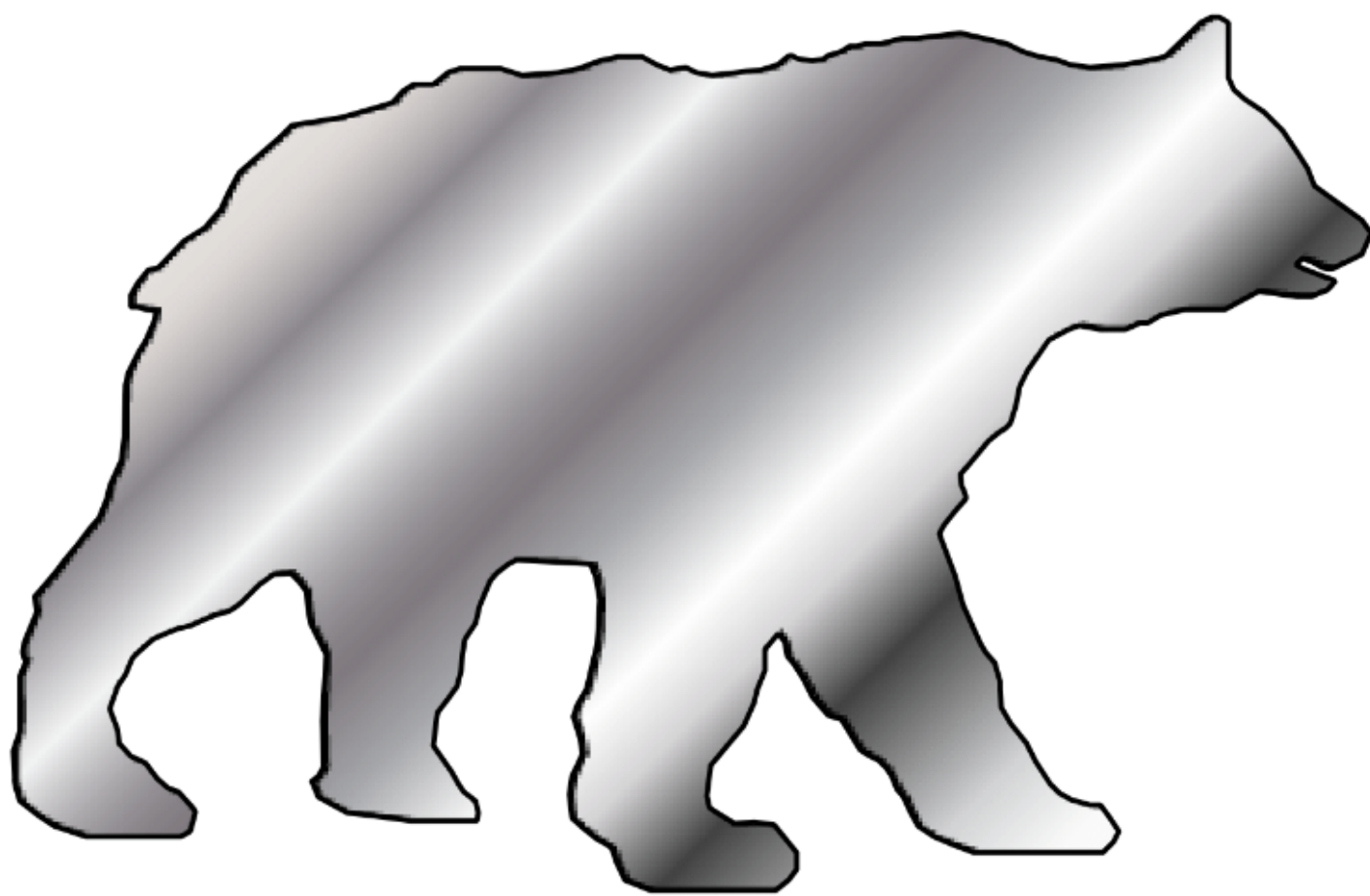


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Chiefly Speaking

Arrowmen,

As our 75th year as a Lodge comes to a close, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Chief. This year has been a true blessing and I am proud to hang my hat up on another successful year for Mowogo Lodge. A few highlights worth mentioning are over doubling our Lodge membership from January 1st, 2018 to now, taking over 60 members of our Lodge to the National Order of the Arrow Conference at Indiana University, bringing Conclave back to SR-9, and dedicating the 75th Anniversary Mowogo Lodge Nature Trail at Camp Rainey Mountain. All of these achievements could not have been accomplished without you, the members of Mowogo Lodge. Our Lodge has many successful years to come and I would like to wish Ryan Strozensky, our incoming Lodge Chief, to exceed all expectations set before him. I know he will make us proud. I would also like to thank National Vice-Chief, Michael Kipp, for choosing to come to our Lodge's 75th Christmas Banquet. Please welcome him and introduce yourself, I am sure he would love to meet all of you. Again, thank you for making this amazing year possible for continuing to make Mowogo the best Lodge in the nation. Cheerfulness,

Shaun McManus

2018 Mowogo Lodge Chief





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Chief Updates

Vice Chief of Membership

Brothers,

Mowogo's Platinum Year has been a success for membership! We exceeded our membership goal for this year and trained dozens of new Elangomats. I would like to thank all of the Elangomats who served selflessly at Spring Fellowship and Pre-Camp. Their contribution to the lodge is immense. If you are interested in serving as an Elangomat, please attend an upcoming Elangomat Training in the beginning of 2019. Tommy Orchanian as Elangomat Chair and Devin Saunders as Service Chair did an incredible job this year, and I am pleased to say that they will both continue in those positions in 2019. I would also like to thank Mr. Pouncey for being an amazing adviser that was always there to support me whenever I needed help or guidance. Finally, congrats to the 2019 Vice Chief of Membership, Jimmy Crocker!

Ryan Strozensky

2018 Vice Chief of Membership





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Chief Updates

My Brothers,

Living a life that is truly full of heartfelt gratitude amidst the chaotic, judgmental, and confusing world we find ourselves living in can often times be challenging. Taking a break from the day-to-day routine, to spend time with friends and family, both new and old, over the past few weeks has caused me to step back, gain a new perspective, and realize how truly grateful we should be, not just for everything we have been blessed with material-wise, but specifically for the people whom which we have been so incredibly blessed to do this life with and for the opportunities we have been given. I realize, that in writing the following, I might give the impression that my life is perfect, which in all transparency is why I hesitated on more than one occasion while typing these words. Life is not all sunshine and rainbows for me anymore than it is for you. Bad days do exist, people turn out to be not who you expected, often times way more so than you ever thought was possible, but you always have to remember not just why you value your life, but also who in your life you value. The good friends that make you laugh over the craziest things, the people you have known your whole life that you can go months (or years even) without seeing and then pick up right where you left off or that special someone that makes your heart skip-a-beat are the people that make life-worth living. My intent in expressing all this to you is that hopefully you too will experience not just the feelings of accomplishment and confidence which we all long for, and truth be told I now have, but also the feeling of self-worth and the desire to show unconditional kindness to the world. This being said, I say to you, the same six words which someone recently said to me that so drastically altered my viewpoint of the world and the life which I have been so blessed to lead in it, "be confident in who you are." While these words might seem so simple to the average person, to someone who is hurting, or feels left out, unwanted, and confused, or in all honesty just human, being told to be confident in who you are because you are something extraordinary can truly change your whole outlook life. So to all those who feel unable to accomplish their dreams, to all those who are hurting or burdened, to all those who are searching for purpose in a seemingly meaningless world, be confident in who you are, because there is no one in the world just like you and that makes you truly extraordinary. Reflecting over the past two years as I served as your Vice Chief of Administration and it has truly been an honor. I cannot express enough gratitude to each of you for the skills I have learned and experience I have gained through the opportunity that each of you have given me. It has truly been a pleasure. I look forward to seeing each of you this coming year as your Lodge Vice Chief of Indian Affairs and I cannot wait to see what the future holds for us as a lodge, and for each of you as individuals!

Yours In Service,
Adam Weldon Fox





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Chief Updates

Vice Chief of Indian Affairs

Brothers, first I want to say thank you for the Honor of serving as your lodge VCIA. Has been an amazing opportunity to serve everyone as the 75th anniversary is coming to a close. This year has been an Amazing year for Indian affairs from Opening the brotherhood ring, Great Ceremony teams for all of the ceremonies, and great representations at NOAC and Conclave for Drum and dance teams. Hunter White, thank you for serving as my dance chair, you were always someone who I trusted with the dance team weather it was Conclave or the times the dance and drum team came to perform at summer camp. David Stratton you have done an excellent job as Drum Chair from training people at Pow-Wow to leading the Drum team to placing fourth at the Conclave drum competition. Will Carroll as Ceremonies Chair you have helped me whenever I was not at a ring or in the ring. You have always been loyal and always did what I asked and I thank you for that. Briar Stevens I want to thank you for making sure that all engineering aspects were handled throughout the fellowship. I have also learned a lot from you like "don't use flamboyos to light the trails to any ceremony ring". You all have done an amazing job this year and helped make the Platinum year the best year for MOWOGO lodge.

To my wonderful advisors, thank you for pouring into me and helping me be the best leader I can be. I would have done nowhere near as well as I did had you all not been there for me
Adam, the job ahead is not an easy but I believe that you have the power to lead Mowogo lodge's Indian affairs groups to greatness. There will be people who disagree with you. The two biggest pieces of advice I can give you is this, trust the advisors and do what is best for the candidates. This is because they are the next ceremonialist the next the VCIA, or even the next Chief. As Nutiket say in the Pre-Ordeal Ceremony -The spark is there, already glowing, forgetting hunger, feed it, till it is a fire. I am always here for you.

Beau Barnette

Vice Chief of Indian Affairs





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Chapter Reports

Ani-Gatogwewe Chapter

Brothers,

My gratitude to all of you is impeccable. The experiences and memories I have witnessed over the last year are beyond words. This year, in particular, I have seen all aspects of Mowogo Lodge 243, from its Indian Affairs to its leadership to the service that all members bring forth for this lodge and their communities. The dedication that everyone brings is beyond my comprehension, from the new ordeal members to the ladies and gentlemen who have lived daily by the OA Obligation and Scout Oath in their respected scouting activities and communities for many years.

Before I get sidetracked too much, let me talk about my chapter Ani-gatogewi. This group is one of kind, and always surprises me with their scouting etiquette. During the fall season, we've had done so much. At the 2018 Mowogo PowWow we had 17 AGG members attend, all of whom stayed active and participated in several informative classes and other opportunities available over the weekend. My chapter advisor, Jason Roth, and I taught one of the Saturday morning classes about "Keys to a Successful Chapter Event," which had a fabulous turnout and, based on feedback, gave people new information to take with them for their future chapter's events. Not only did we feel good of our accomplishments during the Black Bear Competition, but it brought a lot of us together even more. Over the weekend we had also prepared a camp-wide scavenger hunt that received lots of positive feedback and participation, and we hope to do it again in the future. During much of this time, our newest vigil honor member, Carter Wortham, officially gained this much deserved honor, showing his dedication to AGG and Mowogo Lodge. Since PowWow, on October 27th, 8 AGG and 1 family member visited The Food Bank of Northeast Georgia in Athens to provide a few hours of our time to help prepare food items to be sent out to the hungry in our region. We have also officially made new AGG t-shirts and neckerchiefs, designed by our very own Dawson Roth.

I'd like to thank Shaun McManus, Ryan Strozensky, Beau Barnette, Cy Roth, Adam Fox, Rusty Royston, Ed Brown, Suzi Wiggs, Jarod Miller, Devin Saunders, Will Carroll, William White, Colin Feilmer, Thomas and Luke Morneault, Jason Roth, Brad Feilmeier, Jimmy Crocker, Brandon Hagenbarth, Britt Bramblett, Grey Stratton, Lee Kellogg, Luke Royston, Carter Wortham, Zachary VanHessen, and everyone else who has helped me accomplish my goals and everyone who is part of Mowogo Lodge. We of course can't forget the support of our families and thank them for all they have done to allow us to succeed. My future is unknown to me, but no matter where I go I know I can keep these memories close, and I will always

be an alumnus of the greatest OA lodge I could have. In conclusion, I wish the best of luck to the 2019 Lodge and Chapter Officers, and to everyone on your futures. I'm proud to say being part of this family is something glad I have been a part of.

From Yours in Brotherhood,

Raine Somerville

AGG Chapter Chief





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Chapter Reports

Machque Chapter

Hello Mowogo Brothers, Machque Chapter has had a great fall and are getting our chapter prepared for the new chapter officers. Thomas Payne-Chapter Chief, Thomas Allison-Chapter Vice Chief of Membership, Parker Scott-Chapter Vice Chief of Indian Affairs, Devin Gasaway-Chapter Vice Chief of Service. Our new officers are also planning out our Machque Chapter Brotherhood Day which will be on the 19th of January if you went through your ordeal earlier this year at Spring Fellowship you can go through your Brotherhood Conversion at Woodruff.

Luke Royston
Machque Chapter Chief

Yona-hi Chapter

We have had a very successful past couple of months. We have had two meeting both with huge turnouts. We have had ice cream socials and had lots of fun playing different team building games. We had a great time at Pow-Wow, with playing games and hiking up to Big Rock.

At our last chapter meeting we had our chapter elections our new chapter chief is Lee Kellogg, our Vice chief of communications is Chandler Phelts, our vice chief of service is Mason Bell, Our vice chief of membership is Johnathan Spinella, and our vice chief of indian affairs is Jaiden Green.

As far as OA elections, we have one scheduled for December 10. We are hoping to get more up and going this election season. We are hopeful that this will give new members a chance to attend spring fellowship and upcoming OA activities.

Lee Dean
Yona-hi Chapter Chief





Chapter Reports

Canantutlaga Chapter

Everything is going pretty well over in Canantutlaga. We've recently started using a new communication system and have gotten OA reps heavily involved in chapter affairs and troop communications. Big Hope's for the future of that project. We just had our spooky Halloween themed meeting where we told ghost stories and bobbed for some apples as well as getting the notifications out. We all wish good luck in the coming year to our rising chapter chief, Carter Nolde, and all other chapter/lodge officers in Mowogo. Looking forward to seeing all you guys get sworn in at Christmas Banquet. See you all there!

Brandon Hagenbarth
Canantutlaga Chapter Chief

Japeechen Chapter

Brothers,

I have had an incredible experience serving as the Japeechen Chapter Chief, and I owe it all to my fellow Chapter Brothers. Japeechen Chapter could not have grown or succeeded the way it did without your constant efforts. We have tripled in active members at meetings, and have Arrowmen serving as Ceremonialists, Elangomats and in Administrative positions. Furthermore, next year's LEC is made of primarily Japeechen members. This is a testament to our Chapter and how we serve the Lodge. Thank you for this incredible opportunity and here's to another year of success.

I wholeheartedly believe that James Chalmers will achieve much more this upcoming year. He is very excited for the year to come and cannot wait to faithfully serve our Chapter and Mowogo Lodge!

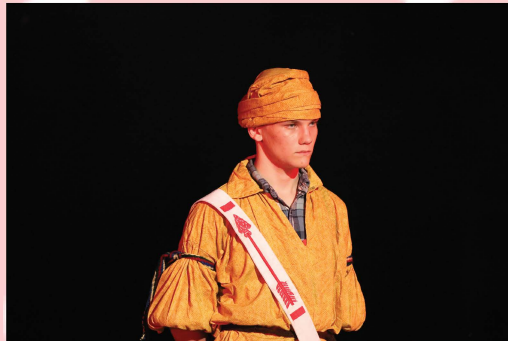
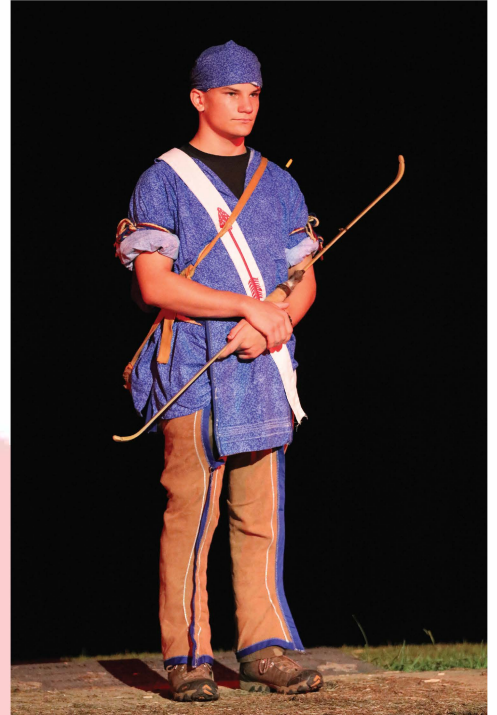
Yours in Cheerful Service,
Jimmy Crocker
2018 Japeechen Chapter Chief
Congratulations to our 2019 Officers:
James Chalmers: Chapter Chief
Aiden Weng: VCC of Membership
Lukas Bettich: VCC of Indian Affairs
William Weber: VCC of Communication





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Pow Wow





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Pow Wow



Boy Scouts of America
148 Boy Scout Trail, Pendergrass, Georgia 30549

Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources
University of Georgia

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Mowogo Lodge WWW 75th Anniversary Nature Trail

❖ Dedicated September 22, 2018 ❖

The initial development of the trail began in early 2015 as a Senior Project by students the Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources at the University of Georgia. Students Leila Marion, Amber Painter, and Christian Harris designed the most popular option for the Nature Trail.

This Trail will be utilized by scouts working on merit badges associated with those offered through the Nature Lodge during Summer Camp at Rainey Mountain. The trail has a total length of 3,350 feet beginning at the old dam above the Rifle Range and ending at the Trading Post. The interest points on the trail will provide Scouts the





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2019 Lodge Leadership



2019 Lodge Chief
Ryan Strozensky



2019 Vice Chief of Membership
Jimmy Crocker





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2019 Vice Chief of Indian Affairs
Adam Fox



2019 Vice Chief of Communications
Will Benjamin





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2019 Vice Chief of Admin
Sean Nielsen





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2019 Lodge Events

- January 11-13: SR9 Indian Winter - Sign up on the SR9 website: www.sr-9.org
- January 19th: Machque Brotherhood Day - Sign up: www.mowogo.org
- February 2nd: Indian Affairs Workshop - Sign up: www.mowogo.org
- March 8-9: Indian Affairs Workshop - Sign up: www.mowogo.org
- March 15-17: Spring Fellowship - Sign up: www.mowogo.org
- April 5-7: SR9 Conclave - Sign up: www.sr-9.org
- May 17-19: PreCamp Fellowship - Sign up: www.mowogo.org
- September 20-22: Pow Wow - Sign up: www.mowogo.org
- December 7: Christmas Banquet - Sign up: www.mowogo.org

