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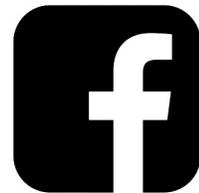
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## ORDEAL

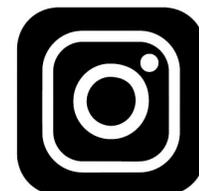
Wow was Ordeal amazing or what? The Lodge had an amazing weekend welcoming 79 new arrowmen. and congratulating 9 new Brotherhood members who sealed their membership. Over the course of the weekend, dozens of service projects took place; including some long awaited repairs throughout the camp. Our OA fire ring had never seen so many arrowmen gathered to sing Firm Bound in Brotherhood. If you missed this amazing opportunity I urge you to look ahead to Summer Fellowship, you won't want to miss this one either!

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# CHIEF'S CORNER

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A couple weeks ago our Lodge had its Ordeal weekend. The Ordeal is the greatest event a Lodge can hold. It is an event that is strictly focused on inducting new members into the order. There is nothing more important than growing our Lodge so more people can enjoy what we do. I want to say congratulations to the 79 new brothers our Lodge inducted this weekend. I would also like to congratulate the 9 new Brotherhood members who sealed their membership in the Lodge.

Something spectacular happened this past weekend. For four years now our Lodge has been working towards a vision that was set by Chris Genewick. This vision involved having a fully youth led and run Lodge as well as having functioning committees so that every member of our Lodge had a place and could be heard. The thing that happened at the Fellowship was this vision was fulfilled. This Fellowship had the most participation I have ever seen and that is because the leaders in our Lodge made this vision important to them. Additionally last May at LLD the LEC as well as others who attended made 5 substantial goals. These were not small goals that can be completed by the next fellowship; they were large goals to take all year. Our Lodge year is not over yet and has almost a full quarter left yet we have still completed these goals and more. Our Lodge Adviser has always told me that if you, the leaders of this Lodge, make something important enough it will be made important by the entire Lodge. I truly believe we have made three important things: Brotherhood, Cheefulness, and Service. In the past four years this Lodge has done nothing but change and has been amazing. We have been moving forward these three things because they were made the utmost priority four years ago.

Yours in Brotherhood.  
Luke H.  
Lodge Chief





# ADVISER'S MINUTE

## Outstanding Ordeal Weekend

Great planning along with great execution leads to a phenomenal weekend. Ordeal Weekend provided the Lodge with 79 new Ordeal members and 9 new Brotherhood members. Congratulations to all. A special thank you to all our ceremonies teams for their Pre-Ordeal Ceremony on Friday evening. Y'all did an amazing job.

Everyone contributed to a very productive work day which, when complete, lead to a Ceremonies, a bountiful banquet and a bonfire with Crackerbarrel to close the day. For the first time in many, many years, we had almost 200 Arrowmen at the final Ceremony when we sang our OA song, "Firm Bound in Brotherhood." It appears that we need to enlarge our Ceremonial Fire Ring.

During the day, both the Candidates and the Arrowmen completed all the projects on Plan A, but also completed most of the projects listed on Plan B. Ranger Kevin was very appreciative of the work provided and thanked the Arrowmen for their service. Chef Jennifer had so much food for our Banquet that it would not fit on one tray. And, then came the bonfire in Caloosa to highlight the Crackerbarrel and end the day.

On Sunday, the Lodge elected new Officers for the 2022-2023 Program Year. We want to acknowledge and congratulate the following incoming Lodge Officers:

Luke Hitchcock- Lodge Chief  
Olivia Townsend- Vice Chief of Administration  
Gabe Schulz- Vice Chief of Program  
Trey Connor- Vice Chief of Inductions  
JAK Kantor- Secretary  
Alex Ronald- Treasurer  
Alister Munroe- Historian

A special thanks to our current Lodge Officers for their service during the 2021-2022 Program year and for their guidance in leading a successful Ordeal Weekend.

We look forward to any Arrowman who wants to attend the Lodge Leadership Development Conference at Camp Miles on May 6-7, 2022. The LEC (Lodge Executive Committee) has started planning our Summer Fellowship which will be held at Camp Flying Eagle on May 13-15, 2022. We had 40 new Ordeal members sign up for Summer Fellowship and we look forward to seeing everyone there.

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Chuck Donelson  
Lodge Adviser



# VICE CHIEF REPORTS



## VICE CHIEF- ADMINISTRATION

Congratulations to all of our new members who just completed their Ordeal! We are very excited for you to join us at future fellowships. The Head Elangomat and I will be creating chats for you and your Elangomats to give you someone you can reach out to and help lead you to Brotherhood. Those chats will be on Slack so if you haven't already, please create a slack account and reach out to me or any other member to add you to our Lodge's workspace. Make-up Ordeal is coming up, and we need Elangomats! If you're interested in the best opportunity to give back to your Lodge this is it, so reach out to your Chapter Chief or Alister M. Summer Fellowship will be the last opportunity for members who completed their Ordeal last year to submit their first-year arrowman award. I would like to congratulate Olivia T. for her election to Vice Lodge Chief of Admin and would like to wish her good luck as my successor. I'm excited for Summer Fellowship and can't wait to see everyone there!

## VICE CHIEF- PROGRAM

To recap ordeal, which was at Camp Miles, I believe it went great. The ranger was satisfied with the service projects, and I believe that games were well enjoyed by everyone. The fellow Arrowmen who signed up for my committees thank you and you will all be notified soon so we can start planning for Summer Fellowship.

## VICE CHIEF- INDUCTIONS

Ordeal fellowship was a hit! We had 79 new Arrowmen inducted and 9 new Brotherhood. All the committees had a lot of new Arrowmen signing up and getting involved. Especially the ceremonies committee, there were a lot of Arrowmen excited to get involved in ceremonies. All of this was possible because of the Ceremonialist and Elangomats who stepped up and made sure our candidates had a great experience.

# RANDOM QUESTION

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If you could create a new holiday that doesn't exist, which one would it be?

## VICE CHIEF- ADMINISTRATION

I would certainly create a holiday in like September that is a week long so we can get off of school/work. Now what it would be, maybe a week for celebrating fictional universes. I think there's tons of complex fiction to explore, like the Star Wars Galaxy, Middle Earth, the Wizarding World (from Harry Potter), etc. And I'm sure people could come up with interesting ways to celebrate.

## VICE CHIEF- PROGRAM

A holiday I would create would be called Truck Week. This holiday would be for fellow truck drivers and they may get free gas for a week and free maintenance/repairs done to their trucks at any mechanic shop in the United States.

## VICE CHIEF- INDUCTIONS

Biannual Sleep-in-day. On Biannual Sleep-in-day no one would have to go to work before 11:59 AM. It would be on the days that there's a time change so you don't notice the time change and you can get plenty of sleep.



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