

**YUSTAGA LODGE
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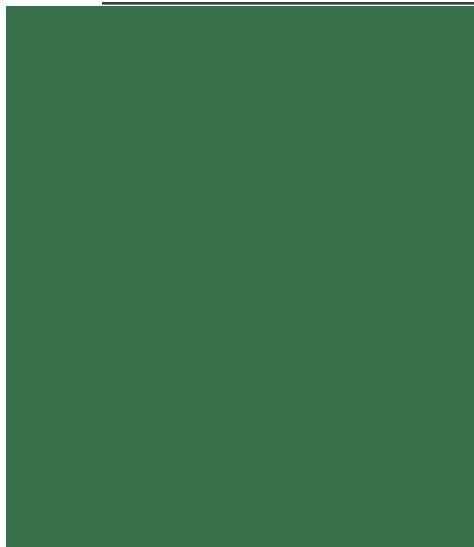
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Woapalanne

Connor Sanders, Chief

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RECAP

Lodge Leadership Development held on December 1, 2018, was an exciting event. The Lodge Chief, Vice Chiefs and Advisers set aside part of the meeting to discuss planning for 2019. The theme is going to be centered around Olympics. The lodge leadership is excited to start planning the events for this year. Everyone who attended learned something new about how they can help the lodge grow. LLD is an important event for upcoming youth and adult leaders in the lodge. All interested members desiring to enhance their leadership skills for future leadership positions are strongly encouraged to participate

LODGE BANQUET

Lodge Banquet hosted by Appalachee chapter this year was excellent. Even in the ruins of Hurricane Michael, everyone seemed to have an amazing time. The top comment was about the food. We were served pork straight from the pig, incredible! The guest speaker this year had many interesting stories about his experience in the OA and about what his

Ordeal was like. Finally came the awards, where Jerry and Mr. Kern thanked everyone for a great year and said their goodbyes in the current roles. Mr. Kern and Jerry will be handing off their leadership positions to Mr. Mike Cole and Tyler Rickman in 2019. All of the Lodge and Chapter leadership and advisors were recognized for their service in 2018, and many others were awarded in recognition for their immense help in the past year.

UNIT ELECTIONS

One of the big things for the end of 2018 and the beginning of 2019 is unit elections. For the past few months, chapters have been sending their youth to troop meetings to inform the troops about the OA and to elect new members into the OA. This is just a small part of everything we do, but it is also very important. You might be wondering what makes this year's round of elections so important. Well, that's because for the first time ever youth females are allowed to be elected into the OA. This is a change for our program, and not everyone will be ready for it, but I know we all will make sure our new members will enjoy our program this year, as much as we have in the past. Thank you to everyone who has contributed in the election process. Now let's make 2019 the best year yet!

CHAPTER REPORTS

Choctaw Chapter

For the past quarter Choctaw had a Christmas meeting with games such as dirty Santa where everyone that showed up participated. There were three unit elections for the month of December, and they have three more to do in January. They are excited to have new members inducted into their chapter. They would like to thank Jerry Hand for an outstanding year as Lodge Chief and congratulate Zachary Lambert for his second term as a Lodge Vice Chief. They also had a YNAW preparation meeting at the troop 529 scout hut where several scouts helped organize beads and materials for the various craft projects.

Oschambos

Oschambos had a great last quarter of the year. Houston Hartley was elected for a second term as Lodge Vice Chief and Gage Hagan was appointed as another Lodge Vice Chief. At the banquet Gage and Houston received their Vigil honors. Oschambos member Mr. Leon Hartley was presented with the James E West Award. They held a meeting to thank their outgoing Chapter Officers and introduced their new Officers for 2019 to those who couldn't attend Fall Pow Wow. Oschambos had their first ever Christmas Bash and played a round of Dirty Santa. It was a great time. They concluded the evening with a round of "what was your favorite moment of 2018". We are very excited about the upcoming year.

Woapalanne

At the start of new year Woapalanne is working to get a calendar of events planned, and getting their leaders new and old situated. Although their attendance is at a low they are coming up with fun and engaging meeting plans that will hopefully draw people in. With favorites from last year like sailing with the sea scouts along with new ideas such as a group trip to a waterpark. With February coming around the corner they are preparing for YNAW, as well as pushing for members to be Elangomats for Ordeal. With three out of four leaders on the ceremony team, they are expecting a great year for ceremonies. They hope to recruit more team members before Ordeal and definitely before Conclave. Woapalanne is also in the early stages of planning everything for this year's Banquet and will have more to report on that next month.

Appalachee

Hurricane Michael hit Appalachee Chapter the hardest out of all the Chapters, but they still had a great year and are thankful for all of the help. In the last few months, Appalachee hosted the banquet and would like to thank all of the other chapters for helping clean up afterwards. They would also like to thank everyone for all the support throughout these hard times after Hurricane Michael and would like to let everyone know that they are all ok and getting back to their normal lives. Appalachee also has a new member in Lodge Leadership. Congratulations to Lodge Vice Chief, Noah Owens, who is also their outgoing Chapter Chief.

YNAW:	February 1-3
Ordeal:	March 8-10
Conclave:	April 12-14

There are always service projects that need our help at the camp. These can be done as Individual, Chapter, Troop, Pack, Crew etc. Please contact Don Smith for more information: donfloridasmith@aol.com

THE CHIEF'S MINUTE

The first thing I want to say to everyone is thank you. You all have given me the best year in 2018, and I hope that myself and my Vice Chiefs gave you a great year as well. I also want to say thank you to my Vice Chiefs who helped make the year roll on smoothly, and thank you to Mr. Kern for always being there whenever I had a question. Although I am passing on the torch to Tyler Rickman in 2019, I promise I will continue to help out in the Lodge. I look forward to seeing what the new leadership have in stock for 2019, and once again, thank you all for a great year.

Jerry Hand, Lodge Chief 2018

Hello Yustaga Lodge, happy New Year and welcome to 2019. Thank you everyone for giving me the chance to be your Lodge Chief this year. I am so excited to work with all of you in service and brotherhood to make 2019 an exciting year. Our Lodge Leadership has already made many huge plans for the year as we met at LLD in December, and we can't wait to see the year unfold. I look forward to 2019 as your Lodge Chief, and I hope we can continue on where we left off in 2018.

Tyler Rickman, Lodge Chief 2019

THE ADVISER'S BRIEF

As we close out 2018 and enter into 2019 I want to say "Thank You" for everything that you do for the lodge. You continue to amaze me with your dedication and service. I hope that you have already renewed your OA membership. I look forward to seeing each of you at our events next year. I know that you will continue to provide Mr. Mike Cole all the support that you gave me during my time as your Lodge Adviser.

Jeff Kern, Lodge Adviser 2018

I want to wish a happy and prosperous New Year to my fellow Yustaga arrowmen, as we usher in 2019 and all the great events and activities that await us this year. Our new lodge chief, Tyler Rickman, the lodge vice chiefs and key lodge leadership team developed a great template for this year during our lodge planning meeting held this past December following our annual lodge leadership development. I am also excited to be the new Yustaga lodge adviser following in the footsteps of Mr. Jeff Kern and the great example he set as our most recent lodge adviser working with our lodge leadership to make us the best all-around lodge in SR1B during his tenure. What an exciting time for the Order of Arrow and Yustaga lodge and I'm thrilled to be a part of the great things to come this year! I look forward to seeing all of you this year participating in keeping Yustaga the best all-around lodge.

Michael Cole, Lodge Adviser 2019

OA TRIVIA

Q: Who is the new Lodge Chief?

- A . Jerry Hand
- B . Noah Owens
- C . Tyler Rickman
- D . Quin Gable

Q: Who is hosting Conclave for 2019?

- A . Ti'ak
- B . Woa Cholena
- C . Sebooney Okasucca
- D . Yustaga

Q: What is our event theme this year?

- A . 70s and 80s
- B . High Adventure
- C . Football
- D . Olympics

The answers may be submitted at Ordeal on a small LEGIBLE piece of paper WITH YOUR NAME to be drawn for a prize(youth and adult separate boxes)

Note: Please keep up with the Osprey trivia as prizes will be awarded at each event.

Any questions, corrections or information that you would like added to the Osprey please contact:

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