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Letter from the Chief

Brothers of SR-7B,

It's a busy time in our section. With lodge fellowships, elections and banquets, the upcoming Chapter Leadership Summit and Council of Chiefs, it's easy to get dates mixed up. There are two very important dates, however, which I encourage you to mark on your calendars right now.

The Chapter Leadership Summit will take place on October 22 -23 at Camp Cherokee. If you're interested, check out the article which highlights the CLS later in this newsletter.

Conclave will be on April 20-22, 2012 also at Camp Cherokee. Conclave is our section's main event and is hands-down one of the best scouting experiences you'll ever have.

Be sure to keep an eye out for more information regarding these two events. The section officers and chairmen have started their lodge visitations and will be happy to share more information about these events, NOAC 2012, Project 2013, OA High Adventure, and all of the other great programs our Order offers. We all look forward to meeting you at lodge events and are excited as we hit our stride in preparation for Conclave!

In Service,

David Joyner
Chief, SR-7B



Chapter Leadership Summit - 2011

Chapter Chiefs from around the section are preparing to gather at Camp Cherokee soon for the second-annual Chapter Leadership Summit.

The summit is an opportunity for chapter leaders to experience some of the best training in the country. This year's course features National Chief Jonathan Hillis, Southern Region Chief Dwayne Fontenette and many more all-star arrowmen. Don't miss your chance to hang out with these guys, learn some valuable skills and get ready to become the best chapter chief you can be.

This year's summit also features a second year program for chapter chiefs and advisers who attended last year's summit. Take the opportunity to reflect on what you accomplished last year, all while learning even more and preparing for the next level of leadership.

If you're interested, you better hurry! Spots are filling up fast. Registration is easy, just click to sign up. You can also find more information about the weekend .



A Word From Occoneechee

Brothers,

Occoneechee Lodge has many events planned before the end of 2011. This year, we have a special event called the Charlie Sullivan Holiday Challenge. The Holiday Challenge is a one day (24 hour) 50 mile hike around Falls Lake on the NC Mountains to Sea Trail in the Raleigh Area. That's right; we are hiking 50 miles in one day! This is a great opportunity for you to challenge yourself individually, or hike as a four-man team! We are starting the 24 hour clock at 2pm on November 26, and the hike will end at 2pm on November 27. We are only accepting 50 registrations (team registrations count as one registration) and the spots are filling up! This challenge event is open to all registered Scouts from any council. If you know of someone that might be interested in this Challenge, please direct them to our [website](#).

What if all of this hiking is not your speed? Well, this event is also a fundraising challenge to benefit the renovations to the Charlie Sullivan Center at Camp Durant and the United Service Organizations (USO). The Charlie Sullivan Center is Camp Durant's old Dining Hall, and in desperate need of renovation. The renovation will provide the Section with a facility that can be used for training and fellowship. Registration and online pledges can be made through the [challenge website](#). We appreciate your support and hope to see you there!

WWW,

Todd Goldfarb
Lodge 104 Vice-Chief of Program



OA High Adventure Opportunities

Arrowmen,

Here is some information about the amazing OA High Adventure opportunities!

OA Trail Crew OATC

OATC is an exciting adventure at one of Scouting's premier high adventure bases, Philmont Scout Ranch. The participants get to meet people from all over the country and find adventure in every step. OATC is a 2 week program. The first week is spent learning how to build trail by constructing switchbacks, retention bars, and several other erosion controls. This shows service in brotherhood and will affect others who come on the trail for generations. The 2nd week of the program is spent seeing the wonders of Philmont. Unlike regular treks, OATC is given the privilege to design their own trek and go wherever you would like as a crew. OATC is a once in a lifetime opportunity.



OA- Wilderness Voyage OAWV/ OA Canadian Odyssey

OAWV is an experience you will never forget. You will join fellow Arrowmen from around the world for two weeks at the beautiful Northern Tier Base for an experience you can't miss out on. The first week of this program is spent helping with conservation work in the Boundary Waters. The Arrowmen will have the chance to leave their mark on the trail for others to see in future generations. The conservation work varies from restoring trails to protecting the trails from destruction. The second week of the program consists of a canoeing trek planned by the participants. The main difference between OAWV and OACO is that one location is in Minnesota while the other location is in Canada. These are experiences you can't miss. You can find forms on the National OA High Adventure [website](#).



Conclave at Camp Cherokee

Arrowmen,

Who is ready? Who is ready to take part in this year's Conclave? Conclave this year will take place at beautiful Camp Cherokee located just outside of Yanceyville. Camp Cherokee has many terrific areas that will add to the Conclave experience. Camp Cherokee will have the Order of the Arrow Experience, a part of Conclave that contains all of the fun we know and love located along a shaded area of camp for everyone to enjoy.



Camp Cherokee has a one of a kind metalwork shop. This area of camp is equipped with blacksmithing stations complete with anvils and forges. During conclave there will be numerous demonstrations and even a chance for you to try your hand at the trade. This will be something you don't want to miss. If shooting sports is more for you then camp also has a terrific set of shooting ranges. Conclave attendees will have the opportunity to participate in rifle and archery shooting. Arrowmen will also have the chance to learn and experience an older method of shooting, the black powder musket. You will be able to shoot muskets at Camp Cherokees new muzzle loading trial. With all of these terrific aspects and many more Camp Cherokee and Conclave 2012 will be sure to please.

See you there,

Anderson Burgess
2012 Conclave Chairman



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