



Tecumseh Speaks

Tecumseh Lodge

Order of the Arrow

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Two Ordeals Left

There are still two Ordeal weekends left in 2015 and we need your help. August 21-23 at Camp Falling Rock is the next event and is followed by September 11-13 at Camp Lazarus.

These are usually well attended and we expect about 80-100 candidates at each. We need ritual people, elangomats, kitchen crew and general support people for both events. Remember your Ordeal. At least 50-100 people were involved to make your experience memorable. Please come out and support your lodge and help these new Ordeal members have a good induction weekend.

You only have to experience scant food ONCE. We promise plenty of food, an opportunity to make friends, fun times and hard work. Be an active Arrowman. Also be sure to make a reservation through the lodge website. You save \$5.00 if you pre-register.

The address is: www.tecumseh65.org

If you took your Ordeal in 2014, you can also take your Brotherhood. Get a new, fancier sash and learn more about the Spirit of the Order. Seal your membership in the Order of the Arrow and continue your journey in Scouting.

There are also many other programs happening at an Ordeal. Many different jobs need to be done. We need packets stuffed and prepared for the candidates, people to take pictures during the day, runners to bring tools and water to the work areas and even a few clean up crews. There is always something to do on an Ordeal weekend.

Fall Fellowship

Our annual Fall Fellowship will be October 23-25 at Camp Falling Rock. Cost is \$20. Some cabin space is available, but they tend to fill up quickly.

What is a Fellowship? This is a weekend where you can meet other members of the order, learn more about opportunities in the Order of the Arrow, enjoy fun activities, and see what Tecumseh lodge has planned for the coming year. We also elect new Lodge Officers, so it is important that you be there and let your vote make a difference.

The officers have some exciting events planned, but have not yet decided on a theme for the weekend. More information will be appearing on the lodge website. Guaranteed, there will be good food, good friends and things to do. There are always games available in the dining hall. We have some dedicated Uno players, chess boards, and cribbage games going, along with the constant Eukre games. Outside, weather permitting, there are always interesting activities and challenges.

Here is also a chance to become part of the Ritual Team, Elangomat Team, or become a lodge committee chairman for the coming year. The Order offers another area of Scouting that can form friendships that last a lifetime.

If you would like to run for a lodge office, be sure to talk with the Lodge Adviser and learn what your duties and commitments will be for the coming year. We need dedicated and active Arrowmen to lead the lodge.

We also need dedicated and interested adults to be advisers to these youth.

A Brotherhood Ceremony will also be available and this is one of the last chances to seal your membership this year.





Brethren,

It is hard to believe that we are already more than half-way through the year. I am very thankful for all of the wonderful efforts that I have seen put forth by our officers and chairmen, as well as all of our members. Our first two Ordeals have seen some incredible dedication from

both our candidates and our members, and we have accomplished more work than anyone expected.

As July hits, we enter a short lull, but things will soon be picking up again. August begins with the National Order of the Arrow Conference. This summer, fifteen thousand Arrowmen will be descending on the campus of Michigan State University for a week of training, competitions, fellowship, and fun. This year is by far the largest NOAC ever, as we gather to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Order of the Arrow and prepare for the next one hundred years.

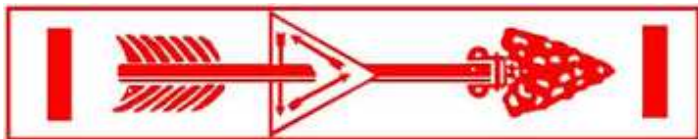
We also have two more Ordeals this summer at Camp Falling Rock and Camp Lazarus. We've had a great track record so far this year with the support and service of our members, but we always need more help. Please join us if you can in a weekend of fellowship and service to our council.

Finally, be sure to join us October 23-25 for the Fall Fellowship. This event will not only include the usual array of exciting activities, but will also cap off our celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Order of the Arrow.

Aaron Wyckoff

2015 Lodge Adviser

Visit our Lodge Website:
www.tecumseh65.org



CHIEFLY Speaking

Fellow Arrowmen,



Thank you to everyone who attended the C4B Section Conclave. We had the second largest contingent and made a great showing. At the same event, our own Jon Crawford was elected to serve as Section Vice Chief for the 2015-16 year, and we congratulate him.

Our first two Ordeals of the season, at Chief Logan Scout Reservation and Camp Oyo, were both huge successes. Congratulations and thank you to all of

those Arrowmen who participated in the Ordeal. We provided hundreds of hours of service to the two camps, and both rangers were amazed and very thankful for the work we completed. For our new Arrowmen, we welcome you, and encourage you to start looking ahead to next year, when you can return to seal your membership by taking your Brotherhood.

At each of our Ordeals, we want to have at least one Elangomat from every chapter, if not more. We are trying to place candidates with Elangomats from their own chapter so that we can better forge the ties of brotherhood during the Ordeal. And there is always plenty of room to help out as an Elangomat, even if your chapter provides several.

Once again, I want to thank everyone who has come out so far this year to join us in fun and fellowship, and we hope to see many more at our upcoming events.

Your 2015 Lodge Chief,
Johnny Miller



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Chapter

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Shawnee Chapter

(Tecumseh District)

Chapter Chief: OPEN

Chapter Adviser: Clay Beckham Clay@ClayBeck.com or call 937-217-3333

Chapter Meeting: Shawnee Chapter Meets at District Activities at Camp Oyo.

Please see our Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/shawnee65> page for the most up to date information about chapter meetings and any change to location if a location is not available or if we will meet in a special event location, "like a pool party". All OA Members are encouraged and welcome to come to ALL events.

Tendeuchen Chapter

Buckeye District

Chapter Chief: Jordy Mason

Vice Chief of Administration: Ezekiel Atkinson

Vice Chief of Dance Team and Ceremonies: Sam Post

Vice Chief of Service/Activities: Hunter Hires

Adviser: Paul Post

Our Chapter held our Callout at Buckeye District's Buckeye Trail Camporee April 25th. A hearty thank you to our Callout team of Camron Wallace, Gabe Knuth, Chase Dormire, and Devin Houdek. Thanks also to the other Arrowmen who helped with the fires, sashes, and organization.

Several Tendeuchen members participated at Conclave at Camp Arrowhead in Ona, West Virginia. Conclave had a great midway and a variety of activities for the Arrowmen attending.

The Dance Team has been active at a number of Cub Scout Pack meetings.



Mwk'alaakwa Chapter

(Darby Creek District)

Chapter Chief: Philip Seidenstricker c13@tecumseh65.org

Chapter Adviser Kevin Wildman c14@tecumseh65.org

Chapter Meeting: First Thursday of each month at the Plain City Presbyterian Church.

Our regular meetings are the first Thursday of every month at the Presbyterian Church. They're from 7 to 8:30 PM. We hope to see you there. Contact our Chapter Chief or Adviser to sign up for the chapter newsletter.



Take Your Brotherhood

If you took your Ordeal in 2014 or before, you are eligible to take your Brotherhood. The requirements are not difficult to fulfill, and the experience is more than worth the cost of the event. It costs \$20 to take your Brotherhood, added to the cost of the event. You receive a new sash, with the brotherhood bars added to the red arrow, a brotherhood totem, a great ceremony and you learn all about the further story of the Order.

An information sheet will be provided at registration, which outlines all the tasks needed. You need to:

1. Learn the Obligation of the Order
2. Learn the words to the OA song
3. Know the Admonition
4. Know the handclasp of the Order
5. Know the sign of the Ordeal
6. Explain, in your own words, the legend of the OA.
7. Write a short letter, explaining your goals and understanding of the O.A.

All of the details will be provided at registration.

Come and take the next step in the Order of the Arrow.

2015 OA Calendar

August 3-8	NOAC at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan,
Aug 21-23	Ordeal /Brotherhood Weekend at/ Falling Rock
September 11-13	Ordeal/Brotherhood Weekend at Camp Lazarus
September 25-27	Cooking Help.
October 23-25	Fall Fellowship/Or Ordeal at Camp Falling Rock
Nov 6-8	Area Leadership Training Conference at Camp Lazarus

2016 OA Calendar

February 6	Lodge Leadership development at Camp Lazarus
April 1-3	Spring Fellowship / Lodge Banquet at Camp Lazarus
June 3 - 5	Ordeal / Brotherhood at Camp Falling Rock
July 1 - 3	Ordeal / Brotherhood at Camp Oyo
August 12 - 14	Ordeal / Brotherhood at Chief Logan Scout Reservation
September 9 - 11	Ordeal / Brotherhood at Camp Lazarus
October 21 - 23	Fall Fellowship / Annual Lodge Meeting at Camp Falling Rock

Have You Paid Your 2015 Dues?

If you received this newsletter in an email you probably have not yet paid your 2015 Tecumseh Lodge Dues. To remain a member of the Order of the Arrow and wear the Lodge Falp and OA Sash you need to keep your dues current. Our current Lodge dues are \$15.00 per year (\$20.00 if you haven't paid last year's dues). Please pay your dues now and remain a member of Tecumseh Lodge and the Order of the Arrow.

When Do I Need To Pay My Dues: Your dues need to be paid at the beginning of each calendar year (January).

Newer Members: If you took your Ordeal during the previous year (in 2014) your fees included your dues through the end of that calendar year. You will next need to pay your dues at the beginning of the next year (in 2015).

Want to pay on-line? Go to our lodge website at www.tecumseh65.org and look for the "Pay Your Dues" button near the bottom of the first page.

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN IT WITH PAYMENT TO:

Simon Kenton Council, BSA, 807 Kinnear Rd, Columbus, OH 43212

Make all checks payable to Simon Kenton Council, BSA

Name in Full _____
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Boy Scout ID# _____ *We use this number to verify that you are currently registered with the Boy Scouts of America. This number is on the ID card you were given by your Troop, Team or Pack. If you cannot find this number contact your Scoutmaster or the Simon Kenton Council Office at (614)-436-7200 or (800)-433-4051 to get it.*

Scout Registration _____
District / OA Chapter
Unit Type
Number

Home Address _____
Number and Street
City
State
Zip

Mailing Address _____
 (If different from above) Number and Street
City
State
Zip

e-mail Address _____

Date of Birth _____ Home Phone _____ Other Phone _____ Type _____
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Area Code and Number
Area Code and Number

Ordeal Date _____ Brotherhood Date _____ Vigil Honor Date _____
 (If exact dates are unknown at least put in the year – Only use the Brotherhood and Vigil Honor spaces if applicable)

Dues amount - \$15.00 if you last paid in 2014 \$20.00 if you last paid before 2014

Chief Tarhe Chapter

Chapter Co-Chiefs: Connor Daugherty c1@tecumseh65.org and Matt Reichelderfer c23@tecumseh65.org
Chapter Adviser: Larry Reams c2@tecumseh65.org

Special thanks to those 14 or so Brothers who worked to make this year's Call-out Ceremony a memorable one for Candidates. These ranks include two non-members: Dave Dilyard and Emily Dilyard, whose Indian flute playing from the woods added another layer of depth to the campfire atmosphere.

Special thanks to Sean Amiet and Keith McManaway. Of course our Troops come first in our obligations, but it is well to note that many are drawn to service where the limelight beckons, yet those most worthy of Honor are Brothers who toil with equal steadfastness behind the scenes where no one applauds their work. It was Keith and Sean who helped Josh Dilyard make sure everything that was scattered about got picked up and all the gear stowed safely away come Sunday morning.

It is noteworthy that for the second year in a row the youth have been totally responsible for planning and executing the Call-out Ceremony. This is as it should be. You guys rock!!!!
New Eagles: Michael Wing, April 26, Alexander Wise Shambrock, April 26

Next Meeting: October 13, 2015: Organizational meeting for the new year. Officer elections. Decision on 2018 High Adventure location (Philmont, Northern Tier, Sea Base, Summit, own US trek, Liechtenstein & Kandersteg Intl. Scout Base are all on the table.)

Thanks to those who helped with a Chapter Service Project at Wagnalls Memorial June 5th. Scott Zasadzinski organized and led this endeavor.

The 2016 Florida Sea Base Expedition is moving along nicely with a whitewater trip on the Gauley this fall as part of the first shakedown.

Kaniengehaga Chapter

(Licking District) <http://www.kaniengehaga.org>

Chapter Chief: Elijah Scott c5@tecumseh65.org
Chapter Adviser: Ed Fuentes c6@tecumseh65.org
Chapter Meeting: 7:00PM the first and third Thursday of each month at Christ United Methodist Church in Newark Ohio.

In the last few months Kaniengahaga Chapter has participated in many activities. The first and biggest was the Licking/Tri-creek districts spring camporee. At this event we orchestrated a call out ceremony and did some service to the upper amphitheater. We had approximately 20 Arrowmen on camp helping us all day.

We also decided that we would like a change of scenery, so in May we had our dance meeting at park lanes in Heath where we bowled until the light went out (literally). We also completed multiple service projects. All three were helping set up tents for a local business.

In the next few months we will have multiple large events. Our first is a trip to Kings Island. This event will be on July 18th. We will meet that morning and come back that evening. More information will be posted on our Facebook page and will be emailed out.

Please remember we meet the first and third Thursdays of the month. Join us so we can reach our goal of having 25 or more, dues paid members at a meeting. If we meet this goal our adviser will purchase pizza for the next meeting.

Any questions email or call our chapter chief Elijah Scott at elijah@joeandali.com 740-366-3417.

Check out our Lodge Website for current updates.

www.tecumseh65.org

On our website you can pay dues, make reservations for lodge events, make contact with lodge officers and advisers, and learn about upcoming events.

The lodge website is updated often and contains all the newest information for all Arrowmen.

Newa Hanna Chapter

(Delaware District)

Chapter Chief: Jon Crawford c15@tecumseh65.org
Chapter Adviser: Charles "Bill" Hammond - (614)266-5174 - cwhammond19@gmail.com
Chapter Meeting: 1st Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at LDS Church in Powell, 450 N Liberty, Powell, OH
Chapter Vice-Chief: Grant Henry
Chapter Vice Chief of Troops: Dauren Mason
Chapter Secretary: Wiley Tokarz
Associate Adviser: Steve Champa - schampa@frontier.com
Chapter email address: newahannachapter@gmail.com

Our meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM in the same location as the Delaware District Roundtable, unless the 1st Thursday is on a holiday. Then it would be the 2nd Thursday of that month at 7:00 pm. The location is at the LDS Church in Powell, 450 N Liberty, Powell, OH.

All Newa Hanna Chapter (Delaware District) Arrowmen are invited to attend our monthly meetings and we need active members to start attending meetings if the chapter is going to be successful.

Conclave for Section C-4B at Camp Arrowhead

Congratulations goes out to our Chapter Chief Jon Crawford on being voted in as the Section C-4B Vice Chief, during the May 15 -17 Conclave at Camp Arrowhead in Ona, WV. We're looking for a new individual to fill the Chapter Chief position for the Newa Hanna Chapter at this time at the request of Jon Crawford to step down.

May 29th, 30th and 31st – Ordeal / Brotherhood at Chief Logan Scout Reservation

Congratulations to the following new OA members from this Ordeal weekend. 12 new members; 10 youth and 2 adults.
From Troop 428; Youth members – Cameron Deck, Josh Deffenbaugh, Evan Oberszyn, Matthew Patterson, Robert Santiago and Parker Tope-Lin ; Adult members – Brian Deffenbaugh and Brian Deck
From Troop 701; Youth members – Ben Segars, Matthew Gulley and Henry Sydnor
From Troop 843; Youth member – Colton Sparvero
No past Ordeal members in the Newa Hanna Chapter participated for Brotherhood membership this weekend.

We also would like to see as many Ordeal members as possible get their Brotherhood this year. So, get out and do one of the Ordeal/ Brotherhood weekends to earn your Brotherhood.

The next three Newa Hanna Chapter OA Meetings are June 4th, No meeting in July, August 6th and September 3rd We invite all to come and enjoy fun activities with your OA Brothers.

Also, if you have not paid your membership dues for 2015, please do so. If you have not paid your dues, you should not be wearing the sash or pocket patch indicating that you are an OA member, until the dues are paid. You can pay your dues online at <http://www.tecumseh65.org/> .

Weski Nimat Chapter

(Ohio Valley District)

Chapter Chief: Aaron Gue c21@tecumseh65.org
Chapter Adviser: Bill Coward c22@tecumseh65.org

Chapter Meeting: 7:00PM on the 1st Thursday each month at the First Presbyterian Church, 4227 Broadway, Grove City

Weski Nimat Chapter is looking forward to getting more participation at Chapter meetings and would encourage your attendance.

Katinonkwat Chapter

(Tri-Creek District)

Chapter Chief: Andy Udall c7@tecumseh65.org
Chapter Adviser: Dave Simaitis jsimaitis@sbcglobal.net
Chapter Meeting: 7:00PM the first Tuesday of March, June, September, and December at Bishop Hartley High School located at 1285 Zettler Road Columbus, OH 43227.

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Maka Ina Chapter

(Chief Logan District)

Chapter Chief: Justin Doss c9@tecumseh65.org
Chapter Adviser: Barb Wasmer c10@tecumseh65.org
Chapter Meeting: 6:30PM the first Tuesday of each month at the LDS Church on Business State Route 23 in Chillicothe, Ohio

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Mallsannuk Chapter

(Arrowhead District)

Chapter Chief: Matthew Crum c11@tecumseh65.org
Chapter Adviser: Chris Wollam wollamchris@hotmail.com

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Ordeal/Brotherhood Weekend at Chief Logan Reservation May 30, 2015
Please congratulate our 76 new Ordeal members and 16 new Brotherhood members.



Come out to one of our last two Ordeals this summer and join in the fun.



Tecumseh Lodge Quality Chapter Award

In order to earn this award a chapter must complete 7 of the 10 criteria.

1: Membership Impact: Experience positive growth in membership over the previous year.

Increase total chapter membership by 5% over the previous year.

2: Membership Retention: Experience positive growth in membership.

Have at least 70% of chapter members who took their Ordeal the previous year pay their current dues.

3: Unit Elections: Conduct unit elections in all troops within the district.

Complete unit elections in at least 90% of Troops and Teams, and turn in all results by March 15.

4: Ordeal Completion: Induct Ordeal candidates.

Have at least 75% of Ordeal candidates complete their Ordeal.

5: Brotherhood Completion: Convert eligible Ordeal candidates to Brotherhood.

Have at least 40% of eligible members complete their Brotherhood.

6: Service Projects: Complete service projects on scout property and in the community.

Hold at least one chapter service project (minimum of 50 total service hours) and turn in service hour tracking sheets to the lodge; or staff a district event with at least 10 chapter members and turn in service hour tracking sheets to the lodge

7: Chapter Meetings: Conduct regular chapter meetings.

Hold at least 6 chapter meetings with no fewer than 5 youth members at each.

8: LEC Attendance and Reports: Have chapter represented at LEC meetings.

Have a youth representative present at least 75% of LEC meetings. In addition, present an oral report or have already submit a written report at every LEC.

9: T-speaks Articles: Inform OA members about your chapter.

Have an article in all issues of Tecumseh Speaks (one miss allowed).

10: Lodge Participation: Maintain a presence in the Lodge.

Have at least 15% of chapter members, including a minimum of 5 youth, attend either the Spring Fellowship or Fall Fellowship (attendance required is based on 15% of the total membership at the end of the previous year).

2015 Lodge Vigil Honorees

Congratulations to our new Vigil members.



Front row - Brice Steiner, Sam Post, Ed Fuentes, Johnny Miller, Alex Hansford, Jim Prentice

Back row – Paul Post, Wesley Williams, Joseph Johnson, Cole Biedenbarn, David Prentis



Dave Simaitis with Honors Chief Hayden Biedenbarn

