Spring Fellowship 2021

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# Note from the Chief

Brothers,

I am happy to see you at our first Lodge fellowship of the year. I hope that all brothers old and new are ready for a weekend of fun and cheerful service. I would also like to welcome our Ordeal Candidates and wish them luck in the trials ahead. I would also like to encourage anyone who is looking to get more involved in the Lodge to speak to our ceremony team or inquire with a Lodge Adviser or LEC Member about becoming a Committee Chair. There are opportunities for service all around you! Make sure to follow all Council Covid-19 procedures so that we can all be safe during this event. I and the entire LEC are extremely happy you were able to join us!

Yours in Cheerful Service, Cole Taylor, Skyuka Lodge Chief



### Recent Highlights

#### ⇒ Cornerstone Conclave

⇒ Skyuka Lodge recently attended the annual SR-5 Cornerstone Conclave at Camp Daniel Boone. We placed second overall in the Quest For the Golden Arrow!

#### ⇒ Skyuka Officers Elected to Section Office

At our recent Cornerstone Conclave, Skyuka Lodge members Walter Norment and Matthew Hepp were elected to the offices of Section Vice-Chief and Section Secretary respectively. Congratulations to our brothers for bringing Skyuka back to the section!



### 2021 Calendar

Date	Event	Location
May 14-16, 2021	Spring Fellowship	Camp Bethelwoods
May 29, 2021	Lodge Service Day	8 AM-12 PM @ GOLS
August 6-8, 2021	Summer Ordeal	Location TBD
September 25, 2021	Cub Scout Shoot-O-Ree	Wilksburg Baptist Church, Chester, SC
October 29-31, 2021	Fall Fellowship	Location TBD



# **Upcoming Service opportunities:**

## Skyuka Lodge Service Day at Glendale Outdoor Leadership School

Brothers, on Saturday, May 29th from 8 am -12 pm, Skyuka Lodge will host a workday at GOLS in Spartanburg, SC. This is a fantastic opportunity to give cheerful service back to the council. Be sure to save the date! Registration will go live after Spring Fellowship.

### Cub Scout Shoot-O-Ree at Wilksburg Baptist Church

For the past few years, Skyuka Lodge has played a large role in hosting Palmetto Council's Cub Scout Shoot-O-Ree. We continue to do so this year on September 25th! Watch for the sign-up when it goes live this summer.

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#### LEADER SPOTLIGHT: OWEN BAQUIRAN

Position: Treasurer

Hello I am Owen Baquiran, your 2021 Skyuka Lodge Treasurer. I am proud to announce that Lodge Leadership Development, Lodge Banquet, and Section Conclave have been huge successes! Our Lodge Trading Post committee has been working tirelessly to further innovate and improve the trading post experience. Changes include a new system to rid of old merchandise and the possibility of laser engraved Skyuka products.



### Lodge Officers



Lodge Chief-Cole Taylor

Vice-Chief of Program - Anthony Wiggins

Vice-Chief of Indian Affairs-Matthew Hepp

Vice-Chief of Inductions-Cannon Herring

Secretary-Walter Norment

Treasurer-Owen Baquiran

See www.skyukalodge.org for committee options, chairpersons, and adult advisors

# Interview with your Secretary, Walt Norment

Your scouting history:

I started Scouts as a Tiger Cub and am now an Eagle Scout, which I earned in September of 2019.

A campout you recommend to other scouts and troop: I recommend camping on the Virginia Creeper Trail.

Hobby or free time activity outside of scouting:

I actively play electric guitar and bass, and I am employed by Carowinds.

Favorite food: A Chick-Fil-A sandwich Hardest job/assignment you had to do:

Organizing the first Covid-19 Fellowship in our entire section in August of 2020 as the Vice-Chief of Inductions, as well as memorizing ceremonies to join the ceremony team. A great OA memory:

Performing my first ceremony as Nutiket and attending NOAC in 2018 at Indiana University.

# Lodge Adviser's Corner by Jimmy Summers

Welcome to our first Spring Fellowship in 2 years, and our first Fellowship outside of a Scout Camp in recent memory. We have a great group of Ordeal candidates and Brotherhood candidates, and it is great to see things slowly starting to get back to normal.

It was 3 years ago this weekend, at Spring Fellowship in 2018, that Camp Bob Hardin experienced a catastrophic flood. Our Lodge has been through a lot since that night, becoming a "Lodge on the go" as we have held our Fellowships since then at other camps. We have also now been through COVID, and that has obviously had a significant impact on the Lodge and on Scouting. But we have persevered, and I believe now we are poised to come out of COVID stronger than ever. We have amazing youth leaders, and new leaders are developing before our eyes in the Lodge—I am sure they will be taking leadership roles soon. Two of our Lodge Officers were just elected to Section office, and this comes after another former Lodge officer just finished up his term in Section office.

Even though we do not have a Summer Camp at the current time, there are still many ways that the Lodge continues to serve and support Scouting in Palmetto Council. Through projects at GOLS, supporting the Cub Scout Shoot-o-Ree, and support of the Summer Camp Expo, Skyuka Lodge provides cheerful service. Those who chose us need us, so find your place to help serve through our Brotherhood!

Yours in WWW, Jimmy Summers, Skyuka Lodge Advisor.