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CHIEFLY SPEAKING

Happy New Year Arrowman,

Thank you for dedicating your time to the Order of the Arrow and the Chattahoochee Lodge during 2021. The Lodge has had an amazing year. With your support, we completed 2,981 service hours, organized 5 exciting lodge events, welcomed 63 new Ordeal members, sealed the bonds of brotherhood with 21 new Brotherhood members, and recognized Arrowman with Vigil Honors, Founders Award, Service Award Flaps, 1st Year Arrowman Award Flaps, and Elangomat Flaps.

I am looking forward to another outstanding year in 2022 with new events, service opportunities, inductions, and leadership training. Mark your calendars and register now for upcoming Section and National OA events. Section SR-9's Conclave will be held on April 1st – 3rd at Camp Benjamin Hawkins. During the summer, the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) will be held on July 25-20 at University of Tennessee. Both of these events will offer Arrowman a chance to participate in competitions, field games, shows, patch trading, training and much more.

One of my resolutions for the New Year is make sure that communication is increased between the lodge and units. One way to accomplish this is for units to take advantage of the Order of Arrow (OA) Unit Representatives Program. These unit positions are for both youth and adult Arrowmen and are appointed by the Scoutmaster/Crew Advisor. The role of the OA Unit Representatives is to communicate with your unit about upcoming lodge and chapter events, meetings, and updates. The OA Unit Representatives Program is the communication link between your troop, chapter and the lodge. Thank you for everything you do to make our lodge successful, fun and high performing.

Genevieve Sandt
Lodge Chief



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LODGE ADVISOR'S MINUTE

Brothers, it is hard to believe it is already the holiday season and this year is rapidly coming to a close! This year has definitely flown by. I think everyone would agree though that it has been a good year for our lodge. We have had outstanding attendance at our events this year and experienced an overall growth in membership in our lodge at a time when most lodges are seeing a decrease in membership. This is a direct result of you, my brothers, your support of our program and the outstanding leadership of our LEC is what has made this possible. I am excited for the new year, and a chance to work with a new LEC to continue to build on that success.

I would like to issue a challenge to you all as this year comes to a close. I challenge you all to remember the principles of our order, Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service, and to live those in your daily life this holiday season. If each of us will remember these ideals and practice them, chances are we will each impact someone's life and provide joy or comfort in some way to them. I would like to close by wishing you all a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Bobby Childs
Lodge Advisor



LODGE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER SPOTLIGHTS

Our Lodge Chief, Genevieve Sandt, wanted to highlight the following two members of our Lodge Executive Committee (LEC). They recently went beyond the call of duty and are already hitting it out of the park in their lodge positions. The LEC Member spotlights are Tanner Newby and Andy Scott. We know that they will do an outstanding job on the 2022 Lodge Executive Committee. They are off to a great start!!



Tanner Newby is the Finance Chairman. He is a brotherhood member and is a member of Troop 555. This is Tanner's first year on the LEC. A few of Tanner's goals for the Finance Committee in 2022 are to maintain an updated trading post inventory, design and order patches for section and lodge events, and purchase new trading post items. "Tanner really took charge at the Lodge Banquet with the Lodge Trading Post by grasping what was needed to be done. I'm very proud of his hard work and dedication to the trading post. He did an amazing job, and it was his first time doing it as well. He is going to be a great Finance Chairman for the Lodge." - Genevieve Sandt.



Andy Scott is the Leadership Development Chairman. He is an ordeal member and is a member of Troop 404. This is Andy's first year on the LEC For 2022 as well. Andy has plans to offer more leadership training to the Lodge and update lodge members about upcoming Council, Section and National OA trainings. "Andy did a great job planning and running the 2021 Lodge Leadership Development (LLD). He planned the games and presentations, made the agenda and ran an amazing LLD. All LEC members enjoyed and learned a lot. Also, with this being Andy's first time on the LEC, he has taken on a big role to provide more leadership training to the Lodge. Very proud to have Andy as our Leadership Development Chairman." - Genevieve Sandt.

MESSAGE FROM THE SERVICE COMMITTEE



The Lodge Service Committee would like to take a minute to thank all Arrowman for a truly outstanding year in 2021. We accomplished a lot this year and it really shows around camp! One of the biggest projects that we took on was the renovation of the ecology lodge, which turned out great and was a true honor to dedicate it to Bill and Helmi Leffler. We wanted to share the following statistics from the year with you:

- ⇒ 160 members performed service out of the 231 active Lodge members = 70% of registered members completed service hours
- ⇒ **2,981 service hours were completed by 160 members = Average of 19 hours per person**
- ⇒ 32 People earned service flap (35 hours +) which accounted for 1,805 hours of the total hours completed by Lodge membership = 56.41 hours on average each
- ⇒ Lodge Service Total and Overall Impact—2,981 service hours x \$28.54 (Current Estimated Value of each volunteer hour, April 2021) = \$85,063.47

We look forward to another great year of cheerful service from our brothers and will be sharing an overview of projects we want to complete in 2022 soon. If you like to learn more about how to earn the Service Flap Recognition or contribute materials/donations to Lodge service projects, please contact Layton Childs, Service Chairman at fisherguylayton@gmail.com. Happy New Year to everyone!

2021 LODGE YEAR IN REVIEW

- ⇒ 231 active Lodge members
- ⇒ 2,981 service hours were completed by 160 members at district/council events and council camps
- ⇒ \$4,000 contributed in materials and cash to the Council and its camps
- ⇒ Conducted 42 unit visits and elected 63 candidates
- ⇒ Welcomed 63 new Ordeal members,
- ⇒ Sealed the bonds of brotherhood with 21 new brotherhood members,
- ⇒ Organized 5 exciting lodge events with great participation by new and current lodge members
 - *Spring Pow Wow & Wild, Wild West Weekend
 - *Beaver Day and Spring Induction (Ordeal/Brotherhood)
 - *Red, White, and Blue and Summer Ordeal Weekend Too!!!
 - *In It To Win It' - a Fall Induction Event
 - *Do not be a Grinch, Attend the OA Lodge Banquet!!
- ⇒ Awarded 2 Arrowman with Vigil Honors, 2 Founders Award, a Silver Arrow and an Silver Eagle Award, 32 Service Award Flaps, 11 First Year Arrowman Award Flaps, and 13 Elangomat Flaps.
- ⇒ Earned High Performing Lodge through the Lodge Performance Measurement Program

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THE ARROWMAN WHO MADE THESE ACCOMPLISHMENTS POSSIBLE THROUGH THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION TO THE CHATTAHOOCHEE LODGE.

\$\$ 2022 LODGE DUES REMINDER \$\$

The Lodge is now accepting payments for 2022 lodge dues for those Arrowman who **DID NOT** attend the Lodge Banquet in December OR **DID NOT** go through their Ordeal in 2021. Dues help the Lodge pay for programming, service, recharter fees, and much more. The number of dues-paying lodge members also impacts the lodge for national event quotas, Vigil class quotas, and more. Current lodge dues entitle members to wear a lodge flap, attend Lodge events, and buy lodge items, i.e. new Lodge Flaps.

For those that went through their Ordeal in 2021 OR attended the Lodge Banquet in December, their 2022 lodge dues have been paid. **For all others, the 2022 Lodge dues are \$25 until March 31, 2022 and can be paid at 91bsa.org/oadues. After March 31st, a \$10 late fee will be added and they will be \$35. Don't delay, pay your dues now!!!**

CHAPTERS AT WORK

Ossahatchee - Our Lodge Chief, Genevieve Sandt, visited the Ossahatchee Chapter for the Chapter's Christmas Party. We played a fun game of Dirty Santa, had some good food, and spent some time working on our bead recognition necklaces.

—**Eli Pittman, Chapter Chief/Eric Hood, Chapter Advisor**

Si-Tan-Mico - Si-Tan-Mico Chapter members spent the evening of their Christmas Party enjoying good food, fellowship, and watching *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*.

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

Hiawassee - Hiawassee Chapter members helped out with the town event called "Caroling in the Square." Our members gave out caroling books to people who wanted to join in.

—**Jackson Hester, Chapter Chief/Darian Krimm, Chapter Advisor**

UPCOMING LODGE EVENTS—2022

January 7th-9th	SR 9 Indian Winter at Camp Benjamin Hawkins. For more info, sr-9.org/indian-winter — Registration is now CLOSED.
March 11th-13th	Spring Pow-Wow at Camp FGL— Registration coming soon!!
April 1st-3rd	Conclave at Camp Benjamin Hawkins— For more information and to register, go to sr-9.org/gathering. The registration fee is \$39 (does not include lodge specific conclave items i.e. conclave flap and t-shirt)
July 25th-30th	National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) - July 25-30 at University of Tennessee— Secure your spot by making a \$100 deposit at 91bsa.org/noac. For NOAC info: oa-bsa.org/program/events/noac .

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