OSCEOLA ORACLE

T'was the Friday of fellowship And from front gate to back porch Every scouter was gathered By the light of the torch

Vigil was called By the fire so bright And those eligible were gone through the night

> But, oh, the next morning At breakfast they were Ready to serve And the day passed in a blur

We painted the range The dining hall was decorated, And the Busk Banquet was certainly long-awaited

> And that wait was worth it For a full Thanksgiving feast Turkey, corn, and potatoes And five other sides, at least

The winter bonfire? It rivaled the moon. Didn't stop burning until Sunday afternoon.

> We welcomed nine new Vigils Twenty brotherhood, too We'll see you in March For our members brand-new

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ADVISER'S MINUTE

As our Lodge continues to evolve, the latest improvement is the enhanced role of the Elangomat. There is no better way to welcome new members into our Lodge than to expand the role of the Elangomat. In the past, the Elangomat has simply been the Ordeal Candidate's guide, and friend, leading up to their Ordeal ceremony.

During the next Ordeal, the Elangomat will share more information with our Ordeal Candidates of what is happening in their Ordeal process, and then give them an insight into what will be happening next. The Elangomat will continue through with their Clan members until their Brotherhood conversion is completed. If you remember your Ordeal, would you have been less apprehensive if your Elangomat had given you some insight into the Induction process, and why it was being done? I think so.

As an Arrowman can perform no greater service than to become an Elangomat for one of their Chapter's Clans. Some Arrowmen become Elangomats more than once and enjoy the relationships with their Clans over longer periods of time. The first impression that we make on our Ordeal Candidates is the welcoming, friendly actions of their Elangomat. I would urge all Arrowmen who have not yet had the opportunity to experience the role of an Elangomat, to plan on doing so at one of our upcoming Ordeals.

Chuck Donelson Lodge Adviser



Recently our Lodge had our Winter Fellowship and Busk Banquet. There are several important things that happened at this weekend; including 9 new Vigil honor members, 20 new Brotherhood members, many service projects that benefited camp Miles, and another thing of importance would be the introduction of our new Elangomat training and strengthening the Elangomat program.

I would like to give a huge congratulations to those 9 members that completed their Vigil at this fellowship. I would also like to congratulate the 20 new Brotherhood members who sealed their membership in our Lodge.

When we conducted ourl lodge leadership development our lodge leadership created 5 goals. One of these goals was to strengthen our elangomat program. With the training that was put on we did just that. The individuals that went through the training got to see some of the changes that are happening in the Order of the Arrow and changes through our elangomat program. There is no greater honor than being an elangomat. The first person a new arrowman meets is the elangomat. It is such an important job. I would urge any arrowmen who has not had the opportunity to be an elangomat to become one.

Luke Hitchcock Lodge Chief

CHAPTER COMMUNITY



Hvlpatah Tastanagi is ready to start the new year strong with our Camporee being the first weekend of February at the Naples Sports Park (Swamp Buggy Grounds.)

- Trey C. Chapter Chief

No report provided.

Tukosee Mathla will be having a meeting on January 6th and we will be focusing on improving attendance to Lodge events.

- Bartosz F. Chapter Chief

Oscen Tustenuggee has voted in a new Chapter Chief, Max Bennetts. Our first meeting of the new year will be at Camporee.

- Max B. Chapter Chief

WINTER FELLOWSHIP

The dining hall certainly was decked during Winter Fellowship. The walls and rafters were adorned with sombreros, origami, and amazon boxes as we celebrated the theme of an "Imported Christmas." Arrowmen served camp Miles by repainting the range, building benches, repairing screens, and clearing the OA ring. After lunch, rather than decorating gingerbread houses, each Chapter had a lodge flap-shaped cookie cake to decorate. The Busk Banquet went off without a hitch, the kicken staff brough their A-game with a full Thanksgiving feast. I would say we missed you if you weren't there, but honestly? More food for me. We heard some special words and recognition from Greg Graham.

Overall, we welcomed 20 new Brotherhood members, and 9 new Vigil members, including JT and Connor, your Vice Chiefs of Admin and Program.

Be sure to check out Facebook for some great pictures. We hope to see you in March to help welcome our new Ordeal members.

If you have any photos from Winter Fellowship please feel free to add them to https://tinyurl.com/bdz668a6 courtesy of Mac Aldrich.





SAVE THE DATE!

MARCH

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT

Arrowmen,

Mark your calendars for March 4 - 6 for spring Ordeal! As the new year approaches consider stepping into a bigger role within your Chapter or Lodge. Whether that's serving as an Elangomat, on a new committee, or even being apart of the LEC.

