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The Council of Chiefs

A few weekends ago, the leaders of SR-7B gathered at Camp Cherokee for the annual fall Council of Chiefs. The section officers and advisers as well as the lodge's Key Three met to discuss several different topics affecting our Order and section. The main purpose of the meeting was to plan for Conclave 2012 which is at Camp Cherokee. A few of the other highlights of the meeting follow.

- Conclave Registration – This year most lodges will give you the option to register for Conclave online. We hope that this feature will make registration more convenient and accessible for you.
- Camp Cherokee – The group took a camp tour to see some great features which will be utilized at Conclave like the American Indian dance ring and the metal working shelter.
- Service Project – Last year's service project went extremely well and we hope to have the same impact this year. Our efforts will be focused on a family abuse center in Caswell County. We'll be packaging different items needed by the shelter such as soap, toothpaste, and other toiletries.
- NOAC – Your lodge will be putting out information about how **YOU** can register for NOAC soon!

These are only some of the items that came out of the meeting. You can read about some of the other topics which were discussed in this issue of the Apensuwi. Your lodge leadership will be giving you more information about Conclave and NOAC as the events grow closer so be sure to look for that information.

David Joyner
Section Chief



Chapter Leadership Summit - 2011

By all accounts the 2011 Chapter Leadership Summit was a tremendous success. On October 22 over 50 chapter chiefs, advisers, and leaders from throughout the section gathered at the historic courthouse in Yanceyville, N.C. for a day of fun, fellowship, and lots of learning.

While the entire weekend was a highlight for me, there were several very exciting new activities that took place during the weekend that are worth mentioning. These include a new advanced program for second year participants, national trainers Dwayne Fontenette, Jonathan Hillis, and Josh Peloquin, a tour of the historic courthouse and gallows, and a leadership in technology fair (coming to conclave 2012!). Combine these events with the idea sharing and outstanding youth leaders that were present and you have a recipe for success!

As we move forward from such a great event, I challenge each and every leader throughout the section to find their personal "pathway to the summit." The chapter is one of the most critical and important elements of the OA, but like any great platform, it is only possible to reach full potential through the efforts of strong leaders. After this years Chapter Leadership Summit, I have no doubt that such leaders exist within Section SR-7B, and am very excited for the future of this section and organization!

Make sure to keep an eye out for new chapter related events and initiatives at the 2012 Cardinal CONCLAVE! A big thanks goes out to all of the wonderful staff that helped make the weekend such a success. I would like to extend a special thank you to my adviser and friend, Travis Gentry, Tsoitsi Tsosalii Lodge and all of the other arrowmen who helped make the weekend the overwhelming success that it was.



Message from the Vice Chief of Program

Brothers,

Even with the holiday nearing, the section is hard at work. Our Council of Chiefs meeting in October was a success, getting one step closer to Conclave. Chapter Leadership Summit was also a success; a large delegation from around the section came to Camp Cherokee for a weekend filled with instructional and fun-filled material.

Be sure to mark your calendars for Conclave at Camp Cherokee on April 20-22, 2012. The section leadership and Lodge 70 are hard at work, planning and preparing for the best Conclave yet. You will not want to miss out on this opportunity, one of the best you will experience in your scouting career.

Yours in the Brotherhood,

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