

FIVE FEATHERS



Newsletter of Order of the Arrow Section E7

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NOAC Fun!

You only need to look at these pictures to see the spirit and fun that our Lodges had at NO-AC this July!



Patch Trading Galore!



Exhilarating Ultimate Frisbee!



AIA Powwow and Competitions!



Fantastic Evening Shows!

Council of Chiefs & ACT Conference

The Council and Chiefs and ACT Conference are swiftly approaching! Join us November 11-12 at Camp Old Indian to help plan Cornerstone Conclave 2023. With lots of amazing trainings and fun activities, this ACT conference is sure to teach you more about how to be the best lodge leader you can be in an active and engaging manner. For more information see the flyer attached to this email.

Section Chief Report – Andrew Adler

Hello Arrowmen of the Carolinas and Northern Georgia!

If you don't yet know who I am, I am Andrew Adler, and I am serving as your Section Chief for the 2022-2023 term. I am a proud member of Itibapishe Iti Hollo Lodge and an Eagle Scout from Troop 89 in Monroe, NC.

I have had the privilege of getting to attend events from lodges across the section including Unali'Yi, Catawba, Santee, Skyuka, and Muscogee. I love getting to watch new members join each lodge and see the same fire in the new Ordeal members that was sparked in me several years ago when I joined the Order. That "fire" can be summed up to be the spirit of scouting.

Now is the time for my shameless plug for the Section ACT Conference. As you guys saw in this edition of the Five Feathers, this is a new and exciting event for our section. We hope that you join us in November and at Conclave next April!

Section Vice Chief's Report — Jamie Martin

Hello Arrowmen, I was happy to see all of you at NOAC. We had a terrific showing and the Region Round-up and Section gathering. I enjoyed seeing all of you compete in Minute-to-Win-It games with such spirit. As a section, we also had numerous brothers compete in AIA competitions. I am proud of all our national champions and top-ten finalists.

I cannot wait to see all of you at Camp Ho-Non-Wah in April. We have good food and exciting activities waiting for you.

Section Secretary's Report— Grace Franklin

Hello all! I hope your summers were amazing. I know between NOAC and summer camp staff I had a lot of fun. I want see the highlights of our section summer. If you have a favorite scouting moment from this summer, reach out with a picture and story for a chance to be featured on the E7 Instagram. Additionally, when your lodges hold events, I want to share them on the section Instagram page. For both of these please reach out via the secretary email or section Instagram (see below).

I would also like to take a moment to recognize Tripp Clark, James Barton, Travis Broadhurst, and Robert Bolton Jr. who were all recognized for receiving the Distinguished Service Award in 2020 or 2022 at this year's NOAC.

I am super excited to see you all in April! Bring your spirit!

Adviser's Minute— Mac McLean

Hello to all in Section E7. I want to thank all of our OA members for their outstanding participation at the conclave at Camp John J. Barnhardt and at the recent National OA Conference in Tennessee. It feels like things are getting back to normal in Scouting. I encourage everyone to take the excitement from these events and use it to re-engage and re-invigorate your lodges and troops.

I am excited to work with this year's section officers and the service lodge leadership and I am confident we will have a wonderful conclave at Camp Ho Non Wah in April 2023. I am super excited to see you all in April! Bring your spirit!

New Section E7 Website

We have a new website! First and most importantly it's URL is <https://sectione7.oa-bsa.org/>. The old website will be going away soon and will cease to be updated. Nearly all of the content from the old website was migrated over to the new site, plus we also took the opportunity to make the new site more sleek and, hopefully, easier to navigate. Let us know what you like and what doesn't work. While we tried to fix everything during the migration, it is doubtless that we missed something!

All that being said some of you are probably wondering why we needed a new website. There was nothing wrong with our old website, but National is migrating all of the section websites on to the national server. This is provided to the Section at no additional cost and serves to provide standardization and additional security. Thank you for your patience and understanding in the process!