



Get Hype for Spring Inductions 2019!

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2019 SR-7B Conclave Thank You

By: Will Hardesty (Kiowa)

Many Thunderbirds came together with 5 other lodges in SR-7B for a weekend of fun, fellowship, and competitions. The Occoneechee Lodge 104 Tipi has a Conclave Special Editions, so please read that edition of the Tipi that covers everything about Conclave. Here John Sommer would like to say thank you for making the 2019 SR-7B Conclave a pretty hype event. Also, everyone go to #prettyhypestuffgoingon.com for a real hype time. Seriously, it is a real website.

"There was an idea to bring together a group of remarkable people so that they could plan and run the hypest Conclave in the history of the Order of the Arrow.

Seeing an idea, turn into action, and then turn into a reality is an amazing experience. This Conclave wouldn't have been successful without the help of my Family, Friends, Chairmen, Advisers, and certain people who couldn't be there but helped me along the way. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as the 2019 Conclave Chairmen and lead an amazing group of people. The past two years have been full of friendship, fellowship, service, and much more. If you asked me to describe this experience you probably know what I am going to say, (but hey we have a website for it now) but I feel there is no better way to describe it then #prettyhypestuffgoingon" – John Sommer.



What to Expect at Spring Inductions 2019



By: Alberto Daniel (Saponi)

As one lodge event ends, we look toward another. After the 2019 SR-7B Conclave, our lodge will look forward to our next Occoneechee Lodge 104 Event —Spring Inductions 2019. There our lodge will offer another opportunity for new brothers to complete the Ordeal to become a member into the Order of the Arrow. Spring Inductions will offer a time for members to compete in chapter vs. chapter events, provide cheerful service to Camp Durant, and reflect on an event called Conclave. Members will have the opportunity to join some of our amazing committees, work at the trading post or grill, serve as an elangomat, or help with our cook crew.

Lodge Chief Michael Glennon announce that Spring Inductions will be a more laid back and fun event, compare to the last few Spring Inductions where the weekend was dedicated toward service to our camp. Spring Inductions will still offer service to Camp Durant to help the camp get ready for Summer Camp for scouts, but the event will offer fun activities for the lodge and chapters. Some of the fun activities are a camp-wide scavenger hunt, basketball tournament, and a frisbee golf competition as well. The newly inducted members of our Order who got inducted at Spring Pow-Wow are encourage to attend this hype event. There will also be a campfire show on Saturday night before Thunderfest. At Thunderfest the dunk tank will be back, both youth and adults will be able to cast a vote at the Thundy Grill of who they would love to see in the dunk tank at Thunderfest. The top names will be in the dunk tank at Thunderfest Saturday night, so if you want to see someone in the lodge get soaked this is your time. With all of the fun and excitement Spring Inductions have to offer, Spring Inductions will be an event toward cheerful service to the camp to get ready for Summer Camp, but with a couple of new twists this year.

Brotherhood Trail at Camp Durant



By: Chase Thompson (Neusiok)

Throughout the Summer at Camp Durant during Scout Camp, our brothers who are eligible to obtain the Brotherhood Membership will have an opportunity to become Arrowmen. On Wednesday Afternoon Ordeal Members who are eligible for their Brotherhood can go to the Sullivan Center and take their Brotherhood Trail starting at 4pm. Staff Members at Camp Durant will be able to serve on the Brotherhood Trail and even staff members who are eligible for their Brotherhood can take the trail as well. The Tipi talked to Brotherhood Committee Chairmen Johnathan Stark if current Brotherhood and Vigil members could get the Nemat Award.

Johnathan said "They can't because, members don't fulfill one requirement, which is helping out in the service project, so no. No one can't earn the Nemat award and patch at Summer Camp". He did say that if you do complete all of the requirements, but the service project. Fall Fellowship if you help out in the service project you will get the award and patch.

If your Troop is not going to Camp Durant for Summer Camp, you can still complete the Brotherhood Trail at Camp Durant over the summer. Camp Durant OA Commissioner John Sommer said "If a Scout or adult leaders want to complete their Brotherhood Trail they can, but they need to come to the Sullivan Center at 4 pm on Wednesday Afternoon. We will not provide a ride to camp, but they can complete their Brotherhood Trail at Camp Durant. The Brotherhood Ceremony will occur on Friday nights after campfire". So, if you want to complete your Brotherhood Trail at Camp Durant this summer you can and everyone will be excited that you came to camp during the summer for your Brotherhood Trail.

Netami vs. Ilau Machque Kickball Game



By: Parker Morrissette (Netami)

Good vs evil, right vs wrong, dark side vs light side, it is Netami vs Ilau Machque. The kickball game of the decade where two powerhouses battling it out for bragging rights on the ultimate stage. Now becoming an annual tradition for these two chapters, Ilau Machque and Netami have built a passionate rivalry in recent years. The rivalry has gotten so big that Ilau Machque players took to social media with the hashtag #beatnetami before the game. Blake Davis, Ilau Machque's Chapter Chief and Sam Chittick, Netami's Chapter Chief and their Vice Chiefs put on this second annual Kickball game between chapters. After the first meeting between chapters ended in a 2-2 tie, the intensity for this game was at an all-time high as chapter supremacy was on the line. With John Sommer and his well-known athletic prowess pitching for Ilau Machque, they felt like they were in good hands. Despite Ilau Machque's solid defense that included Lodge Chief Michael Glennon and VC of Admin Matthew Gillespie, Netami came out kicking strong as they quickly got on the board in the 1st ending with 2 runs, already tieing last years point total. When it was Ilau Machque's turn up to the plate, Netami swiftly got three outs on defense as they put together an impressive first inning. Netami could not be stopped as they kept running up the score, led by Jacob Labazza, Damion Huffman, Evan Nazareth, Ronan Maher, and Parker Morrissette and many Netami faithful. The adults from the chapter got into the game by smack talking and cheering as the two chapters duked it out. As the sun set over the field and the game was coming to its nail-biting conclusion. The final score of this thrilling game was 18-0 as Netami shut out Ilau Machque for the glorious victory! Sam Chittick was showered in Cheerwine after the win surround by his teammates. The two rivals after the game came together to celebrate the fun by eating pizza and having Cheerwine floats. In response to the loss, Blake remained firm in his belief in his chapter as he said: "we will get'em next year." After leading the smack talk against Netami, former Ilau Machque chapter chief was humbled as the day after the game he wrote "I woke up this morning hoping it was all a dream. Then I looked at my phone and realized it wasn't. Ilau Machque might not have won the game, but we did win in our hearts." It was a game for the ages where loads of fun was had by all and many are excited for the next chapter in this rivalry!