Fellow Arrowmen,

First, I would like to congratulate all of our new Arrowmen who went through the Summer Ordeal. These 37 new members truly understood the meaning of being an Arrowman. Each readily and willingly spent themselves in cheerful service to others. This Ordeal was a great success. Some of the projects completed were the removal and replacement of the Trading Post retention wall and the removal of the path from the Trading Post to Campsite 14 in order to replace it with one that will make the campsite more wheelchair accessible. That being said, there was room for improvement. I would like to see more members in attendance in the future. An Ordeal is an opportunity for all Arrowmen to come together and stand by our new brothers through their ordeals until they enter into the bonds of brotherhood. It is also a chance for lodge members to serve the camp that we all know and love. I encourage, no I challenge, all who are reading this to be in attendance of our Winter Ordeal. I would also like to congratulate the ceremony teams on completing six ceremonies in two nights and our dedicated elangomats on their encouragement and steady guidance to all our candidates.

With the Summer Ordeal behind us, we now turn our sights to the Fall Fellowship. All Arrowmen are welcome to come out on the weekend of September 18-20 for an action-packed weekend. If you’re looking for some good old-fashioned aquatic activities, camp wide games, excitement on the C.O.P.E. course, and some good home cooking, then this is the weekend for you! Hope to see you all there.

Yours in Service,
Joel Dees
Quelqueshoe Lodge Chief
It is truly difficult to find the words necessary to describe the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) experience. You could call it amazing, stunning, extraordinary, spectacular, wonderful, astonishing, electrifying, or incredible. But these words are not enough. They do not fully express the power of NOAC. They merely scratch the surface of what thousands of Arrowmen came to know as “The Power of One.”

For the first time, NOAC was driven by a theme. Going beyond just having a slogan that looks good on a patch, this NOAC focused on “The Power of One,” the impact that one person, one group, one organization can have on the world around us.

The Quelqueshoe Lodge contingent was thirteen members strong. It consisted of seven youth and six adult Arrowmen, each with something different to add to the NOAC experience.

Every trip to NOAC also includes the power of fun, as the contingent makes a few stops at places of interest, and this time was no exception. The group ate dinner at Lambert’s Café in Sikeston, MO. This hot spot has become famous as the “Home of the Thowed Rolls” and lives up to every word, which makes for an exciting meal to say the least. Another interesting site is the Parthenon in Nashville’s Centennial Park. This full-scale replica of the Parthenon in Athens was built in 1897. While in Nashville, our Arrowmen also made a stop at the Hard Rock Café and toured the Gaylord Hotel in Opryland. This resort is the largest non-casino hotel in the world and the largest hotel in the United States outside Las Vegas. There is no doubt these were all major attractions, but the main event was unquestionably the conference.

For those who have been to a NOAC, you know that it is absolutely impossible to do everything in one conference, or even two.

Throughout the week, Arrowmen were able to experience T.O.A.P., the Outdoor Adventure Place, which was the go-to site for all things camping, hiking, and climbing. They offered rock walls and scuba diving for anyone who worked up the courage. There was the OA Museum, where Arrowmen got to see the early years of the Order through patches, photos, and much more. Other events throughout the week were the National Council of Chiefs, the various ceremony and dance competitions, the region gatherings, the Grand Ho-Dag, sporting event competitions of all kinds, Meet the Man sessions, ice cream socials, and Founders Day complete with the parade, Goodman Games, and Founders Fair.

Some other highlights were the OA Shows. Saturday night was the opening show, followed by the Awards Show on Sunday night. The recipients of the Red Arrow Awards and the Distinguished Service Awards were recognized. Also recognized was the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award, Del Loder. Del is only the fourth man to receive such an honor in the near one hundred year history of the OA. His words to the filled Assembly Hall was nothing short of inspiring and moving to all. It was truly a pleasure to experience. The Native American show displayed the finest dancers from across the nation, and the Theme show brought NOAC to close with a bang, while reinforcing the differences “The Power of One” can make.

Wayne Brock, the Chief Operations Officer (COO) of the Boy Scouts of America summed it up perfectly. He said, “Guys, if you really want to see Scouting in action, you have got to go to the NOAC. It was unbelievable.”

NOAC 2009 has only just come to an end, but preparations are already underway for NOAC 2012 and a return to Michigan State University in East Lansing, MI. The tentative date is July 30th through August 4th, so save the date today!
**ADVISER’S MINUTE**

Fellow Arrowmen,

We just returned from a very successful Ordeal Weekend. We were able to serve an Ordeal class of 37 candidates. This is the largest class in quite some time. It was filled with many very worthy youth and adult candidates. Quelqueshoe Lodge is looking forward to working with these new Arrowmen for quite some time. Their willingness to work and all they accomplished this weekend has already shown that they will be a wonderful addition to our lodge. As I watched them this weekend and then in fellowship with them, I realized how many very good leaders had just come in. I look forward to working with them at all levels of service to Scouting.

I would also like to thank the LEC for the work they did this weekend. They faced several unusual challenges and some of the usual ones but were able to overcome them and have an awesome weekend. We were also able to hand out our very first set of Elangomat patches to Adam LeDoux, Josh Evans, Hunter Guidry, Pam Dartez, and David Vogel. Judging from the offers of patches and money from the lifelong patch collectors, these are going to be valuable for a time, so this is a good time to sign up for Elangomat training.

Again, I wish to thank everyone for a great weekend.

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Donn E. Dees
Lodge Adviser

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**Quelqueshoe Crossword**

**ACROSS**
1. 2009 National Chief of the OA.
2. Site of the last National Jamboree.
3. Award first introduced at the 1981 NOAC, following the death of E. Urner Goodman.
4. Local organizations of the OA.
6. Test in the Ordeal given by Meteu.
8. Sign of OA membership between two Arrowmen.
9. 2009 National Vice Chief of the OA.

**DOWN**
1. 2009 National Jamboree.
2. The theme for the 2009 National Order of the Arrow Conference.
3. Test in the Ordeal given by Meteu.
4. Site of the last National Jamboree.
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Arrowmen in Action

(Left) Quelqueshoe Lodge Arrowmen outside the Indiana University Auditorium at NOAC 2009. Left to right: Ryan Johnston, Taylor O’Quain, Joel Dees, and Jeremi Edwards.

(Below) Contingent pausing for a photo at lodge registration outside of Assembly Hall. Left to right: (back row) David Day, Joel Dees, Suzunne Houk, (front row) Taylor O’Quain, Hunter Guidry, Colby Broussard, Jeremi Edwards, Ryan Johnston, Vern Morgan, and Joe Castro.


(Above) David Day taking in the view from his dorm room in the Teter Quad at Indiana University.

(Left) Riding the train outside of Lambert’s on the way to NOAC. Arrowmen enjoyed the “Home of the Threwed Roll.”
NOAC 2009
The Power of One
In May 1927, E. Urner Goodman was to the larger Chicago Area Council as Scout Executive. During his four-year tenure in the “Windy City,” he reversed a decline in finances and increased Scout membership by more than thirty percent, from 11,806 to 16,920 Scouts.
O’Neill Presents 2008 Report to the Nation

Robert Mason, OA National Bulletin

Beginning in the Spring of 1910, a delegation of young, decorated Scouts travelled to our nation’s capital to deliver the Boy Scouts of America’s annual Report to the Nation. This comprehensive report includes updates on Scouting growth and program highlights.

Each day, the delegation distributes these reports to important agencies, offices, and key figures involved with the Scouting movement. Since the mid-1960s, it has become customary that the national chief of the Order of the Arrow be included in this experience. In early March, National Chief Jack O’Neill left his hometown of St. Louis to head to the nation’s capital for a week.

This year’s delegation included the National Venturing President, a decorated Sea Scout, two Cub Scouts, a pair of Boy Scouts, and even a Medal of Merit recipient. Each of the seven members has a unique story about Scouting’s impact on their lives.

“Representing over 4.5 million Boy Scouts and 170,000 Arrowmen at the Boy Scouts’ annual report in Washington D.C., was a tremendous honor,” O’Neill said. “We spent five days in Washington D.C., delivering the report to our nation’s leaders. We met people like Distinguished Eagle Scout and Secretary of Defense Robert Gates, Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, and Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell.”

Some of the personal highlights for Jack included trips to institutions such as the NASA Goddard Space Center, U.S. Marine Corps Base Quantico, the Pentagon, U.S. Secret Service Headquarters, the National Capital, Arlington National Cemetery, and the White House. “Each place had its own unique atmosphere,” he said.

A tradition started with President Taft in 1910, the annual appearance by the BSA highlights the continuous commitment that is decreed in our oath, “duty to country.”

Recalling the events of meeting the President, O’Neill summarized by saying, “We reached the West Wing and waited in the Roosevelt Room, just outside the Oval Office. They opened the large door to the Oval Office, and there stood the President of the United States, Barack Obama. The entire contingent was introduced to the President, then we went to the formal presentation of the report.

For daily photo slideshows, delegate interviews, and a look back at previous reports, visit http://www.bsartn2008.org. Be sure to check the website early next Spring to see all the details for the 100th Anniversary Presentation.

Scouts present the BSA’s 2008 Report to the Nation to President Barack Obama at the White House. From left to right: Tory Green, Javier Castillo, Ruben Hipolito, Douglas Buck, President Barack Obama, Cameron Clark, Jack O’Neill, and Amanda Vogt.
Dear Arrowman,

Within this edition of the Screaming Eagle you will find the nomination forms for the Founders Award and the Outstanding Arrowman of the Year Award. These awards recognize those Arrowmen who demonstrate exceptional service to the lodge, the Order of the Arrow, and the greater Scouting community. If there is an Arrowman whom you feel is deserving of one or both of these awards, we ask that you take the time to complete the appropriate nomination forms by October 31st and return them to bchapman07@hotmail.com. All nominations will be carefully considered, and the awards will be presented at the Quelqueshoe Lodge Banquet on January 9, 2010.

Brett Chapman
Awards and Recognition Chairman

Please submit any articles or comments to Publications Chairman Brett Chapman at bchapman@quelqueshoe.org.

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Brett Chapman
Awards and Recognition Chairman

9, 2010. I look forward to hearing from you.

Dee Arrowman.