers were able to experience the fine hospitality of the upcoming service lodge, which I hope each of you will

experience come April.

"I feel more ready and excited for this Conclave," said Mitchell Saulsbury, section chief.

The entire section leadership felt both confident and excited for 2011 Conclave at Camp Crooked Creek hosted by the Talligewi lodge.

The service lodge and the section grew together that

weekend as a team, and we are ready to provide a great Conclave!



**Amphitheater and Lake  
at Camp Crooked Creek**

## Advisers Minute



**Carl Head,  
Section Adviser**

I am sitting at my desk, wondering what I should be writing my adviser's article about, and looking at all the items that sit on it: three slinkies, a roll of paper towels, and a 24-oz plastic cup that says, "Swanky's Taco Shop."

My advisory students are sitting here in the classroom, working on assignments for other classes while they chat. The girls are talking about guys, and they don't realize that I can hear every word they are saying.

I look back at my desk, and underneath the stacks

of unorganized papers, I see books- Hemingway's *A Farewell to Arms* and "The Old Man and the Sea", Plato's *Republic*, *The Perks of Being a Wallflower*, and the *Official Guide to the Smithsonian*.

What does all of this have to do with the Order of the Arrow? Well, not much. But, you never know what influences you; who influences you. Something I always tell my students after a game, prom, or other event is, "BE CAREFUL!"

The influences of the world are all around us,

and we must choose wisely what will influence us. In the Order I have met many positive influences. I have also met a few negative ones, but I try to stay away from those. I don't want those negative "vibes" to influence me.

Remember to stay positive, and if you have to give constructive criticism, make sure that it is preceded by something positive.

*Yours in Service,*

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