



# THE LITTLE CARPENTER

The Official Newsletter of Atta Kulla Kulla Lodge #185



## A Message from the Lodge Chief

As officers of the Order of the Arrow, we are so excited to serve the Atta Kulla Kulla Lodge. United by a shared passion and dedication, this team is ready to make a significant impact and uphold the principles of the Order.

Collectively, we are enthusiastic about the opportunities that lie ahead. We have been diligently planning a series of events and trainings designed to engage every Arrowman and strengthen the bonds of Brotherhood. Our vision is to create memorable experiences that will have a lasting impression on all members of the Lodge.

We cannot do this all on our own! There are many people who help us put on fun events and make cool patches. If you're interested in becoming involved in the Lodge, then reach out to an officer to become part of their team. Each officer has a team of dedicated Arrowmen to help provide activities, patches, and trainings.

Becoming a chairman is a great way to give back to the Lodge and share your ideas.

I can't wait to see all of you helping us better Atta Kulla Kulla Lodge this year!

Your Chief,  
Lucia Guastaferrero





## Newsletter Submissions Now Open! – By Cooper Cruce, VCC

Starting this year, there is now a way to easily submit articles you would like to be printed in the next issue of the *Little Carpenter*! If you go to the Lodge’s website, [akk185.org](http://akk185.org), and go to the “Contact Us” page, there is a link to an article submission form. I will be notified whenever there is a new submission, and if the article is appropriate, you may see it in the next *Little Carpenter*. I spent a lot of time in my last term reviving *The Little Carpenter*, and this new tool should make it even better. I’m looking forward to reading you guys’s submissions!

## Sealing Your Brotherhood – By Barrett Marpes, VCI

### Understanding:

Sealing your Brotherhood in the OA is a big step! It is a sign of commitment and dedication of your time and service to your chapter and lodge. By sealing your Brotherhood, you are showing preservation of the OA’s traditions and marking your pledge to the organization.

### Commitment:

Being Brotherhood is a sign of committing to the values and ideals of the OA and showing that you understand them fully. This can be shown by attending events/service projects and attending Ordeals as an Elangomat. A sign of showing understanding and commitment to the ideals and values of the OA is by showing scout spirit while serving.

### Opportunities:

By sealing your Brotherhood, many opportunities open. You can run for Lodge leadership positions and be nominated for Vigil Honor. Sealing your Brotherhood is a very honorable and notable thing that all Ordeal members should look into, because it’s the next big commitment and step into deeper service and stronger leadership.

## **AIA Meetings Starting Back Up** – By Bennett Tollison, VCAIA

Hello Atta Kulla Kulla! My name is Bennett Tollison, and I'd like to introduce myself to you as your 2025 Vice Chief of American Indian Activities. I look forward to growing our AIA team and honing our skills to be the best we possibly can for all performances we give in ceremonies, dance, and drum. We are doing this so that we can help to perpetuate the traditions of our local Cherokee tribe with dance and drum, and to help perpetuate our own traditions with ceremonies. If you are interested in any of these activities, please feel free to contact me at [VCAIA@akk185.org](mailto:VCAIA@akk185.org).



We will be holding AIA meetings on Sundays at the Blue Ridge Council office in Mauldin. The remaining stated meetings we will have for AIA are on these dates:

March 9, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM  
March 23, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM  
March 30, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM  
April 6, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM  
April 13, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM  
May 4, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM  
June 22, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

July 20, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM  
August 17, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM  
September 7, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM  
October 19, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM  
November 2, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM  
December 7, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

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