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Bryson Arrant Lodge Chief

Arrowmen,

While writing this chiefly speaking I am astounded that it has already been a year since I was elected as Lodge Chief. The last year has gone by fast and almost slipped by me, but I am grateful to everyone in the Lodge for supporting through my first term. I learned a lot about myself and my position, and I am steadfast and committed to becoming the best Lodge Chief that I can be.

This month, I want to really focus on reminding everyone to take a step back and breathe this year. I know that everyone has something going on right now in their lives whether it be sports, school, jobs or all three. All of these can create a suffocating environment that can affect your physical, mental and emotional state.

Anne Lamott once said, "Almost everything will work again if you unplug it for a few minutes, including you." So, this year I want everyone to remember to take breaks and to focus on themselves. Don't unnecessarily wear yourself down. Life is a marathon, so remember to pace yourself and take those few necessary breaks to ensure that you can pass the finish line.



WWW,

Bryson Arrant





Darian Krimm Lodge Adviser

A CHEERFUL SPIRIT:

Over the last few months, I have encountered several challenges and found myself challenged to remain cheerful even in the midst of difficult circumstances. I was immediately reminded of this story about Two Brothers and a Wise Old Man.

Two brothers once decided to leave their hometown and move to the city. Outside the city the first brother met an old man and asked, "How are the people here?"

The old man asked in return, "Well, how were the people in your hometown?"

The first brother answered, "Aw, they were always grumpy and dissatisfied, There wasn't a single one among them worth bothering about."

The old man said, "You'll find that the people here are exactly the same!" Later the other brother came along. "How are the people in this city?" he asked. "How were the people in your hometown?" the old man asked as before.

"Fine!" said the other brother. Always cheerful, always kind and understanding!"

"You will find that the people here are exactly the same!" said the old man again, for he was a wise old man who knew that the attitude of the people you meet depends upon your own state of mind. If you are cheerful and frank and good-humored, you'll find others the same.

In the Order of the Arrow we promise that we will "seek to preserve a

cheerful spirit even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty

responsibilities." As members of Scouting's Honor Society, others look to

us as the example of all that is right and good in Scouting. Let us all be reminded to keep a cheerful spirit in all that we do.

ADVISER





2025 LODGE OFFICERS



At the 2024 Lodge Fall Fellowship, the following Arrowmen were selected to be the 2025 Lodge Officers!



Anna Arrant Lodge Vice Chief





Leslie Stone Lodge Secretary

Leslie Calain

Lodge Treasurer





2025 LEC



Ashton Lester Si-Tan-Mico Chapter Chief



Samuel Fessler Hiawassee Chapter Chief

Cuyler Morneault Ossahatchee Chapter Chief





Aiden Smiley

Camp Promotions

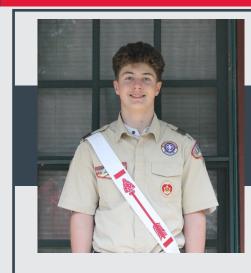
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2025 LEC CONT'D





Braydon Horton Activities

Dustin Brassel

American Indian Affairs





Spencer Bowden

Inductions

Andrew Hamner

Service

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2024 Fall Fellowship Recap! Written by: Anna Arrant

Fall fellowship is a lodge event held every October with a purpose of inducting new members who exemplify the principles of the Order into Brotherhood membership, fellowship amongst the lodge, and finally, to hold the Lodge Business Meeting where we vote on the Lodge Officers for the following year.

Fall Fellowship was held on October 11-13 at Camp FGL, with a theme of "College Tailgating". On Friday night, Vigil Callout were conducted to recognize those who exemplify outstanding qualities of service and cheerfulness This year's recipients were Tony Vogtlin, Dustin Brassel, Eli Hood, Leslie Stone, and Kevin Nelson.

On Saturday, Arrowmen enjoyed games like Volleyball, Badminton, Giant Cup Pong, Ultimate Frisbee, and Wischixin to practice for the games at Conclave and, in the



afternoon, Arrowmen Philip Bowden and Brody Jackson were congratulated as the newest Brotherhood members. That evening, Arrowmen snacked on chicken wings, mini quesadillas, and Mac n' cheese, as well as other delicious tailgating foods. Activities that night included a Cornhole tournament and Ping-Pong. The following morning, Arrowmen gathered in the dining hall to vote on the 2025 Lodge Officers. After numerous rounds of voting, the following lodge officers were selected:

Lodge Chief: Bryson Arrant, Lodge Vice Chief: Anna Arrant, Lodge Secretary: Leslie Stone, and Lodge Treasurer: Leslie Calain.

Congratulations, 2025 officers!





I attended the Lodge Banquet and the Lodge Leadership Development in December. The banquet was a lot of fun, and I got to meet so many new people! The LLD really helped me understand the different roles in the lodge on a deeper level, and I got to meet our new LEC committee chairs! At the LLD, I set myself the goal of coming up with some new ideas for lodge swag as well as making sure the budgets are set and followed throughout the course

of my term. Recently, I drafted the budget for Spring Pow-Wow and took it to the LEC for approval. I also came up with some new ideas for the lodge trading post. I am so excited for this upcoming year and the opportunity to serve my fellow Arrowmen in the lodge!

Exciting Council Events!



Chattahoochee Council National Youth Leadership Training this year will take place Sunday May 25th—Friday May 30th at Camp FGL. Registration ends May 5th. NYLT is a wonderful opportunity to learn valuable leadership and teamwork skills as well as meet scouts from all over the council! For more information and to register, visit the council website!

Chattahoochee Council Summer Camp will also be at Camp FGL with three separate weeks offered for troops: June 15—21st, June 22nd—28th, and June 29th—July 5th. Last day to secure a spot for your troop is May 15th, and class registration opens March 3rd! For more information, visit the council website!





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2024 Lodge Grinchmas Banquet! Written by: Leslie Stone

The 2024 Lodge Grinchmas Banquet took place at Camp FGL on December 7th and was a night to remember! The event, as always, was a cheerful



celebration of the year with fun activities like an ugly sweater contest, door prizes, a silent auction, and a raffle drawing! The dining hall was decked out with all manner of Grinch-related things, but the mood in the room was quite the opposite! Arrowmen and their families enjoyed fellowship and great food while newly appointed

Lodge Adviser, Darian Krimm spoke about the new Lodge Executive

Committee including the new officers, the vigil recipients: Tony Vogtlin, Eli Hood, Dustin Brassel, Kevin Nelson, and Leslie Stone, the Founder's award recipients: Kim Williams and Sam Davidson, and gave special recognition to past Lodge Vice Chief, Alycia Harp, for her hard work last year.



or who completed a certain amount of service hours were also recognized.



Additionally, Bobby Childs, Todd Sandt, and Lisa Sandt were specially recognized for their tenured service to the lodge as Adviser and Assistant Advisers. Thank you Mr. Bobby and Mr. and Mrs. Sandt! Lodge Chief Bryson also recognized them with his Lodge Chief Award for being exceptionally helpful to him in his first term as chief.

Overall, the banquet was a huge success and a wonderful way to end the year. We look forward to all the exciting events planned for 2025!

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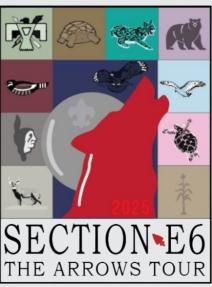
Exciting Events in 2025! Lodge and Section Events!



Re rescheduled Section E6 Indian winter will take place at Camp Horne on the weekend of February 21st—23rd.The event will be packed with informative trainings and exciting shows, so show up and show out! <u>Register here!</u> Registration closes soon.

Chattahoochee Lodge Spring Pow-Wow will be at Camp FGL on the weekend of March 7th—9th, and the them will be "The Eras of Scouting!" This will be a fun and service-filled event to prepare the lodge for Conclave! Make sure you sign up so you don't miss out on games like Volleyball, Wischixin, and Ultimate Frisbee! <u>Register here!</u> Earlybird ends February 23rd.





Section E6 will be holding their annual Conclave at Camp Bert Adams this year from April 4th—6th. The theme will be the "Arrows" Tour based off Taylor Swift's Era's Tour to celebrate our section's legacy. This is a can't-miss event, so make sure you <u>register here!</u> Earlybird ends February 9th.



REMINDERS



2025 LODGE CALENDAR

Date	Event	Theme
	Section E6 Indian Winter	None
03/07-03/09	Spring Pow-Wow	Eras of Scouting
04/04-04/06	Section E6 Conclave	The "Arrows" Tour

IMPORTANT UPDATES

- If you would like to **join a committee on the LEC**, please fill out this <u>form!!</u>
- A new service form is available to receive service hours for projects that are not directly sponsored by the lodge at <u>Service</u> | <u>Chattahoochee Lodge.</u>
- Lodge Annual Pass information coming soon!

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