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CONCLAVE DEADLINE



Sign Up Today!!! [Click Here](#) to register.

BACON, EGGS, MATT AND DUSTIN

How will you spend your Saturday morning at Conclave? With just a quick picture the answer to that question could be chatting with the OA National Chief, Matt Brown, and our Section Chief, Dustin Cocklereece. You have the awesome opportunity to sit down one-on-one with these chiefs and talk about anything you want!

Interested? It is simple to enter!

1. Take a picture with/of something that you feel captures this year's Conclave theme, "The Fire Within"
2. Send us a Facebook message with that picture to [SR7BCONCLAVE](#)
3. Win!

Make sure you submit your photo before April 1st. The winning photo will be featured on the Section Facebook Page. You and a guest will then be invited to join Matt and Dustin for breakfast on Saturday morning of Conclave!

WHAT'S UP LODGE 104?

So far 2013 has been a fun filled year for Occoneechee!

In preparation for conclave, we have been having service workdays every other Saturday. Since November, our brothers have put in over 2200 hours of service to ensure that everyone will have the best experience possible at conclave! Also, to promote conclave registration and our theme of Southern Hospitality, our lodge officers have been participating in activities such as being pied in the face and made into human biscuits, and being dunked in a sweet tea dunking booth. 241 people from Occoneechee have registered for Conclave.

From March 15th – 17th, we will be having our spring Powwow event. Spring Powwow is when we have our annual ceremony competitions, dance competitions, powwow, and practice for the quest for the golden arrow along with completing service projects. Chapters enjoy having the opportunity to show their spirit in order to win our coveted spirit stick.

Our 2013 Webelos OA Weekend is an opportunity for cub scouts from around the council to camp at Durant and learn about the OA. Participants get to have fun with archery, arts and crafts, and American Indian affairs.

New this year, we are offering an "early ordeal" option for 200 of our newly elected candidates. They will have the opportunity to complete their ordeal at our March Powwow, allowing them to sign up for conclave. After the Ordeal ceremony, new members go to Thunderfest, a fun filled activity that allows new members to experience fellowship and see that the OA is more than just service projects. There will be food, music, a dunk tank, and inflatables!

The year is off to a great start and we are looking forward to seeing you at Conclave!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Stephen Frein
Vice Chief of Program
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SERVICE PROJECT UPDATE

"For he who serves his fellows, is of all his fellows, greatest." At Conclave 2013 you will again have the opportunity to serve others in need. This year our service project will help the Sandhills Coalition, a local outreach organization in Moore County. This organization helps to provide food, clothing, and necessary items to needy families in the area around Camp Durant. Representatives from the Sandhills Coalition will be at our

service project to talk with Scouts more about their mission, what they do, and how you can help after Conclave.

So, how can you help at Conclave? The 2013 service project will be set up at the entrance to OAX in the camp's activity field. Our goal is to assemble three types of packages to give to the Sandhills Coalition; each will run through a different line. The first package will be a personal hygiene kit with razors, shaving cream, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. The second is a shower package with shampoo, conditioner, and bar soap. The third and final type of package will contain coats and diapers to donate to the shelter. When you visit our booth you (and your friends) can pick a line and go through to make that package. Please come by and help serve others!

Yours in Service,
Kenneth Erickson
SR-7B Service Chairman

SPECIAL GUESTS AT CONCLAVE

Brothers,

I am pleased to announce some of the notable Order of the Arrow members that will be attending our 2013 Conclave. The biggest highlight is the 2013 Order of the Arrow National Chief, Matt Brown, will be at Conclave. Be sure to meet and talk with Matt during Conclave, I can assure you that he is a great Arrowman and an excellent Chief. Another notable Arrowman attending Conclave is the SR-7A Section Chief, Ben Webster, from Virginia. These are two great youth to meet and get to know, so don't miss out on the opportunity!

There are also multiple adults to highlight coming to Conclave. Three National Committee members from out of our section will be in attendance: Darrell Donahue, Jeff Jonasen, and Tico Perez. Tico Perez is also the National Commissioner of the Boy Scouts of America. These are three great adults and advisers that have left a lasting impact on the Order.

We have some great visitors joining us at Conclave, so be sure to meet and talk with them!

Yours in the Brotherhood,
Dustin Cocklereece
SR-7B Chief



MESSAGE FROM CONCLAVE CHAIR

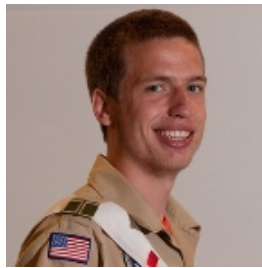
Greetings from Occoneechee!

We have been hard at work preparing so we can make your 2013 Conclave experience one to be remembered for years to come. We have had numerous workdays at Camp Durant to help prepare for the 1000+ of you who will be joining us April 19th-21st. Did I tell you Camp Durant has changed a lot since the last time we hosted? With a new Grand lodge, shower houses in every campsite, and the newly renovated Charley Sullivan Lodge Training Center Camp Durant will surely seem different to those who have visited in the past.

Our host staff's theme is "Southern Hospitality" we are here to serve every single arrowman who comes through

our gates! We want to ensure you have a pleasant stay at Camp Durant; consider it your home away from home. If you have a question or a need feel free to talk to one of our staff members and we will accommodate you as best we can! From everyone at Occoneechee, we look forward to seeing every one of you at Camp Durant for Conclave 2013!

Jonathan Boggs
2013 Service Lodge Chairman



MIGHTY CARDINAL FLAPS

Mighty Cardinal flaps will once again be available this year in the trading post at Conclave beginning on Saturday. Reminder to stop by and buy yours. These sell out fast! There will be two varieties again this year. The flaps are \$5/each. Check out this year's cool design below!



CONCLAVE BLOOD DRIVE

We will have TWO buses this year onsite collecting blood donations from 9AM -1:30PM on Saturday at Conclave. The demand in prior years has been greater than our capacity and we hope the extra bus will allow us service more donors this year. This is our most ambitious drive at Conclave to-date. We need your help to be successful! If you are 17 or older and interested in donating this year. Please pre-register by emailing your name, preferred time slot and your cell phone number to brett@brettwarner.com. We need 20 more people to meet our pre-registration goal!

IA CLOTHING GUIDELINES

See the article [here](#) with all the updates to the clothing guidelines from National in regards to Indian Affairs.

OA HIGH ADVENTURE UPDATE

Please see the high adventure update on the Section Website [here](#).

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secretary@sr7b.org



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