

The Osprey

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Lodge & Chapter Elections/Lodge Executive Committee *Elections to be held at Fall Pow Wow*

One of the highlights of the Fall Pow Wow is the annual election of chapter and lodge officers. Lodge officer positions include Lodge Chief, Lodge Vice Chief, Appointed Lodge Vice Chief, Lodge Secretary, and Lodge Treasurer. Chapter officer positions include Chapter Chief, Chapter Vice Chief and Chapter Secretary. All officers will begin their terms immediately upon the conclusion of the Pow Wow.

In addition to officer elections, Arrowmen will have the opportunity to volunteer for any one of the several lodge operating committees that implement the lodge program throughout the year. You can find a registration form in this issue to sign up for a committee. From those forms, new committee chairmen and advisors will be selected by the new Lodge Chief and Lodge Adviser. An online form will also be available on the lodge website.

The youth chairman and adult adviser for each voting committee, as well as the Lodge and Chapter Officers and advisers serve on the Lodge Executive Committee (the LEC). The LEC is the decision making body of the lodge. Like any other organization, a strong lodge requires strong leaders. If you are willing and able to make a commitment and accept the added responsibility of a leadership role, your lodge needs you.

2004 Ordeal

The Lodge Ordeal was held May 14-16 at Camp Euchee. We inducted 125 new members and had 19 members become Brotherhood members. Approximately 80 current members were in attendance. A special thanks goes out to all the Arrowmen who served on ceremony teams, as Elangomats, in Ordeal administration, on the cook team, and who pitched in to help with the various camp improvement projects. The Ordeal Feast followed the Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies on Saturday night.

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2004

January 30-Feb 1
Green Bar Training

February 27-29
Spring Fellowship

April 23-25
SR-4N Conclave

May 14-16
Ordeal

July 31—August 5
2004 NOAC

September 10-12
Fall Pow Wow

October 30
LLDC

December 4
Lodge Banquet

All dates are
subject to change
by the LEC.

What NOAC Offered to me...

Chris Werre, Lodge Secretary

The first 3 days of NOAC had many different classes. I attended Wilderness Medicine, Introduction to an Arrowman, and Analyzing Ceremonies. My favorite class was Wilderness Medicine. It was interesting and something I would not be able to get at home. On Wednesday, Founder's Day, there was a parade, many booths from all of the lodges, some had free items and others had food. Our lodge made smoothies. There was a giant inflatable slide, and a band. Every night there was an interesting show. NOAC also had TOAP, which stands for "Total Outdoor Adventure Program." Activities there included scuba diving, "rock" climbing, and hatchet throwing. There were disabilities simulations, such as a blindfolded maze and one-armed volleyball. I had a really good time and hope to be able to go to the next NOAC at Michigan State University in 2006.

2004 Summer Bash

Eighty Arrowmen attended the Summer Bash at Camp Euchee, July 16-18. There was plenty of fun in the sun to keep everyone busy. Several Arrowmen also provided definitive evidence that there are actually fish in Lake Alaqua. From the sports, to the water carnival to patch trading, a good time was had by all. A special highlight was playstation football on the big screen.

2004 Lodge Leadership Development Conference (LLDC)

The annual LLDC will be held October 30-31 at Camp Euchee. All members of the Lodge Executive Committee are required to attend. Any other interested Arrowmen are also invited. The LLDC is an intensive leadership training and program planning session for the lodge and chapter leadership. The event will begin Saturday morning and will conclude before lunch on Sunday. The exact times and more details will be announced via the Lodge E-Groups in late September.

2004 Lodge Banquet

The annual Lodge Recognition Banquet will be held December 4, 2004. It will be hosted by Oschambos Chapter (Alabama-Florida District). Highlights of the banquet will be a guest speaker, recognition of outgoing officers, installation of new officers and the presentation of annual awards for Youth and Adult Arrowmen of the Year, Officer of the Year, Committee Chairman of the Year, and other honors. Location, times, cost and other details will be decided at the fall Pow Wow LEC. More information and a registration form will be included in the November-December issue of the Osprey.

2004-2005 Lodge Operating Committees

Inductions: This is one of the most important committees, focusing on the induction of new members and guiding them through the first year of their membership and Brotherhood conversion. This committee recruits, trains and provides leadership for Elangomats for the Ordeal; develops and presents a new member orientation program; promotes Brotherhood conversion and membership retention; organizes and conducts Brotherhood preparation for eligible Ordeal members; coordinates with the Ceremony Committee in providing ceremony teams. This committee requires numerous members and will also have an associate chairman and adviser to assist with these vital tasks.

Ceremony: recruits and trains Ordeal and Brotherhood teams in each of the five chapters; conducts practices; maintains regalia and ceremonial equipment; conducts ceremonies at all lodge events; assists with call-outs and rededication ceremonies when needed; competes at conclaves and NOAC, provides adult judges for such competitions; serves as resource for chapter ceremony teams.

Native American Events: recruits and trains Drum Team and Dance Team members; maintains regalia and equipment; put on dance demonstrations at lodge, chapter and district events as requested; represents the lodge in competitions at conclaves and NOAC and provides adult judges for such events; serves as a resource for chapter teams; encourages and assists those interested in individual dance styles and regalia construction.

Publications: writes and publishes the lodge newsletter; assists the Lodge Chief with all other publications such as the Annual Planbook, New Member's Guide, etc.; oversees and maintains lodge website; competes in conclaves and NOAC.

Unit/Council Service: coordinates the ASK Program, OA Service Corps, OA Troop Representative Program, annual Green Bar JLT weekend, Cub relations and district relations; serves as a resource for individual units and for district and council activities.

Camp Promotions: develops a year round camping promotion program for Boy Scout troops in the council; serves as a resource for units and works closely with the Unit Service Committee in making unit visits and offering assistance; promotes STSR and assists the camp with staff recruitment and troop registrations; works closely with the Council Camping Committee in developing camp promotion literature and videos; compiles, updates and distributes the Where to Go Camping Guide.

Historical/Awards: constructs annual lodge scrapbooks; compiles written reports of all lodge events and activities for inclusion in the lodge scrapbook and for publication in the Osprey; maintains appropriate historical records; develops slide and video shows for the annual lodge banquet and other lodge events; constructs all awards and recognition's for lodge events; maintains the lodge trophy case; assists the lodge administration with morale and spirit activities at lodge events and conclave.

Vigil: organizes and oversees the Vigil selection process and recognition; conducts Vigil ceremony and activities.

Service: coordinates camp service projects with the Council Camping Committee; develops and organizes "One Day" projects; promotes the "Spec Lovell Service Award".

Records and Membership: maintains and organizes lodge membership records; provides mailing labels for publications; conducts registration at lodge events; maintains e-mail rosters; maintains a comprehensive set of minutes from all LEC meetings; provides statistical data as requested. The Lodge Secretary is the Chairman of this committee.

Finance: maintains and organizes lodge financial records; assists the Key-3 in developing an annual budget; maintains and operates the lodge trading post; assists Records and Membership Committee with registration at lodge events; coordinates patch auctions and other fundraising activities.

Training Committee: recruits and provides knowledgeable Arrowmen to serve as trainers at various lodge events; conducts "Train the Trainer" seminars; assists the Lodge Chief with conducting the annual LLDC (Lodge Leadership Development Conference).

Health and Safety: recruits knowledgeable staff to serve in the health lodge at all lodge events; assists in registrations at lodge events; maintains lodge members' medical release forms and lodge medical kit.

Expectations of an LEC member

Lodge and chapter leaders, both youth and adult, must be willing to go the extra mile. Before running for an office or asking to be appointed to a position, consider what will be expected of an LEC member:

1. Attend and actively participate in **100%** of all lodge events (LLDC, Banquet, Workdays, LEC meetings, Green Bar, Spring Fellowship, Section Conclave, Ordeal, Summer Bash and Fall Pow Wow);
2. Obtain necessary training by participating in the Lodge Leadership Development Conference in October;
3. Strive to meet the job responsibilities and goals set for his position;
4. Maintain a positive attitude;
5. Be a team player;
6. Promote proper uniforming at OA events;
7. Be committed;
8. Be dependable;
9. Set the example.

2004-2005 Lodge/Chapter Election and Lodge Operating Committee Request Form

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Email: _____ Chapter: _____

Address: _____

youth or adult (circle one) Ordeal, Brotherhood, Vigil (circle one)

Choose from (see article in this issue of the Osprey for details on each committee): Inductions, Ceremony, Native American Events, Publications, Unit/Council Service, Camp Promotions, Historical/Awards, Vigil, Service, Records and Membership, Finance, Health and Safety, Training.

My first choice for a Lodge Committee: _____

My second choice for a Lodge Committee: _____

_____ I would like to be considered for the chairman (youth) or adviser (adult) position for the committees that I have listed.

Please return to: Wade Hartley, P.O. Box 25, Atmore, Al. 36504 or wadehartley@frontiernet.net no later than September 8, 2004 or you may turn it in at the Fall Pow Wow.

“Around the Campfire”

Lodge Adviser's Column

Wade Hartley, Lodge Adviser

The theme for this year's NOAC was "Chosen to Serve – Inspired to Lead". As a member of the Order of the Arrow, your peers chose you to serve when they elected you into the OA. But, have you been inspired to lead? Maybe you were inspired by watching a fellow Arrowman serve in a leadership position. Maybe you were inspired after attending Conclave or NOAC. Maybe you were inspired when you realized that you could have done a better job than someone else. Maybe you were inspired when you read your OA Handbook. Maybe you were inspired when a fellow Arrowman urged you to run for office. Are you ready to do more than simply serve? The Fall Pow Wow is our annual business meeting where new officers are elected. **Are you inspired?**

- "If what you did yesterday still looks big, you have not done much today."
- Author Unknown

2004 SR-4N Conclave

Fifty members of Yustaga attended the the annual SR-4N Conclave which was held at Camp Alaflo in New Brockton, Alabama and hosted by Cowikee 224. We enjoyed beautiful weather and as usual, we were well represented in the conclave leadership and competitors. Our own **Steven Henry's** tenure as Section Chief culminated in his direction of the conclave. **Doug Watson**, our current Lodge Chief served as the Conference Vice Chief in Charge of Special Events. **Charles Bellinghausen** was elected to serve as the Section Vice Chief for the coming year. Way to go Charles! This marks the third year in a row that a member of Yustaga has served as a section officer.

The contingent brought home a box full of awards, including: 2nd Place Brotherhood Ceremony, 3rd Place Pre-Ordeal Ceremony, 2nd place Ordeal Ceremony, 3rd place Publications, 1st Place Soccer, 3rd Place Volleyball, 3rd Place North Cup, Best Allowat Sakima (Pre-Ordeal)--**Travis McElroy**, Best Nutiket (Pre-Ordeal)--**Ryan Braddy**, 1st Place Horsehoes (**Frank Henry and Erik Hudson**), 3rd Place Golf Chip Shot (**Leon Hartley**), Best Youth Trainer--**Tre' Hellwig**, and Best Adult Trainer--**Wade Hartley**.

Yustaga was also recognized as the recipient of the Section Service Fund Grant. The grant is being used for improvements to the dining hall porch, trail and lawn.

OSPREY DEADLINES

February/March	January 1st
April/May	March 1st
September/October	August 1st
November/December	October 1st

Articles not consistent with the ideals of the Boy Scouts of America will not be used. Submit articles to Jimmy Wiselogel (jimmy@wiselogel.com) for approval and inclusion in the Osprey. Articles may be edited and/or used in a later issue.



Chapter Information

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Chief

Ray Bennington

Adviser

Keith Reyher

Oschambos

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Chad Hartley

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Ben Marshall

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Jim Matson

Techakin

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Frank Henry

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FALL POW WOW—Sept 10-12, 2004—Camp Euchee

REGISTER TODAY!

Lodge Registration Form

			Totals
2004 Dues Payment	\$7.50		_____
2005 Dues Pre-Payment	\$5.00		_____
Fall Pow Wow Registration (Sept 10-12, 2004)	\$13.00 before Sept 6	\$18.00 after Sept 6	_____
Fall Pow Wow (2004) extra Patches	\$3.00 each	x _____ =	_____
Lodge Banquet (2004) Patches	\$3.00 each	x _____ =	_____
Spring Fellowship (2005) extra Patches	\$3.00 each	x _____ =	_____
Brotherhood Fee (Ordeal members wishing to seal their membership)	\$15.00		_____

Name: _____

Total Enclosed _____

Address: _____

Telephone# () _____ - _____

Email Address: _____

Chapter [A] [C] [O] [P] [T]

Youth / Adult

Please use a different form for each person. This form is for current members only, not for reactivation.

Mail Form to Gulf Coast Council (Address on Back of Osprey)