

DEER PATH

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Conclave Summary

Thank you to all the arrowmen who came to conclave and traveled all the way to Alabama!. Conclave was at Camp Tukabatchee this year. We represented the lodge showing up in the pink! We played our hardest and smartest in every sport. Tug O war, Ultimate Frisbee, and Wixchixen. After the games the lodge would participate in the tailypo event and our arrowmen would get the full Conclave experience including Cheerwine, Laughs, and a whole lot of pink. Echeeconnee would win the best tailypo award and we would end the weekend in big grins and smiles.



Arrowmen,

I hope all of you had a refreshing and fun summer! As a lodge, we are excited to jump into this new chapter in the year filled with fun events and plenty of cheerful service! Over the summer, I had the pleasure of serving on the Operation Arrow staff team during the National Jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Reserve. I met new arrowmen from across the country and learned valuable lessons.

Please be on the lookout for calendar updates and other communications from the Lodge through email, as well as our social media channels. I look forward to seeing you at our events this year!

Yours in Cheerful Service,
Stephen L.
Lodge Chief



Upcoming News

In September we have a Workday (postponed from August to support Fall Camporee) and LEC meeting for all our LEC members. We also have an ACT conference where you can learn to become great leaders. In November is National Leadership Seminar (NLS). NLS will be in Atlanta. We encourage all arrowmen to come out. NLS may not be near our Region in a while. NLS also will give you good skills so we encourage all who can come out to come out and join us. To see more upcoming events there is a calendar at the end of the Deer Path and on the Echeconnee Website



Fall Ordeal

The upcoming fall ordeal will be on September 15-17th. We expect many arrowmen to come and set the example for upcoming arrowmen and to also teach the arrowmen about what the OA and what the lodge is about. The lodge will also hold an LEC meeting at the end of the ordeal and we expect to see all the LEC members there. The lodge hopes to see all you there



First Conclave

“Conclave was a cool experience because so many people were enjoying one thing. And it was fun for me by being able to get to know and hangout with people from other lodges. And to be united under one lodge whilst competing against others”-Carson C.

Carson was a new arrowmen that joined OA only a couple months ago. Carson is one of the many arrowmen who enjoyed their time at Conclave



Adviser Minute



Arrowmen,

First, I have not had a "minute" to introduce myself since becoming the Lodge Adviser last November. For those I have not met, I am Lou Lilley, Assistant Scout Master for Troop 566 and Troop Committee Chair for Crew 33, both in Warner Robins. I

have been involved in Scouting since Cub Scouts, earning both Eagle Scout and the Vigil honor in 1989, albeit both with Troop 186 from Smallwood New York. Yup, I'm one of those Yankees.

Next, I'd like to take a "minute" to thank Sheila Sweat, who stepped down as Lodge Adviser last November. She served five years in the position, advising three Lodge Chiefs and leading the lodge as we hosted both Indian Winter and Conclave, not to mention leading us through a monumental change with female youth now participating in OA, and dealing with all the chaos COVID brought to our policies and procedures. All the while she was mentoring me as I served as her Associate Adviser, preparing me for a larger role in the Lodge. That's quite a bit of change in five years. Thanks Sheila!

Finally, I'll spend a minute bragging about our LEC, an excited group of Arrowmen who are looking forward to leaving their fingerprints on the lodge history. They have already participated in Indian Winter and Conclave (Tailypo Champs!), and successfully held the Spring Ordeal. They are now preparing for our Fall Ordeal and Fall Fellowship. Oh, and don't forget, next year is NOAC, in Boulder, Colorado! We also continue to support the camp through workdays, and have several Arrowmen serving on staff for Cub and Webelos events. Come on out and see what we've been up to, and maybe pick an event or two to join us in. Also, if you have Arrowmen in your units who have not been active, bring them along. We'd love to see more old faces.

- Lou Lilley

Calendar

August 2023

6 - LEC - Zoom, 4:00pm

12 - CBH - Team Activity/Workday (Postponed to September 4th)

25-27 - Location: Camp Bert Adams - ACT Conference and Section E6 Council of Chiefs

September 2023

9 - CBH - Callout Ceremony at Council Camporee - 6:00pm to 9:00pm

10-12 - Location: Atlanta, GA - NLS/DYLC

15-17 - CBH - Fall Ordeal and LEC

October 2023

1 - LEC - Zoom, 4:00pm

November 2023

3-5 - CBH - Fall Fellowship and LEC

18 - CBH - Shooting Event (Rifle/Turkey Shoot) and Workday (will be postponed)

December 2023

1-3 - Location: TBD - Lodge Leadership Development (LLD)

28 - CBH - Winter Camp Cracker Barrel - 6:30pm to 8:00pm

January 2024

7 - LEC - Zoom, 4:00pm

5-7 - Location: Camp Bert Adams - Section E6 Indian Winter

20 - Location: TBD - Lodge Banquet - 6:00pm

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