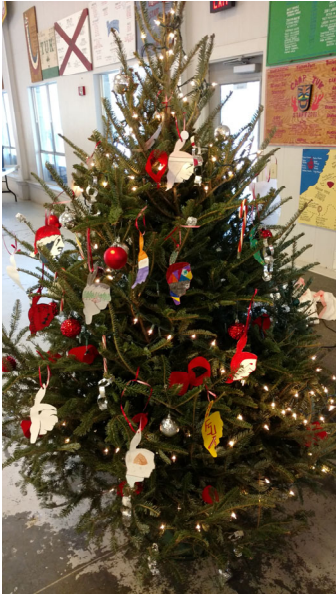




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Fall Fellowship Adam Holtzschler - Lodge Treasurer

Ho Ho Ho! It's getting colder outside which means we are preparing to have our annual fall fellowship. If you're looking for a more relaxed way to get more involved or want to spend time with your fellow brothers this is your type of event. Help us practice sports like Ultimate Frisbee and Wischixin in the field as we get excited for conclave and play Christmas themed games in the dining hall for festive **PRIZES**. We will also be watching the SEC championship game on Saturday so come out and enjoy. Bring a \$10-\$20 Scouting gift to be part of dirty Santa so you don't miss out. We are also planning to do an hour or so of service during the weekend to spread Christmas cheer.

Wishing you a merry Bamu Christmas!
Adam

Paying your Dues Addison Broom Lodge Chief

Hello Alibamu Lodge! As we enter the middle of our program year we have many events coming up such as Indian Winter, conclave, fall fellowship, and many work-days! With all of these fun events just around the corner it's very important that we pay our dues. Dues help with lodge events and help us stay the great lodge we are today. Paying your dues secures your membership in our lodge for the duration of the year. Dues show that you are committed to helping your lodge, to attending events, and to being an active lodge member. As the year goes on encourage new and former brothers to pay their dues! Dues are just \$12 and can be paid at any OA function or online at Alibamu.org. Thank you!

Indian Winter Jeremiah Croskey Lodge Secretary

The 2020 SR-9 Indian Winter will be held at Camp Horne, January 10-12. The event is American Indian activity focused and offers Arrowmen a hands on approach to the American Indian aspects of our Order. Indian Winter will feature a program that offers "make and take" style training classes as well as instructional classes. The classes will cover a wide range of topics including ceremonies, dance and drum, beadwork, and regalia. The instructors will be top-notch experts from throughout SR-9 and ready to help you expand your American Indian knowledge. There are other classes available as well for those are not into the American Indian side of the OA. Groups will be leaving from Montgomery, Prattville, and Alex City after school on Friday, January 10. Register at www.SR-9.org.



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Chiefly Speaking Addison Broom Lodge Chief

Brotherhood: A term used throughout time describing the bond and trust between people. My favorite part about having brothers is that they do not have to be blood. In the OA we have many leadership opportunities and other Scouting skills that will help us later in life, but to me the most important of all these skills is to respect, trust, and believe in one another though thick and thin. I myself have made lifelong friends who I all consider as family. These guys have made me who I am today with all our adventures, shenanigans, and even sometimes hardships. If you take anything out of being in Alibamu Lodge 179 let it be that we are not only a Brotherhood of Cheerful Service but a family as well.



L to R: Ian Bankester, Connor Simms, Austin Kelsey, and Addison Broom working on the ramps at Camp Hobbs

Conclave Skills Days Nethan Crew Lodge Vice Chief

Hey guys! It's almost time for Conclave Skills Days! Conclave Skills Days are events where our committees, such as athletics, ceremonies, and drum and dance, get to practice what they are doing for conclave. Conclave is a yearly section event that is extremely fun with athletics, drum and dance, ceremonies, and night shows. The Conclave Skills Days will be February 2 and April 5 at 1 pm at Cooter's Pond in Prattville. Conclave is April 17-19 at Camp Patten in Lakeland, Georgia. We also will have an LEC Meeting at 3 pm on the same dates. I hope to see you all at these great events!

Service Project Update Joey Milks Service Chairman

What's up guys! I hope everyone's school year is going great so far. A few weeks ago we started repairing ramps at Camp Hobbs because some of the old ones were deteriorating and now it's looking good. Thank you to all who helped! We always have more work to do so stay updated by following our Facebook group and Instagram for more information on workdays. We've got some plans to add a sprinkler system and sod for the camp in February. So pay attention so you can take part in that too! Everything we do is for the benefit of our lodge or our beloved camps and any help counts. I'd love to see more participation in our workdays from all of Alibamu's great Scouts. Your help genuinely matters and makes a difference.

The Outdoors Mr. Wes Crew Associate Lodge Adviser

As I walk through the brush and bramble,
my conscience thoughts begin to ramble.
I find myself, while lost among the woods,
thinking of all the things I could.
Life is what you make it, they say.
Hoping that we don't throw away
the chances that we all should take.
I find clear decisions when I get lost.
An early hike among the frost.
Crunching footsteps down to the lake.
Mirrored reflection staring back
Am I still on the correct track?
Whose to say but time will tell,
The eerie vision starts to yell!
Seize opportunity before it's gone
And don't forget your time alone
To come into what nature's gifted
You spirit will always leave uplifted!

Subscribe to the Digital News Jeremiah Croskey Lodge Secretary

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Mike's Minute Mr. Mike Bazonis Lodge Adviser

Living Your Law: Nations, states, communities, and even families have laws. These are simple rules by which people must live in order to have harmony. If we didn't have rules or laws to govern ourselves, civil society would be impossible. If a person breaks the law of the land, he is penalized in some way. He might be fined or sent to prison. If you break one of your family's laws or rules, you get penalized, too. Maybe your time to watch television is cut back, maybe you get grounded, or maybe something more serious. Each of us needs his own set of laws to govern himself, too. These are your personal standards, the laws by which you live.

In Scouting, we call those standards the Scout Law. What's the penalty for breaking the Scout Law? Maybe you think the penalty would not be so bad, but let's consider it for a moment. If you're not trustworthy, people will never depend on you. If you're not friendly, you won't have many friends. If you're not obedient to your teachers, parents, and others in authority, you can't expect that other people will obey you when you're in authority. There's a good reason for every kind of law—our nation's, our town's, our family's and our own. They show how we can live in harmony with others and with ourselves. Think of this next time you say the Scout Law.



Serving on Camp Staff Mr. Keith Womack Ceremonies Adviser & Camp Director

We need you for summer camp staff! Hello everyone, it's time to consider your place in Camp Tukabatchee history. Do you want to affect a Scout's life? Do you want to be the one Scout that another Scout looks up to? If so, sign up to work summer camp and/or join our ceremonies team. We will conduct interviews for summer camp staff at winter camp on December 28. If you won't be at least 15 by the beginning of staff camp, you aren't old enough to staff, but if you're at least 14 you can be a CIT. Being a CIT can show you all the things that we do as staff and you can still go to camp as a camper with your troop another week. Returning staff will interview between 8:30-11am, all other applicants interview times are from 1 – 3pm. Bring your completed application with you. Applications can be found at CampTuk.org. Join Camp Staff or CIT, many of your great lodge leaders have served on Camp Staff and have been CIT maybe you can follow in their footsteps and Join Camp Tuk Staff!

Interested in joining the ceremonies team? Contact Sam Thompson or myself and we will get you started on leaving your legacy within the lodge.



Pilgrimage Ordeal Review Cyprian Dumas Special Events Vice Chairman

We had a great time at the Pilgrimage Ordeal this summer! We had twelve Ordeal candidates become members of this lodge and three members receive their Brotherhood. We also had the pleasure of inducting Jeremiah Croskey, Mr. Fred Cumbie, Adam Holtzcher, Mr. Chris Hutto, and Collin Stephens into the Vigil honor. Some of our projects included cleaning out brush near aquatics, cleaning aquatics equipment, and doing a deep clean of admin. Along with the projects completed, our ceremonies team did an excellent job. The ceremonies team still needs your help and would love your assistance. Contact Sam Thompson if you're interested in joining the team. I look forward to seeing you at Fall Fellowship.

Calendar

Nov 8 Renew your OA Dues Now
Dec 6-8 Fall Fellowship
Jan 10-12 Indian Winter

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Bring this completed puzzle to the fall fellowship trading post and receive a free patch!

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| CONCLAVE | SECTIONSRNINE |
| DRUMANDDANCE | SERVICE |
| FIVEINAROW | SEVEN |
| FLAGFOOTBALL | SOUTHERNREGION |
| KITCHKINET | VIGIL |
| LOGCABIN | WISCHIXIN |



Addison Broom at the 2017 fall fellowship



Super arena shows with 7,500+ Arrowmen are held each night of NOAC



We had a great time at our annual awards banquet in September. Ryan thanked our lodge executive committee members for a successful year presenting them with a sweet Alibamu notebook.

Nethan Crew (right on left photo) was recognized as the 2018-2019 Ham Murray Award recipient. The Hugh Mauldin Adult of the Year Award was presented to Mr. Wes Crew.

Outgoing lodge chief, Ryan Holtzscher (right on right photo), was recognized as a Founder's Award recipient. Thank you Ryan for your spirit of selfless service to our lodge.



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NOAC 2020 Sam Thompson - Ceremonies Chairman

The future of the Order rest with you. You alone decide if you will add to the fire of the Order of the Arrow or shun its warmth. This summer presents a unique opportunity to build on the fire of the Order. The National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) is fast approaching, and so too is your opportunity to participate. As a NOAC delegate you will meet Arrowmen from around the nation and learn from the best the OA has to offer. Delegates enjoy fellowship found in friendly competitions with other lodges (such as Ultimate in which we placed second in the nation in 2018), create lasting memories, and compete on the national level in ceremonies and drum and dance.

NOAC is at Michigan State University, August 3-8 and we're anticipating a fee of \$750. We're waiting for Autauga and Elmore counties to publish school calendars before finalizing our plans in December. We hope to travel with another lodge and make a stop at Kings Island theme park on the way! To secure your spot make a \$100 deposit payment at TukabatcheeBSA.org/Shop. You can contact Mike or Addison for more information.

2019 Fall Fellowship & Lodge Dues

Dec 6-8 @ Camp Tukabatchee

Bring a \$10-20 Scouting Dirty Santa gift!

Check-in begins at 5:00pm, Dinner 7:00pm

If paid by 11/27 at 4:30pm at the office

or 12/1 at 9:00pm online

- \$20 Brother
- \$35 Brotherhood Candidate
- \$12 2020 Lodge Dues
- \$12 2021 Lodge Dues

If paid after 12/1 at 9:00pm

- \$25 Brother
- \$40 Brotherhood Candidate
- \$12 2020 Lodge Dues
- \$12 2021 Lodge Dues

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Make checks payable to BSA and mail entire form to:
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 a 2019 OA event. We do not have your troop or summer camp copies. Please don't forget!



Obtain Your
Brotherhood
at Fall Fellowship

Except for those who went through their Ordeal in August 2019, if you're an Ordeal member you're now eligible to obtain your Brotherhood! You're in luck because we're offering a Brotherhood ceremony at fall fellowship and want you to seal your membership in our Order. See the "Brotherhood Candidates" link at the bottom of Alibamu.org for the requirements and study guide.

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