



Arrowman Echoes

Alibamu Lodge 179, W.W.W.
Tukabatchee Area Council #005
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CONCLAVE!!! Parker Stephens 2023 Conclave Chairman

This year's conclave is coming up quickly on April 1-3! After an exciting, fun-filled Indian Winter, you can expect that and more at conclave. With fellowship, athletics, multiple competitions, shows, good food, patch trading, and more with other lodges, conclave is an event like no other. Your attendance also gets us points for All Around Best Lodge.

To prepare for conclave, our Conclave Skills Day is coming up on January 30, with an LEC meeting following after. Come learn or play Wischixin, Ultimate Frisbee, and ceremonies.

Conclave this year is hosted by Echeconnee Lodge at Camp Benjamin Hawkins. Sign up at www.sectione6.org. We will carpool and depart at lunch time on Friday.

Register by January 31 to get this Early Bird patch and to be guaranteed to get the trading post items you're looking for.

Lodge Dues

It's that time again for dues to be paid so please pay at alibamu.org as soon as possible. Only dues paid members can wear a lodge flap on their uniform. Dues are required to attend any events this year so if you don't want to miss out, go ahead and pay. If you have any questions please contact Jacob or Adam

Dues can be paid online at:
www.TukabatcheeBSA.org/shop

Fall Fellowship & Work Horse Day Jacob Young Lodge Treasurer

Thank you, brothers, for a very successful Fall Fellowship and Work Horse Day. During both events we completed numerous service projects that included cleaning up the old staff campsite and a variety of other improvement projects at Camp Tukabatchee. We also buried the first ever Alibamu time capsule that will be opened on the lodge's 100th anniversary in 2040. Our 80s themed Fall Fellowship was a success with stellar attendance that included over 75 lodge members. We appreciate the hard work of the attendees at both events and look forward to even more Arrowmen serving in the future.

Beaver Day Eli Crawford Lodge Secretary

To keep the great Camp Tukabatchee and Camp Hobbs looking and working efficiently, we need to take care of the campgrounds. So come down for Beaver day, February 26, at 8am, and lets keep Tukabatchee looking and working great.

See our social media posts the week before for a list of tools we'll need.

RSVP to alibamu179@gmail.com for your free lunch and patch. No Cub Scouts please.

Calendar

- 1/30 Skills Day, 1p, Cooter's Pond
- 2/26 Beaver Day & LEC meeting, 8a, Camp Tuk
- 4/1-3 Conclave, Camp Ben Hawkins
- 4/10 LEC Meeting
- 5/6-8 Allogagan Ordeal & Elections, Camp Tuk

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NOAC

Adam Holtzscher
Lodge Chief

NOAC or the National Order of the Arrow conference is the OA's largest event! Arrowmen across the nation will gather in 2022 for a week-long experience of Brotherhood and Fellowship. This is no mere camp out, we will be staying in the dorm rooms on the campus of the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. This is the closest NOAC in recent years so it's your chance to attend! We will depart July 24 and return on July 30.

The fee for NOAC is \$750. So far we have 24 signed up, but we want everyone to come! If you want to attend NOAC but are concerned about the payment, please contact Mike Bazonis today about scholarship opportunities.

I can't wait to see you there with us!



Work at Summer Camp

Applications are available at camptuk.org. You must be age 15+ by June 5. Ask Mr. Dale Alexander if you have any questions (dale.Alexander.76@gmail.com).

Staff or Attend NYLT

Ms. Gail Alexander needs a few more youth staff for this summer's National Youth Leadership Training. If you've been NYLT trained already and are able to help please contact her ASAP (gailgalex@gmail.com).

If you're a younger member, consider attending as a participant. The course will help give you some great leadership knowledge to help you with your troop, the lodge, and in your daily life.

Philmont 2022 & Jamboree 2023

The next Philmont trek is 6/27-7/15/2022 with a fee of \$1,750. Contact Ms. Susanne McGaughey (samcgaughey92@gmail.com) with questions or to sign up. Boys and girls can attend.

The National Scout Jamboree is 7/18-28/2023 with a fee of \$2,200. Contact Scoutmaster Mr. Jeff Young if you have any questions. Sign up at the council office or TukabatcheeBSA.org/shop. Boys and girls can attend.



NLS

Parker Stephens
NLS Trained Webmaster

NLS, or the National Leadership Seminar, is March 4-6 in Talladega! NLS is an opportunity to travel to a national OA event and meet other fellow OA members and learn about key concepts as being a leader and helping your lodge perform better! It is a week-end conference focused on the skills and attributes of leadership. The program enhances the leadership skills of the Order of the Arrow's key youth and adult members

Adults and youth can sign-up with different programs for each. Those who should attend can be lodge officers, those on our LEC, or anyone who is greatly interested in becoming a lodge leader!

For more information about NLS, please visit the NLS page at oabsa.org, and if you are interested in more details about NLS, please contact Mr. Mike Bazonis, Lodge Adviser. The lodge pays for most of the youth fee so talk to Mike before registering.





Chiefly Speaking Adam Holtzscher Lodge Chief

I'm sure we have seen others make New Year's resolutions to not much success. Whether it be implementing a new diet or reading a certain amount of books, they are excitedly keeping their goals at the beginning, but quickly give up before January even ends.

The truth is, these people are setting themselves up for failure in several ways. Some of their goals are wishful thinking where success demands radical change in their daily lives. Others fail because they fail to be kept accountable. Primarily, these individuals fall short of their own expectations because they underestimate the time that must be dedicated into formulating good habits. In order to create good habits, we cannot simply rely on the inspiration boost we get on December 31st. We must actively find resolve to improve ourselves.

This is not to say New Year's Resolutions are pointless because if we set obtainable goals, they can be useful tools. So I challenge you; Whether it be obtaining Eagle before your birthday, completing your personal fitness log, or just doing better at answering emails, let's make 2022 a year of beneficial change and individual development.

Mike's Minute Mike Bazonis the Man Himself Lodge Adviser

Congratulations Alibamu! You've achieved High Performing status in the Lodge Measurement Program for the second year in a row for the 2021 calendar year!

Thank you to each of you for paying your dues and for those who attended our many service projects and events. An extra special thank you to our LEC members and our lodge chiefs, Nethan and Adam.

I hope you'll join us again this year. This is a very important year for Alibamu Lodge as we're preparing to host the April 2023 section conclave at Camp Tukabatchee. We'll need each of you to help us reach our goal of hosting a successful 600-person event.

2021 By the Numbers

- ⇒ 255 members (243 in 2020)
- ⇒ 41 new Ordeal members (92% of eligible youth)
- ⇒ 33 new Brotherhood members (58% of eligible youth)
- ⇒ 2 new Vigil members
- ⇒ 46% of new Ordeal members came to an event within 6 months
- ⇒ 40 of 45 summer camp staff were in the OA
- ⇒ \$7,900 cash and materials donated to the council
- ⇒ 150 members performed 3,766 hours of service for the council valued at \$107,481.64
- ⇒ 42 attended conclave at Camp Patten



@the_flat_mike made an appearance at Indian Winter earlier this month

2022 & 2023 Lodge Dues

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Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone (____) _____ - _____

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CONCLAVE!**

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