

# TANAWA

Newsletter of Skyuka Lodge 270 of Palmetto Council, BSA

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## Note from the Chief

Brothers,

Skyuka Lodge has had many great years and we can say our 75th year was no different! We have cheerfully served not only ourselves, but others around us. From the Cub Scout Shoot-o-ree to the hours spent in arduous labor for the benefit of not just our own but several summer camps. We, as Skyuka Lodge, have soared above the challenges that were thrown before us in these past 2 years ,and I know we will continue to do so as more members who have searched for a great fire begin to fill the roles of leaders within our beloved Order. As I finish this article, I would like to thank everyone who has helped me along this leadership experience of a lifetime, especially Lodge Adviser Mr. Summers, Lodge Staff Adviser Mr. Davis, and my Dad, Jamie Greene for always pushing me to keep an open mind and think outside the box. Now, for the last time as Skyuka Lodge Chief...

Yours in Cheerful Service,

Ellis Greene

Skyuka Lodge Chief



## Recent Highlights

Summer Ordeal , Shoot-o-ree Order of the Arrow Southern Conference



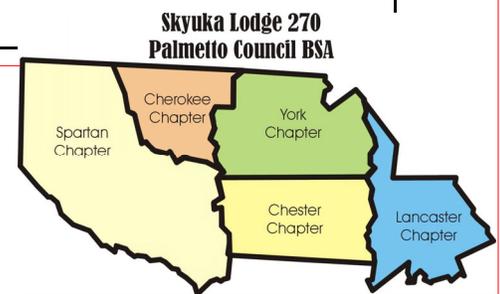
### Saturday Afternoon at Fall Fellowship

After a morning of work, Saturday afternoon from 1 pm - 4 pm is a time for FUN!

Arrowmen can take part in the following activities during this time period: Rifle Shooting, Shotgun Shooting, Archery, Chalkball, and more - Across the Lake in the Shooting sports area. Gaga Ball - in the Gaga ball pit. Ultimate Frisbee - in the Activity Field. "

## 2019-2020 Calendar

Date	Event	Information
February 1, 2020	Lodge Banquet	6-8pm
March 14, 2020	Lodge Games	Day only event
April 24-26, 2020	Dixie Fellowship	Camp Old Indian, Travelers Rest, SC
May 15-17, 2020	Spring Fellowship and Ordeal	Location to be determined
August 14-15, 2020	Summer Ordeal	



## Ways to get involved with the Lodge:

### GETTING INVOLVED IN YOUR CHAPTER

A chapter is a geographic area within the Lodge, often the same geographic area as a District of the Council with which the Lodge is associated. Chapters are the perfect place for new Ordeal members to get involved in the Order of the Arrow. If you think of the Lodge as a troop, each Chapter functions much like a patrol. Each one has its own officers and advisers, meetings and events. Most chapters hold monthly chapter meetings during which members receive information about the Lodge, plan its own fellowship and service activities, and plan to run elections for all of the troops in that chapter .

### SERVING ON A OA COMMITTEE

Within the Lodge are 23 distinct Lodge Committees. These committees are responsible for everything from gathering information about Lodge history to performing ceremonies at Induction Weekends. Our committees train people to run unit elections, promote local, regional and national OA events, ensure every possible OA member has paid their dues, and educate those youth interested in bettering their leadership skills how to do so. The Committees function all year long in order to support the Lodge. Every Arrowman should serve on one or more committees. In this way, all members share responsibility for lodge activities and projects. Please see the list of committees chairpersons and descriptions and consider joining one where you can use your talents and cheerful service to.

## Brotherhood Membership

.After 10 months of service as an Ordeal member and after fulfilling certain requirements, you may take part in the Brotherhood ceremony, which places further emphasis on the ideals of Scouting and the Order. Completion of this ceremony signifies full membership in the Order of the Arrow.

Memorize the following signs of Order of the Arrow Membership:  The Obligation of the Order  The Order of the Arrow Official Song  The Admonition  The sign of Ordeal membership  The Arrow handclasp

Retain your registration in your Order of the Arrow lodge and keep your dues paid. Be aware that acceptance of Brotherhood membership involves a pledge of service to the lodge. Develop a concrete idea of how you plan to fulfill this pledge. When you earnestly feel that you have met the four challenges above, write a letter to your lodge .



My Brothers,

On your first entrance into the Order of the Arrow, you were presented with aspects of the American Indian Affairs department, meant to enrich the ceremonies through which you were inducted and educated. Ceremonies is but one area within the AIA (American Indian Affairs) department, a department that pays homage to those indigenous cultures from which we derive certain foundational elements of our Brotherhood.

The AIA department serves to educate our lodge members concerning the cultures of the indigenous peoples that we inherit so much from, with an atmosphere of respect. The department focuses on five main areas, Individual Modern Powwow Dance, Historical Group Dance, Sing/Drum Team, Ceremonies, and Tipi.

We regularly meet for workshops and practices, but resources are available for those driven to self-learn. We also regularly attend local powwow's, of which there are three coming up in the near future:

Carolina's Indian Seminar  
Statesville, NC  
TBD, sometime in January

42<sup>nd</sup> Annual AICA Spring  
Powwow  
April 3 – 4 2020  
FENCE, Tryon NC

If you have any interest in participating in any aspect of American Indian Affairs, or would like to attend one of the above Powwow's, please feel free to contact me.

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## A LOOK BACK at Skyuka Lodge-30 Years Ago

By Richard Cash

Skyuka Lodge was one of the top lodges in SE-5 (the precursor to SR-5). We were winning everything we could from Quest for the Golden Arrow (1989-1992) to Lodge of the Year (1991) and Administrative events (Where to go Camping Book 1988-1991, Newsletter 1991 Planbook 1990, Lodge Display 1994). Skyuka also was doing well at AIA Events (Ceremonies Team Champions 1992-1993, Group Dance Champions 1992, Parade of Brave Champions 1992-1993) We had a dynamic group of youth who took charge and led the lodge along with a great group of advisers who made sure we had what we needed and did our jobs but had fun doing it. We all cared about each other and having fun and serving in the Order. Probably the biggest project we did was redoing the amphitheater at Camp Bob Hardin before the 1992 Dixie.



## Dues Reminder

Dues are due each year in **January**. Arrowmen should be current on their dues to participate in OA events.

**Dues for the 2020 year is \$21**

Dues can be paid online at <https://palmettocouncil.org/oa->

## LEADER SPOTLIGHT: HUNTER ROBERTS

Position: Vice Chief of Indian Affairs

- 18 years old from Lancaster chapter,
- started scouting in 2008 as a cub scout, and reached the rank of Eagle Scout on November 3rd, 2016.
- Outside of scouting I am a freshman at Clemson University, an avid climber, and amateur musician.
- As VC AIA, I'm in charge of all AIA functions within the lodge and section including ceremonies, dance, and sing and drum team.
- One of my favorite memories through the Order of the Arrow was meeting thousands of other arrowmen at the 2018 National Order of the Arrow Conference, and connecting with many others within our order.



Lodge Chief– Ellis Greene

Vice-Chief of Program– Stephen Hercka

Vice-Chief of Indian Affairs– Hunter Roberts

Vice-Chief of Inductions– Evan Bass

Secretary– William McPherson

Treasurer– Walter Normant

See [www.skyukalodge.org](http://www.skyukalodge.org) for committee options, chairpersons, and adult advisors

## Interview with your

### Supreme Chief of Fire: Justin Williams

**Your scouting history:** A registered scout since I was 6 years old. I earned my Eagle Scout award in 1998 in Morganton, NC. Some of my fondest memories as a scout were taking a trek to Philmont and working on Summer Camp staff at Camp Bud Schiele for six years. I have been a professional scouter for 15 years.

**A campout memory:** At my very first camporee my Scoutmaster tasked me with trying to figure out which other troop had borrowed his left-handed smoke shifter. I'm still looking for it!

**Hobby or free time activity outside of scouting:** spending time with my 18-month old daughter, Faye

**Favorite food:** BBQ Ribs or Pizza

**Hardest job/assignment you had to do:** When I worked for the scout council in Detroit, MI I was responsible for helping to revitalize scouting in a couple very tough neighborhoods. My team and I recruited a number of great volunteers in the community and I asked for help early and often.

**A great OA memory:** Getting tapped out for my Ordeal at a Spring Camporee when I was 15. I had not gotten elected the first couple of years I was eligible, so I was very relieved to finally get to join OA.

**One goal you have as the Lodge Chief our new Scout Executive:** I want to help develop a properties plan that will best serve our council for the next generation of scouts and leaders.

## Lodge Adviser's Corner by Jimmy Summers

"Congratulations on 75 years of service, Skyuka Lodge!

The Lodge has had a very positive impact on Scouting in Palmetto Council over the years, and still today, those who chose us, need us. Skyuka Lodge provided valuable service to Camp Bud Schiele this past year, which benefited Troops from our Council and from other Councils. We helped to put on the Cub Scout Shoot-o-Ree, serving hundreds of new Cubs and their families.

In 2020, we will have more opportunities to serve and support Scouting, including work at the new GOLDS property, the Cub Scout Shoot-o-Ree, the Summer Camp Expo, and many others.

Thank you Youth and Adults of Skyuka Lodge for all that you do to support and enhance Scouting for our entire area!"



# Purpose of Order of the Arrow

For more than 90 years, the Order of the Arrow (OA) has recognized Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. This recognition provides encouragement for others to live these ideals as well. Arrowmen are known for maintaining camping traditions and spirit, promoting year-round and long term resident camping, and providing cheerful service to others. OA service, activities, adventures, and training for youth and adults are models of quality leadership development and programming that enrich and help to extend Scouting to America's youth.

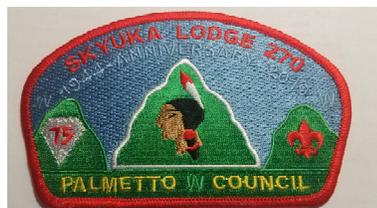
**MISSION** The mission of the Order of the Arrow is to fulfill its purpose as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.

**PURPOSE** As Scouting's National Honor Society, our purpose is to:

- Recognize those who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and through that recognition cause others to conduct themselves in a way that warrants similar recognition.
- Promote camping, responsible outdoor adventure, and environmental stewardship as essential components of every Scout's experience, in the unit, year-round, and in summer camp.
- Develop leaders with the willingness, character, spirit and ability to advance the activities of their units, our Brotherhood, Scouting, and ultimately our nation.
- Crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

## SKYUKA HISTORY:

- **Lodge was formed in 1944**
- **It was named after an American Indian who escorted colonial soldiers through the woods of the Green River valley up through what is now Camp Bob Hardin (Previously Camp Palmetto), to the top of a nearby mountain where the soldiers surprised and defeated the unsuspecting Cherokees.**
- **A field scout executive acted as the First chief or Advisor**
- **Bill Huskey became the first volunteer Lodge Advisor**
- **There were 58 charter members**
- **We have had 60 different lodge Chiefs since we chartered**
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75th Special Edition  
Lodge patch

## Where do you fit in? Find a Committee to help with.

### Find a Chairperson and ask them about their committee

Committee	Chairman	Advisor
Awards	Cole Taylor	Rick Hoover, Jon Humphries, David Simmons
Banquet (Cherokee Chapter Hosting 2020)	Ellis Greene	Steve Rhodehamel
Brotherhood	Jordan Sinclair	Dan Cockerill
Ceremonies	Hunter Roberts	Creighton Taylor
Chaplain	Andy Fetch	Doug Chambers
Dance Team	Hunter Roberts	Randy Wells
Dixie	Max Robinson	Richard Cash
Dixie Training	<i>Andy Fetch</i>	Richard Cash
Elangomat	Evan Bass	Troy Roberts
Elections	Evan Bass	Randy Wells
LLD Training	Cole Taylor	Creighton Taylor
Lodge Rules	Ellis Greene	Chris Garrison
NOAC	Cole Taylor	Richard Cash
Print Media, Newsletters, Planbook, Where to Go Camping	Will McPhearson	Cathleen Simpkins, Kristina Humphries
Photographer	Will McPhearson	Geoff Dunn
Projects	Stephen Hercka,	Jon Humphries Emerson Couch, David Harlee
Registration	Will McPhearson	John Hill, Doug Bartlett
Sing Team	Stephen Hercka	Kris Neely
Thunderbird	Ellis Greene	Glenn Stoner
Trading Post	Walter Norment	Frank Shytles, Bob White
Troop Representatives	Evan Bass	Mr. Norment
Webpage	Cole Taylor	Geoff Dunn
Vigil	Max Robinson	Richard Cash

### Chapter Chiefs/meeting times

Cherokee– Tatum Goin

Chester– Aiden Roberts

Lancaster– Jordan Sinclair

Spartan– Anthony Wiggins

York– Matthew Hepp

