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Genevieve Sandt
Lodge Chief



&



Bobby Childs
Lodge Advisor

Nianque is spotlighting Genevieve Sandt, Lodge Chief and Bobby Childs, Lodge Advisor. The Communication Committee asked Genevieve and Bobby several questions about the Order of Arrow and the Chattahoochee Lodge. Below are the questions and their responses:

Describe your background in the Order of Arrow?

Genevieve Sandt, Lodge Chief: I became a Ordeal member in the Chattahoochee Lodge in 2019 and earned my brotherhood in 2020. I am currently serving as Lodge Chief and on the ceremonies team. My past leadership positions in the Lodge are Lodge Chief (2021-2022), Vice Chief (2020-2021), and Lodge Treasurer (2019-2020). I have attended National Leadership Seminar (NLS), NOAC, and numerous section events. I recently received the Vigil Honor in 2022.

Bobby Childs, Lodge Advisor: I was elected to the OA in 1989 in Cowikee Lodge where I received my Vigil in 1992 and Founders award in 1993. I served as lodge chief in 1992 & 1993, as well as served on the ceremonies team as the part of Nutiket in Pre-O, Ordeal, and Brotherhood. I also attended the 1990 and 1992 NOACs with Cowikee. I joined Chattahoochee lodge in 2014 and served as AIA adviser from 2017-2019. In 2020 I as selected to be Lodge Adviser.

What are the benefits of being active in the Order of Arrow?

Genevieve Sandt: When I first joined the order of the arrow in 2019, I never realized the significant positive impact it would have on me, personally as well as in and outside of my scouting life. Membership in the lodge has allowed me to have numerous opportunities to expand my leadership skills, meet new friends, participate in unique OA activities, and have so many lasting memories.

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Bobby Childs: The OA provides scouts with an opportunity to participate in activities that they may not be able to at a troop level, it also allows them to meet and bond with scouts from outside their own units and make lasting friendships. For those scouts that assume leadership roles in the OA, it also helps broaden and reinforce the skills they are already forming in their units. For adults it gives them an opportunity to fellowship and provide service without necessarily having to be in charge. They can participate in and enjoy events just as much as the youth can.

Name the Top 3 Experiences in the Order of Arrow

Genevieve Sandt, Lodge Chief: First, I have made new and lasting friendships with fellow Arrowman that may of never have happened if I had not been elected into the lodge. Second, I have had the privilege of serving 2 years as the Lodge Chief for the Chattahoochee Lodge. Finally, receiving my Vigil in 2022 was an tremendous honor especially having the chance to share it with my mother and father who were my Vigil Guides.

Bobby Childs, Lodge Advisor: First and foremost is watching scouts grow and engage during and after induction and really taking the next step to live up to our principles, Second would be receiving my vigil, third would have to be serving as my son's vigil guide.

What is the one thing that you want to accomplish this year in the Chattahoochee Lodge?

Genevieve Sandt, Lodge Chief: I want to provide opportunities for Arrowman to increase and strengthen their leadership skills whether it is serving on a lodge committee, holding a lodge leadership position, or attending trainings like the National Leadership Seminar. I especially want to reach out to new members to make sure they know what an important part of this Lodge they are and what our lodge can offer them to become stronger leaders.

Bobby Childs, Lodge Advisor: I want to continue to grow the lodge in overall membership and attendance at events so we can continue to provide more service to our council and our camps and improve them for all scouts and scouters in our council.



CHAPTERS AT WORK



Don't Delay, Schedule Your Unit Election!!

Spring is right around the corner and so are unit elections in the chapters of the Chattahoochee Lodge. Each chapter is working on contacting and scheduling an OA unit election and camp promotion visits with the units in their district. Youth and adult Unit Election Teams will attend a meeting to explain the election process and hold the election for the unit. The Lodge is holding only two Ordeal Weekends which will be May 5th - 7th and August 4th-6th. Make sure to schedule your unit election at least one month prior to these weekends. Below are the chapter contacts for unit elections. To schedule a unit election, please contact your chapter leadership below:

Hiawassee Chapter: hiawassee@chattahoochee lodge.com

*Chapter Chief - Jackson Hester *Chapter Advisor - Darian Krimm

Ossahatchee Chapter: ossahatchee@chattahoochee lodge.com

*Chapter Chief — Bryson Arrant *Chapter Advisor— Eric Hood

Si-Tan-Mico Chapter: sitanmico@chattahoochee lodge.com

*Chapter Chief — Emma Stone *Chapter Advisor— James Gillespie

Chapter Unit Election Stats Update

Chapters	Number of Elections Completed/Scheduled	Number of Ordeal Candidates Elected
Hiawassee Chapter (9 Units)	0	0
Ossahatchee Chapter (16 Units)	5	9
Si-Tan-Mico Chapter (9 Units)	1	0

Spring Pow-Wow Wild, Wild East



Giddy up, the Spring Pow Wow and Wild, Wild East Weekend was held on Friday, March 10th – Sunday, March 12th at Camp Frank G. Lumpkin. Chattahoochee Wranglers attended and had a Rootin-Tootin Good Time. At the event, we celebrated 12 eligible Ordeal members who 'Sealed their Bonds' through Brotherhood. Various service projects were completed around camp to get it ready for summer camp in June. Arrowmen saddled up for the Lodge Rodeo to include Ultimate Frisbee, Wischixin, tug of war, horseshoes, cornhole tournament, and roping a steer. On Saturday night, everyone dressed up in their finest western duds and enjoyed a Chuck Wagon dinner with all the fixings on Saturday night. Yeehaw, what a great lodge event.



Annual Lodge Event Pass Available until 3/31/23



Chattahoochee Lodge has re-introduced the 2023 Annual Lodge Event Pass. Arrowman can now purchase the Event Pass with discounts for additional Arrowman in the SAME HOUSEHOLD at [OA Annual Pass Registration \(91bsa.org\)](https://www.91bsa.org) or go to our website and click the link. For those Arrowman who plan to test for their Brotherhood, you would just pay an additional \$25 when you register online for the event.

The Chattahoochee Lodge Annual Event Pass will cover the cost to attend the Spring Pow-Wow, Spring Induction, Summer Induction, Fall-Fellowship, and Lodge Banquet (including annual dues). By purchasing the annual pass, it works out to one event for free in the year!!

Registration for each event is still required. However, Arrowmen will be provided a code that zeros out the cost UNLESS you are testing for Brotherhood which will be an additional \$25. Each Arrowman/family members with an annual event pass will need to register individually to receive the discount. There will be NO refunds for events not attended and value will not roll over to the next year. This pass is good for the current 2023 calendar year ONLY.



2023 LODGE
EVENTS



Section E-6 Conclave Registration Ends 3/30/23

Alibamu Lodge is hosting the Section E6 Conclave on April 14-16. Eleven lodges, including ours, will gather at Camp Tukabatchee in Prattville, AL for a weekend full of fellowship, competition, and brotherhood. 800 or more Arrowmen will attend the weekend and enjoy Native American dance and drum, patch trading, displays, ceremony and athletic competitions, training opportunities and much more. There will be fun activities for all our members, no matter their activity level. Arrowman are needed to support the Lodge, participate in the competitions, and bring victory to the lodge.

The Conclave registration fee is \$40 until Friday, March 30, 2023 and increases to \$60 after this date. To register for Conclave click here: [2023 E6 Conclave \(jotform.com\)](https://www.jotform.com). Arrowman attending the Conclave will receive one trader/delegate patch and a Conclave t-shirt with their fee. More details to follow on how to order additional patches and shirts. Saddle up for Conclave!!



Trader



Delegate

Spring Ordeal “May the 5th Be With You”



The Chattahoochee Lodge’s Spring Ordeal –“May the 5th Be With You,” will be held on Friday, May 5th to Sunday, May 7th at Camp Pine Mountain. Come join the Jedi Knights, Ewoks, Stormtroopers, & Rebels for a galactic event. Arrowman will:

- ⇒ Use the force to support scouts and scouters during their Ordeal.
- ⇒ Be a trooper, sleep under the stars in your personal tent/hammock in the designated landing pad at Camp Pine Mountain.
- ⇒ Attend the Jedi Service Academy and participate in service projects around camp during the morning and early afternoon.
- ⇒ Enjoy a Feast on Saturday night at the Bow-Ba Fett Café.
- ⇒ Dress up as your favorite Star Wars character. Prizes will be awarded.

Register now at [2023 Spring Ordeal Registration\(91bsa.org\)](https://www.91bsa.org). Yoda want to come to the Spring Ordeal!!



2023 LODGE CALENDAR

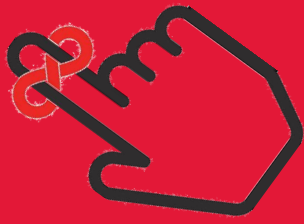
Date	Event	Theme
5/5—5/7/23	Spring Ordeal	Star Wars - May the 5th Be With You.
8/4—8/6/23	Summer Induction	Country v. Country Club
10/20—10/22/23	Fall Fellowship	Come to the Lodge Carnival
12/1—12/2/23	Vigil Fellowship	No Theme
12/2/23	Lodge Banquet	Grinchmas Banquet
12/3/23	Lodge Leadership Development	No Theme

IMPORTANT UPDATES

- **Conclave early registration** ends on 11:59 PM CDT on March 30, 2023.
- A **new service form** is available to receive service hours for projects that are not directly sponsored by the lodge at [Service | Chattahoochee Lodge](#).
- **Don't delay, pay your 2023 Dues!** If you went through Ordeal or attended lodge banquet in 2022, your 2023 lodge dues are paid. 2023 Lodge dues are \$25 until 3/31/23 and can be paid at [2023 OA Dues Registration \(91bsa.org\)](#). After 3/31/23 a \$10 late fee will be added.
- **2023 Lodge Event Pass** is available at [OA Annual Pass Registration \(91bsa.org\)](#) until 3/31/23.
- **Schedule your unit elections now** with your chapter leadership to attend the May 5th-7th and August 4th-6th Ordeal.
- **Registration is open for Spring Ordeal**—"May the 5th Be With You" at [2023 Spring Ordeal Registration \(91bsa.org\)](#).

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