



The Bulletin

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Looking Ahead

by Drew M.

From February 26th to the 28th, the Lodge will be holding Spring Fellowship. There will be many opportunities for service and fun at this event. For the first time, Arrowmen wishing to earn brotherhood will not be charged anything beyond the basic event fee. There will also be Chapter vs Chapter games as the different parts of our lodge compete for the Golden Bull Award. On Friday night there will also be a Vigil Callout to honor our brothers who have gone above and beyond in exemplifying the ideals of WWW. Saturday will also include elections for the new lodge officers (to read more, see page 2). Based on the planned parts of Spring Fellowship, the event promises to be a highlight of the year.

Looking Behind

by Drew M.

On January 8th through the 10th, our lodge held Fall Conclave at Camp Soule. There were many exciting activities during the campout for Arrowmen to take part in. Ordeal candidates completed service projects such as clearing brush, pulling stumps, and building benches. A training seminar was held in the afternoon for members to learn essential terminology of the order, along with a fun game to commit these terms to memory. After the presentation there was an intense game of ultimate frisbee to prepare us for Chapter vs Chapter games and Section Conference. After a long Saturday, many people hung around and caught up with their brothers while eating dinner. Thanks to the success of the weekend, future events during the pandemic will continue to last all the way through Sunday morning. I believe this Fall Conclave was very successful and I can't wait to go to the next OA event.



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Chiefly Speaking

by Sean M.

Greetings all! I hope you have been well. I'm very proud of all the progress we've made so far this year. Very soon we will host our Spring Fellowship at Sand Hill Scout Reservation. Be sure to register and tell your friends that we will be offering brotherhood conversion **for free**. In addition, we will have Lodge Officer elections, meaning you will be voting on your lodge leaders for the 2021-2022 year. Be sure to attend to make an important decision concerning the lodge. If you are interested in running for a position, contact me at lodgechief@uhtoyehhuttee.org for more information. Continue to promote the Order of the Arrow within your units. Contact me if your unit has not had an election this past year. See you at Spring fellowship! Yours in WWW, Sean M, Lodge Chief.

Adviser's Arrow

by Bill Daggett

I would like to congratulate the Lodge on becoming a "Thriving Lodge" during the re-charter process. It's the first time we have done this since the consolidation. And we did it in a Covid year. The top Lodge level is "High Performing" which the LEC thinks is achievable. To do this we need to:

- Improve delivery of our unit elections.
- Keep up with our induction rate.
- Dramatically improve new member youth participating in events within their first 6 months.
- Dramatically improve the dues paying youth membership.
- Experience Youth membership Growth.
- Increase attendance at lodge events.
- Increase youth Brotherhood conversion.

How we do this; we encourage everyone to pay their dues, come to Chapter and Lodge events, keep up with unit elections, and complete Brotherhood as soon as eligible. To help with the Brotherhood conversion the LEC made the Brotherhood free for 2021, so pay dues, pay for and attend Spring Fellowship, and Seal your membership. If you're an adult, bring your youth.

Yours in service,

Bill D

Elect to Serve

by Alex B.

One of the events at Spring Conclave will be the annual lodge election. The positions of Lodge Chief, Vice Chiefs, Secretary, Historian, and Treasurer will be voted upon by all youth Arrowmen who are present. Following this weekend Fellowship, the newly elected officers (also known as the Lodge Executive Board) will be inaugurated at the lodge banquet in May and serve until summer of 2022. New Chapter Chiefs will be serving for the same duration. For information on chapter elections, contact chapter officers and advisors. To be eligible for a lodge officer position, an Arrowman must be a dues paying lodge member under 21 years of age. Having Brotherhood is **not** a requirement. At the election, they must be nominated by another, have that nomination seconded, and then give a brief informal speech concerning why they are qualified for the position. If you are on the fence about running or want to know more about what the lodge positions are, please contact any of the current LEB members. Remember that you are the lodge; you can make a difference, but only if you participate. Leadership opportunities in the Order of the Arrow are not only ways to give back to the lodge and community which have served you, they can be some of the most rewarding experiences in the entire Scouts BSA program.

Chapter Lightning Round

by the Chapter Chiefs

Abiaca.....

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

Despite the unfortunate news of the chapter's ordeal weekend being cancelled, Abiaca continues to work tirelessly at being another exemplary chapter of Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee Lodge. They have conducted several unit elections, and members who were inducted at Winter Weekend are already taking active roles. Finally, Abiaca has designed and ordered their new patch so members can show off their chapter pride.



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Calusa

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

Calusa Chapter is ready to continue thriving in the new year. In December, they co-hosted the Osceola-Calusa Chapter Conclave, and a first-ever virtual fellowship where the chapter played Among Us. Soon, Calusa will help its district perform crossover events, welcoming new Scouts into the program. The chapter also plans to send a strong contingent to Spring Fellowship, where they intend to win first place in the chapter versus chapter games.

Netopolis Tachquiwi

The chapter meets via Zoom at 6:45 pm on the second Thursday of every month

The Netopolis Tachquiwi Chapter helped the Lodge participate in the first ever "Virtual Ordeal." Though it was conducted at Camp Brorein, this was a national event completed via Momentum: Spark. While following Covid-19 restrictions, the chapter was able to induct 6 youth and 1 adult.

Osceola

The chapter meets at Miccosukee District roundtable, Camp Brorein, at 7:00 pm on the second Wednesday of every month.

At the Osceola-Calusa Conclave, the chapter had fun splitting logs, pile driving, building newspaper towers, and watching Elf. Osceola gained eight new members at the event, and two members earned brotherhood. They plan on having another fun chapter event in the near future.

Pethakhuwe

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

The chapter is proceeding with as many unit elections as possible. Five new members were inducted during Winter Weekend, and Pethakhuwe hopes to welcome many more during the chapter ordeal weekend. This will take place February 5-6 at Flaming Arrow.

Fireside Jokes

by Drew M.

What do you call a lodge member with wings?

Un-BULL-ieveable

Operating by Law

by Alex B

Major changes in how Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee operates have been in the works during this lodge year. Its defining document, the Lodge Bylaws, have undergone a thorough amount of scrutiny and revision. "The bylaws as they were were not a representation of what one lodge wanted, but of a compromise between two different lodges," said Vice Chief Nathan C. "These bylaws have been a broken leg for us." Indeed, it seemed that the documents were written for a lodge entirely different from the one we are members of.

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Committees were empty, the roles of some officers were not clearly defined, and the bylaws had not been updated since the transition from Boy Scouts to Scouts BSA. The idea of revision came up in early August, and sprouted several LEC meetings' worth of debate which yielded little result. Nathan and other officers decided on a more streamlined option; "we decided a committee with members from all around the lodge, new and old, would be the best course of action." The new ad-hoc Bylaws Committee spent several weeks intensively reforming the document. They read it line by line, taking careful note of what needed changing. This culminated in the drafting of a proposal which went to the LEC. Carson, the committee's chairman, presented the proposal to the lodge. A vote in the LEC, and a second vote at Winter Conclave, passed the proposal and updated the bylaws to help Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee run smoother. Specific changes and the new document are available on the lodge website. Nathan feels that, thanks to the work of the Bylaw Committee, "the lodge not only has the ability, but also the tools, to be high performing this year."

Our First LLD

by Alex B

In November, the Lodge held LLD for the first time ever. LLD, or Lodge Leadership Development, is an event where Arrowmen receive trainings, prepare for leadership roles, and discuss ways to improve the brotherhood. Vice Chief Sam M coordinated the event and held it over Zoom. "Going virtual positively impacted the event as members could stay home rather than drive all the way to the council center," Sam said. "I do believe that we got more members to join than we would have had come." Over two dozen Arrowmen were part of the meeting. Trainings included creating a personal vision, a guide for activation, and the role of adult advisors in the Order. The attendees had many helpful ideas during periods of discussion on how to approach these concepts. "LLD benefitted our lodge in that it kick-started something we have not done in a long time, and gave everyone a chance to learn," Sam said.

Arrowman Spotlight

by Alex B

This year, members of the Lodge Executive Committee have the privilege of working with Carson C, a dedicated Arrowman whose hard work continues to benefit Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee. He sees servant leadership as something he needs to do. "During my first few years in the program," Carson said, "I saw the decline of my chapter, lodge, and eventually the council merger. I felt as though I could make an impact at some level and improve the

condition of the OA." This he has done, first as Calusa Chapter chief, and then in more positions later. He was the chairman and mastermind of the Lodge Bylaws Committee, runs the website (which has been declared the best website in Section S-4), serves as a ceremonialist, and is the IT chairman. Beyond the specific roles Carson has, he finds experience and wisdom in all aspects of the program. "There are lessons in every aspect of the OA program, from the ceremonies to the weekend work projects. Servant leadership is just one of the themes found in the OA programs, but I believe it is the most prominent aspect of the brotherhood," Carson said. He continues his servant leadership and the ideals of WWW throughout his life and hopes that others will do the same. After his many achievements so far, Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee can look forward to how Carson will serve in the future. "No matter how far scouting takes you in the program, whether to 1st class or to Eagle," he advises, "always remember the experiences you had. They're more than just memories; they are lessons that shape your life."

A Section Online

by Alex B

Due to the pandemic, the 2020 Section Conference was moved from April to November. On the 21st, Section S-4 gathered via Zoom for a day of trainings, games, and fellowship. Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee lodge had a sizable contingent of over two dozen members at the event. One Arrowman in who attended was Ryan S, who said "it still brought much of what I look for in a section event, despite being virtual. The trainings were helpful, and I had a lot more fun than I thought I would." The conclusion of section conference was the election of S-4's new officers: Chief Adam L and Vice Chief Tyler N. Beyond being fun on its own, Section Conference served as a baseline for large-scale virtual events in the future. "I think the lodge and section can share ideas and collaborate," Ryan said. "If we can find things that work and things that don't, virtual events will only get better."



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Event Registration

Upcoming Lodge Events

February 5-6: [Pethakhuwe Chapter Ordeal](#)

February 26-28: [Spring Fellowship](#)

Monthly LEC

March 18: Monthly LEC

April 9-11: [Section Conference](#)

April 15: Monthly LEC

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



Pay 2021 Dues

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

If you did your ordeal in 2021, 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 April.

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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.

