



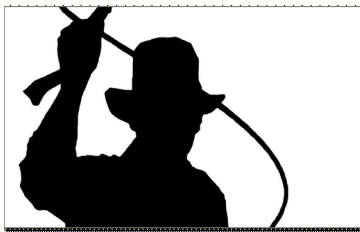
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Fall Edition 2014

Summer Fellowship Recap

By *KYLE KIPPLE*



Alas, another fellowship has come and gone. The adventure-themed weekend included a surprise appearance by Captain Planet before the 4ish-k run, and the Timucuan adviser shaving his head! What service did you help cheerfully complete? Were you one of the few who pulled weeds out of Lake Loyal, or did you assist in putting up tents in campsites? Michael Simmons

and his slate of officers partook in their final fellowship, later passing the duties to the newly elected lodge leadership. After a close race with Timucuan, Saturiwa pulled off its unprecedented 3rd Sonic in four fellowships. As competition increases and chapters become more superior, who will pull off the spirit victory at New York-themed Fall Fellowship?

Section Leadership Summit

By *TYLER BOUDREAUX*

Hello Echokotee lodge, my name is Tyler Boudreaux. Last year I helped Hunter with Section events and I have been asked to be the chairman this year. The Section Leadership Summit (previously known as Section Seminars) is coming up soon. SLS will be located at the Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation, in beautiful Tequesta, Florida. This is a great training event held by the Section leadership. Some of the best trainers from the state will be teaching classes here. This is an amazing experience for all Arrowmen, young or old! I expect to see every Echokotee member there. Come on out

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to support our own Echokotee members who now serve as Section officers: Austin Kriznar, Bryce Brandvold, and Ethan Smith! Over 400 of our lodge members were able to make it to the 2014 Section Conference, so I know we can all make it to the Section Leadership Summit. I hope to see everyone there!

Section Leadership Summit

Save the Date: November 7th-9th

This will be a Section Event unlike ANY OTHER! If you have attended a "Section Seminars" in the past make sure you experience the NEW Section Leadership Summit! See your Lodge Leadership to register!



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Lodge Staff Adviser



Hello brothers,

I would first like to congratulate and thank this year's new officers and also a HUGE thank you to the new committee chairman that have stepped up to take leadership roles in our lodge. I hope everyone that attended LLD this year liked our new system this year as myself and our very own Vice Chief of Training Cole Gabriel have put a lot of work into making it the best training available in our section. I also look forward to a great year, as we have, as a lodge, stepped up and have now taken a larger role for our Learning for Life Camporee (Special Needs Camporee). We have an awesome lineup of Fellowship themes to match the theme of the upcoming NOAC, 'Centuries of Service.' Unfortunately, I must resign as Chief, as I begin serving my country in the Air Force. VCT Cole Gabriel has accepted the job. Let's have a great year, Echockotee, because without you, my brothers, that wouldn't be possible.

In Brotherhood,
Hunter Barber
Echockotee Lodge Chief



Hey Echockotee!

I am honored to have been elected as your Vice Chief of Training this year. We have already embarked and returned successfully from our first training event, our Lodge Leadership Development. It was a rousing success, and now the focus of the turns to the fortification of the brotherhood class and the upcoming LOAC. This year's LOAC training will be centered less on growing the leadership of chapters and committees, and more around useful (don't forget EXTREMELY FUN) to all of our Arrowmen. Our goal of this training is to show all of the fun opportunities in the Order of the



Arrow. As I step into the Chief position, Austin Schwindt has accepted to take my place. I hope you're ready for a great year Echockotee; I definitely am. In Weuchsowagan,
Cole Gabriel
Vice Chief of Training

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← The Saturiwa Chapter earned many awards at Summer Fellowship!



Brothers,
I am honored and excited to be your Vice Chief of Program this year! This upcoming year is going to be one of new opportunities and fun so every brother will enjoy every fellowship and come back for more. The themes for this upcoming year have our lodge traveling all around the nation, leading up to NOAC next summer:

- Fall: New York
- Winter: New Orleans
- Spring: Dallas
- Summer: Las Vegas

This year will be jam packed with activities of all shapes and sizes. I can't wait to help make this year unforgettable. That's what you deserve; it's time to make it happen. I can't wait to see everyone out at Fall Fellowship to enjoy the first of many fun weekends to come this year!

WWW,
Zach Morris
Vice Chief of Program

Hello Echokotee!

I'm very excited to be serving as your lodge treasurer for the 2014-2015 year. The only report I have is to remind Chapter Chiefs and committee chairmen that you have money to spend, and when you spend it please fill out your check reimbursement forms accurately and completely. I'm looking forward to this next year and I know it's going to be one to remember.

Jonathan Brescia
Treasurer

Hey there, Echokotee!

I am thrilled to represent you all as your Lodge Secretary! Thank you to those of you who came out to Summer Fellowship in May, and LLD in August! Both events were a blast, and you really missed out if you weren't able to attend. A few slight revisions were made to *The Feather*, so I hope you enjoy it. If you are ever interested in writing an article for any lodge publication, contact me! If you don't know how to get started, don't worry. If you are a new Arrowman and want to get involved, publications is a great way to start.

Kyle Kipple
Secretary

Greetings Echokotee!

I hope you guys had a great fellowship, and even better LLD! This year as a whole, and especially our King's Cup (historical display), is going to be phenomenal! It will showcase the best we have to offer. The design for our display is vibrant with color, and heads will be sure to turn. We will show the other lodges that we are brothers (hence our 'Echokotee' name, meaning 'we are brothers'). The theme for Section Conference next year is "They will see us as brothers." They will! I am looking forward to a great year, Echokotee!

Preston Richter
Historian

Help Wanted!

We have an openings for the Training Committee chairman, as well as members for the Training Committee. This job is fun and requires time and dedication. Your main job will be organizing and performing the Brotherhood conversion classes. Being a good public speaker, dedication, and experience with teaching is preferred. If you are interested, or have questions, please contact Austin Schwindt at austinswindt12@gmail.com or call at (501) 499-5454. Thanks!



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NOAC 2015

By COLE GABRIEL

You've heard about it, but what exactly is NOAC? It stands for the National Order of the Arrow Conference, the second-largest national scouting event. On August 3, 2015, 10,000 Arrowmen will arrive at Michigan State University ready for the amazing experience that only NOAC provides. When it's over, most will say it was the most fun event they have attended in scouting. The six-day conference gives Arrowmen the opportunity to participate in incredible training, fun activities, exciting programs, and fantastic shows. Last NOAC, arrowmen tried scuba, get a piece of the Order's first home, and played OA Jeopardy. There are almost unlimited opportunities and something for every arrowman, including a NOAC-exclusive inverted OA sash. This white arrow on a red sash will not be sold after NOAC and only NOAC attendees receive one. The sash commemorates the 100th year anniversary of the OA. When you travel with

the Echockotee Lodge contingent (which includes several "side trips" along the way up to MSU), the cost will be about \$1000. There is nearly a year until the conference, so start saving now! Echockotee Lodge offers scholarships to those in need. Registration has already opened, and you can hold your spot by paying in smaller amounts now, if you can't pay all at once. I will be there! I hope to see you having the time of your life at NOAC 2015!



(above and below) The Echockotee Lodge contingent had an awesome time at the 2012 NOAC.



The Roles of an Adviser

By *AUSTIN KRIZNAR*

An adviser's top priority is to keep youth safe, followed by providing resources they need, and finally advising. Most advisers do the first and second roles well, and do a decent job of the third. Many advisers assist in getting the job done. Some will even present youth leaders options, allowing the youth to decide. Advisers who do these things help their youth leaders shine. Once in a blue moon, an adult will step beyond that level of dedication, by allowing the youth to fail. Despite all the support of an adviser, if the youth leader does not pull his weight, failure is an option. Rare, indeed, is the adviser wise enough to provide

support and yet allow the youth leader to fail. When advisers support youth leaders as they experience and grow from failure, the adviser has not only increased the youth leader's chances of success on the next event, but has also strengthened and improved the character of that youth leader both in and outside of the OA. *Dedicated to Brad Watkins, one of those rare advisers- July 9, 2014.*



Get your pencils and word hunting skills ready!

Are you ready for Fall Fellowship? Use this wordsearch as a guide to prepare for an awesome weekend September 26-28. We hope to see you there!

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| BIG APPLE | CENTRAL PARK | HUDSON RIVER | STATEN ISLAND |
| BROADWAY | CHINATOWN | LITTLE ITALY | STATUE OF LIBERTY |
| BRONX ZOO | CHRYSLER BUILDING | MANHATTAN | TIMES SQUARE |
| BROOKLYN BRIDGE | ELLIS ISLAND | QUEENS | WALL STREET |
| CARNEGIE HALL | GROUND ZERO | SKYSCRAPERS | YANKEE STADIUM |

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Chapter Reports

Apieka

Apieka is gearing up for another great year of Fellowship and fun! As the new Chief, I hope to lead Apieka to our best year yet. We had an excellent Summer Fellowship, electing John Paul Keller as Vice Chief of Program, Mike Dage as Vice Chief of Training, Stephen Smith as Secretary, Jonathan Gitzendanner as Historian, and Matt Conaty as Webmaster, as well as yours truly, Blake Beltz, as Chapter Chief. Apieka will see you all at LLD and Fall Fellowship!

-Blake Beltz, Apieka Chapter Chief

Elemukulek

Greetings Echockotee! It's John Carlisle, the new Elemukulek Chapter Chief, and we at Elemukulek are looking forward to a great year. We have a fantastic group of officers, with goals to make a real impact on the lodge as a whole. To all the other chapters, we at Elemukulek have full intentions on winning SONIC, so watch out. We recently had a Chapter Fun Day at Rebounderz, and we all had a blast! We're looking forward to a great Fall Fellowship!

-John Carlise, Elemukulek Chapter Chief

Oglala

Hello Echockotee Lodge. Oglala is doing well. Many of our chapter members are having a blast working at Camp Shands. Our chapter is doing well and getting our numbers back up to where they should be. We can't wait to gather up again for Fall Fellowship in September.

-Jonathan Mobley, Oglala Chapter Chief

Oklawaha

Hello Echockotee Lodge! Our chapter had a great time at the past event! We had a lot of fun participating in all of the games, training, ceremonies, and service. You will be sure to see our chapter spirit wherever you are! We are looking forward to our next event, where we will have lots of fun. Until then, see you later Echockotee!

-Oklawaha Chapter Chief

What did you miss at Summer Fellowship?





Onathequa

It has been going good for onathequa these past months, we are growing slowly but surely and we are wrapping up unit elections, with our District Camporee right around the Corner we are excited and have been pretty busy, can't wait for Fall Fellowship. We hope to see all of you there.

-Kyle Barker, Onathequa Chapter Chief

Osceloa

Hey everyone, Osceola chapter has been doing some pretty fun stuff this summer including an exquisite and exhilarating end of the year party and go carting at Adventure Landing. Upcoming in the future we are proud to announce the hosting of Spookaree and our signature haunted trail for our cub scouts and webelos at Camp Shands. We are also looking forward to LLD and gathering again for Fall Fellowship.

O.S.C.E.O.L.A Osceola ospreys all the way!

-Ethan Darby, Osceola Chapter Chief

Timucuan

Timucuan Chapter had their annual cookout at Ronnie Vanzant park in Green Cove Springs. We had a turnout of 40-45 members that day and had a great time. Now in the upcoming months our chapter will be hosting district camporee at camp shands on September 12th-14th. We plan to have a successful year and let's kick it off with a successful hosting for district camporee!

-Tyler Bilodeau, Timucuan Chapter Chief



Saturiwa

Saturiwa has been having a BLAST since the last time we met. Summer Fellowship was a huge success, bringing home Sonic for an unprecedented third time this year. I would like to give a huge shout out to our past chapter officers and awesome Adviser (aka Captain Planet). We showed our new bonnet at Summer Fellowship and it looks amazing. It looks like we have a great year ahead of us by already having an Adventure Landing Fundraiser meeting. We look forward to seeing you all at Fall Fellowship.

-Justin Cowell, Saturiwa Chapter Chief

Seminole

Seminole Chapter had a great summer. We had great attendance for the Summer Fellowship, and we all had a great time. We are using several media types to regain our recently inactive brothers. We have also been scouting around and finding any troop eligible for elections to induct new members for the Order. We are looking forward to a great year! Seminole's Rising. Panthers Roar!!

-Griffen Walters, Seminole Chapter Chief

The Seminole Panther sure is happy with his chapter's performance at Summer Fellowship! →



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Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Location
September 26-28, 2014	Fall Fellowship	Camp Shands
October 17-19, 2014	Special Needs Camporee	SJRB @ Echokotee
November 7-9, 2014	Section Leadership Summit	Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation
December 6, 2014	Winter Service Day	SJRB @ Echokotee
January 9-11, 2015	Winter Fellowship	Camp Shands
February 13-15, 2015	NLS & NLATS	Fruitand, Florida
March 6-8, 2015	Spring Fellowship	Camp Shands