



2009 Annual Report

# the power of **ONE**

"To love one another is the greatest life lesson learned in my youth, a lesson taught me by men of the highest moral character, men of profound vision, honor, and dedication, men who I still consider myself fortunate to have known. These men were my brothers in the Order of the Arrow."

A reflection from the 2009 National Order of the Arrow Conference



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## LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

## letter from the chief and the vice chief

Brothers,

The year 2009 brought great successes and ever lasting memories. It was a monumental year not only for our organization, but society as a whole. We were all a part of the inauguration of a new President of the United States, we have been battling through the worst economic downturn since the great depression, and we witnessed a heroic crash landing in the Hudson River. No matter what the memory, this past year has brought with it powerful experiences.

These experiences were embodied by each one of our 171,000 members. Our organization successfully conducted twelve national leadership seminars, seven national lodge adviser training seminars, four section officer seminars, the 2009 national Order of the Arrow conference (NOAC), and countless other programs. Each of these programs offered different opportunities that enhanced our leadership abilities and enabled us all to partake of our Brotherhood. However, the true pinnacle of the year was NOAC 2009. It had the memorable theme of THE POWER OF ONE, that will forever stick with the 6,803 members in attendance.

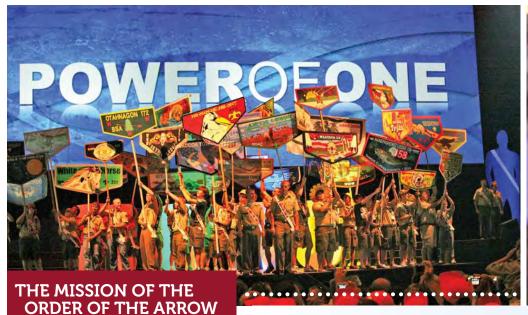
The *Power* comes from the individual. It is each person that can and should harness that *Power* to benefit those around them. Moreover, when we work together in this organization and in life, we must take this theme with us. The impact can be large or small, short or long term, just so long as it is positive for those involved. THE POWER OF ONE is the beginning of a journey that our organization has embarked on and where it will take us is up to each Arrowman.

Within the following pages, the 2009 Order of the Arrow Annual Report outlines where we have been as an organization over the past year. This report serves as a perfect benchmark for us to strive to improve and continue paving our way as we head into 2010 and the years to come. The year 2009 has brought with it memories that will last a life time. We are embarking on a new direction for our organization, founded on the three principles of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service.

Yours in Service,

Jack O'Neill 2009 National Chief

> Dan Higham 2009 National Vice Chief





The mission of the Order of the Arrow is to fulfill its purpose as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.

A mission statement is a brief sentence that defines an organization's core objective, its essence. It answers the question, "Why do we exist?" using clear, concise words.

The OA's mission statement is a declaration of our key beliefs and intentions as a Brotherhood. It affirms: a commitment to achieve our purpose, our position within the BSA,

DURING 2009 THE ORDER OF THE ARROW
UPDATED ITS MISSION AND PURPOSE STATEMENT
FOR THE 21ST CENTURY.
THE FOLLOWING PROVIDES THE UPDATED STATEMENTS
ALONG WITH A BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THEIR MEANING.

and the youth led adult supported partnership that is the hallmark of the Order's success.

Every member should become familiar with the Order of the Arrow's mission statement.

#### ...mission...

The dictionary defines *mission* as "a sending out or being sent out with authority to perform a special service; an errand." As Arrowmen, we are familiar with this concept. The legend, described by Meteu in the Ordeal ceremony, explains how Chingachgook and Uncas traveled

to neighboring villages to warn their nation of an impending "dire and dreadful danger." Their trip was a *mission*.

Note that the definition of mission includes the word "authority." A mission is sanctioned and approved. The Order of the Arrow's authority comes from the organization we serve, the Boy Scouts of America.

...an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America...

Integral (pronounced in'•tə•grəl) means "necessary for completeness,

essential, whole, complete, made up of parts forming a whole." The word is used to point out that the Order is an essential, integrated program within the broader Scouting program, not a separate entity.

# ...through positive youth leadership...

The word positive is an adjective which means "making a definite contribution; constructive" to further describe the leadership qualities expected of Arrowmen. Leadership is about action, about directing, guiding and supporting others. As a result, *positive youth leadership* implies "constructive action" by young people.

Like Scouting itself, the Order is designed to benefit youth. Through youth leadership, members under the age of 21 learn by doing, planning and conducting OA program at the chapter, lodge, section, region and national levels. The officers and youth committee chairmen lead meetings, run activities and manage OA finances. Only those members under age 21 may hold office or vote.

# ...under the guidance of selected capable adults.

Adults in the Order serve in advisory capacities. Typically, adults serve as advisers to each youth position. An adviser's role often includes training, counseling, coaching and mentoring youth. Not every adult can be chosen to be an OA adviser. Those appointed usually have noteworthy competencies and an ability to relate well with people, especially young people.

The concept of youth led adult supported partnerships took root during the very first days of the Order. Working with their advisers, young members inducted into the Brotherhood in the first ceremonies, in the summer of 1915, began accepting leadership roles that fall: forming committees to maintain membership records, drafting lodge rules and reworking ceremonies.

With each passing decade, the Order's commitment to youth led adult supported partnerships has grown and evolved. Today, that partnership is more prominent and stronger than ever.





THE PURPOSE
OF THE ORDER OF THE ARROW

As Scouting's National Honor Society, our purpose is to:

- >Recognize those who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and through that recognition cause others to conduct themselves in a way that warrants similar recognition.
- >Promote camping, responsible outdoor adventure, and environmental stewardship as essential components of every Scout's experience, in the unit, year-round, and in summer camp.
- >Develop leaders with the willingness, character, spirit and ability to advance the activities of their units, our Brotherhood, Scouting, and ultimately our nation.
- >Crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

The Order of the Arrow's four part purpose explains our intentions and goals. Each member is expected to understand and be able to explain what the OA is all about. The following paragraphs amplify and expand on the above purpose statement.

# As Scouting's National Honor Society, our purpose is to: ...

As Scouting's National Honor Society, the Order of the Arrow is in some ways similar to high school national honor societies that recognize outstanding students based on scholarship, leadership, service and character. Selection to membership in the OA is unique, however, because it is controlled by non member peers rather than members.

...Recognize those who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and through that recognition cause others to conduct themselves in a way that warrants similar recognition...

This first component of the Order of the Arrow's purpose has been an important concept from the beginning of the Order. It relates directly to the BSA's mission to "prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law." By recognizing those Scouts who strive to live their lives according to the Scout Oath and Law with membership (and an OA sash, distinctive pocket flap, membership card and handbook), the OA hopes to motivate other Scouts to act in ways that cause them to be selected for OA membership as well.

...Promote camping, responsible outdoor adventure, and environmental stewardship as essential components of every Scout's experience, in the unit, year round, and in summer camp...

Camping is one of the primary methods used in Scouting to help young men grow to maturity; to build self confidence and a sense of responsibility; and develop qualities of trustworthiness and teamwork.









It is in the outdoors that young men learn most about the natural world and the responsibility to care for it; stretch themselves mentally and physically against outdoor challenges; and learn to lead, work cooperatively and care for others in a setting that is both healthy and demanding. Confidence in one's skills and abilities comes through testing, and Scouting provides ample opportunities for that testing from unit camps to summer camps, from camporees to Jamborees, and from local outings to nationally sponsored high adventure programs. An Arrowman understands that his first responsibility is to his unit, and to helping ensure that the outdoor components of his unit's program are strong.

Synonyms for *promote* include "improve" and "develop," so the OA's involvement is more than the promotion of weekend and summer camp to units much more. The OA is involved in Scouting's camping and high adventure programming at many levels.

The word *responsible* conveys our commitment to health and safety, and safe practices in all aspects of our outdoor programs and activities.

Environmental has to do with one's surroundings, conditions and circumstances, including

all those that influence life on earth. Stewardship relates to one's moral responsibility for the care or administration of a group's resources. Environmental stewardship then, is about one's moral responsibility to care for one's surroundings. The OA's love of nature is well documented in our ceremonies and traditions. Our Order's responsibility as stewards of the earth's resources is a logical extension of that love, whether local or national in scope.

...Develop leaders with the willingness, character, spirit and ability to advance the activities of their units, our Brotherhood, Scouting, and ultimately our nation...

A direct benefit of OA membership is its ability to impart leadership skills to members and provide opportunities to apply and practice those skills. This is accomplished in a myriad of ways, including formal training at many levels and through the example of experienced leaders themselves. The most important methodology is through the careful and focused coaching and mentoring of youth leaders by talented and committed adult advisers. From the chapter to the lodge, section, region and national levels, the OA places young men in leadership roles and allows them to lead and to learn from their mistakes.

Successful advisers mentor young OA leaders to succeed, improving their leadership abilities while carrying out assignments for the OA, Scouting or their community.

Inclusion of the word willing, along with the words character, spirit and ability as descriptors of leadership, is a direct, though subtle, reference to the line in The Legend: "And in every village some were found who were quite willing to spend themselves in others' service."

One's spirit has a great deal to do with one's will. Taken together, commitment (willingness/spirit), character (moral constitution), and competence (skill/ability) represent the essence of leadership.

To advance means "move forward" or "improve." This section of the purpose refers to an Arrowman's first responsibility his unit as well as to the Order of the Arrow itself, The Brotherhood of Cheerful Service, Wimachtendienk, Wingolausik, Witahemui, and the Boy Scouts of America to whom an Arrowman's service is directed.

...Crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

This statement has been a part of the OA's purpose from the

beginning. Learning and living Scouting's values are of little worth unless those values become a part of the personality and fiber of our members. When Arrowmen strive to live lives of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness and Service, every day in every way, they are more likely to lead meaningful and fulfilling lives and more likely to contribute to the betterment of our society.

Charity, helpfulness and principled living are significant, timeless traits—identified and nurtured by our country's Founding Fathers, sustained during our nation's expansion westward, tempered by great national and world conflicts, invigorated by industrial and technological revolutions, honed by social movements—and remain a significant and important part of our national fabric and the American people to this day.

The Order of the Arrow, as a component of the BSA, recognizes all of this and strives to help ensure its members set the example of citizenship at its finest.





#### **SUPPORT OF SCOUTING:**

The Order of the Arrow's support for Scouting remained focused on service to council camps, national high adventure bases, camperships, scholarships, and direct support to council Friends of Scouting campaigns.

## TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF SCOUTING

Combined the Order gave \$12,231,103 in support to Scouting in 2009



Service to council projects \$10,037,379\*

Materials to council projects \$1,359,493

Friends of Scouting \$499,620

High Adventure Service\*\*
\$216,360

High Adventure Operations \$43,995

Lodge Service Grants \$39,990

Maury Clancy American Indian Fund \$23,266

> Josh R. Sain Scholarships \$11,000

#### **NATIONAL SERVICE AWARD**

The National Service Award was created in 1999 to recognize exceptional lodge service to the local council and community measured both quantitatively and qualitatively. Lodges must have achieved quality lodge recognition to be considered.

The following lodges received the National Service Award in 2009:

### **Central Region**

Cho-Gun-Mun-A-Nock Lodge Hawkeye Area Council #172 Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Gabe-Shi-Win-Gi-Ji-Kens Lodge Chief Okemos Council #271 Lansing, Michigan

### **Northeast Region**

Madockawanda Lodge Pine Tree Council #218 Portland, Maine

Octoraro Lodge Chester County Council #539 West Chester, Pennsylvania

### Southern Region

Echockotee Lodge North Florida Council #87 Jacksonville, Florida

Mikanakawa Lodge Circle Ten Council #571 Dallas, Texas

### Western Region

Wiatava Lodge Orange County Council #39 Santa Ana, California

Orca Lodge Redwood Empire Council #41 Santa Rosa, California



<sup>\*1,384,466</sup> man hours at \$7.25 per hour.

<sup>\*\*10,818</sup> man hours at the USFS wage scale of \$20.00 per hour

#### **LODGE SERVICE GRANTS**

The national Order of the Arrow committee provides matching service grants for a limited number of lodge sponsored council service projects. The evaluators consider the innovative nature and scope of each project submitted, the number of Scouts who would benefit from the project, and how the project would enhance the council camping experience. Lodges must have achieved quality lodge recognition to be considered.

In 2009 the following lodges received Lodge Service Grants:

#### Achewon Nimat Lodge

San Francisco Bay Area Council #28 San Leandro, California \$2,390.00 grant to aid in the construction of a mountain biking trail and to purchase two new mountain bikes.

#### Alibamu Lodge

Tukabatchee Area Council #5 Montgomery, Alabama

\$3,500.00 grant for the construction of a 300 foot elevated trail through a five acre swamp. The trail will open the camp to hiking and other outdoor activities.

## Awaxaawe' Awachia Lodge

Trapper Trails Council #589 Ogden, Utah

\$5,000.00 grant for the construction of a 112 foot long foot bridge to facilitate the expansion of camping areas at Camp Fife.

#### Chippewa Lodge

Great Lakes Council #272
Detroit, Michigan

\$4,100.00 grant for the restoration of Camp Agawam's waterfront.

#### Colonneh Lodge

Sam Houston Area Council #576 Houston, Texas

\$5,000.00 grant for continuing Hurricane Ike repairs and restoration including: chapel seating, campsite pavilions, and reconstruction of a small bridge.

#### Es-Kaielgu Lodge

Inland Northwest Council #611 Spokane, Washington

\$5,000.00 grant for the construction of new BB gun range at Cub Country on the Cowles Scout Reservation.

#### Kidi Kidish Lodge

Coronado Area Council #192 Salina, Kansas

\$5,000.00 grant to complete a 2 ½ mile hiking and biking trail and improvement of camping area with access to fishing, biking, ecology, and other outdoor activities for Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts.

#### Wah-Sha-She Lodge

Ozark Trails Council #306 Springfield, Missouri

\$5,000.00 grant for the construction of outdoor education area which will include a conservation trail and fishing pond.

#### Yah-Tah-Hey-Si-Kess Lodge

Great Southwest Council #412 Albuquerque, New Mexico

\$5,000.00 grant for the construction of campsite pavilions. These funds have been matched by 3:1 by the members of the lodge and the Gorham Family Foundation for a total \$20,000.00



#### **RANDY & MARYANNE CLINE**

Mechanichsburg, Pennsylvania Lifelong Scouter Visionary Leader Dedicated Arrowman

#### **SILVER BUFFALO AWARD**

The Order of the Arrow was honored to have Randall K. "Randy" Cline selected to receive Scouting's highest honor the Silver Buffalo Award.

Randy has been an integral part of the national Order of the Arrow committee for 22 years, his roles have included producing shows for national conferences from 1977 to 1990, developing the current National Leadership Seminar, and collaborating on the Order's first strategic plan.

Established in 1925, only 674 Scouters have been honored with the Silver Buffalo Award for extraordinary service to youth on a national scale.





#### LEADERS OF CHARACTER:

The four regions delivered 12 National Leadership Seminars and 7 National Lodge Adviser Training Seminars in 2009. In addition, Section Officer Seminars were held in all four regions. Delivery of quality training continues to be the foundation of the region Order of the Arrow program.

## NLS PARTICIPATION BY REGION



Central 139 Northeast 191 Southern 191 Western 171

#### NLATS PARTICIPATION BY REGION



Central 36 Northeast 46 Southern 56 Western 49

#### THE BROTHERHOOD

At the end of 2009 there were 303 lodges in 297 councils, organized into 50 sections:

170,918 Boy Scouts, Varsity Team members and adult Scouters were Arrowmen

The membership consisted of 96,880 youth members and 74,038 adult members

202 councils (68%) qualified for National Quality Lodge Recognition

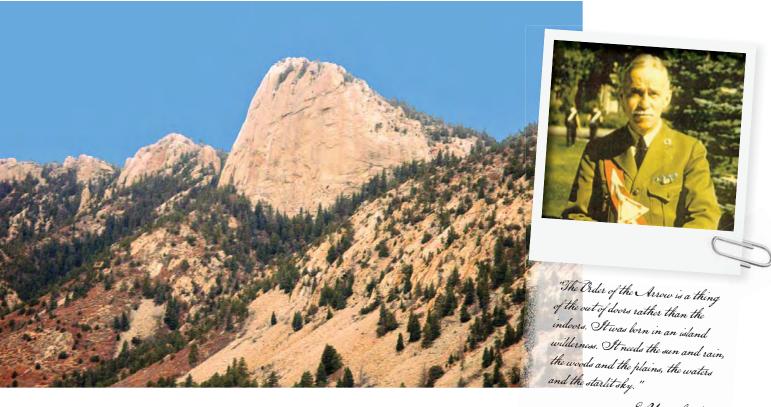
244 councils (82.2%) met the Order's 30% Brotherhood conversion requirement

41,932 new members were inducted into Ordeal membership; 17,354, into Brotherhood; and 2,365, into Vigil.

Section Conclaves were conducted at 50 locations during the year. This annual event brings together Arrowmen from all lodges in a section for training, fellowship, and inspiration. For the seventh year, a new training topic was introduced at each 2009 Section Conclave.

The first year of the fourth three year cycle of the Lodge Assistance Program was completed. This program is managed and reported within each region.

239 councils were using the OA LodgeMaster Membership Management System by the end of 2009.



#### **GOODMAN CAMPING AWARD:**

The E. Urner Goodman Camping Award was created in 1969 as a tribute and testimonial to the Order's founder. The purpose of this award is to encourage and challenge Order of the Arrow members and lodges to increase their scope and effectiveness in promoting and increasing Scout camping within each council. Lodges must have achieved quality lodge recognition to be considered. The award is presented to two outstanding lodges from each of the four regions annually.

The 2009 recipients of the E. Urner Goodman Camping Award were:

#### **Central Region**

Nischa Chuppecat Lodge

Hoosier Trails Council #145 Bloomington, Indiana

#### Timmeu Lodge

Northeast Iowa Council #178 Dubuque, Iowa

## Northeast Region Octoraro Lodge

Chester County Council #539 West Chester, Pennsylvania

### Wyona Lodge

Columbia – Montour Council #504 Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania

## **Southern Region:**

Hasinai Lodge

Three Rivers Council #578 Beaumont, Texas

#### Muscogee Lodge

Indian Waters Council #553 Columbia, South Carolina -l. Urner Goodman

### Western Region

Orca Lodge

Redwood Empire Council #41 Santa Rosa, California

#### Tsisqan Lodge

Oregon Trail Council #697 Eugene, Oregon





## ORDER OF THE ARROW HIGH ADVENTURE

For the fourth consecutive summer, the Order of the Arrow's high adventure programs were filled to capacity providing 259 Arrowmen with the experience of a lifetime. These Arrowmen provided 10,818 man hours of service to our high adventure bases and national forests.

In its 15th year at the Philmont Scout Ranch, the OA Trail Crew program and its 120 participants completed approximately 3,000 feet of trail in Chandler Canyon. In 2009, OA Canadian Odyssey, an extension of the Voyage program, was piloted at Northern Tier through the Donald Rogert Canoe Base in Atikokan, Canada. The 24 participants of this program gave 1,240 hours of service to the Quetico Provincial Park. The traditional Wilderness Voyage program was attended by 76 Arrowmen who contributed 4.378 man hours of work to the Superior National Forest.

In December, the Wilderness Voyage program was recognized by the United States Forest Service with the Eastern Region Silver Anniversary Honor Award for "Connecting Citizens to the Land" and for their superior portage trail building and repair. The OA Ocean Adventure program finished its fifth summer strong with 45 participants contributing

1,170 hours of service to Munson Island, surrounding coral reefs and to the base itself.

At the 2009 national Order of the Arrow conference, the high adventure promotions team had a group of 26 staff members in attendance, many of whom were foremen from that summer. This group staffed displays at "The Experience" and at "TOAP", taught training sessions, and educated the entire conference on all of the opportunities Order of the Arrow high adventure has to offer.

The Lodge Chief Incentive Program debuted in 2009. This program was designed to encourage lodge chiefs to recruit as many Arrowmen from their lodge as possible to attend a high adventure program. In return, the two lodge chiefs from each region that recruited the most Arrowmen had their fee waived for the program of their choice.

## MAURY CLANCY AMERICAN INDIAN CAMPERSHIP FUND

This fund was created in 1971 to help American Indian Scouts attend resident camp. The fund is named in memory of long time national committee member Maury Clancy,



who contributed significantly to the Order. Mr. Clancy emphasized the significance of our nation's American Indian culture and worked to encourage the preservation of our American Indian heritage.

378 Scouts representing 11 councils received camperships totaling \$23,266.20 in 2009. Since 2000 more than 1800 American Indian Scouts have experienced a long term summer camp through the benefit of this fund.

Lodges may contribute to this fund through their section, thereby increasing the fund and enabling more camperships to be awarded.













## 2009 NATIONAL ORDER OF THE ARROW CONFERENCE

THE POWER OF ONE

From every vantage point in the Indiana University Arena on the evening of August 5th, 2009, it was clear the 2009 national conference would be something remembered by every Arrowmen for many years to come. As the final gathering was taking place, the conference theme

THE POWER OF ONE was not only resonating visually and audibly throughout the arena, but perhaps most importantly within the hearts and minds of the 6,803 Arrowman in attendance.

THE POWER OF ONE theme took on a life of its own over the course of planning and during the delivery of the 2009 national Order of the Arrow conference. From the early days in the planning process, the national Order of the Arrow committee wanted a conference theme that could be embraced by all attendees. Starting in August of 2008 the committee was canvassed for thoughts on what life experiences a national conference should strive to deliver. Following compilation of the ideas national chief, Jake Wellman, brought together the section chiefs via

numerous conference calls and a special web blog to further define life experiences that Arrowmen should have an opportunity to engage in at NOAC. This advance planning led to two firsts for a national conference—a theme was selected prior to the traditional December planning meeting, and a thematic approach would be taken to ensure that THE POWER OF ONE would be carried out through all aspects of the conference.

Upon their arrival at the NOAC planning meeting in December of 2008, the assembled section chiefs reaffirmed their decision to integrate THE POWER OF ONE theme throughout the 2009 conference program. With the strong leadership of a newly elected national chief, Jack O'Neill and national vice chief, Dan Higham, THE POWER OF ONE would become the rallying cry for everyone involved in the 2009 national Order of the Arrow conference.

NOAC 2009 delivered many of the traditional programs, which have become the hallmark of the modern national conference, including training: for chapter, lodge, and section leadership, operational best practices, new media implementation, inductions and ceremonies, and American Indian

craft and dance. Competitive events were held in specific areas: inductions and ceremonies, American Indian crafts and dance, and individual and team athletics. All the training and competitions had particular emphasis placed on the power that one Arrowman, one chapter, or one lodge can have on the entire Order's future.

The conference is not all about training and competitions, there are also a near limitless number of special events, activities, and unique experiences, to recognize, showcase, and allow for fun challenges. At the 2009 national conference these included special dinners and luncheons to recognize and honor first time attendees, section leadership, 2009 Distinguished Service Award recipients, professional Scouters, and Goodman Society benefactors.

The total outdoor adventure place (TOAP) offered activities including SCUBA and sea kayaking, while The Experience showcased sixty premier outdoor retailers and organizations in a 100,000 square foot, air conditioned tent. Lodges were able to bring their local specialties to our county fair style Founders Fair on Wednesday afternoon, with nearly 100 exhibits and demonstrations from all across the country.











A kazoo band attempted to break the Guinness World Record with over 7,400 Scouts participating. A regional dodge ball tournament with over 500 Scouts played to capacity crowds of more than 3,000 Arrowmen.

The 2009 national conference showcased the most advanced communications and youth involvement through technology of any event held by the Order of the Arrow.

Beginning 6 months in advance of the conference guests started receiving bi weekly "News You Can Use" updates via E mail, each covering aspects of the conference program, encouraging Arrowmen to join an interactive social media network, and further establishing the concepts behind THE POWER OF ONE theme.

The social network "re:Mix" allowed Arrowmen from across the country to have open exchange of ideas, concepts, best practices, and made plans for meeting at NOAC, following the conference hundreds of these Arrowmen have continued to keep in touch and make these positive exchanges.

Once at Indiana University the use of mobile (WAP) enabled web sites allowed Arrowmen with web enabled phones and mobile devices to send images and commentary from events, competitions, shows, and training sessions in real time, through a centrally controlled website, to be shared with other Arrowmen, both on campus and around the country.

The last new frontier of technology explored was the use of text (SMS) messaging to communicate with



guests throughout the conference by sending: daily inspirational messages themed around THE POWER OF ONE, announcing spontaneous gatherings, noting schedule or location changes for major events, and making priority health and safety notifications.

At the conclusion of the closing gathering, 6,803 Arrowmen had come to realize, as they spontaneously started to sing, that THE POWER OF ONE had been transformed over the previous five days from an idea, wording on a patch, a simple theme for an event, into a transformative, life altering, experience. Scouts and Scouters alike began to ask themselves the central questions: "How did I make a difference today?" "If not me, then who?" "If not now, when?" The impact of the conference will be felt for years to come, as the concept of THE POWER OF ONE crystallizes in the daily lives of those Arrowmen who attended the 2009 national Order of the Arrow conference.





#### **RED ARROW AWARD**

The Red Arrow Award was created in 1967 to recognize individuals who are not members of the Order of Arrow for their outstanding service to the Order. It is awarded by action of national Order of the Arrow committee, and typically only presented for service over a significant period of time. In 2009 the honorees were:

Rosetta LeClair, Ponca City, Oklahoma

Sandra Reti, Parlin, New Jersey

Patricia Swedenburg, Dallas, Georgia.

## DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The Distinguished Service Award was created in 1940 to honor Arrowmen for their service to the Order beyond the lodge level. The award is presented to those Arrowmen who have rendered

distinguished and outstanding service to the Order on an area, regional, or national level. The award is presented at national Order of the Arrow conferences. Since the time the first award was presented, 839 Arrowmen have been recognized with this honor.

At the 2009 national Order of the Arrow conference, the following Arrowmen were presented with the Distinguished Service Award:

Kevin Lloyd Anderson, Wilmington, North Carolina

Kyle Wayne Becker, Bismarck, North Dakota

Michael D. Bliss, Klamath Falls, Oregon

Forrest I. Bolles, Raymore, Missouri

Alexander F. Braden, Covina, California

Russell A. Bresnahan, St. Louis, Missouri

C. Wayne Brock, Irving, Texas

Toby D. Capps, Renton, Washington

Evan P. Chaffee,

San Juan Capistrano, California

Jay H. Corpening II, Wilmington, North Carolina

Dustin James Counts, Charlotte, North Carolina

Darrell Woodley Donahue, Old Town, Maine

S. Tyler Elliott, Fairborn, Ohio

Thomas H. Fitzgibbon, *Tempe, Arizona* 

James A. Flatt, *Huntsville, Alabama* 

Jonathan Eric Fuller,

Columbia Cross Roads, Pennsylvania

T. Alex Gomez, Pembroke Pines, Florida

John H. Green, Irving, Texas

Kenneth James Hager, Smock, Pennsylvania

Adam D. Heaps, New Holland, Pennsylvania

Mark Patrick Hendricks, Richland, Washington

Douglas G. Hirdler, Ely, Minnesota

Burl E. Holland, *Charlotte*, *North Carolina* 

Don G. Hough, Hoffman Estates, Illinois



Michael Stephen Kirby, Anderson, South Carolina

Andrew J. Kuhlmann, *Laramie, Wyoming* 

Thomas Y. Lambert, New Orleans, Lousisiana

Geoffrey S. Landau, Miami, Florida

Andrew P. Martin, Montgomery, Alabama

Robert Lewis Mason, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Bruce F. Mayfield, San Rafael, California

Robert J. Mazzuca, Irving, Texas

Sean M. Murray, Norwich, New York

Larry M. Newton, Georgiana, Alabama

David J. Nguyen, Scranton, Pennsylvania

James W. Palmer Jr., Jackson, New Jersey

Ian W. Romaine, Goodlettsville, Tennessee

Patrick W. Rooney, Springfield, Virginia

David E. Schaub,

Boothwyn, Pennsylvania

W. Christopher Schildknecht, *Cincinnati, Ohio* 

Benjamin L. Stilwill, Okemos, Michigan

Francis William Sturges Jr., Charlotte, North Carolina

W. Keith Swedenburg, Dallas, Georgia

John Mason Thomas, West Columbia, South Carolina

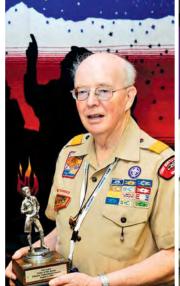
Kieran J. Thompson, Burbank, California

Kaylene D. Trick, New Berlin, Pennsylvania

Charles Edward Tudor, *Bradenton*, *Florida* 

Jacob Paul Wellman, *Albuquerque*, *New Mexico* 

Chad Eric Wolver, Tempe, Arizona



#### **DEL LODER**

Seattle, Washington Ceremonialist Inspirational Mentor Life-Long Scouter



#### LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

In 2009, the Order of the Arrow's fourth Lifetime Achievement Award was presented at the national Order of the Arrow conference to Delbert W. "Del" Loder.

Del's 65 years of distinguished service to Scouting began at age 7, when he went with his father to a Boy Scout Circus Jubilee near their home in Washington and had the good fortune to meet Lord Robert Baden Powell, the founder of the Scouting movement. He would later go on to meet our Order's founder Dr. E. Urner Goodman and become a member of T'Kope Kwiskwis lodge in July of 1954.

#### **JOSH R. SAIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Josh R. Sain Memorial Scholarship was established in 1998 to honor the life of former national vice chief Josh Sain, who was killed in an auto accident in 1997. The scholarships are available to immediate past national and regional officers, and immediate past section chiefs upon successful completion of their terms. All scholarship recipients are selected based on performance in their respective roles and academic achievements while serving as officers.

The 2009 Josh R. Sain Memorial Scholarship recipients were:



Jacob P. Wellman University of New Mexico Major: Political Science



Benjamin L. Stilwill DePauw University Major: Business



Mark P. Hendricks *Claremont College* Major: Chemistry



S. Tyler Elliott

University of Cincinnati

Major: Middle Childhood Education



Geoffrey S. Landau University of Florida Major: Animal Science



Colin C. Smalley

Creighton University

Major: Environmental Science



Joseph R. Maugeri Wake Forest University Major: English



Alexander F. Braden University of LaVerne Major: Public Administration



Isaac A. N. McDaniel

Oklahoma Christian University

Major: New Media Design

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