

THE ARROW

Takachsin Lodge - Founded in 1973 March 2006

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NEW LODGE OFFICERS ELECTED

New lodge and chapter officers were elected at the Fall Ordeal. Daniel Carbaugh was elected to a second term as Lodge Chief. Russell Conard was elected Lodge Secretary, Michael Carbaugh was elected Lodge Vice Chief of Ceremonies, and Jerrod Day was elected Lodge Vice Chief of Elections. Our new officers were sworn in at the Fall Ordeal in August. The following 2006 Chapter Chiefs were also elected: Andy Alley



from Chapter 2, Cody Mullen from Chapter 3, Chris Gibson from Chapter 4, and Cory Tiedeman from Chapter 5. All of our new officers expressed lofty goals for this year and have proven that

they are determined to make them work at the Lodge Executive Committee meetings since they were elected to office. Congratulations and good luck to our new officers in 2006.

LODGE CALENDAR

Section Conclave @ Camp Belzer, Indianapolis.....	April 21-23
Lodge Executive Committee @ Kokomo Service Center.....	May 7
Spring Ordeal @ Camp Buffalo.....	June 2-4
Lodge Executive Committee @ Camp Buffalo.....	June 4
National Order of the Arrow Conference @ Michigan State University.....	July 29-August 3
Fall Ordeal @ Cary Camp.....	August 18-20
Lodge Executive Committee @ August 20.....	August 20
Fall Fun Fellowship @ Cary Camp.....	September 22-24
Lodge Executive Committee @ Cary Camp.....	September 24
Lodge Leadership Development @ Cary Camp.....	November 4-5
Lodge Executive Committee @ Cary Camp.....	November 5

LODGE FINANCIAL REPORT

- Matt Spalding, Lodge Finance Committee Chairman

At our last finance meeting, we decided on costs for the Ordeals after analyzing the current costs of sashes, handbooks, and food. The prices of \$28 for Ordeal, \$23 for Brotherhood, and \$13 for members were approved by the LEC. There will also be a \$5 late fee.

We have discussed the lodge's budget, endowment, and information compiled by Loren Gifford in the Scout office, who has been a huge help creating spreadsheets that itemize our income and expenditures in 2005. Here is a breakdown of this year's dues. Any

questions can be emailed to me at Matt06@InsightBB.com.

Budget Breakdown for 2006 Dues	
\$12.00	Membership Dues
-\$3.00	National Dues
-\$2.00	Council Yearly Contribution
-\$2.00	Mailings
-\$2.00	Lodge Improvement (NLS/NLATS/LLD)
-\$2.50	Chapter Funds
-\$0.50	Miscellaneous/Recognition
\$0.00	Amount Remaining

CHAPTER REPORTS

CHAPTER 2

Chapter 2 has been able to schedule several of our Election dates so far. We are also working on some regalia costume items. We are still encouraging OA members to attend our monthly meetings which are held the first Wednesday of the month at roundtable. We are trying to set up a Fall Camporee at Camp Buffalo. If you have any questions, please call Chapter Chief Andy Alley at 574-893-7260 or Alley409@hotmail.com.

CHAPTER 3

At the end of this month, we will be doing an Arrow of Light ceremony for a local Cub Scout pack. On March 9, we will be doing a service project raking leaves in the

Isley Cemetery. Please meet us at 84 Lumber in Lafayette at 8:45 a.m. We hope to see you there. We will be working with the APO, a fraternity that gives service hours to the Boy Scouts. We would also like to see many Chapter 3 members at the Section Conclave. We will be planning our chapter call out ceremony at our next meeting. Please join us for our meetings on the first Thursday of the month in the Tecumseh training room at Cary Camp at 7:00 p.m. Please contact Chapter Chief Cody Mullen for more information at 765-463-5681 or Space1998@Insightbb.com.

CHAPTER 4

We are currently working on our ceremony regalia to get ready for our ceremonies this year. We are

putting together a Pre-Ordeal ceremony and Callout team. We meet at the St. Paul Church the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Please contact Chris Gibson at 765-998-5980 or c_giby@hotmail.com.

CHAPTER 5

We are starting the unit elections and our ceremony team training for the Call-Out and Brotherhood ceremonies. We meet the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 at Lafayette Park School (Same time and place as District 5 Roundtable). We would like some help and would love to see you there. Please contact Chapter Chief Cory Tiedeman for more information at 765-455-2773 or SoccerTido07@insightbb.com.

SECTION CONCLAVE, APRIL 21-23

There should be a great turnout for the Section Conclave at Camp Belzer in Indianapolis this year because of all the events that have been planned. We plan to see a Native American Village, Lodge competitions, an eating contest, an opening show with a band, a theme show, a closing show, food, diverse training, and a rededication ceremony. This event is so big that it has its own daily newspaper, and it is only an hour away! We will be the service lodge this year meaning that we are in charge of set up, food, and teardown. If we have enough Arrowmen show up, everyone will still get to participate in all of the events.

The opening show is on Friday night, and our Section is bringing in a band. Saturday morning will

be filled with many different training sessions from leadership to costume making. On Saturday afternoon you can visit the exhibits and participate in sports and competitions with members of lodges from around Indiana. A rededication ceremony will be held Saturday night and the closing show will be Sunday morning.

If you would be interested in helping design the official Conclave T-shirt, please email Cory Tiedeman your design submission by March 15th to SoccerTido07@insightbb.com. The winner will receive a free T-shirt. The design would be preferably reusable for several Section C-2C events.

Mark your calendar for April 21-23. The attached registration

form is due to the Council office by March 31st. The cost is \$25 for youth and \$35 for adults with a \$10 late fee. We hope to see you there.

BEAR SCHOLARSHIP

The Bear Scholarship program was established with gifts from the Richard "Bear" Eberly family as a memorial to honor those young men who show leadership in their lodge. This scholarship is merit, not financially, based and is awarded to at least one new Arrowmen per Lodge who would like to get involved and show leadership in the coming years. The scholarship is available to any young man who has become an Ordeal member within the past two years and has filled out the application form. The application form is available under the "Resources" page of the Lodge website, www.Takachsin.org. The application is due by March 15th to the council office.

The most important thing to bring is your medical form. Each person must have a filled out Class 1 medical form which must be brought to the Conclave. You can find this form on the council website, www.SagamoreSignals.com under "Forms." You should also bring a tent, sleeping bag, extra clothes, Scout uniform with OA sash, rain gear, toiletries, OA handbook, notebook and pen, patches to trade, and spending money for the trading post and/or patch auction. Remember: you are expected to be in a Class A uniform or Scout related clothing all weekend.



WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

CHIEFLY SPEAKING

- Daniel Carbaugh, Takachsin Lodge Chief

In the movie *Pirates of the Caribbean* Captain Jack Sparrow refers to this saying, "Wait for the opportune moment". He used this saying to remind himself to focus on achieving his goal which was to retake his ship the Black Pearl.

This year brings an opportune moment to the Order of the Arrow members. Many chances and changes make this year a very good opportunity, with Section Conclave, National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC), National Leadership Seminar (NLS), new lodge bylaws, and new quality lodge requirements, all this makes this year a year of opportunities to get involved, attend new events and enjoy the Order of the Arrow to its fullest.

NOAC which normally happens every two years will not happen again until 2009. The Section Conclave will again happen at Camp Belzer this year and it is our turn to shine by being the service lodge. These are two events that I would encourage you to take advantage of.

Quality Lodge should be our goal this year and will be easily attainable with your help and effort. This is a year of great opportunities, are you going to let this opportunity pass by you, or will you be able to retake the ship like Captain Jack Sparrow did?

LODGE NEWS

The New Website is Up and Running

The technology committee has posted the new Takachsin website and is hoping to keep it frequently updated. This new website has a much more user-friendly and attractive interface and promises to improve Lodge communication. Please visit it at www.Takachsin.org.

Ceremonies

The Chapters have been assigned new ceremonies for 2006 in order to keep ceremonies top notch and allow for changes in the chapter memberships. Chapter 2 will be the "B" Ordeal team, Chapter 3 will be the "A" Ordeal team, Chapter 4 will be the Pre-Ordeal team, and Chapter 5 will be the Brotherhood team. Michael Carbaugh, our Lodge Vice Chief of Ceremonies is looking to change up the responsibilities every year to allow everyone to try the different ceremonies.

Elections

2006 elections have already begun. The election video this year includes the new informational and camp promotion videos from National.

Camp Buffalo

Takachsin Lodge would like to "Kick it Up a Notch" at Camp Buffalo this summer in our ceremony and service to the camp. If you would like to get involved or have any ideas, please contact Michael Carbaugh at 574-686-2604 or mcblah@tds.net.

Is This Your Last Newsletter?

This could be your last newsletter if you have not paid your dues. If your mailing label has the line "DUES ARE DUE" on it, that means we have not received your dues for 2006. Please send \$12.00 to the council office immediately in order to stay an active member of our lodge.

Takachsin Newsletter Information

Next Newsletter Submission Deadline Is April 2nd

Email Submissions to the Lodge Secretary, Russell Conard, at RConard@Insightbb.com. If you're interested in getting involved, please contact Russell Conard.

Section Conclave - April 21-23, 2006

Name _____ Chapter _____ Troop # _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____ Email _____

BSA ID Number (Found at Bottom of BSA Membership Card) _____

_____ Youth X \$25 = _____

_____ Adults X \$35 = _____

_____ 2006 Dues X \$12 = _____

Total \$ _____

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