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COUNTDOWN TO CONCLAVE

Conclave is less than 30 days away. The event will be hosted at Camp Tuscarora located in Tuscarora Council, home of Nayawin Rar Lodge. Mark your calendars for April 17-19, 2015 to join with your fellow brothers for a celebration 100 years in the making! Register now by visiting conclaveregistration.org!



CONCLAVE SERVICE

On Friday night, there will be a canned food drive at Conclave. The goal is to raise 3,000 lbs. of non-perishable food to benefit the food bank of central and eastern NC.

The food drive will be a competition between the lodges, and the winning lodge, based on the average amount of food brought by each participant, will be announced at the Saturday night show.

On Saturday, we will be assembling packages of school supplies for underprivileged kids in the local school

system. We are Hoping to make 800, in the morning after breakfast during OAX. Come spend a few minutes and help a kid in need!

Don't forget to sign up to give blood. Please come out and participate in cheerful service!

RUNNING FOR A SECTION OFFICE

Each year during Conclave, the Section hosts it's elections for the four officers that will lead the next year. Those positions include Section Chief, Vice Chief of Program, Vice Chief of Training, and Secretary. These officers work in conjunction with the six lodge chiefs and the host lodge to plan and implement the section conclave.

While putting on conclave is the main job of the four officers, they also have other responsibilities. The section chief represents the section on a national level, oversees various section committees, and resides over all Council of Chiefs (COC) meetings. The two vice chiefs are voting members of the Council of Chiefs, and are charged with overseeing and coordinating with various lodges on programs such as OAX, quest, training initiatives, and much more. Website maintenance, Apensuwi production and distribution, and taking minutes at the COC meetings all fall under the section secretary's responsibilities.

In order to be eligible to run for a section position, you must first obtain a letter from your scout executive. This letter will need to be sent to the Section Adviser, Rob Kennerly at advisor@sr7b.org, before the end of the nomination period during Conclave. Without a letter, you will be unable to run. If you have any questions about running for a position, feel free to talk with your lodge chief and or the Section Chief, Stephen Frein, at chief@sr7b.org.

Whether you are an experienced arrowman who has served at the lodge level and now wants to take on the added opportunity and responsibility that a section office holds, or you simply want to contribute to the direction of Section SR-7B, you will not want to miss the section elections during Conclave!

NLS AND NLATS

NLS/NLATS will be hosted April 10-12, 2015 at Claytor Lakes Aquatics Base in Radford, Virginia.

The Southern Region is hosting a National Leadership Seminar and also National Lodge Adviser Training Seminar the weekend of April 10-12 at the Claytor Lakes Aquatics Base, near Radford, Virginia. This is an excellent opportunity to attend one of these acclaimed training seminars at a location that is so close to the Lodges in our Section. Registration is currently open to attend NLS at: <http://southern.oa-bsa.org/nls/>. Registration for NLATS is at: <http://southern.oa-bsa.org/nlats/>



WHAT'S UP LODGE 296

Hello SR-7B! I hope everyone's spring events are going well, I know ours sure did. The month of February was a nice break, just what we needed after a fun-packed Winter Fun Fellowship. Through all the rain and cold, we were still able to hold our Lodge's centennial event, our own Midnight Madness. The name was fitting, and the event passed the wee hours of the night. The fun carried into a Saturday of scavenging, fellowship, and better weather for us! Finally, we named our Lodge Officers for the Centennial year.

Almost immediately, the new LEC began to make headway toward our first event. A few weeks after having full representation at the Report to the State, we moved into our Spring Fellowship. It was a good weekend, where we welcomed nine Ordeal members, five new Brotherhood members, and our own Josh Tracy kept his Vigil. The work done this weekend totaled over 800 hours, which we were so thankful for at our typically smaller spring event.

Everyone left Camp excited for Conclave 2015, and we registered sixteen Arrowmen to a chaos crew with the help of Ian Padgett and a few cans of whipped cream. In addition, we prepared ourselves for our Conclave workdays on March 14th, 28th, and April 11th.

We simply cannot wait for April to get here! See you at Conclave!

In Brotherhood,

Dylan Powell, WWW



CAMP FEATURE: CAMP DURANT

In beautiful Carthage, North Carolina, lies a Boy Scout Reservation. The Occoneechee Scout Reservation includes two camps side by side, Camp Durant and Camp Reeves. Our Main camp, Camp Durant includes toilets and showers in every camp site, a large activity field with a basketball court, an aquatics center, the Charlie Sullivan Training Center and Lodge Building, and our luxurious Grand Lodge. Down the road from our ecology area is a beautiful chapel that overlooks the lake.

All fourteen of our campsites also have at least one shelter. Also in each campsite are tent pallets. Each Summer Camp tent sits on a wooden platform. Along with our campsites, the camp has 25 cabins that each holds four people in our Staff Village, a Camp Directors Cabin, an Aquatics Cabin, a Shotgun Cabin, and six cabins in "Lady Land." Each of the cabins has electricity and air conditioning. Camp Durant is a beautiful place to take in nature and learn through Boy Scouting.



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