

Section C-5A Conclave

"The Journey Begins" was the theme of the Conclave that was held at Camp Cedars for the new Section C5A on September 17-19, 2004. A contingent of 48 Arrowmen from the Golden Sun Lodge joined the other four lodges, Dzie Hauk Tonga, Kidi Kidish, Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut, and Tatanka Anpetu Wi for a weekend of fellowship and fun.

Saturday activities started with a wide variety of training cells conducted by the different lodges ranging from "the OA in the Information Age" to "Beginning Dance". During the afternoon, Arrowmen had the opportunity to experience black powder rifles, shotguns, COPE, the climbing tower, patch trading or just sit and relax on the hills overlooking the Platte River. The Conclave Show was held under a giant tipi formed by spotlights pointed at the heavens but focused on a rededication to the Order of the Arrow and service to the Community.

At the Court of Honor held on Sunday morning, the Golden Sun Lodge received recognition as the Largest Traveling Contingent and Outstanding Website. We also witnessed the "Passing of the Bonnets" as the Section Officers who were elected for the up-coming year took office. Those officers are; Chief—Drew Dougherty of Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut (Mid America Council, Omaha); Vice Chief—Scott Waters of Kidi Kidish (Coronado Area Council, Salina, KS); and Secretary—Alex Ast of Dzie Hauk Tonga (Jayhawk Area Council, Topeka, KS).

The Kidi Kidish Lodge will be the Service Lodge for the 2005 Conclave held on September 16-18, 2005 at Camp Brown just outside of Abilene, KS. Put that date in your calendar and plan to attend now!

Prairie Winds News

...by Miles Powers, Prairie Winds Chapter Chief

Hi, my name is Miles Powers and I am the newly elected Chapter Chief for Prairie Winds District. First I would like to say "Thank You" for voting me into the position at Fall Fellowship and would also like to commend last years Prairie Winds Chapter Officers on a job well done!

I am a Life Scout and currently working on my Eagle project, and also the Senior Patrol Leader for BSA Troop 172 out of York, NE. I am a junior at York High School and involved with many other activities other than scouting such as; Youth Leadership York, Spanish Club, Dukes and Duchesses and Youth Against Alcohol and Drugs (YAAD). Also, I am the President of York FFA Chapter.

I am happy to be working with a great team of guys that will be beneficial to our chapter. I am assisted by Shawn Volk, Chapter Vice Chief, Dan Winter, Unit Election and Camp Promotion V.C., and Seth Teegerstrom, Unit Relations and Unit Service V.C.

I am really looking forward to a great year as chapter chief. We have a lot of things we will be planning as an officer team and also as a chapter. To get involved with these decisions and activities, come to our chapter meetings on the first Thursday of the month at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 265 Helen Street, in Cordova. The meetings begin at 7:30 pm. All OA Troop Representatives from units throughout the Chapter are encouraged to attend Chapter meetings and Arrowmen are welcome to attend. Hope to see all of you at our chapter meetings or at OA events.

Salt Valley Chapter News

...by Stephen Lowery, Salt Valley Chief

Hello, my name is Stephen Lowery and I am the Salt Valley Chapter Chief for the 2004-2005 year. A little about myself, I am a junior in high school, an Eagle Scout from Troop 93 and was a publications chairman for two years before becoming the Salt Valley Service Vice Chief last year. I attended NOAC this year along with my third section conclave. My Vice chief's for the coming year are: Mitchell Cooksten, First Vice Chief, Tony Odem, Service Vice Chief, Robert Sugrue, Unit Elections Vice Chief, Jacob Cruise, Unit Relations Vice Chief, and Dylan Seaman, Camp Promotions Vice Chief.

The chapter is looking forward to a great year. We had a few of our members dance at lunch at the Salt Valley Camporee which was a big success. Following the camp fire on Saturday night, we held an OA cracker barrel which was, again, a huge success. On October 13, we had a "fall party" at the OEC which was a good chance for the arrowmen of our chapter to get to know each other a little better.

Another big project our chapter has this year is our Salt Valley Shirts. The shirts consist of our chapter sun on the left pocket area and there are many types of shirts to choose from. If you would like an order form for the shirts, contact either myself or the Salt Valley Adviser, Dave Miller.

Our largest project of the year is the Regalia Extravaganza on February 19, 2005. We will be including more information about the event in the next Sundial.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Fall Fellowship on December 10.