

CROA-TALK

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CROATAN LODGE 117 ORDER OF THE ARROW

Spring Ordeal Weekend Schedule Camp Boddie

Friday

- 5-7p Ordeal Candidate
Registration
Reception Center
- 6-8p Member Registration
Reception Center
- 8:00p Pre-Ordeal Ceremony
Amphitheatre
- 9:30p Cracker Barrel
Reception Center
- 9:45p ECM
Health Lodge

Saturday

- 8:00a Breakfast
Dining Hall
- 8:45a Work Assignments
Quartermaster Shed
- 9am Nimat Training
Sea Base Sign
- 9-12:30 Cheerful Service
Lunch
Dining Hall
- 1:00p Training Session
Dining Hall
- 1:30-5p Cheerful Service
Brotherhood Hike
Sea Base Sign
- 5-5:45p Candidate Showers
- 6-6:30p Candidate/Brotherhood
Supper-Dining Hall
- 6-6:30p Member Showers
- 6:30p Member Supper
Dining Hall
- 7-7:30p New Member Session
Reception Center
- 7:30p Brotherhood Ceremony
Ceremony Circle
- 8:00p Ordeal Ceremony
Ceremony Circle
- 9:30p Cracker Barrel/
Patch Auction
Reception Center

Sunday

- 8:00a Breakfast
Dining Hall
- 9:15a Church Service
Dining Hall
- 9:30a Lodge Meeting
Dining Hall

Croatan Lodge: Moving Cheerfully into the Summer

By Jack Kittrell
Croatan Lodge
Chief



Hey everyone, it's Jack. Another Conclave is in the history books and, like previous years, Croatan Lodge did not come home empty handed. The Pirates of the Pamlico managed to plunder the Overall American Indian Affairs award and the Michael Turner Honor Lodge award. These great accomplishments could not have been done without your help, so give yourselves a pat on the back as you continue reading through this month's Croa-talk. Coming up next is our May Ordeal. This is the last big push our Lodge makes to prepare Camp Boddie for the summer. As a member of the Summer Camp Staff, I want you to know just how much we value and thank you for doing your cheerful service. We couldn't run a summer program without your help. Know that everything you chop, move, paint, build and install counts towards improving the quality of camp, one batch of cheerful service at a time.

Speaking of Summer Camp, don't forget that every Tuesday this summer is OA Day. Pack along a Lodge T-shirt and your sash to wear that day. It always makes me smile seeing you represent our Order while going about your Merit Badge classes. If you're not coming to Camp Boddie this summer, ask your Senior Patrol Leader or Scoutmaster about the OA day at the camp you'll go to. Most camps have an OA day, so celebrate the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service wherever you may be.

YITB,
Jack Kittrell
The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is that little extra.

— JIMMY JOHNSON

By Harvey Hoopes IV
Lodge Secretary

Hey everybody, by now you have noticed the big changes that have been implemented in the Croatalk. This new, streamlined format is just one of many changes that are in the works here at the Croatan Media group. You will soon see changes to the Lodge website as well as its various social media pages. Communication is the key to ensuring that our lodge is operating at maximum efficiency.

But what good is fast communication if it isn't relevant? This question has led to one of our best ideas, user submitted content. That's right, the article in the Croatalk are no longer limited to Lodge officers and Chapter chiefs. If you have an interesting article that you would like to see in the Croatalk, just email it

to me at: wilhoopes@gmail.com with the Subject "Croatalk article". Please include your name and to which chapter you belong, and, if you really want to be official, a headshot of yourself (I refrain from using the term "selfie") so you can be further identified as the writer of the article.

Ideas for articles include: a testimonial from a newly inducted Ordeal member or a member who has just sealed their membership with the brotherhood honor, an account of ones experiences at Conclave (OAX, patch trading, IA competitions, etc.) , or perhaps you would like to promote a scouting function that others in the Order would also enjoy, the possibilities are numerous and it all starts with you!

YITB
Harvey Hoopes IV

Conclave: Success for Croatan



Photo by Winston Shearin

Left to right: Jebb Lamm, Chris Torres and Jackson Lamm awaiting their turns to compete in the SR-7B IA dance completion at conclave.

By Jackson Lamm
VC of Indian Affairs

Hey guys! After much hard work through the beginning of this year, the Featherhead crew has successfully brought home the Section AIA Award for the fourth year in a row, as well as the Crossover Ceremony Award for the third year in a row! But remember, just because we've won the AIA Award for four years does NOT guarantee our victory next year. I'm very proud of all of you! I will see you at ordeal.

By Jackson Lamm
VC of Indian Affairs

Hey guys! The Featherheads will be going down to the Engelhard seafood festival to help out our fellow brothers down that way. Remember, if you want to go to National Powwow, you need to bring \$50 to May ordeal. I hope to see all the new brothers at the May ordeal.

By Michael Burton
1st Year Arrowman Chair




Let me just start off by saying "WOW!" You guys are awesome; last year we had twenty-six members earn their first year arrowman award. This is the most people to earn the award in a year ever. This year I need your help to encourage the new ordeal members to earn this award so we can beat last year's number. If you already have a filled out card just give it to me or Mr. Snow this weekend. Thanks!

2014 Lodge Calendar
 May 16-18 | Summer Ordeal
 September 19-21 | Fall Ordeal
 October 17-19 | Fall Fellowship
 November 22 | Lodge Banquet

Chapter Responsibilities

Fri	Night Cracker Barrel	Natsihi
Sat	Night Cracker Barrel	Coree
Sat	Breakfast Set-Up/Clean-Up	Wiccacon
Sat	Lunch Set-Up/Clean-Up	Wiccacon
Sat	Dinner Set-Up/Clean-Up	Neusiok
Sun	Breakfast Setup/Cleanup	Neusiok
	ECM Set-Up/Clean-Up	Tanugahi
	Garbage/Recycling	Toisnot
	Shower House	Tearora
	Reception Center Clean-Up	Tau
	Lodge Meeting Clean-Up	Arapahoe

Camp Boddie Weather

Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		
Thunderstorm 81 / 52 F Chance of Rain 80 %	Partly Cloudy 73 / 52 F Chance of Rain 0 %	Partly Cloudy 77 / 54 F Chance of Rain 0 %