



Brothers,

Welcome to Spring Fellowship! We are excited to announce the theme for Mowogo Lodge in 2019: A Blast from the Past! This year, we aim to reflect on where we came from and look forward to the future. Make sure to join us at the campfire at each event for special shows that explore this theme!

As we work to improve beautiful Camp Rainey Mountain this weekend in cheerful service, take some time to be silent and listen. In the Ordeal, we are challenged by Meteu to work silently. In the Pre-Ordeal Ceremony, Meteu states "hours spent in thoughtful silence help us make the right decisions more than days and days of talking". So I challenge you to spend time reflecting this weekend in thoughtful silence. Take a moment to enjoy the wonderful camp we call home!

I am looking forward to seeing all of you and having another great weekend of service and fellowship! Please help me welcome our new brothers into the Order of the Arrow this weekend!

Yours in Brotherhood Ryan Strozensky Lodge Chief





### Vice Chief of Membership

Brothers,

Membership is running strong leading up to Spring Fellowship! Chapters are completing elections incredibly fast and we are expecting a huge turnout at our first event of the year. Crews are participating in elections and we expect to have our first youth female candidates complete their Ordeal. On that note, we have had 4 Elangomat Trainings so far and have trained 3 new youth and expect plenty more at Spark! Please make an effort to get trained it is an incredibly valuable resource not only to the Lodge, but to you too!

Huge thank you to the membership and Elangomat team for making elections/inductions run so smoothly!

Yours in Brotherhood Jimmy Crocker Lodge Vice Chief of Membership





### **Chief Updates**



### Vice Chief of Indian Affairs

Brothers,

I am so thrilled to finally almost be with you at the 2019 Mowogo Spring Fellowship! The weekend that is to come is sure to be one full of memorable fellowship and plenty of service opportunities for all of our Arrowmen!

The Mowogo Indian Affairs Team is excited to roll out new ceremony logistics plans, which will hopefully lead to a more efficient and beneficial Induction process for our new brothers. We look forward to your feedback to the changes we have made and appreciate your support as we make this transition!

I would like to share with you something that I believe has been laid on my heart in order to bring attention to the unfortunate position which has become both our country and our own reality.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal. That they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and The Pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights Governments are instituted among men, deriving from the consent of the governed. — That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness."

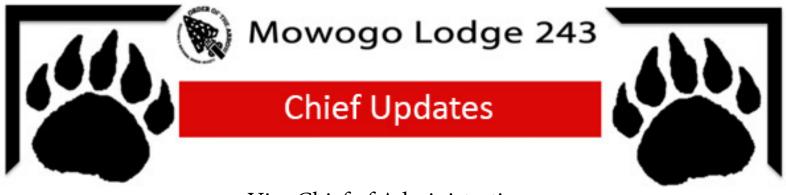
When these words were written by our Founding Fathers in 1776, they were not composed solely in order to achieve independence from Great Britain or even to simply serve as guidelines in which a new, better nation might be founded, but rather to bring direct attention to the wrongdoings that were occurring in the colonies, in order that one day, justice might be carried out. As a nation, we worked so hard, and sacrificed so much, not just for our independence, but so that we, as Americans, might be able to live according to the principles that are formed by the beliefs rooted deep within our hearts. We know of at least nearly 1.2 million Americans whom, over the course of history, have died in order that we as a country might be able to continue to enjoy these freedoms that we worked so hard to earn. This having been said, why is it that today, we as a country have cast aside these core principles that we once worked so hard to establish, replacing them with an empty void in which anyone can plant any idea, allowing it to take root and grow, slowly taking over the minds, thoughts, actions, and eventually the entire being of our people. These new thoughts, much like weeds, are dangerous to our society. Unfortunately, once they take root it becomes nearly impossible to remove them from the Eden that is our nation.

So Ladies and Gentlemen, I ask you, what constitutes the measure of a person's worth? Is it based on what other people think of them, or is it each person entitled to a great worth simply by being human? How are we, as humans, supposed to determine the value of another's life? What makes one person less valuable than another? These are the very questions that we should be asking ourselves. Today we find ourselves living in a dangerous time. The world around us is constantly changing. One moment, a practice might be condemned by society, but the very next be praised by the masses. We have to decide where we stand based on what we believe, not based on how the world tells us we should feel. We must put an end to this injustice. We must learn to stand strong for what we believe in and not allow the crowds to determine our convictions. It is time for us as people, as a society, to come together, and exercise those rights, which we, as a nation, have been blessed beyond measure to be able to sustain. We need to take a stand, and fight, so that one day, every person, regardless of age, appearance, socio—economic status, occupation, race, gender, religion, born or unborn, might all have the same right to life."

Thank you to each of you for all that you do for Lodge. I look forward to seeing you this weekend!

Yours In Cheerfulness, Adam Weldon Fox





### Vice Chief of Administration

Dear brothers,

First of all, I'd like to thank all of you for putting trust in me to be your Lodge VCA. It is a huge honor to serve as your VCA. Most of you don't know who I am, or have even heard my name, but I hope to get to know lots of you over the year. Over the past couple of months, I've been assembling a team to best serve the lodge with the check in, trading post, and dining hall. This year, I plan on making the experience you can gain from the administrations team the best you can get! I know that a lot of people don't really go to the trading post to get patches, but this year will have new patches! As some of you may know, this years theme is Blast From the Past! We are having patches that resemble what our lodges patches used to look like and some patches that come from big rock and metal groups of the the 1900's! I truly believe that this is going to be one of the best years in our lodges history in terms of administrations.

There are great people in the lodge who are making administrations fantastic. There have been people who have paved the road for current day members and ones to be. Once again, thank you for allowing me to be this years VCA! I'd like to leave all of you with a quote open for all interpretations, "our greatest glory is not from never falling, but from rising back up every time we fall"

Yours in service, Sean Nielsen Lodge Vice Chief of Administration





## Chapter Reports



### Japeechen Chapter

Brothers,

I hope this finds all of you well!

Japeechen Chapter has been having a fantastic year so far! All the way from the top of the lodge, where four of our members serve as lodge officers, to the troop and crew level, we have been serving and training new members. We had the honor to hold the first crew election for our lodge, along with electing many new candidates from our troops. We have also been asked by our district to host the spring camporee; this a very exciting thing for our chapter we hope to continue for many years. Many thanks to Dustin Bonk, our youth camporee chair! We have been training many new members of our lodge to serve in positions for ordeals! We have new elangomats, new admin, and have started our own chapter ceremonies team, which is a huge step for our chapter! We cannot wait for Spring Fellowship and all the opportunities that presents us!

Yours in Service, James Chalmers Japeechen 2019 Chapter Chief.

"If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ." - 1 Peter 4:11

### Ani-Gatogewi Chapter

#### Brothers,

I am honored to have the great privilege to serve as Chapter Chief along with 4 amazing Vice Chiefs including Zachary VanHessen(VCM), Raine Somerville(VCC), Dawson Roth(VCIA) & Wyatt Smitherman(VCS), So far this year we have had 8 Unit elections with 26 Candidates elected, We are on pace to have the most unit elections ever conducted by our chapter. We had a few goals in mind for this year which we are already starting to see come to fruition. One is to get every Chapter Officer involved and taking on the responsibilities of their respective position. Another is to broaden the scope of communication between all of our members. We are also looking forward to our annual Chapter Fellowship/District Crossover in March and once again getting to see old and new faces at Spring Fellowship & Pre-Camp. We also hope to have a few people go to SR9 Conclave and help support the Lodge. Later, We intend to continue service and fellowship to Camp Rotary through Mowogo's Indian Summer. Hopefully this fall for the first time in 5 years our chapter will host our district's Fall Camporee.

Yours In Service, Carter Wortham AGG Chapter Chief











### Canantutlaga Chapter

Hey Mowogo Lodge members! It's Carter Nolde, Chapter Chief of Canantutlaga Chapter speaking, or rather, typing. Overall, it has been a great start to the 2019 year as a chapter. We have held multiple troop elections, have successfully accomplished the new task of having a crew election, have had two successful chapter meetings, have established a new Pre-Ordeal Ceremony team, and have also helped launch the new Scouts BSA program in our local area. But, before we get into details, I'd like to thank those that have made all of this happen.

Brandon Hagenbarth has taken the election reigns, so to speak, as he is serving as our chapter's VCM. Himself, partnered with our Elections Adviser, Mrs. Suzi Wiggs, have accomplished our first goal of the year which was to successfully train multiple new youth to help run the Order of the Arrow elections. With this, we have held many trop elections, and one crew election. Thank you guys for doing this, and also, a huge shout-out to Jayce Wiggs and Davis Roney for stepping up to the plate.

Davis Roney has taken control of the Indian Affairs side of our chapter as our chapters VCIA, with help of Mr. Steve Back as his adviser. While doing so, he has helped establish a new Pre-Ordeal ceremony team which consists Canantutlaga Chapter members Mitchell Donnelly, Jonah Gardin, Davis Roney, and myself. Thank you, teammates, the chapter literally could not have done it without you.

Jacob Ball has communicated to the masses in our chapter as he has learned new skills of using Remind101 and the famously amazing email systems to help him in his tasks as he is our chapter's VCC, with help of Mr. Steve Francis and Mr. Skip Anderson as his advisers. Jacob's email writing skills are hard to match. Whenever I or an adviser needs something typed up or summarized, he's our guy. Thanks Jacob!

Finally, to the Scouts BSA launch event. Myself as Chapter Chief, Lodge Chief Ryan Strozensky, J.J. Murray, Jayce and Jake Wiggs helped 'kick-off' Scouts BSA in our area at Female Troop 5109's Charter Celebration on February 1st. J.J. and Jayce helped demonstrate Grass Dance, Ryan and I talked on our Order's multiple scouting opportunities, and Jake performed a crossover for two eager Webelo's. Overall a great event and from what I saw, we should have many new faces soon to come as soon as they earn their rank and go camping.

Overall, without the help of our Chapter Adviser, Mr. Rex Hayes, none of this would have been possible as he has helped advise every officer in one way or another. Thank you, Mr. Hayes. With all that being said, I can't wait to see what the year of 2019 brings to our brotherhood!

Yours in Cheerfulness, Carter E. Nolde | Canantutlaga Chapter Chief Once an Eagle, Always an Eagle...





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#### Jutaculla Chapter

Brothers,

Jutaculla chapter has been busy indeed. Our chapter members have hosted multiple unit elections. We have also improved chapter meeting attendance from a couple of brothers to seven brothers at our last meeting. We have had several successful meetings at the Troop 5 scout hut where we planned out our call out ceremony for the winter camporee. We met up at winter camporee at Uchee Lodge to host our tap out ceremony. 27 scouts from 8 troops for were elected as candidates to the Order of the Arrow. Our chapter also participated in Maque Brotherhood Day where five of our brothers successfully converted to Brotherhood. We have also finalized our ceremonies chapter team and have practiced the ceremony so we can successfully perform at Spring Fellowship. We are looking forward to Spring Fellowship and Conclave which we have already begun preparing for.

Yours in service, Joseph McNair 2019 Chapter Chief

#### Machque Chapter

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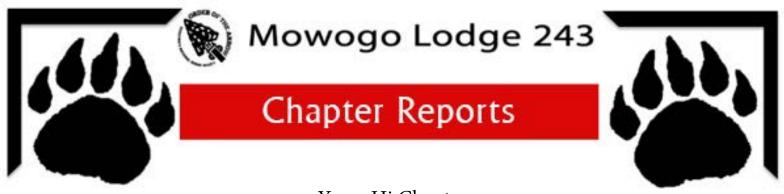
Machque Chapter has been successful in the past few months. In early January we had our monthly chapter meeting with all officers in attendance. At this meeting we finalized plans for Machque Brotherhood day. Transitioning to Machque Brotherhood day, Machque officers had our yearly training meeting lead by Chief Thomas Payne in the morning on Saturday. We had 33 people in attendance and 11 participants from all over the lodge. In the afternoon we had our spaghetti dinner. After the dinner we had a program which included our keynote speaker, Lodge Chief Ryan Strozensky; followed by the presentation of the Machque arrowman of the Year by Lodge Adviser Rusty Royston; and finally the Chapter Advisers Minute by Larry Moore. Machque Chapter would also like to announce the 2018 Arrowman of the Year as Thomas Payne. Finally Brotherhood day we had our Brotherhood Ceremony Team conduct the ceremony. Overall this was a great event and our chapter will continue to carry on the Machque Brotherhood tradition in future years. For the past two years our Chapter has had a theme for the year. Machque Chapter's theme for 2019 is 'exceeding the vision".

2019 Machque Chapter Officers Chapter Chief--Thomas Payne Vice Chief of Membership--Thomas Allison Vice Chief of Service--Devin Gasaway Vice Chief of Indian Affairs--Parker Scott Vice Chief of Communications--Evan Bryan









Yona-Hi Chapter

Brothers,

Yona-Hi has had five elections this year electing over twenty people. Our first Chapter meeting was a huge success. We had several units represented and we also had Mr. Whitey from the Machque Chapter attend. He taught us about drumming, dancing, how to make drumsticks, and drumming etiquette. Just as a note, Chapter Advisers can't keep a beat.

Our second meeting took place at the Gainesville Bowling Alley. While our attendance was down due to Valentine's Day, the Chapter Advisers kicked the Chapter Chief's rear over and over again. We did teach bowling etiquette and we played three games of bowling. All three were dominated by the Chapter Advisers!

Our March chapter meeting will take place at Spring Fellowship and following that in April we plan to go to Skyzone for another opportunity of fun and fellowship.

~Lee Kellogg Chapter Chief Making Yona-Hi Great Again







## Chapter Reports



#### Lau-in-nih Chapter

To my fellow Brothers and Sisters,

Allow me to be one of the first to welcome you to Mowogo Lodge's 2019 Spring Fellowship! I am honored to be able to work in cheerful service alongside you as the presiding Chapter Chief of Lau-innih, but for now, I would to tell you that there is still much to be done within the Order of the Arrow. The year of 2019 is still young, but our mission remains the same. As brothers and sisters of the Order, it is our obligation to continue pursuing greater heights in our craft, but also to reflect the core values that we wish to instill in every Scout we can commune with. Knowing this, I humbly ask that you continue your service in the Mowogo Lodge, whether it be hosting troop elections or serving in the numerous events we have planned for you. However, do not forget to cherish and remember the times you spend as a fellow Arrowman. It is by our experiences that we can continue to strive as a lodge and community within the body of Scouting. Work with your brothers and sisters and create the legacy we leave as Arrowmen. Do these things in remembrance of the obligation we have sworn ourselves to.

Yours in Cheerful Service, Joshua Seidenberger Lau-in-nih Chapter Chief





# **Brotherhood Day**









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April 5-6: Conclave - Sign up on the SR-9 website: www.sr-9.org

May 17-19: Pre-Camp - Sign up at: www.mowogo.org

September 20-22: Pow Wow - Sign up at: www.mowogo.org

December 7: Christmas Banquet - Sign up at: www.mowogo.org



# Mowogo Communication



#### General Member Login

Username: Mowogo243 Password: Alto2013

Want to contribute to Arrowpoints? Submit your article to: <u>lodge.vcc@mowogo.org</u>

#### Out of touch? Get plugged in!

Question: How do I stay up to date with what is happening in the lodge?

Answer: Register your email address with lodge administration team so you will get email updates from lodgemaster.

Question: What if I don't have time to read emails? Answer: Check out the website at <u>http://www.mowogo.org</u>

Question: How can I get updates if don't want to go to the website?

Answer: Like MOWOGO243 on facebook to get the latest updates for upcoming events.

Question: Facebook is so old school, any other ways?

Answer: Follow Mowogo Lodge on Twitter @Mowogo243

Question: I really do not get the whole tweet thing; can you just text me info?

Answer: Glad you ask! Yes, yes we can. SMS/Text @MowogoLodge243 to 23559

> You will be asked for a password, reply: BlackBear The next message: To join @MowogoLodge243 reply with your Celly username (6-20 chars no spaces) Reply with back with a username to finish the setup.

Lodge Communication Team









Spring Fellowship Info



#### Friday Night

Time	Event	Location	Responsible	
6:00	Check-in begins/Elangomat meeting	Admin Porch	Sean Nielsen/Jarod Miller	
7:30	Ceremonies Start	Ceremony Rings	Adam Fox	
8:00	Brotherhood Hike #1	Dining Hall Porch	Jarod Miller	
10:00	Craker Barrel	Dining Hall	Ryan Strozensky	
11:00	Lights out	Campsites	Mowogo Lodge	

#### Saturday

Time	Event	Location	Responsible
6:45	Elangomats Wake Up		Jarod Miller
7:30	Canidate Breakfast	Area A Feild	Jarod Miller
3:00	Breakfast	Dining Hall	Ryan Strozensky
9:00	Work Begins	Camp Wide	Devin Saunders
12:00	Lunch	Dining Hall	Ryan Strozensky
12:00-1:00	Silent Auction	Dining Hall	Ryan Strozensky
12:00	Lunch (Candidates)	Eagle Shelter	Jarod Miller
3:30	Ceremonies Start	Ceremony Rings	Adam Fox
5:00	Chapter Leadership Meeting With New Ordeal Members	Campsites	Chapter Chiefs
5:00	Dinner	Dining Hall	Ryan Strozensky
6:45	James E. West Award Recognition	Dining Hall	Ryan Strozensky
7:00	Chaper Meetings	Dining Hall	Chapter Chiefs
7:30	Campfire	Stewart Ampitheater	Adam Fox/Jimmy Crocker
3:30	Vigil Callout	Stewart Ampitheater	Chris Steele
0:00	Craker Barrel and Taliypo	Dining Hall	Ryan Strozensky
:30	Patch Auction	Dining Hall	Ryan Strozensky
1:00	Lights Out	Campsites	Mowogo Lodge

### Sunday Morning

Time	Event	Location	Responsible
8:00	Breakfast	Dining Hall	Ryan Strozensky
8:30	Scouts Own Service	Dining Hall	Shaun McManus
9:30	LEC	Admin Building	Ryan Strozensky





The chapter campsites for Spring Fellowship are as follows:

AGG - Powell CAN - McRae JAP - Monroe JUT - Jutaculla LAU - Bridges MCH - Winchester YHI - Cornelia

