

# Turtle Tales



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## 2016 Founders Award Recipients Kyle Gillespie and Adam Farris

Upcoming Events		
Event	Date	Location
Spring Reunion	April 7-9	Pine Ridge Scout Reservation
LEC	June 4	Camp Lewallen
Turtle Tales articles due date	June 1	Send to– <a href="mailto:csecretary@anpetu-we.org">csecretary@anpetu-we.org</a>

# Officers, Chairmen, and Advisors

Lodge Chief — Quentin Goode  
 1st Vice Chief — Nick Arnold  
 2nd Vice Chief — Max Dale  
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Lodge Advisor — Scott Crumpecker  
 Associate Advisor — Willie Sandin  
 Associate Advisor — Rick Walter  
 Associate Advisor — Sam Herndon  
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 Associate Staff Advisor — David Galvin

## Chiefs

Cherokee Chapter — Maverick Giltz  
 Egyptian Chapter — Seth Traiteur  
 Sioux Chapter — Jerritt Hargis  
 Shawnee Chapter — Hayden Smee  
 Wundchenneu Chapter — Ian Kinsel

## Advisors/Associates

Joel Evans, De Bizzell  
 David Ahlfield  
 John Hargis  
 Greg Deimund, Brent King, Brad Bittle, Randy Seabaugh  
 Scot Keene, David Smiley, Clayton Ahlfield

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Chairman (men)</b>	<b>Adviser (s)</b>
Ordeal	Cristian Evans	JP Halford
Elagomat Training	Sam Farris	Charlie Wilson, Mark Hahs
Brotherhood	Jeffrey Bittle	Brent King
Vigil	Chance Ziegler	Andrew Graham, Andrew Miller
Camp Promotion	Nick Arnold	Dave Boren
History	Hayden Smee	Tony Smee
Fun Weekend	Jerritt Hargis	John Hargis
Service	Max Dale	Joe Wolsey
One Day of Service	Charlie Howard-IL Maverick Giltz-MO	Scott Martin-IL Gil Giltz-MO
Website	Jeffrey Bittle	Evan Henry
Cook Staff	Cody McFaddin	Willard Smith
Section Conclave	N/A	Sam Herndon
Lodge Master	N/A	Willie Sandin, Charlie Wilson
Parliamentarian	Hayden Smee	Tony Smee
Ceremonies	Nick Arnold	Bob Dale
Turtle Tales	Jeffrey Bittle	Marcus Ward
Trading Post	Cristian Evans	Willie Sandin
Health and Safety	Griffin King	Brad Bittle
Summer Camp	N/A	JP Manetz, Hunter Sheets

# Lodge Advisor's Address

Since our last publication of the Turtle Tales, we have had two major Lodge events; the Winter Banquet and the Lodge Leadership Development Conference (LLDC). With that, we seem to be on our way to another successful year for Anpetu We Lodge!

With over 200 Arrowmen in attendance, the Winter Banquet signifies the ending of one year for the Lodge and the beginning of another. It highlights the successes of the Lodge and brings in a new set of officers and advisers to lead. The event collected almost 200 toys in support of Toys for Tots. The silent auction raised approximately \$1500 for cancer awareness. Our past Chief Davis Deimund could not get enough of the mashed potatoes that were provided by The Knights of Columbus ladies! All kidding aside several people were recognized for their accomplishments during the year with the highlight being the Founders Award. Congratulations to Adam Farris and Kyle Gillespie for being honored with this distinction.

Over 40 Lodge and Chapter officers and advisers attended the recent LLDC. The event which was held at the Charleston Missouri Scout Hut was facilitated by Rhett Hendrickson. We greatly appreciate the support and direction that he provided the attendees.

Congratulations to Egyptian Ney A Ti and Sioux Chapter. They had 100% participation by their Chapter officers! Definitely a step in the right direction! For those who have attended, it is my hope you will utilize the knowledge gained in your individual Chapters throughout the year.

So what's next? April 7-9 is slated for Spring Reunion at Pine Ridge. There are several candidates that still had not taken their Ordeal and should be encouraged to attend this event. This is always a good time to encourage people to seal their Brotherhood as well. Work projects are starting to be planned in order to prepare the camp for summer usage. Don't forget your Turtle Ticket!

The LEC set a date for Fun Weekend. This year the Fun Weekend will be held at Camp Lewallen on July 21-23. Some of the events that are being planned include use of the pool, a canoe trip and hopefully a regalia workshop. It should be a fun time!

Last but not least are unit elections and camp promotion. Letters should have already gone out to unit leaders. Some may have already been conducted but need to be finalized by May 1.

Remember the reason for the Order!

Yours in Cheerful Service,

Scott Crumpecker

Lodge Adviser

## **Lodge Chief's Address**

Brothers,

Thank you to all those who attended and were part of the LLDC and LEC. I apologize for not being able to attend due to a military obligation. I hope all of you learned a lot and taken away something valuable from the training. Keep in mind of Spring Reunion at Pine Ridge Scout Camp from April 7-9th. I hope to see all of you there for some cheerful service, and to welcome some new brothers into the order after their ordeal. If any of you have any questions, feel free to contact me at any time. I can't wait to see what this year brings to Anpetu-We Lodge, and what we can accomplish together.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Lodge Chief Quentin Goode

## **Nisha Kitten's Native American Cultural Weekend**

At the January LEC meeting the decision was made to start a lodge dance team. The youth advisor is Christian Evans. We will be having a meeting at Spring Reunion to get things rolling, but in the meantime...Nisha Kitten Lodge, the newest lodge in our council, will be having their annual American Indian Cultural Weekend at Camp Warren Levis in Godfrey Illinois on March 17-19.

The cost for the weekend will be \$25.00, which includes meals and craft supplies. Bring along some extra money for the Nishi Kitten trading post as well as the Tallow Hill Trading Post. This will be a tent camping event so plan accordingly and bring appropriate gear!

This will be a great chance to learn about American Indian crafts and dance. They have a small powwow on Saturday evening! Keep your eye on the Anpetu-We Lodge webpage and Facebook page for registration information.

Hope to see lots of Anpetu-We Lodge Brothers dancing the night away!

Sam Herndon

## Broken Arrow

The Broken Arrow Ceremony is a final tribute to a deceased Arrowman who has served cheerfully to help others, and who, in his daily life, has lived the Scout Oath and Law. It is performed at the wake with the consent of the deceased's family. Anpetu-We Lodge has now conducted this ceremony and is in the process of refining the presentation and involvement information. Upon notice of the passing of an Arrowman, an effort should be made to ask the family if they wish for Anpetu-We Lodge to conduct the Broken Arrow Ceremony on behalf of their loved one. This task should be conducted by only one designated Arrowman, typically someone who is close to the family. The position of designated Arrowman should be communicated to Chapter Chiefs or Advisers as soon as possible to avoid any conflict or confusion. We should not have multiple Arrowmen soliciting the family during this solemn time. If you become aware of a deceased Arrowman and think the family may wish to have the Broken Arrow Ceremony performed, please contact your Chapter Chief or Adviser. Additionally, questions or concerns about the ceremony should also be brought to these individuals.

WWW,

Scott Crumpecker



# Lodge History

When Anpetu-We Lodge was chartered in 1956, one of the desires of the Boy Scouts of America was that every Scout achieve the rank of First Class. Ironically, that goal has never changed. The National Council of the BSA still maintains that every Scout should reach First Class, because doing so will arm him with valuable skills that will follow him into adulthood. Even if a Scout never attains another rank beyond First Class, his time in Scouting will prove to be a valuable asset to him forever.

In 1956, this program goal was so important to the BSA that it was made a national service project of the Order of the Arrow. The project was called “40% First Class” whereby Troops were challenged to have at least 40% of their membership successfully achieve the rank of First Class. Keith K. Peaslee, who was Director of Boy Scouting Service at the time, penned the following directive to Order of the Arrow Lodges and their members:

“Most Order of the Arrow members undoubtedly have heard about this program which is aiming for a goal of 40% of troop members to achieve the First Class rank. There are some specific things which Order of the Arrow men may do to help achieve this worthy goal. It is more than just a ‘push’ to get a great number of First Class Scouts. It is an increased effort to help boys achieve good character, citizenship training, physical fitness and better prepare them to live in a free society as they advance through the ranks of Boy Scouting. In other words, it is preparation for manhood. Here is a list of things OA men can do to cooperate to make this goal a reality, all of them predicated on offering your services to your Scoutmaster.

- 1.) By your personal example in advancement, set the pace for others in the troop to follow.
- 2.) Assist in personal coaching of fellow Scouts, under the direction of the Scoutmaster, to get them to attain First Class.
- 3.) Offer services to the Scoutmaster to help in coaching new candidates to achieve Tenderfoot rank and Tenderfoot Scouts to achieve Second Class rank as soon as possible.
- 4.) If you are a patrol leader, qualify as a full-fledged hike leader for patrol hiking so that you can take the patrols on more hikes in which skills can be learned.
- 5.) Offer Services in those areas of advancement instruction in which you are particularly qualified – for example, swimming, axemanship, signaling.”

History is a great teacher, which is the reason for including this bit of information in the newsletter this month. Are you an active member of a Scouting Unit, or are you an Arrowman only for the sake of being an Arrowman? After having sealed your membership in the Order of the Arrow, did you leave your troop behind? Are lodge events the only Scouting events you participate in? If you find that the only Scouting activities you participate in are Order of the Arrow functions, then perhaps you should reconsider how valuable your assistance could be to a Troop, or even a Cub Scout Pack or Venturing Crew. You were chosen as an Arrowman because you are a leader; why not give back to a Unit and mentor young Scouts as they journey to First Class or achieve some other rank in the Scouting ladder? You will help build a stronger Scout, a stronger Unit, a stronger Council, and a stronger world. You might even learn a thing or two yourself!

Tony Smee,

Lodge History Advisor



# Bylaw Change

A bylaw change is needed in order to reflect the recent name change of the Kaskaskia District to the Big Muddy District. The following bylaw be changed if there is a two-thirds majority vote at the Spring Reunion lodge meeting.

## ARTICLE I: NAME & CHAPTERS OF THE LODGE

SECTION 2: The Anpetu-We Lodge shall be divided into five chapters corresponding to the five districts of the Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri areas of the Greater St. Louis Area Council.

The Five Chapters shall be:

- A. Cherokee
- B. Egyptian-Ney-A-Ti
- C. Sioux
- D. Shawnee
- E. Wundchenneu-Ney-A-Ti (**Kaskaskia**)

The change would be as follows:

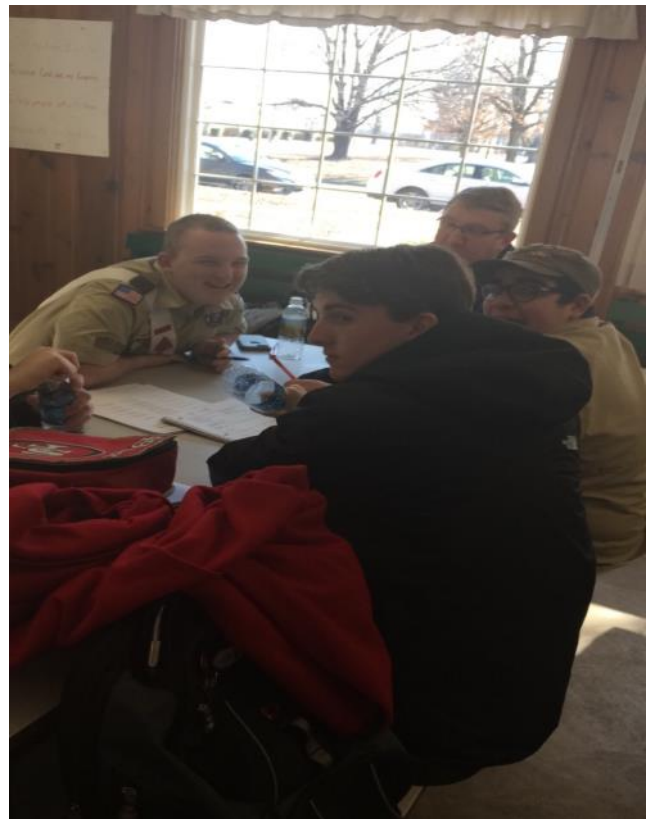
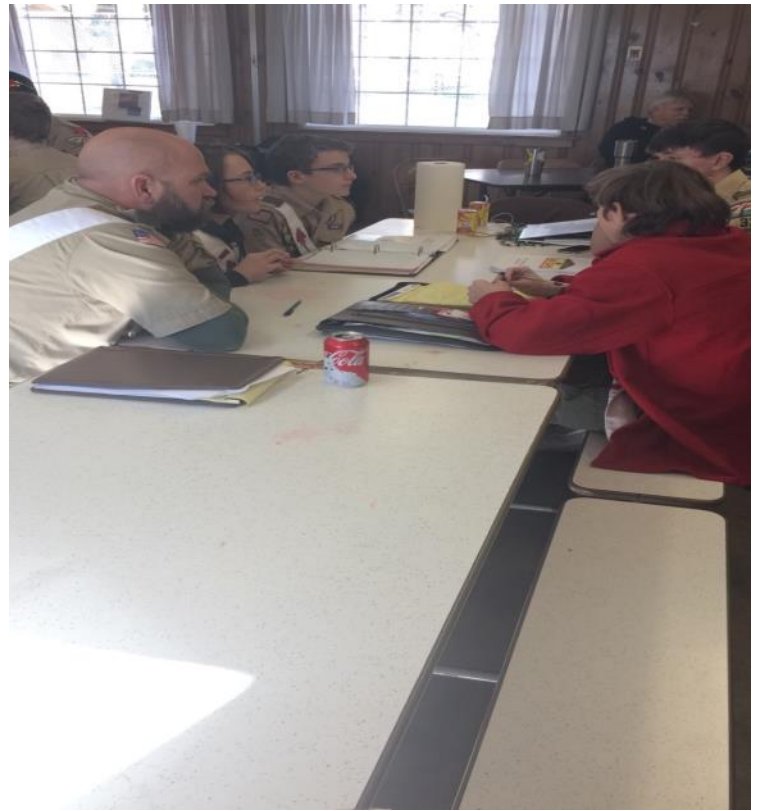
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# LLDC Pictures





# Chapter Reports

## Shawnee Chapter

Greetings, my fellow Arrowmen!

I am happy to report a fantastic past few months in the Shawnee Chapter. Our November 22nd meeting was held at Wehrenberg Cape West 14 Cine with a purpose of discussing goals for 2017 and things we could improve about the chapter to have an even better year than last year. Also, we recognized our outgoing chapter adviser and great friend, Leroy Schenimann, for his service and dedication to the Order of the Arrow. Starting in December, Greg Deimund will succeed Mr. Schenimann as Chapter Adviser. Many members of the Shawnee Chapter attended the 2016 Winter Fellowship Banquet, and I am pleased to note some important award recipients. Mr. Brett Matthews presented two Lodge Adviser's Awards to Hayden Smee and Mr. Brian Nugent, Davis Deimund presented Mr. B.A. King with the Lodge Chief's Award, and Adam Farris was recognized with the Founder's Award. These men have been and continue to be shining examples of what it means to be a member of the OA, but we can't forget the countless dozens of hardworking Arrowmen who constantly go above and beyond to serve our organization. To all of you who may go unnoticed, or perhaps choose to stay under the recognition radar, thank you so very much for everything you do. The next chapter meeting will be on February 28th at Alma Schrader Elementary School in Cape Girardeau. A series of intense dodgeball games will occur on this night, so we hope it will be well attended like last year. Also, a possible service day/campout at Camp Lewallen is in the works for March or April. This will be the first, but not the only, day of service the Shawnee Chapter will host in 2017. We hope to serve both our camp and our community. Let's make 2017 a year for success in all of our respective chapters, but definitely also Anpetu-We Lodge as well!

WWW,

Hayden Smee

Shawnee Chapter Chief

## Sioux Chapter

Greetings,

Our last Sioux Chapter Meeting was on January 3, 2017 where we had a total of 16 arrowmen in attendance. We also have plan for a dance team where all arrowmen participated. At the previous Fall Reunion, we had 14 new ordeal members and 5 new brotherhood members added to the Sioux chapter. At the previous winter banquet, we had approximately 40 arrowmen in attendance. We hope to see everyone at Spring Reunion on the 2nd weekend of April!

WWW,

Sioux Chapter Secretary

## Chapter Reports (cont.)

### Cherokee Chapter

Greetings,

2017 is upon us, and we are looking forward to another great year within our chapter and our lodge. New chapter officers were inducted during the 2016 Winter Fellowship Banquet, and we would like to introduce them: Chapter Chief—Maverick Giltz, 1st Vice Chief—Cody McFaddin, 2nd Vice Chief—Cody Bailey, and Chapter Secretary—Konner Masterson. Our advisors are Mr. Joel Evans and Mr. De Bizzell.

On Saturday, November 12, Cherokee Chapter held their Day of Service in the village of Blodgett, MO. The arrowmen placed rip rap along a major roadway within the village to help control and prevent erosion due to flash flooding. The village's mayor was on hand to see the arrowmen hard at work!

We started off the new year with our LLDC, held on Jan. 7 at the Scout Hut in Charleston, MO. During our training sessions, we learned how to have more effective and productive chapter/lodge meetings. We learned more about our individual offices and we also discussed many different topics that will further enhance our chapter and lodge as a whole, as well as to get us more into the public's eye! We are in the process of rebuilding our ceremony and dance teams as well as getting our current membership to become more active. A goal that we have set is to have 100% conversion to Brotherhood this year. Your Chapter Officers and I look forward to seeing you around the campfire.

WWW,

Konner Masterson

### Egyptian Ney-A-Ti Chapter

The Egyptian Ney-A-Ti Chapter had a good winter, and are looking for looking forward to an amazing spring. In November we had a joint chapter meeting with the Wundchennu chapter. We were not able to complete the service project that was supposed to happen afterwards. At the Winter Banquet the Chapter had 100% new officer attendance. Our new chapter officers are as follows: Chapter Chief-Seth Traiteur, Chapter 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Zach Ahfield, Chapter 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Clyde Boswell, and Secretary-Charlie Hagan. The chapter also held a bowling party for officers, ceremonies team, and advisors on December 19<sup>th</sup>.

The first thing after the new year was the Lodge's LLDC. At LLDC we had 100% officer attendance. Finally we helped with Klondike. Although the weather was not the best, the event went on as planned. I am hope to see you all at Spring Reunion in March.

WWW,

Charlie Hagan

### Wundchenneu Chapter

No report given

# Brotherhood Conversion

Arrowmen,

Spring Reunion should be a great occasion for conversion to Brotherhood. I want to send out a notice to encourage any Ordeal members to attempt to convert. This is also a reminder that anyone who wishes to convert must bring \$15 to pay the fee, as well as a letter stating your ambitions in the Order of the Arrow after conversion.

WWW,

Jeffrey Bittle

Brotherhood Chairman

## Editor's Notes

I want to thank the youth members of this lodge for electing me to the position of Corresponding Secretary. I intend to take the job seriously, and apply maximum effort to making sure everyone gets the information they need. I would love to see more articles from ordinary lodge members in the next issues, so if you do something interesting in your home troop, have a good idea for a service project, etc., feel free to submit!

Yours in Brotherhood,

Jeffrey Bittle

## Quote of the Issue

“Happiness lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort..”

- Franklin Delano Roosevelt

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## **Spring Reunion Registration**

Please cut off at the above line and mail in along with your registration fee.

If your dues are not current, please include \$8.00.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Troop # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN: April 7-9

WHERE: Pine Ridge Scout Reservation

COST: \$12.00 by April 2, \$16.00 late fee, or \$20.00 at the door

SUGGESTION: Purchase a Turtle Ticket for \$50.00 at your nearest service center.

(If you have a Turtle Ticket, please call in and RSVP.)