



Arrow Points

**Mowogo Lodge
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LLD: A Learning Weekend

Get ready, get set, and learn! The Lodge Leadership Development weekend was a great success. Forty-two participants registered for a weekend where they were trained by knowledgeable instructors that put in many hours of hard work to provide the best program available. We'd like to thank Kai De Blasio, Andy Ford, Alex Foster, Bryce French, John Warren-Aliff, Terry Bramlett, Ed Fisher, Ron Hamlin, Ed Lacey, Mark Lacy, and Mark White, for being a part of staff for this weekend. Many important issues were discussed and decisions made, such as next year's LEC dates and a final budget for 2011.

Chiefly Speaking

As 2010 closes it is with mixed feelings that I compose my last "Chiefly Speaking" article. We have accomplished more than I ever hoped to attain. You all have greatly helped the Lodge Administration to break membership records in Ordeal and Brotherhood, as well as keeping Mowogo in excellent standing in the community and in Scouting abroad.

Early in the year, Mowogo's leadership provided by key youth and adults at the Jake and Bull Mountain Centennial project put our Lodge on a new level - giving positive service and publicity. Spring Fellowship presented itself as an "Ordeal" in and of itself with roughly 200 candidates in attendance; however, our Arrowmen did not wither under pressure and the performance that followed allowed a successful function to take place. Conclave, our annual section gathering, ended with multiple Mowogo awards in various competitions. We managed to take home the coveted Spirit Award, historically given to the Lodge with superior accomplishments and attitudes. Pre-Camp arrived quickly after Conclave and with it came another 100 new members, as well as a great deal of summer camp preparation at CRM. After camp came to its seasonal close, Mowogo pulled off a superior Pow-Wow, with chapter competitions and outstanding training. LLDC was held, allowing the 2011 Lodge and Chapter Officers an opportunity to receive training designed to help them succeed. In the midst of all of the Lodge's ventures, our chapters also actively held meetings and one Brotherhood Conversion weekend.

And now, our year comes to a close. We finish with seven new Vigil Honor Members, nearly 300 new Ordeal members, and a significant amount of new Brotherhoods. This year has been great for our Lodge and for me personally. It has been my honor to serve as Lodge Chief and I sincerely hope that I have done everything in my power to better our Lodge. To Bryce French, Andrew Scudellari, Andy Ford, Kai DeBlasio, and Steven Aaron - as the new Mowogo Administration, I wish you the best of luck. You, with the help of your fellows, will do well.

See you all at Christmas Banquet!

John Warren-Aliff, 2010 Mowogo Lodge Chief

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2010/2011

Event Calendar

- **Dec 04:** Banquet
- **Jan 09:** LEC
- **Feb 13:** LEC
- **March 18-20:** Spring Fellowship
- **April 15-17:** Section 9 Conclave
- **May 01:** LEC
- **May 20-22:** Pre-Camp Fellowship
- **July 10-16:** SummitCorps





Machque Update

During the past year our chapter has reached many milestones. Machque Chapter is the smallest chapter in Mowogo Lodge, but we have continually shown that we are among the highest participation percentages in Mowogo Lodge. This was shown on many different occasions, such as National Jamboree, the Jake Bull Mountain Centennial Project, and Conclave. At the National Jamboree, three of the five Mowogo members serving on the OA Service Corps were from Machque: Brady Kumler, Gable Jackson, and Jacob Chambliss. We have also had our call out ceremony and have completed all elections. But the milestones don't stop there - we have also formed a dance team and one of the dances that we have included is a flaming hoop dance that is performed by Daniel Kumler. In accordance to Machque tradition we have supported the Relay for Life program in Blairsville. It has been a great year for Machque Chapter. The newly elected officers for the Chapter are as follows, Chapter Chief: Aaron Jourdan, Vice Chief of Membership: Brendan Jourdan, Vice Chief of Communications: Jarod Vautrot, Vice Chief of Indian Affairs: Jacob Chambliss, and Vice Chief of Service: Daniel Kumler.

Yona-hi Update

Throughout the year, Yona-hi's chapter meetings have grown from 7 to 15 consistent participants. Recently, our brothers had a great time at our Fun Weekend with sloth-capades, greased watermelon, and other competitive activities. During the Yona-hi Brotherhood Weekend, we carried out service projects for Scoutland and had 7 brothers seal their membership. Most recently, our new leadership has been decided: CC - Hunter Leming, VCM - Kyle Brooks, VCIA - Will Pursell, VCC - Mason Bridges. In short, we've had a fantastic year of fellowship, and have made a lot of progress in membership.

Jutaculla Update

Jutaculla chapter spent the year taking care of business. We were the first chapter to turn in its election report. We had a fabulous call out ceremony at our winter camporee in January. During the summer several of our members served on summer camp staff at Camp Rainey Mountain. And, at the National Jamboree, one of our youth served on the prestigious Order of the Arrow Service Corps. We also had one adult serve on Jamboree Staff and one adult serve as one of the Assistant Scoutmasters to one of Northeast Georgia Council contingent troops.

Canatulaga Update

Canatulaga has kept up its recent surge in activity. Our new system of doing elections and tap-outs has greatly improved our exposure to the district, the number of kids involved in events that the chapter does, and provided multiple opportunities for the candidates to get tapped out. Canatulaga provided a huge portion of the ceremonialists and engineers for all of the lodge events, and is in position to be able to give more next year. Our Cub Scout ceremonies have become a huge hit in our district. The chapter has started a clothing drive in addition to its existing food drive. We also have a trained chapter brotherhood team. Finally, we just got done staffing a Camporee and did very well at it from what feedback we have received. We plan to continue staffing district events and maybe even start up our own camping events.

Lau-ih-nih Update

As the new Chapter Chief elect of Lau-ih-nih, I have the privilege to sum up the activities of this year. Although our Brotherhood weekend was snowed out, we led the lodge in Brotherhood conversions for the year. Thanks to additional brotherhood conversion events.

We successfully returned the "Black Bear" to ourselves at Powwow. The overall lodge goal of having fun and strengthening our brotherhood was also accomplished throughout the weekend. Lau-ih-nih would also like to congratulate the new lodge Chiefs and Vice-Chiefs elected that weekend.

At our chapter meetings this year we increased activities to improve attendance at chapter meetings. We worked on the auto maintenance merit badge early this year. The brothers provided free oil changes and tire rotations to the Scoutmasters at the round table one night in conjunction with the merit badge.

Over the next year we plan to help out around GA parks, gain a stronger brotherhood and increase our member rate, and once again represent ourselves well in service and competition.

Nate Kurth, Chapter Chief Elect, Lau-ih-nih

Japeechen Update

In the past year our chapter has grown from a few active members attending the chapter meetings to having an entire room full of young Arrowmen. Japeechen has hosted both of the Etowah districts camporees, and has received positive feedback from Scoutmasters.

Indian Summer



Do you like OA Inductions and Ceremonies?

Do you like Indian lore?
Do you like learning?
Do you like fun?

Well if you do, OA has the perfect event for you! It is the National Order of the Arrow Indian Summer.

Any Arrowmen with an interest in learning more about American Indian material culture and Arrowmen who wish to expand their skills and understanding of the Order's ceremonies and induction process should participate in Indian Summer.

A primary objective of this event is to elaborate upon and expand a participant's understanding of American Indian culture.

Arrowmen will have a hands-on experience with American Indian crafts, singing, dancing, clothing, traditions, Indian games, and conducting a powwow. Arrowmen will be able to complete a hands on craft experience under the direction of the best craftsmen in the Scouting movement.



Need to improve your skills in conducting a successful Call-Out, Ordeal, Brotherhood, or Vigil Ceremony? Well, you are in luck because participants will also have the opportunity to delve deeper into the ceremony world of settings, props, symbolism, performing the ceremonies, the development of ceremonial costumes, understanding the ten induction principals and administering the Ordeal. OA Induction and Ceremonies will include a range of topics from ceremonialists to running an Ordeal and unit elections. Highlights will include acting skills and techniques workshops taught by real-world theater professionals

The last national OA Indian Summer was held in 2003. Don't miss this opportunity to learn more about American Indian material culture and expand your knowledge of Order of the Arrow ceremonies!

Winter Banquet

Our annual Winter Banquet will be held December 4th in the classic city of Athens, home of the Bulldogs, at the Bulldog Cafe. Fellowship, friends, great food and Ultimate stories, which by the way are usually better than most fishing stories, are just a few things that you will experience while you are there. Frank Harper will be our keynote speaker for the evening. The induction of all new Lodge Officers, Chapter Officers, and Committee Chairs will be done that evening as well as presentation of a myriad of awards. Remember there are NO WALK-INS!

Find us on the web!

www.mowogo.org

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Username: 243mowogo

Password: JKellar10

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Lodge Adviser's Minute

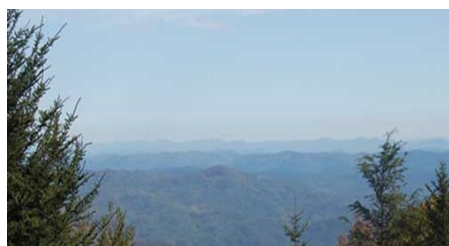
A historic year in Scouting is rapidly coming to an end. 2011 begins the 2nd 100 years in Scouting. Wouldn't it be marvelous if we could go "Back to the Future" to see how Scouting will evolve over the next 100 years? I'm sure it will be just as fabulous an organization as it is today. In just four short years, the Order of the Arrow will celebrate its 100 anniversary as well. We have an opportunity to impact that anniversary and the next 100 years in Scouting by becoming involved with SummitCorps in 2011. We will be helping to develop the property where Scouting will be holding all future National Jamborees. Many of you were involved in Arrow Corp 5. I'm sure that Summit Corp will be just as impressive. I would like to thank John for serving as our Chief in 2010. 2010 was a great year and I'm sure 2011 will be great as well.

James Briscoe, Lodge Adviser



SummitCorps - The New River Experience

The OA and the New River Gorge National River have joined together to create SummitCorps - The New River Experience. This is a chance for 2,000 Arrowmen to provide meaningful service during a four-week period in July 2011. Each week 500 Arrowmen will provide service building a new bike and hiking trail on National River land adjacent to the BSA's newest high adventure base and future site of National Scout Jamborees: The Summit: Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve in West Virginia.



SummitCorps will provide a unique opportunity for youth and adult Arrowmen to set an example of leadership in service to those

who treasure our national parks. In addition, they will live an experience that will leave them with:

- A deeper understanding of the Scout Oath, Scout Law, OA Obligation, and what it means to "live" these words in one's daily life.
- A renewed spirit, pride, and enthusiasm for Scouting and the OA.
- Skills that will help them to be more effective leaders in their lodge, Scout units, and communities.
- New program ideas, knowledge, and skills to help them be of greater service back in their home unit, lodge and council.
- A deeper appreciation of our country's natural resources.
- New friendships with fellow Arrowmen from throughout the United States.
- Memories to last a lifetime.



The Service Adventure

Service and adventure go together like peanut butter and jelly, milk and cookies, or a map and compass. At least that's the idea that the OA plans with

SummitCorps this summer.

For years, the OA has pioneered the concept of the service adventure with the OA High Ad-



venture Programs. In 2008, the OA had the chance to open up the service adventure to more Arrowmen with *ArrowCorps*⁵. Now, they are providing another opportunity to blend the bliss that comes from cheerful service and the personal growth that can only come from a high adventure. While the service to the national river is an important aspect of the project, the fun that comes from recreation, brotherhood, and being in the wilderness will make the experience that much richer.

Many Arrowmen have experienced service and have experienced adventure. If you have not taken the time to experience one of the Order's service adventure opportunities, 2011 is your chance for the service adventure of a lifetime. The Mowogo contingent will embark on this experience during (Session 2) July 9-July 17; however, based on your schedule you can attend any session. There are still limited spaces for you to join your fellow Mowogo Brothers; please contact summitcorps@mowogo.org.

The Project

This is no canned food drive. Arrowmen attending SummitCorps this summer can expect to be treated to one tough task.

Dust off your mattock and McLeod rake - the OA is doing what it knows best - trail improve-ments. The main focus will be improving the Garden Grand Hike and Bike Trail. Other projects will include the



removal of invasive species, which is reminiscent of George Washington and Jefferson National Forest from *ArrowCorps*⁵ in 2008. SummitCorps will allow Arrowmen to practice the art of balancing conservation and preservation of a great national landmark, the New River Gorge National River.