



Arrowman Echoes

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Allogagan Ordeal Tiger Rabren Training Chairman

Hey, everyone! It's getting around that time for another ordeal and make sure you register and get your calendar ready for it. It is coming up on May 3-5. It would be great to see all of you there because it means a lot to the lodge and to all of us for you to keep going to these events. They wouldn't be possible without your help and participation. We all remember the immense impact our ordeal had on us. Whether it was good or bad, we still remember it. The best thing we can do for these candidates is attend and show our support for them. Let's make this ordeal one to remember for us too this May. I hope to see you all there for this great lodge event. Register using the mail-in on the back or at www.TukabatcheeBSA.org/shop.



Lodge Chief Ryan Holtzschler giving a speech at Indian Winter

Leadership Mr. Wes Crew Associate Lodge Adviser

Part of what sets us apart as members of the Lodge in Scouting is our leadership. Every brother in the Order of the Arrow is capable of being a great and competent leader. It is one reason why your fellow Scouts chose you and we all know "those who chose you need you"! You might be asking yourself, "How can I be a leader?" Lucky for you, simply being active in our lodge can make that happen! Being active can give you the opportunity to be in charge of something, whether it be a large event or a small group. Another great experience in leadership is to run for office in the upcoming lodge elections. We hope you all will come out and show Alibamu some support at the May ordeal!

Get Involved Cyprian Dumas Lodge Secretary

My main job as lodge secretary is to publish the newsletters that you receive in the mail. You may have noticed that most of the articles come from the same people. The lodge would be thrilled to have you submit an article for our newsletter. If that does not interest you, then we would be more than happy to receive pictures from you. The lodge is not just run by the LEC, but every person involved. Get involved with us on social media or in person so you can reach out and let us know anything you want shared. We are always listening.

Treasurer's Report Nethan Crew Lodge Treasurer

We continue to sell many of our items that we have had since fall and beyond, so definitely come by and get more patches, shirts, hats, and other OA and lodge gear. We will have conclave flaps and more new things soon. Also, please come by and pay your lodge dues if you haven't already. If dues aren't paid, we won't be able to make events as great as they have been. Please make sure to come by and see all the great things we've been working on.

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Chiefly Speaking Ryan Holtzscher Lodge Chief

Building your character is among one of the greatest and most beneficial practices in Scouting. We have numerous activities, programs and even people that exist to provide a quality experience for all of us. As sad as it may be, we won't always be earning ranks, merit badges or even completing requirements, but the lessons learned from it all contribute to your overall character. As Scouts, we are challenged with having until our 18th birthday to complete all the requirements to be an Eagle Scout. In this short time, we learn how hard work and dedication can distinguish our merit, add to our integrity, and lead to success. People respect and acknowledge Eagle Scouts because they have proved that they have the commitment and dedication to fulfill a long-term goal. It typically takes Scouts around 4-6 years to earn their Eagle Scout rank. Colleges and employers see that kind of commitment and character quality in Scouts and as a result are more willing to higher them or offer scholarships. Hard work really does pay off! So stay on top of your goals, try your best always, and don't be afraid of commitment. Take advantage of your time in Scouting and build your character through all of your experiences.



L to R—Addison Broom, Adam Holtzscher, and Nethan Crew working at Beaver Day

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Beaver Day Joey Milks Service Chairman

Beaver Day was a success! Thanks to all of you who came and helped us make Camp Tukabatchee look a lot better. For those of you who couldn't make it, we added grass seed and hay to the shooting sports



area as well as the field in front of the trading post. A special thanks to Mr. Wes and Mr. Fred, and all the others who helped with cutting dead trees down. We make camp a little safer each time and it wouldn't look as nice without you. Our next big project day is coming up with the next ordeal. As always let me, Mike, or Pat know if you see anything around camp you think could be improved or removed. Lastly, I hope you all had a great spring break and that I can see you at future lodge events!

An Ode to a Feather Sam Thompson Ceremonies Chairman

How does a bird see its feathers,
as mighty weapons against a foe called gravity,
as shields protecting it from perilous weather,
or possibly the source of its unparalleled vanity,

Ages of man have envied these jewels of the sky,
great warriors prized them as testament to their power,
men were tempted to war knowing they might die,
but yet the feather meant they could not cover.

Feathers have always lofted man's hubris,
was it not Icarus who thought he was free of the earth,
before wax and dovetail betrayed him into the abyss,
the loss of a man because he dare betray his birth.

How can bird, insect, and fish fly but not man,
did man lose its wings because of arrogance,
would we not think ourselves gods in a realm of man,
It's doubtless were are forsaken to earth for penance.

Still the feather taunts the human race,
a symbol of power and boundless freedom,
a muse for arts, a reminder of a realm we cannot taste,
which leaves us to dream of a forbidden kingdom.

Mike's Minute Mr. Mike Bazonis Lodge Adviser

Each of us has the ability to make an important difference. Whether you know it or not, each of us has the power to make a difference in the lodge. As inspiration for all of us to realize that each of us can do things to help improve our lodge, here are several people in history that have proven one person can make important differences.



Gandhi made peaceful protest and peaceful civil disobedience a valuable process of peaceful change. Susan B. Anthony rose to the challenge as a famous leader of the battle to obtain women's right to vote in the U.S. In 1908, an acclaimed English war hero, Robert Baden Powell, founded the Scouting movement in Great Britain. Seven years later at Treasure Island in the Delaware River, E. Urner Goodman launched an innovative program, the Order of the Arrow, which is based on peer recognition and service to others. John F. Kennedy, America's thirty fifth President believed that "one person can make a difference and every person should try." We need to realize that important improvements can begin with one person. If that one person is truly passionate about his or her mission, then he can make a difference.

Imagine what would happen if each one of us worked together to improve the attendance at each of our lodge events. It is easy to say that you don't need to attend the next event, and that it would not matter since you were only one person. What happens when one hundred Arrowmen feel this way? What would be the outcome if these same Arrowmen decided to attend? You may not realize that each and every one of you is important and can make a difference. But just think that if one person can make a difference, imagine the difference a group of committed Arrowmen can make to the lodge.



Congratulations to all that were called out recently! It's always a wonderful thing to get new brothers in our lodge.

This picture was taken at our last ordeal. Come to the ordeal to be in the next picture.



Lodge Elections

As our program year winds down it's time to start thinking about the next one. At the Allogagan Ordeal next month, we'll hold lodge and chapter officer elections. If you'd like to be a part of the lodge leadership team be sure to be at the Allogagan. See the lodge elections post on our website for job descriptions and be sure to bring a signed candidate permission slip also available with that post. All lodge officer candidates must talk to Mr. Mike Bazonis by the end of lunch on Saturday to be approved to run. Not ready for an officer position? We have several committee chairman positions available as well: camping, ceremonies, Cub Scouts, drum & dance, history, publications service, training, and website. Help us continue to be a great lodge by serving as an officer, chairman, or committee member!

If you are a youth member of the lodge, I strongly encourage you to run for office. Our lodge functions because of people like you, and if we didn't have any officers, than we couldn't be the great lodge we are now. Thank you.

Calendar

April 5-7
May 3-5

Conclave!
Allogagan Ordeal and
election of new officers

Al's Word Search

M R S L R V C Z L W C Y T H M C N V C J
 E C N X A H Z C M O A X D E C I V R E S
 Y L J Z O S S V U J P F F R N A Y C X O
 V I W L U F S P G T H F U D L K Z X B V
 E V G C K Y E N V H U H F I W O K Y M J
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Summer Camp & Vigil Callouts

Ryan Holtzscher
Lodge Chief



It's that time again! Summer camp is right around the corner, which means OA night and Vigil callouts. We encourage all OA members to come to OA night every Thursday during summer camp. OA night helps our campers that aren't members to learn more about our lodge and we need you help do that. On June 13, Vigil callouts will be held in the athletic field at 7:45pm. I encourage everyone to attend to congratulate those who are selected for the Vigil. Vigil nomination forms are available at Alibamu.org on the forms page. We'll have our Alabama bicentennial flaps available for sale this summer too!

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Ceremonies Sam Thompson Ceremonies Chairman

The memories that sticks out most from my ordeal are the ceremonies. Most people in the lodge agree with me on that. The ceremonies team plays a key part in the journey through the OA that our members go through. I strongly encourage you to join this team. While the ceremonies team helps the candidates, it also allows the performers to learn more about their candidates. I can speak from personal experience that I know more about the characters now than I ever could have beforehand.

If you are interested in joining the ceremonies team, do not hesitate to contact me.



Our callout team for the Towassa Chapter did a great job!

SCOUTING'S NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

2019 Allogagan Ordeal & Lodge Dues

May 3-5 @ Camp Tukabatchee

Check-in begins at 5:00pm, Dinner 7:00pm - New members cannot arrive after 7:30pm

If paid by 4/26 at 4:30pm (9:00pm online)

- \$20 Brother
- \$35 Brotherhood Candidate
- \$50 Ordeal Candidate - New Member
- \$12 2019 Lodge Dues - New Members Don't Pay This!
- \$12 2020 Lodge Dues - New Members Don't Pay This!

If paid after 4/26 at 4:30pm (9:00pm online)

- \$25 Brother
- \$40 Brotherhood Candidate
- \$55 Ordeal Candidate - New Member
- \$12 2019 Lodge Dues - New Members Don't Pay This!
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BSA
3067 Carter Hill Rd
Montgomery, AL 36111

or register online @ www.TukabatcheeBSA.org/shop

A new medical form is needed if one was not turned in for the 2019 Indian Winter or Conclave. We do not have your troop or summer camp copies. Please don't forget!

We want to see you at the
Allogagan!
Register today!

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