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Order leads four programs at Jamboree

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The 2010 National Scout Jamboree was a major success! With strong participation and incredible enthusiasm, the Order of the Arrow had great results from the four different programs we offered.

The first area, the Mysterium Compass, served approximately 25,000 Scouts. More than just a show, over 300 staff members helped stage the five different acts of the experience.

The first act taught Scouts about teamwork; in the second act Scouts were challenged with different obstacles that may occur in life. The third act allowed Scouts to experience the results of being lazy, and the fourth act had Scouts run through an obstacle course to simulate the challenges of life.

The final act brought everything together. Scouts put together the different segments they had gathered throughout the experience to form the Scout fleur-de-lis. "Life gives you many opportunities. It's the decisions you make that lead you in your life," said Patrick Rooney, director of VIP and guest relations.

PACEsetters was new to the jamboree, and a total of 960 Scouts



The Vault, a display of Scouting memorabilia, was a popular destination at the 2010 National Scout Jamboree.

completed the program. Scouts had to complete a study guide while visiting 12 fitness stations, four of which challenged Scouts physically. The reward for

completion was a PACEsetters colored dog tag, a membership card, and their signature on the member board.

"Based upon the positive response,

I could envision a program like this conducted on a local and national level in the future," said James Tarbox, associate adviser.

The American Indian Village was also very popular, and many Scouts earned the Indian Lore merit badge. Different vignettes were available for Scouts to learn more about American Indian cultures. "The jamboree provided opportunities for Scouts to learn more about American Indian culture and how to respect it," said Jimmy Dickson, jamboree vice chief of the American Indian Village.

The Indian Village conducted two pow wows throughout the jamboree, and Scouts were encouraged to bring their own regalia and participate.

The Order of the Arrow service corps provided support throughout the jamboree. Composed of 161 Arrowmen from across the country, the team provided 11,196 hours of service. That is approximately 74 hours per Arrowman. "Overall, I think the service corps did an outstanding job fulfilling the needs of the 2010 National Scout Jamboree," said Will Scott, service corps jamboree vice chief. "I'm proud to be a member of the service corps."

Be sure to check www.bsajamboree.org for pictures of the OA venues and the jamboree.

SummitCorps and Indian Summer highlight 2011

By **AARON SHEPHERD**
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Order of the Arrow members should get ready for a busy summer in 2011. For the first time in history the OA is hosting two national events: SummitCorps and Indian Summer.

Following the success of *ArrowCorps*³, the next major service project will be at the New River Gorge National River Area in West Virginia. The OA will work with the

National Park Service to build new biking and hiking trails in the park. Arrowmen will also be removing invasive plant species throughout the trails.

"SummitCorps will be the first of many projects with the park service near the BSA's new high-adventure base," said National Order of the Arrow Chief Brad Lichota.

Each lodge contingent will be responsible for their own travel arrangements to and from the project site. There is a total of four different

weeks lodges can attend: July 3-9, July 10-16, July 17-23, or July 24-30. A projected total of 500 Arrowmen will provide service each week. Registration information will be mailed to councils in September.

Indian Summer is for all Arrowmen with the desire to learn more about American Indian culture and Arrowmen who wish to expand their skills and understanding of the Order's ceremonies and induction

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2010 National Planning Calendar

October

- 1 OA Charter Renewal Kits Distributed
 1-3 NLS, Jacksboro, TX
 11 OA Steering Committee Meeting, Irving, TX
 11-13 BSA National Meetings, Irving, TX
 15-17 NLS, Metamora, MI
 22-24 NLS/NLATS, Cimarron, NM
 29-31 SOS, Western Region, Tempe, AZ
 31 OA Service Grant Applications Due

November

- 5-7 NLS/NLATS, Parkville, MO
 SOS, Northeast Region, Alpine, NJ
 NLS/NLATS, Radford, VA
 NLS, Western Region, Japan
 19-21 SOS, Central Region, Parkville, MO

December

- 27-30 National OA Planning Meeting, Dallas, TX
 28 National OA Committee Meeting, Dallas, TX
 31 Lodge Charter Renewal Deadline

July 2011

- 3-9 SummitCorps - Week 1
 10-16 SummitCorps - Week 2
 17-23 SummitCorps - Week 3
 24-30 SummitCorps - Week 4

August 2011

- 1-6 Indian Summer, Ridgecrest, NC

Lodges can apply now for 2011 National Service Grants

If your lodge is planning a council camp or service center project during 2011, you can apply now for a 2011 OA Service Grant. All lodges applying for the grant must have been a 2009 Quality Lodge and should not have received a grant from the Order of the Arrow during the last two years (2009 or 2010).

All 2011 Service Grant applications must be submitted by October 31, 2010, and they must be signed by the lodge chief, lodge adviser, council president, and Scout executive in order to be eligible for consideration.

All 2011 camp property or service center projects approved for funding must be completed by October 31, 2011. The total cost of your proposed project should not exceed \$20,000. Approved grants of up to \$5,000 may be awarded by the National Order of the Arrow Committee. The local lodge must also contribute at least 50 percent of the labor necessary to complete a grant-approved project. All lodges awarded these merit-based grants will be notified by January 31, 2011.

The complete guidelines,

including the 2011 OA Service Grant application, can be found online at www.oa-bsa.org. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Michael Thompson at thompson1994@msn.com.

Since 1999, the National Order of the Arrow Committee has helped numerous camp and service center projects. If your lodge is eligible, please do not miss this potential funding opportunity, as the Order of the Arrow continues its rich history of servant leadership to local councils that began in 1915.

Order participates National Trails Day

By DAN HIGHAM
 2009 National Vice Chief

Shortly after partnering with the American Hiking Society, the Order of the Arrow cheerfully participated in the dynamic aspects of its programs. As discussed in prior National Bulletin articles and online at the OA website (www.oa-bsa.org), the AHS is a firm believer in environmental preservation. The great thing about our two organizations is that we are both aiming for the same goal: teaching stewardship.

This past June 5 was a great day for both of our organizations to embark on a long and fruitful

partnership. National Trails Day was a widespread success.

According to the American Hiking Society website, statistics for the event included more than 1,500 registered events across all 50 states, as well as Puerto Rico. More highlights can be found on the AHS website at www.AmericanHiking.org.

Even more exciting is the fact that the Boy Scouts were able to lend a helping hand to the AHS efforts. More than 220 NTD events were hosted by Boy Scout troops. This is great news for a newly formed partnership!

However, it is also important to understand that although June 5

served as a collection of NTD efforts, any day of the year can be a National Trails Day.

Service is a way of life for both the OA and the AHS. This most recent NTD has shed light on the commitment of both organizations to continue preserving our natural environment. The OA is pleased and thankful that our partnership is helping to make the world better.

We also thank all Scouts and Scouters who participated in this event; we certainly appreciate your hard work and dedication. Much can be learned from your selfless service as we focus on the future as stewards of this great planet.

NCOST needs your help!

The National Chapter Operations Support Team has been created to develop national resources for chapters. The team recognizes that you—the chapter officer, adviser, or member—know the needs of your chapter best. Here's your chance to have a lasting impact on the Order of the Arrow.

What resources should national provide to help your chapter succeed? Has your lodge developed its own chapter operations guide or other resources? Share your response and your lodge's resources with us. E-mail NCOST at chaptersupport@oa-bsa.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Multicultural Markets replaces Scoutreach

OA mentoring will continue to serve with the Multicultural Markets Team. Visit scouting.org/MultiCultural.aspx for more information.

Online OA Trading Post

Click on the OA Trading Post banner on the home page of the OA

Web site at www.oa-bsa.org to purchase great recognition items and gifts. Click on the National Endowment page to review the selection of coins, figurines and prints.

Fillable OA Forms online

OA forms are available on oa-bsa.org that include text fields that allow them to be filled out online. Forms include

high adventure applications, national award applications, the Vigil Honor petition, and the Distinguished Service Award nomination form.

2009 Quality Lodge pins

Pins are still available for ordering. Lodges may purchase pins for \$1.50 each. Order forms for Lodges are available at www.oa-bsa.org.

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Leadership through service

By **SEAN FERRIER & MATT HALL**
Section S-4

On June 13, 2010, Arrowmen from Section Four of the Southern Region gathered under the live oaks and sweltering heat at the River Forest Campground in the Ocala National Forest to kick off FourCorps 2010. Representatives from eight lodges in Florida and three lodges in southern Georgia participated in what was the first weeklong, section-sponsored event similar to *ArrowCorps*⁵. The National Order of the Arrow Chief Brad Lichota was a guest for the week. FourCorps 2010 was closely modeled after *ArrowCorps*⁵, with four crew work days and one day of recreation. The project was the largest volunteer service project for the Ocala National Forest in its 100-year history.

Arrowmen that came worked on a variety of projects, such as trail maintenance on the Florida trail,

installing concrete pads to mount bearproof food storage bins, building kestrel nesting boxes, removing non-native invasive plant species while planting native species, as well as a unique project that consisted of thinning out a section of longleaf pines from the forest and then using the trees to construct a new fence around an ancient Native American burial mound dating from between 500 B.C. and A.D. 800. The main project was planting native vegetation to block access and prevent erosion from the many illegal roads that the public has created in the forest. More than 5,100 plants were planted at 13 different sites, blocking 10 miles of roads during the project. To celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Scouting, two centennial trees were planted by Section Chief Sean Ferrier, Incident Commander Matt Hall, and the seven crew leaders.

When not working in the summer heat, Arrowmen had the chance to visit various attractions on their recreation day. For some, it was the Kennedy

Space Center or the Daytona 500, while others chose to cool off at one of the area's water parks. Arrowmen also enjoyed the opportunity to relax in several refreshing natural springs after a day's work in the Florida sun.

At the closing campfire, the Forest Service rangers were recognized for their leadership and service with a FourCorps 2010 belt buckle. USFS Incident Commander John Bronson thanked the Arrowmen and surprised the crowd by unexpectedly reading our Obligation, which caused the crowd to stand and repeat it with him in an inspirational moment. FourCorps 2010 contributed 4,500 volunteer hours and approximately \$6,000 in donated materials to the Ocala National Forest. Major sponsors of the project included the Wild Turkey Federation, Progress Energy Florida, the Florida Fish and Game Commission, and the Florida Trail Association. Both the Ocala National Forest and Section S-4 look forward to the next project in a few years.



Arrowmen work at the Ocala National Forest during Southern Region's Section Four FourCorps 2010.



Burning Issues

I can't decide between Indian Summer and SummitCorps next summer. Can I attend both?

It depends. To start, every lodge will be given an allotted number of reservations and then if lodges do not use all of their spots they will be released to other lodges on a first come first serve basis. Thus, it will be up to your lodge how the positions are filled and whether it is possible for you to attend both events. The best advice is to talk to your lodge leadership and let them know your interests soon.

Send your Burning Issues to Editor in Chief Mark Hendricks at mphendricks@gmail.com.

Chiefly Speaking



Brothers,

As we departed from the 2010 National Scout Jamboree, one of Scouting's largest celebrations, we thought of the Order of the Arrow's integral part in Scouting's 100th Anniversary. The hard work and dedication from the staff of the Service Corps, Mysterium Compass, Indian Village, and PACEsetters was a testimony of the importance of the Order of the Arrow to the Boy Scouts of America.

We were fully engaged in the jamboree's program, solidifying ourselves as Scouting's national honor society. Rest assured that our cheerful service has been noticed. We are inspired by the recognition the Order of the Arrow is receiving and will continue to provide cheerful service to Scouting.

One of the highlights from the jamboree was that the OA Staff Show celebrated the "futuristic" 1,000th Anniversary of Scouting. The stage presentation was well-planned and laced with humor.

As we move into the BSA's second century, we know that the Obligation upon which our Order was founded and the admonition that holds us together will propel us into the future. While we may have gotten a glimpse that night of what the future may bring, we should be encouraged to know that our principles are in place. However, it will take our personal dedication to a higher calling to drive us into the future. It is time to harness the excitement and energy that we've created, and focus it on celebrating our 100th Anniversary.

Yours in Service,

Brad Lichota
2010 National Chief

Will Swingle
2010 National Vice Chief





Success in Cimarron

From June 20–26, 2010, approximately 28 participants and seven staff members attended the Order of the Arrow Adviser Training Conference at the Philmont Training Center in Cimarron, New Mexico.

Members of the National Order of the Arrow Committee helped facilitate a variety of subjects. Topics covered at the conference included how to increase membership retention, successful techniques to improve lodge and chapter communications, helpful insight regarding the Quality Lodge Recognition program, and other subject matter as requested by the participants. Input from the advisers had a large impact on what was discussed during the week.

Participant feedback about the week was positive. One of the 2010 participants, Linda Teal, lodge adviser of the Westark Area Council and

Wachtschu Mawachpo Lodge, said, “The strength of the conference is in the interaction of the participants and the staff. The exchange of ideas and information was invaluable. The conference exceeded my expectations.”

While at the Philmont Training Center, participants and their families had several opportunities to experience the many extracurricular activities available at both Philmont Scout Ranch and the surrounding communities.

Participants and their families enjoyed numerous activities, including hiking, fishing, horseback riding, pottery-making demonstrations, museum visits, a buffalo barbecue on the Greensward, a Western night of dancing and games, and shopping in Cimarron and nearby towns.

Allen Olender of the Great Lakes Council and Chippewa Lodge’s

associate adviser for finance, said, “The quality of training exceeded even my most optimistic expectations. We had great instructors and great colleagues. Everyone in my family had a great time. We’ll be back!”

National OA Committee member Michael Thompson commented, “The ability to spend a week in the picturesque setting of the Philmont Training Center is a tremendous opportunity for any member of the Order of the Arrow. The benefit is even more significant when you are afforded the time to discuss possible solutions to some of the common challenges faced by chapters and lodges from across the country.”

Any registered adult member of the OA can participate in the Philmont OA Adviser Training Conference. Make plans now to attend the 2011 conference scheduled for June 19–25, 2011.



Participants and staff gather for their conference photograph.

Celebrate Seton's birth

By **NELSON R. BLOCK**

Author

August 14 marked the 150th anniversary of the birth of one of Scouting's founders and a principal inspiration of the Order of the Arrow—Ernest Thompson Seton.

Born in Scotland, Seton was 5 years old when he and his family traveled to rural Canada. Growing up in the wilds, he learned to camp and hunt, as well as to sketch. His careful artist's eye and habits of observation made him a keen interpreter of animal life. He studied art in New York, London, and Paris, and worked as a guide and wolf trapper in Manitoba and New Mexico.

By 1900, Seton was one of the world's leading animal life authors and illustrators, and an authority on Native Americans. Seeking to enrich the leisure time of teenage boys, he

founded the Woodcraft Indians in 1902, and published The Birchbark Roll of the Woodcraft Indians as its guide in 1906.

That same year, while in London on a speaking tour, he met with British general R.S.S. Baden-Powell to discuss their common interest in character-building programs for boys. When Baden-Powell's Scouting for Boys appeared in January 1908, it included a number of games and activities borrowed from Seton. When the BSA was founded in 1910, Seton became Chief Scout Executive, and he and Baden-Powell jointly authored the Official Handbook.

Seton's writings formed the basis for many youth activities in the early 20th century. Young Carroll Edson heard Seton speak of using the American Indian as an ideal character for training young people, and brought the idea to his new

job as assistant camp director of Philadelphia's Treasure Island Scout Camp, under the leadership of camp director Urner Goodman.

Summer camps frequently adopted ideas from the Birchbark Roll—such as inducting members into honor societies by means of tests, including spending a night alone and a day in silence, performing acts of service, eating only food given to the candidate by the initiators, and the great honor of receiving an Indian name.

Seton left the BSA in 1915 over disagreements with the National Executive Board and Chief Scout Executive James E. West, but was honored by Scouting with one of the first Silver Buffalo Awards in 1925. He died on October 23, 1946.

For more information about Seton, visit “Blue Sky! The Ernest Thompson Seton Pages” at www.etsetoninstitute.org.

Section SR-7B makes service paramount at conclave

By **JOHN GARWOOD & ROBERT MASON**
Contributing Writers

Over the past few years, the section leadership of SR-7B, serving northern and eastern North Carolina, has explored many ways to improve the section conclave experience for Arrowmen. The Cardinal Conclave, named after North Carolina's state bird, is full of Scouting skills, American Indian events, and lodge competition. In the last two conclaves, however, the brothers of SR-7B have embraced a new activity: service to the community.

In 2009, the Council of Chiefs voted to host a blood drive during the morning training. This was a stunning success as they collected 31 pints of blood, well above the goal of 20. The 2010 blood drive was more successful, bringing in 55 pints, five pints more than the goal. With the success of 2009, the section leadership was inspired to host a larger project which could involve a greater number of participants to accompany the second drive. After some fact-finding, ‘Give 2 the Troops’, an organization that sends care packages to U.S. servicemen and women serving overseas, was identified, and the section leadership set a goal to create more than 1,000 care packages during conclave.

Using funds donated by the member lodges of SR-7B, section leadership sought donations and discounts on material goods that would bring a bit of home to those giving so much for our country. More than \$10,000 worth of goods



2009 National Chief, Jack O'Neill, penning a letter for his Give 2 the Troops care package at the 2010 SR-7B Cardinal Conclave.

were collected for the care packages. During the morning activities, Arrowmen formed an assembly line, placing items such as toothpaste, hand sanitizer, gummy bears, and Oreo cookies in bags. Twenty-six deployed platoons received boxes containing care packages, one for each platoon member, equaling a total of 1,040 packages. Every Arrowman who assembled a package penned a personal note in the package thanking the recipient for his service.

The local leadership for Give 2 the Troops was amazed that so many Scouts had participated. Huge smiles and joyful tears greeted the Arrowmen who helped load the packages into vans for transport to the organization's office. One soldier wrote to the Arrowman who assembled his care package, saying, “You and your fellow Scouts have brightened our days away from our loved ones, and we would like to say from the bottom of our hearts, thank you.”



Ernest Thompson Seton

Scouts enjoy Jamboree at Times Square

By **FRANK CACCAVALE**
Staff Writer

On July 31, 2010, it looked almost like a summer camp in the concrete jungle: Times Square in New York City became a place where you could find a climbing wall, a place to go canoeing, and a sea of tan shirts and smiling faces. The Times Square jamboree was part of the BSA's Shining Light Across America broadcast. Scouts and their friends and family were able to spend the day taking part in many exciting events that included everything from virtual archery to learning about the Boy Scouts of America's history.

Past National Chief Sean Murray oversaw a booth to promote both new boys joining Scouts and past Scouts and Scouters reconnecting to Scouting through the BSA's Alumni Relations.

That night, participants were able to view and take part in the 2010 National Scout Jamboree arena show broadcast live via satellite on the big screens in Times Square. The show featured signals being fed in live from

five different locations across America: Times Square in New York City; Raleigh, North Carolina; Jacksonville, Florida; Rapid City, South Dakota; and Fort Wayne, Indiana. As a special treat for the Scouts and leaders present in Times Square, they not only got to see the arena show from Fort A.P. Hill, but they also had special presentations from the New York City mayor's office, the Broadway Kids, and the New York Police Department commissioner.

This broadcast was the first time in the national Scout jamboree's 73-year history that the arena show has been seen by an audience other than jamboree participants.

This full day of exciting events and the broadcast were the result of hard work by many people from the Greater New York Council and many other councils from across the Northeast Region. The event was chaired by 1996 Western Region Chief and GNYC 100th Anniversary Chairman Tony Fiori. The activities and events were overseen by former Section NE-3B Chief Tyson Ford. The shows were



Times Square, New York City

produced and directed by 2001 National Chief Donald Cunningham, and Ryan Bell, a member of Hunnikick Lodge.

These Arrowmen, and many more from the local lodges, were responsible for putting on this exciting day so

more people could experience a taste of what the national Scout jamboree offered.

National committeemen receive Silver Antelope

Ron Bell, Toby Capps, and Howard Kern, all past or current members of the National Order of the Arrow Committee, were awarded the Silver Antelope during the BSA's National Annual Meeting in May. Created in 1942, the Silver Antelope recognizes outstanding service to youth at a regional level.

Ron Bell has been active in Scouting for more than five decades. Ron earned his Eagle Scout Award and later served as the O-Shot-Caw Lodge chief in 1966-1967. As an adult, Ron served as the O-Shot-Caw Lodge adviser for 25 years. He has served on the NOAC staff since 1983 and was awarded the Distinguished Service Award in 1988. As a member of the NOAC, Ron has served as the lead adviser to the OA Indian Village at the national jamboree since 1997; the 2003 OA Indian Summer in Asheville, North Carolina; and as the incident commander for the George Washington and Jefferson national forest sites of the *ArrowCorps*⁵ project in 2008. Ron has also served on the area camp visitation team for 25 years. Outside of Scouting, Ron and his wife, Lynda, are active members of the Lutheran Church. They are long-time residents of Miami, Florida.

Toby Capps has been active in Scouting for more than 45 years, starting with when he became a Cub Scout in the state of Washington.

As a Boy Scout, Toby was a two-term lodge chief and worked on the summer camp staff. Later, Toby was selected as the BSA's national youth representative and presented the BSA's Annual Report to President Gerald Ford. He currently serves on the council executive board and executive committee for the Chief Seattle Council. In the past, Toby has served as an Order of the Arrow section adviser, a vice chairman of the Western Region, and as a member of the National Order of the Arrow Committee. Outside of Scouting, Toby works for McKesson Corporation, where he is a salesman for medical and surgical supplies. He has been named to the President's Club, and created a program to provide medical supplies to 17 African countries for use in rural villages. Toby and his wife, Janairie, have two daughters and one son, an Eagle Scout.

Howard Kern is an Eagle Scout with four palms, a Hornaday Gold Badge recipient, and a member of the National Order of the Arrow Committee, serving on the Outdoor Program subcommittee. Howard serves in various roles outside of Scouting, including on the Trout Unlimited National Youth Advisory Committee, which he helped found. He also serves on the Leave No Trace Task Force, as well as the Fishing Task Force, for the Boy Scouts of America. He is currently the project coordinator for the

state of California's Golden Trout Restoration Project. This project, which involves federal, state, and private partners, is a statewide effort to restore California's state fish, the California golden trout, to its native ranges in California's

Sierra Nevada mountain range. For his efforts, Howard was recognized as Field & Stream magazine's 2009 National Hero of Conservation. Outside of Scouting, Howard serves as a vice president for UBS Financial Services. He and his

wife, Monica, live in Westlake Village, California, where they raise their two daughters, Emily and Melissa.

The Order of the Arrow congratulates these men on their recent accolades.

High adventure provides service to BSA bases

By **RYAN BRADY**
OA High Adventure

In 2010, the Order of the Arrow's high-adventure programs were filled to capacity for the fifth consecutive year. Hundreds of Arrowmen from across the country spent countless hours building and repairing portage trails in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and hiking trails in the Philmont back country.

As we prepare for 2011, we are excited to debut the new version of the OA Ocean Adventure program. Applications for OAOA are now available, along with the other high-adventure program applications (OA Trail Crew, OA Wilderness Voyage, and OA Canadian Odyssey) online.

The OA high-adventure programs provide an incredible value to eligible Arrowmen who want to experience the BSA's high-adventure bases compared

to what a traditional troop or council trip would cost.

Slots for specific sessions are filled in the order in which applications are received, so sign up today. Please note that a higher priority for slotting in OA Ocean Adventure will be given to past participants of OATC, OAWV, and OACO. Please visit our website at <http://adventure.oa-bsa.org> for the latest information, as well as pictures and testimonials from this summer's participants.



Arrowmen gather for a photo while at the Order of the Arrow's Wilderness Voyage program.

Scouts travel to Saudi Arabia

By **WILL SWINGLE**
2010 National OA Vice Chief

On April 2, three of our national officers took the spirit of the Order overseas to Saudi Arabia. Chief Brad Lichota, Vice Chief Will Swingle, and Southern Region Chief Don Combs ventured alongside seven other Scouts from across the nation to serve as BSA "goodwill ambassadors." After a long night flight to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the group of Scouts was greeted by Rovers, a group largely composed of older boys similar to our Venturing program.

After a friendly welcome, the Scouts checked into their lodging for the week. For the next few days, the Scouts toured many historical sites in the city of Riyadh, the capital of Saudi Arabia. These stops included the palace of King Abdul Aziz, the first king of Saudi Arabia; Al Musmak, the first fort of the city of Riyadh; and many other areas that were prominent to the foundation of the kingdom.

The time spent in the kingdom wasn't just filled with sightseeing, but it was also spent with the Saudi Scouts. The group traveled to different camps surrounding the city where the Scouts, much like our own, learn how to build a fire, tie knots, and survive in the wilderness.



National Chief Brad Lichota (right) races a Saudi Arabian Scout on a four-wheeler.

The group of American Scouts also had in-depth exposure to Saudi Arabian culture. At many of the camps, there were programs that included horseback riding, camel riding, scavenger hunts, traditional cooking, and ATV riding. The national officers were more than proud to show the Saudi Scouts, whose program is based on our own, that Scout spirit is not just found in one nation, but can be found around the world.

Check out www.event.oa-bsa.org!

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process. A primary objective of this event is to expand a participant's understanding of American Indian culture. To achieve this, Arrowmen will have first-hand experience with American Indian crafts, singing, dancing, clothing, traditions, games, and conducting pow wows.

You can improve your skills in conducting a successful pre-Ordeal or Ordeal ceremony. Indian Summer participants will have the opportunity to delve deeper into the ceremony world of settings, props, symbolism, performing the ceremonies, the development of ceremonial costumes, understanding the 10 induction principles, and administrating the Ordeal.

Indian Summer will be held August 1-6, 2011 at the Ridgecrest Conference Center near Asheville, North Carolina.

"Indian summer will be one of the best experiences for Arrowmen to expand their knowledge," said Will Swingle, National Vice Chief of the Order of the Arrow. "Arrowmen will be able to experience pow wows and participate in ceremony evaluations."



Indian Summer will offer training in Order of the Arrow Ceremonies and Inductions.

AWAKE *your* **PRINCIPAL**
CATCH *your* **RHYTHM**
MOVE *your* **FEET**

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