



Aal-Pa-Tah First Year Honor Arrowman Guide 2011-2012



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Section Conference

Fellow Arrowmen,

There are 8 Lodges in our Section, spreading from Key West north to North Florida, and all 8 of these Lodges will be at Camp Tanah Keeta in April 2011 when Aal-Pa-Tah hosts!

I am the Chairman for this Conference, and my adviser Mr. Carlson and I have been working hard to put together a great staff and a wonderful program for our Conference. Our Lodge has a long history of hosting the Best Conferences, All-Around. With activities ranging from pirate fights on Clear Lake to human Tic-Tac-Toe, our past proves that we are the Best Lodge, All-Around, when it comes to hosting events, and Section Conference 2011 will only heighten that bar of achievement. This Conference is meant to show our brothers of the Section a great time and to allow them to mingle among each other, but our personal goals are to host the most fun conference of all time.

Brothers, a huge milestone in our Lodge's history is upon us. The patch from this conference will hang in the dining hall for years to come and the legacy which we leave will hang about our Lodge for decades. Once again, I urge each of you to volunteer yourselves and your time into making Section Conference 2011 the Best Conference All-Around. Feel free to contact our Lodge Chief or myself for any information regarding Section Conference 2011, this WILL be the BEST SECTION CONFERENCE ALL-AROUND!

WWW,

Ian McKay

Section S-4 Conference 2011 Chairman

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Fast Pass 2011

Sign up for a "FastPass" for 2011 and get: 2011 Annual Dues; 2011 Lodge Banquet Fee; 2011 Lodge Weekend Fees (Spring Ordeal, June Powwow September Ordeal, Winter Fellowship; Lodge only, no Section or National Events); 2011 Lodge Patch set, including the back-patch (note: FastPass patch sets are given out at Spring Ordeal, first come first serve to FastPassers. Due to unpredictability of FastPass purchasers, we cannot guarantee all FastPassers will receive the back-patch.); Served first for all meals; Faster registration and check-in for events.; and FastPass membership designation on your OA card.

FastPass 2011 is only \$105. You can sign up at any Lodge weekend, or by calling the Council Office.



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Letter from the Lodge Chief

First Year Honor Arrowman Award Requirements

Name: _____ Ordeal _____

- Must attend at least three weekends within the next year. (Fall Ordeal, Section Seminars, Winter Fellowship, Spring Powwow, Section Conference, or Summer Ordeal.)

(Event)	(Registrar)	(Date)
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- Must attend at least one service event.

(Operation One Day, Scout Show-Roast/Fry,
Chapter Service Days, Trail Crew Service Days, etc.)

(Event)	(Chairman)	(Date)
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- Seal membership through Brotherhood within the first two eligible weekends.

(Brotherhood)	(Mary Flack)	(Date)
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- Meet with at least three committee chairmen and discuss what their committee is about.

(Committee)	(Chairman)	(Date)
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(Committee)	(Chairman)	(Date)

To our newest Arrowmen, peers will far out weight the work.

I am Elliot Taft, the Lodge Chief of Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge #237. I would like to again congratulate you on completing your Ordeal but more importantly congratulate you on the years of hard work and dedication it took to get to this point. You have excelled to be the leaders and examples in your Troops. This was not an easy task and you should be proud of yourselves.

MY FELLOW ARROWMEN, as I am proud to call you, from the leadership of the Lodge I congratulate you and welcome you into the family of Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge #237.

WWW,
Elliott Taft
Lodge Chief

Now that you are officially part of the Order, what comes next? There are many ways you can be become farther involved in our Lodge, these include the different committees, Ceremonies, Native American dancing and many more. In this book you'll find a list of the chairmen for each committee, I encourage you to reach out to one of them and become involved. In these different committees you will encounter some work, but the fun you'll have working and playing alongside your



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George Cooper
Lodge Treasurer

Mike McLoughlin
Lodge Historian



Tim Arnold
Lodge Advisor

Bradley Ellis
Assoc. Lodge Advisor

Amanda Pantone
Assoc. Lodge Advisor

Welcome Letter from the First Year Arrowman Chairman

To our newest Arrowmen,

I am Riley Carlson, first year Arrowman chairman. I give all of you a warm welcome to our Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge 237. I'd like to tell you about the Order the Arrow honor award for First Year Arrowman.

The requirements are listed on page 12 (the second to last page.) If you need to contact me call me at (772) 283-2111 (home) or (772) 214-9723 (cell). I plan on attending all of the Order of the Arrow events for the coming year, but if you want to talk to me during an event, call me before the event to make sure I am there.

I encourage each of you to consider completing the first year award and I look forward to working with you.

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Riley Carlson

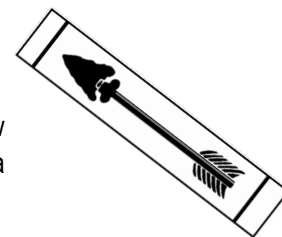
First Year Arrowman Chairman 2010-2011

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Brotherhood Requirements

Now is the time for you to seal your membership in our Order. You made a commitment at your Ordeal to cheerfully serve your fellow man. *It is only right* that you renew that commitment after ten months and become a Brotherhood member of Aal-Pa-Tah. For help, go to: <http://aal-pa-tah237.org/brotherhood/requirements> or www.jumpstart.oa-bsa.org

- Be an Ordeal member for at least ten months.
- Know the Obligation and Song.
- Write a letter to the secretary explaining how you've lived up to the Order since becoming a member.



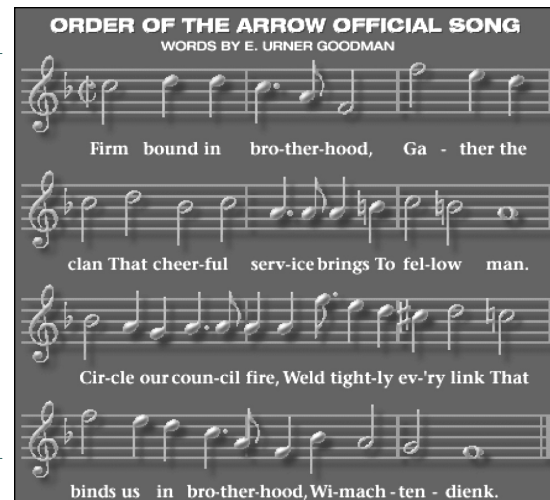
Obligation

I do hereby promise on my honor as a Scout, that I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the traditions of the Order of the Arrow, Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui.

I will always regard the ties of brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow as lasting, and will seek to preserve a cheerful spirit, even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, and will endeavor, so far as in my power lies, to be unselfish in service and devotion to the welfare of others.

*“Firm bound in brotherhood,
Gather the clan that cheerful
service brings to fellow man.
Circle our council fire,
Weld tightly ev'ry link
that binds us in brotherhood,
Wimachtendienk.*

ORDER OF THE ARROW OFFICIAL SONG
WORDS BY E. URNER GOODMAN



Firm bound in bro-ther-hood, Ga - ther the
clan That cheer-ful serv-ice brings To fel-low man.
Cir-cle our coun-cil fire, Weld tight-ly ev'-ry link That
binds us in bro-ther-hood, Wi-mach - ten - dienk.

Lodge Offices (cont.)

Lodge Vice-Chief of Service Lodge Treasurer

The Lodge Vice-Chief of Service is responsible for coordinating all service of the Lodge, including Induction Weekends, service days and weekends, and service at district and council activities. He works with properties and camp maintenance committees, as well as with the Camp Ranger. He recruits manpower for projects, and tracks service hours for each individual. He sits on the Lodge Executive Committee (L.E.C.), and supports the Lodge Chief in providing a quality program to the Arrowmen of the Lodge and to the Scouts of the Council. He sets a good example at all times to the people he leads and to the Community he serves.

Lodge Secretary

The Lodge Secretary is responsible for all publications put out by the Lodge. He ensures that a quality newsletter is delivered to Arrowmen frequently and in a timely fashion. He sits on the Lodge Executive Committee and takes the minutes of the LEC. He sets a good example at all times to the people he leads and to the community he serves.

The Lodge Treasurer is responsible for the financial aspects of the Lodge. He markets new items that are being sold in the Lodge Box, runs the Lodge Box sales and reports the financial state of the Lodge to the Lodge Executive Committee. He sits on the Lodge Executive Committee. He sets a good example at all times to the people he leads and to the community he serves.

Lodge Historian

The Lodge Historian is responsible for the documentation of Lodge History both past and present. He prepares a "King's Cup" display that depicts the history of the Lodge. He takes photographs and keeps patches and records from the Lodge and ensures their preservation. He sits on the Lodge Executive Committee. He sets a good example at all times to the people he leads and to the community he serves.

Websites

Lodge Website

The Lodge Website www.aal-pa-tah237.org is a very useful tool. All of this information can be found on it and more. You can read past and present Gator tales, you can check out pictures from the latest weekends and even register for upcoming weekends, so make sure to check it out

OA Jumpstart Website

The Order of the Arrow Jumpstart website www.jumpstart.oa-bsa.org is another great tool that will help you understand the ordeal you went through and more thoroughly understand the purpose and goal of the Order. There are also a lot of great resources to help you prepare to seal yourself in the brotherhood. I definitely recommend going to this website when you get some free time.

Other useful sites

Section site: www.sections-4.org

National Site: www.oa-bsa.org

High Adventure Site: adventure.oa-bsa.org Information on the three high adventure programs in the Order of the Arrow. DEFINITELY CHECK THIS OUT.

Lodge Facebook Group: "Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge #237" Please come find us and send a request to join. It's a great way to stay connected.

Lodge Events

Spring Powwow

Don't get too discouraged about the name because not only do we know how to work, as you just experienced through your Ordeal, but we also have a lot of fun. The main idea for this weekend is to prepare for the upcoming summer camp. We do whatever it takes to prepare for it. But wait — once the work is done, we usually go swimming and have a carnival, play games and patch trade all night.

Summer Powwow

At this event, you really get to know your chapters because of all the challenging chapter competitions. This is a highly-attended event with lots of excitement and really boosts morale for Section Conference. Ask about the 237 surprise!

Fall Ordeal

Ordeals are by far our most important weekends because these events are when we induct our new members. Every active member in our Lodge plays a part in the Ordeal, whether it be by being Elangomats for the Candidates, performing the ceremonies, or just doing what needs to be done and providing Service to camp. The goal of this weekend is to promote the Order's motto, Cheerful Service, and when that's all over, we teach the candidates our Lodge's motto and that's how to have FUN.

Winter Fellowship

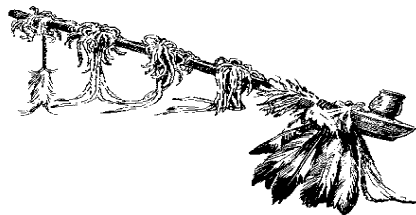
This is a strictly FUN weekend. All you need to do is have fun. This weekend is filled with exciting games and seminars; there's always something to do. You can't beat it.

The Pig / Turkey Roast

This happens to be one of the more favored events, even though it is a service event. It is also one of the more popular events at the Mega Show. This is where Aal-Pa-Tah brings its finest service corps to roast pigs and turkeys during Mega Show. The roast is one of the many ways our Lodge makes service fun.

Lodge Banquet

In January, we hold our annual Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge Banquet. Banquet is where we gather for pure fellowship, and recognizing some of our brothers from the previous and current years. Please come on out and enjoy being a part of the Lodge.



Lodge Offices

Lodge Chief

The Lodge Chief is responsible for the running of the Lodge. He is the Chairman of the Lodge Executive Committee. He is responsible for all Lodge programs, as well as supporting other programs in the BSA. The Lodge Chief serves on all separate operating committees within the Lodge, everything from the Food Service Committee to the Drum Team Committee. The Lodge Chief is the only Youth Representative on the Council Executive Board and serves as the voice of not only all Arrowmen, but all Scouts in general. He also sits on the Section's Council of Chiefs and serves as the Lodge's representative to the Section. The Lodge Chief sets a good example at all times to the people he leads and to the community he serves.

Lodge Vice-Chief of Inductions

The Lodge Vice-Chief of Inductions is in charge of all things Inductions. He oversees the elections process, the ordeal weekends, the ceremonies team, and the brotherhood process. He makes sure that the Spirit of the Arrow booklets are prepared for the weekend and mailed to the candidates on the right dates and he makes sure that new candidate registration goes smoothly at weekends. He over-

sees unit election training and updates this booklet. He serves as Interim Lodge Chief in the prolonged absence of the Lodge Chief. He sets a good example at all times to the people he leads and to the community he serves.

Lodge Vice-Chief of Program

The Lodge Vice-Chief of Program is responsible for overseeing the planning of all Lodge Weekends. He prepares a summary report of each activity for future use, and also coordinates services at Lodge Weekends, service days and events. He sits on the Lodge Executive Committee (L.E.C.) and supports the Lodge Chief in providing a quality program to the Arrowmen of the Lodge and to the Scouts of the Council. He sets a good example at all times to the people he leads and to the community he serves.



Committees (cont.)

Ceremonial Team

This important committee conducts the ceremonies for Pre-Ordeal, Ordeal, Brotherhood, and Vigil as well as Troop Eagle Scout Court of Honor Ceremonies. They also compete in Section and National conferences.

1st Year Honor Arrowman Committee

This committee develops interest about the Lodge and its activities through providing knowledge to new Arrowmen. The program offers an award, in return for learning about our Lodge.

If you complete the requirements, you are eligible for the award (patch is shown on the cover). The committee is responsible for creating the booklet and maintaining it as well.

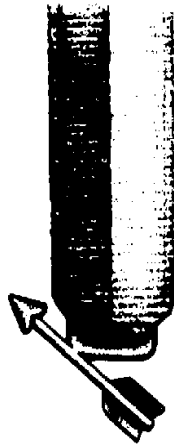
Food Services

This very important and dependable committee provides excellent food service at all the Lodge weekends. Their duties include preparing our meals, serving them, and cleaning up after each meal. This is truly the backbone of every weekend because without great tasting, nutritional food, we

wouldn't have such healthy Lodge leadership.

Publications

This committee is responsible for putting out our newsletter, the *Gator Tales*. The *Gator Tales* informs Brothers of upcoming events, what's going on in the Lodge, and what recently happened within our Lodge. The newsletter is issued to all dues paid members four times per year.



Trail Crew

This committee builds and maintains trails throughout the Mike Machek Trail system.

Weekend Committee

This committee is responsible for the planning and carrying out of the program aspects for Lodge Weekends. It is headed up by the Weekend Chairman. It carries much work that is followed by much fun, if it is done right.

Section and National Events

Section Seminars

This is a statewide event that we attend with all the order Lodges within our Section (state). At this event Arrowmen are trained in different skills that they can bring back and use within their Lodge. These skills range from publication ideas to ceremonial ideas; Native American crafts to dance styles; they basically cover every aspect of the Lodge.



Section Conference

This is it! This is the event Aal-Pa-Tah strives for every year. At this weekend our Lodge is put to the test against all other Lodges in our

Section and we really give them a run for their money. This is what a standard Section Conference is like, but this year is a little different. We are hosting the 2011 Section Conference so you definitely don't want to miss it. It is going to be the most fun event of the year and we can definitely use your help to make it better. See the last page for details.

National Order of the Arrow Conference ("NOAC")

As an Arrowman, this is the biggest event you can attend in the Order of the Arrow. It is usually held every two years, but has recently switched to a 3 year schedule to align with the 100th year anniversary of the OA (1915-2015). The next NOAC will be in the summer of 2012 at Michigan State University.

Committees

Brotherhood Committee

This committee is designed to assist members seal their membership into the Order of the Arrow. There are some requirements in order to do this and it is a requirement for the Honor Arrowman Award. The requirements are as follows:

- Be an Ordeal member for at least ten months.

- Know the Obligation and Song.
- Write a letter to the secretary explaining how you've lived up to the Order since becoming a member.
- Admonition and Handclasp
- Sign of Ordeal membership

Once you achieve Brotherhood, you'll have a much better understanding of our Order; therefore, it is highly recommended.