



# The Bulletin

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## Looking Ahead

by Drew M.

From January 8-10, 2021, Uh-Tō-Yeh-Hut-Tee lodge will be holding Winter Weekend at camp Soule. Originally, this event was only going to be a

fellowship for lodge members. However, in their October meeting, the LEC voted to hold an ordeal opportunity as well. "I would love to see this event have even more people than the last one and give even more service," said Lodge Treasurer Andrew V. There are reportedly enough opportunities to give back to Camp Soule that one ordeal could not cover all the projects. Fortunately, Osceola and Abiaca chapters are holding their own event a few weeks prior. The LEC promises to make Winter Weekend even more fun than usual for Arrowmen who have already been inducted. "I've learned from the past couple of events that we need to have more program-related activities such as games and training," the treasurer said.



## Glimpse Into the Past



## Looking Behind

by Drew M.

From October 3-4, Uh-Tō-Yeh-Hut-Tee held Fall weekend. Nearly 70 candidates completed their ordeal. As someone who attended the weekend to become a new member, I had a blast. It was a huge success and helped me appreciate the service we bring to others and to help even when I am facing challenges myself. "I really felt it was eye-opening for me and it made me realize the importance of serving others," said Joshua G who also completed his ordeal that weekend. Josh said he had a great time sleeping under the stars. And even though the lodge wore masks the entire time, COVID-19 did not have too much ill effect on the event. I would encourage others to attend events in the future, as they will be just as enjoyable, if not more so, than this one.



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## Chiefly Speaking

by Sean M.

I hope you all are doing well. The Lodge has been moving forward strong since March, pushing through the circumstances. Fall conclave was held in October, where we had an astounding 68 new members inducted into the Brotherhood. Several chapter ordeals are coming up soon, giving us the opportunity to induct the remaining candidates. Lodge Executive Committee meetings continue via Zoom, the third Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM. The link is sent through lodge emails. If you do not receive these emails, contact Carson, our IT chairman at [it@uhtoyehhuttee.org](mailto:it@uhtoyehhuttee.org) so he can update the list. If any of you are interested in getting active on a Lodge level, contact me to do so. Check with your Chapter Chiefs first to see if they need help on a chapter level. Strong chapters are essential to a thriving lodge. Finally, as much as I would like you to continue promoting the Order of the Arrow, I want to remind you all to stay active in your home units. As fun as it is to be active in the lodge, it can be easy to forget that our first duty is to our Troops, Crews, and Ships. Take what you have learned from the OA and apply it there! Continue to cheerfully serve and better the organization for all involved. Stay safe, and I hope to see you at the next LEC meeting. Yours in WWW, Sean.

## Arrowman Spotlight: Lathan D, Section Chief

by Alex B

This member of the Lodge has gone above-and-beyond in his commitment to scouting and the Order of the Arrow. Lathan completed his ordeal almost five years ago at camp Brorein. Since then, he has taken what he learned in various OA leadership seminars and training events and applied it not only to scouting, but all his life. Now he holds the Vigil Honor and is the Chief of Section S-4. "I had had a position at the section level before so I was perceptive of who the Arrowmen of S-4 needed: a chief who was personally invested in the outcome of both the section and the Arrowmen it serves," Lathan recalled. But long before he was an Arrowman, he was a cub scout. "I joined scouting on the promise of a light-up frisbee" Lathan said. A pack recruiter was giving them to anyone who was interested, and the six-year-old elementary schooler was sold. Now, Lathan says, even though he did not end up receiving that frisbee, he is honored to have learned what he did

about leadership and to have become a part of something great. "I am proud to be an Arrowman. I am proud to be a member of Section S-4. I am most proud to be a member of Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee Lodge."

## Adviser's Arrow

by Bill Daggett

2020 has been a year. From building an OA Ceremonies ring at Camp Soule in January, a large Chapter Ordeal in February, and a good Spring Conclave at Sand Hill Scout Reservation with a new Vigil Class and new Lodge Officers. And then it was March 13<sup>th</sup>. We became a Zoom Lodge with two LEC Zoom meetings a month for the next 5 months; including swearing in the new Lodge Officers in April. Bull Day and Banquet were rescheduled and held mid-July with limited attendance, lots of masks, social distancing, the chapters getting their dinner at the campsite pavilions, and then some awards and recognition given out after dinner. Fall Conclave was held at Camp Brorein in October. Again it was a single night event, with masks and social distancing, but there was great attendance, lots of service, good food, great ceremonies, and a large Ordeal class and Brotherhood conversion. The rest of the year will be busy with a National OA Virtual Ordeal, a Lodge Leadership Development event, a virtual Section Conference in November, and a Chapter Ordeal in December. I am very proud of all the officers and their advisors for the amazing amount of work that has been done by them for the Lodge this year. I would like to ask anyone who has overlooked paying their dues this year to please do so and be part of helping us become "One Great Lodge!" Yours in Service, Bill Daggett: Lodge Advisor.

## Chapter Lightning Round:

by the Chapter Chiefs

### Abiaca.....

The chapter meets via zoom at 7:00 pm on the second Wednesday of every month

The chapter recently updated its totem to be the Alligator. A dangle patch is in the works. Abiaca has been experiencing record attendance at its chapter meetings, and had a surge of new members after Fall Conclave in October.





## Glimpse Into the Past



## Calusa

*The chapter meets via zoom at 7:00 pm on the first Thursday of every month*

The chapter reports they are as strong as ever moving into the close of 2020. They are experiencing high attendance at chapter meetings, and more involvement of their members at lodge events. The Osceola-Calusa Conclave is coming up soon from December 11th-13th, and Calusa is planning several unit elections to maximize the number of brothers brought in. The Calusa Chapter patch featuring their totem, the manta ray, is now available for purchase in the Lodge Box.

## Pethakhuwe

*The chapter meets via zoom at 2:00 pm on the third Sunday of every month*

The chapter is giving back to their community by serving lunches at Merit Badge Academy. Pethakhuwe is also planning its chapter ordeal for the first weekend in February.

## Volunteering Opportunity

*Submitted by Jay Sheridan*

GTBAC is holding a Winter Camp for troops to come together at Flaming Arrow from December 27-31. The council is highly interested in Arrowmen volunteers to help staff the event. Both youth (14 and up) and adults needed. A great opportunity to give back to the troops in our council. Link for staff application: [Here](#).

## Patchwork

*by Alex B*

Each summer, the LEC decides on a new annual patch theme. The patches give an additional incentive for lodge members to be active beyond the obvious benefits of brotherhood and cheerful service. This year, the theme is 'Greek Mythology', with Bull Weekend and Fall Conclave being represented by Icarus and Prometheus. The lodge can expect more entertaining designs at future events. Additionally, similar to 2018-19's 'Sheriff Star' theme, this year's complete set will fit together to form one mythical design. All the event patches can be hung from lodge members' right pockets, to show off their pride at being part of this great lodge.

## Pushing Through a Pandemic

*by Nathan C*

This year, the lodge has had to adapt to the COVID crisis. Bull Day (formerly Bull Weekend) was the first in-person event since March. Thanks to vigilance and caution, we were able to hold a successful event with masks, gloves, and delivered meals courtesy of the Lodge Gator. The most recent event, Fall Conclave, saw looser restrictions and was more active. It ran from Friday to Saturday night, rather than all-day Saturday. We had meals in dining halls and pavilions, and one of the largest ordeal classes in lodge history. The lodge is continuing to push forward while keeping safety its number one priority. Winter Weekend, slated for January 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>, is planned to be a full weekend event. Masks are still required, and social distancing will be in place. Moving forward, Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee intends to provide safe, meaningful events which are fun for all its members.



## Event Registration

### Upcoming Lodge Events

November 14: Lodge Leadership Development  
Monthly LEC

November 21: [Section Conference](#)

December 17: Monthly LEC

January 8-10: [Winter Weekend](#)

January 21: Monthly LEC

Current medical forms are required for all in-person events, as well as COVID-19 forms available on the GTBAC website.



### Pay 2020 Dues

Pay for annual dues via [this link](#).

2021 dues availability will be available soon on the lodge website.

If you did your ordeal in 2020, your dues for this year were already included in your ordeal fee.

## Bulletin Article Submission

If you have a topic you wish to be addressed in next quarter's **Bulletin**, email the lodge secretary. This includes lodge members you think should be featured in the Arrowman Spotlight, upcoming events, service opportunities, etc. The next edition is to be published at the end of January.

## Contact Us

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### What Chapter are You?

Fort Brooke District: Netopolis Tachquiwi

Lake Region District: Pethakhuwe

Miccosukee District: Osceola

Skyway District: Calusa

Suncoast District: Abiaca

Thunderbird District: Pethakhuwe

Timucua District: Pethakhuwe

Withlacoochee District: Withlacoochee

### Get Involved

Whether you are a youth or adult, have been in the Order of the Arrow for a month or several decades, you always have an opportunity to give back. Follow [this link](#) to view our numerous lodge committees and contact information to join.

If you are a youth member (under 21) interested in running for an elected position on the LEB, Lodge elections will be at our Spring event.

Interested in writing for the Bulletin? Contact the Lodge Secretary. No experience necessary. No youth last names will be published as per YPT.

