

# Yearly Recap

2024-2025 Osceola Lodge Year

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# Lodge Advisor Minute:

Osceola Lodge stress tested its ability to be adaptable this year. With two Hurricanes back to back impacting our entire service area, we had several program changes due to Council Camp damage. Lodge Brothers had provided several hundred hours of service to our Camps repairing damaged facilities and removing fallen debris. Lodge Brothers along with the benevolence of some of our local businesses provided use of heavy equipment and forestry machinery to facilitate this work. We were blessed to have been able to have Camp Miles ready for all of our Winter programs, including Winter Camp, NYLT and Wood Badge staff, and our Lodges Winter Fellowship/Vigil weekend. Our March Ordeal weekend produced 66 new Arrowmen! We look forward to having that many more at our May make-up Ordeal. Our annual Lodge election took place after Ordeal. July 1, our newly elected LEC will take over the Lodge management. I am looking forward to working with Lola (newly elected Lodge Chief) and her staff. We are currently planning 2025 Section Conference! The Lodge is looking forward to a fabulous Conference! The Conference Planning Committee is working hard and hopes for a large turnout from the Section. Our Lodge Leadership Development is scheduled for the first weekend in May. Our newly elected LEC members, our current LEC and any Lodge Brothers that are interested will be there to help with the determining the direction of the Lodge for the next year and beyond. Our Lodge utilizes a tried and trued method of corporate planning at our LLD. Our youth will conduct a SWOT analysis of their Lodge. This culminates in the goals that the LEC will work towards for the next year.

# Lodge Chief Report:

Brothers,

NOAC,

With the unmatched training and activities Osceola Lodge Brought our best and brightest to the National Order of the Arrow Conference at The University of Boulder Colorado. With busted heads, pizza that filled our stomachs and what felt like the longest plane ride ever, Osceola Lodge made everlasting memories, with unforgettable friendships.

Fall Fellowship,

Brotherhood is built on cheerfulness and service and with the first fellowship under the new LEC they did an outstanding job planning and coordinating the event. I want to congratulate everyone that sealed their ties in our Order and went through their brotherhood. With great service and even greater ceremonies this was a fellowship to remember.

Section Leadership Summit,

Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge was kind enough to host this year's Section Leadership Summit and with our very own Jesse Mooneyham teaching two of the classes, Osceola lodge made our presence known.

Winter Fellowship,

With how the Grinch Stole Vigil this weekend was exciting. With it being our Winter Fellowship near Christmas time the Christmas themed activities and our 5 new Vigil members had an amazing time.

Ordeal,

First off I want to say how impressed I am with our ceremonies team this weekend doing all three ceremonies. With hard work and a time change the benefits to the camp look extraordinary. Another big congratulations to the incoming LEC and good luck with your terms.

Nick S.
 Osceola Lodge
 Lodge Chief

# Vice Chief Reports:

### Vice Chief of Administration:

This year has been one of my favorites out of all my scouting years. I can not believe the progress our Lodge has made. Every Fellowship weekend was successful and Camp Miles looks better than ever! I am so grateful to have served as a Vice Chief this past year. One of my favorite memories was Winter Fellowship when 5 members earned their Vigil, and when we had a Christmas tree decorating contest. The upcoming year will be hard to beat!

- Lola S.

# Vice Chief of Program:

This year has been one of my most favorite years so far. The amount of service that has been done is incredible. Our Camps look 10 times better than what they did before. Even though we had to deal with 2 hurricanes that came through, our Lodge continues to work together to make our camps beautiful! I'm so thankful for everyone who comes out and helps out and has a fun time. There are so many smiles during our activities and even our projects.

- Peyton W.

# Vice Chief of Inductions:

This past year Inductions has been busy, in total we have added 67 new ordeal members, over 30 new Brotherhood members, and 6 new Vigil Honor members. We have had a great year, by using what we learned last year we were able to improve each event. I would also like to thank all our ceremonialists for the many hours of practice and preparation they put into all our ceremonies. I would also like to congratulate our brand new ceremony team for their first ever ceremony during Ordeal Weekend. We also had 14 Elangomats who volunteered to go through the Ordeal again.

- Adam B.

# Chapter Chief Reports:

## Hvlpatah Tastanagi:

As a Chapter, in my objective opinion we have over performed. We have hit all of our Lodge Leadership Development goals and done so rather swiftly. We've brought in many brotherhood and ordeal members this year, 21 youth and 10 adults. We were honored to have 3 youth selected to be Vigil this year. As a chapter we've found a way to mix in fun with the work and create a vision for fun meetings. We hosted a Camp-O-Ree and we blew it out of the water. As a Chapter Chief there has never been a dull moment for me and I could not be happier or more proud of the people in my chapter, because beyond me, they are the people that made these things happen-Jesse M.

## Yaha Hajo:

Yaha Hajo is getting ready for next year's elections and is working to make sure everyone can participate. At the same time, we're holding a Food and Clothing Drive to help people in need during the colder months. We're collecting donations of food, clothing, and other essentials, and we welcome everyone to contribute. Volunteers will help distribute the items to those who need them. These efforts will help strengthen our community as we move into the new year.

Bea A.

#### Tukosee Mathla:

Our chapter had an incredibly successful year, capped off by a fantastic Camporee event where we collected over 105 pounds of peanut butter for our service project, benefiting those in need. We also welcomed 37 new Arrowmen into our chapter, strengthening our commitment to service and leadership. As we look ahead, we're excited for our upcoming chapter elections, where we'll choose new leaders to guide us into another great year. Overall, our Camporee was a huge success, and we're proud of all we've accomplished together!

- Joanna F.

## Oscen Tustenuggee:

Oscen Tutsenugge congratulates all of our new members and welcomes them to the community. With elections for new chapter positions coming up, we are excited to have everyone involved in shaping our future. We are also planning a flag retirement ceremony as our next community service project, where we will honor and properly retire worn flags. We look forward to these events and the continued support of our members.

- Evan R.

# **EVENTS:**

### Section Conference:

Osceola Lodge brought 58 arrowman to the Section Conference hosted by Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee Lodge at Sandhill Scout Hill Reservation. We got 2nd in Kings Cup and 1st place for youth females in the 5K, and 2nd place in adult males. We had so much fun, our Pre-Ordeal team also competed and did very well. Our youth host chairmen for our upcoming section conference also got really good ideas for our event!

#### **NOAC:**

Osceola Lodge had an amazing time at NOAC! We loved the training and activities. The shows were definitely something to remember, as well as trips to Dairy Queen and Mcdonalds after the shows. Our contingent leader, Alyson Connor, and our youth contingent leader, Nick S, made sure this trip was a lot of fun for everyone. We can't wait for the next NOAC in 2027!

#### Fall Fellowship:

Fall fellowship turned out to be a huge success, even though Hurricane Helene caused damage. We had 116 people attend for the amazing weekend. Our Vice Chief of Program was very happy with all the progress we made to fix our camp. The brotherhood review and walk were very successful, we had 18 new Brotherhood members.

#### SLS:

Our Lodge had a great time at SLS. This weekend the plan book for the Section Conference was presented. The planbook got approved, and we got helpful feedback! Jesse Mooneyham, Hvlpatah Tastanagi Chapter Chief, taught two trainings for the section. He really stepped up, and the Vice Chief of the Section was very appreciative of that. We can't wait for the next SLS in Gainesville.

#### OA Day at Winter Camp:

During OA Day we were very happy to see so many people wearing their sash. We had our kings cup all set up, we also had a drum team perform for the youth and adults that went to Winter Camp. We were very appreciative of O-Shot-Caw Lodge coming out to show their drum team.

### Winter Fellowship:

Winter Fellowship turned out to be a fabulous weekend! We had 5 people achieve the rank of Vigil, and 16 new Brotherhood members. There were many activities held, our Vice Chief of Program stuck to the theme very. We had activities like capturing the present, egg drop, cookie decorating, and chapter decorating christmas tree competition. The theme was How the Grinch Stole Vigil. Overall this was one of the lodge's favorite weekends held this year!!

#### **Ordeal:**

Ordeal Weekend was a huge success! We had 67 candidates come through Ordeal, 1 new Vigil Member, and 13 new Brotherhood Members. We also had 4 different ceremonies this weekend, with 3 different teams. Everyone who attended this event helped get our camp ready for Section Conference. This was such an amazing weekend, and we hope everyone attends Section Conference!

