



ATTA KULLA KULLA LODGE

ORDER OF THE ARROW

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Looking Forward: 2026

We've had a great year at AKK, and we're looking forward to spending 2026 with our Brothers, both old and new. Be sure to read for a recap of 2025, and a sneak peek of some of the things we have planned for the upcoming year!

Looking Back: Fall Fellowship – Bennett Tollison, VCAIA, Vigil Chief

We all had a great time at Fall Fellowship this year! We had a blast hanging out, playing games, and cheerfully serving at Camp Old Indian. I myself was very happy with the number of Arrowmen who went through their Brotherhood. It was my last time serving as a ceremonialist, and I'm glad I got to share it with so many Brothers.

I am also proud to say that 7 new Brothers received the Vigil Honor this year! The four youth and three adults who received their Vigil this year are listed below with their given names.

Adam Balts – *Wandering Tiger*
Cooper Cruce – *Story Teller of the River*
Lucia Guasterro – *Caring Sunrise*
Jayden Loftis – *Guide of The Arrow*

Dean Livingston – *Advocate of Brothers*
Connie Pynne – *Joyful Craftswoman*
David Allen Williams – *Willing Advisor*



I'm excited to see everyone again in 2026! Happy New Year!

Looking Forward: Winter Banquet and LLDC – Cooper Cruce, VCC

The first events of 2026 will be our Winter Banquet and Lodge Leadership Development Conference. This year, we've decided to hold the two events separately. Winter Banquet will be on January 10th from 6 pm to 9 pm, at Buncombe Street Methodist Church. It will be much like our previous banquets, with a meal provided by Ann's Cakes and Catering, followed by an awards ceremony to include a special presentation by Elijah Aiken, who is finishing up his term as the Eastern Region Chief.

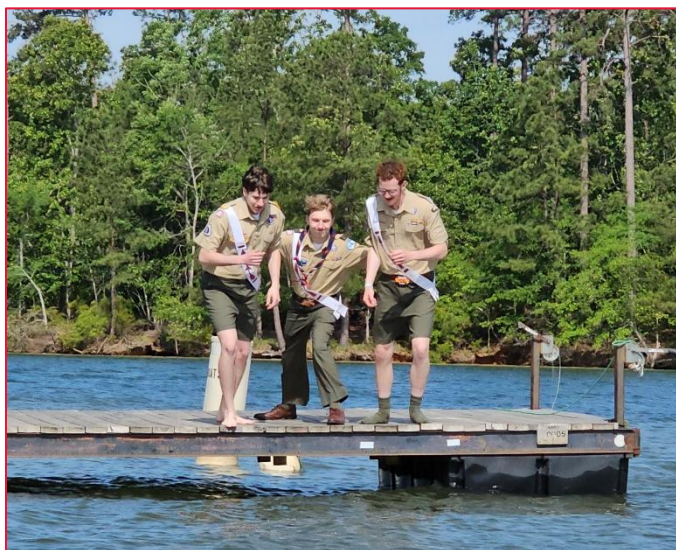


LLDC will be held on February 27-28, and will be an overnight event at Camp Old Indian. We think that having a longer, dedicated event for leadership training will allow us to make the experience even more valuable, and we're excited to show you what we have been planning.

Registration for both events, as well as lodge dues and All-Access Passes are available on Blackpug at www.scoutingevent.com/551.

Finally, I'd just like to say what a privilege it has been to serve as the VCC for the past two years, and I'm excited to see what the new year holds for AKK.

Looking Back: Cornerstone Conclave – Evan Lynch, VCCS, Lodge Chief-Elect



This year at Conclave we had over 50 members attend from AKK! I want to thank all who attended for an amazing time. Conclave as a whole was a gathering of over 600 scouters from across the section, and even a few from our neighboring section E-8. The whole event was a nonstop celebration of everything that makes the OA a wonderful organization to be a part of.

As a lodge, our theme was Scooby Doo. We had a mystery machine, chants, and we got Bennett to dress up as Shaggy. Because of our efforts with theme materials and the rallying of our participants behind it, we were able to win second place overall for the Spirit Award!

In addition to spirit, our lodge also participated in a series of competitions. While I cannot say that we did as well in the competitions as we did in spirit, I can confidently say that we participated cheerfully and enjoyed each one of them.

Thank you once again to everyone who attended for making the 2025 Cornerstone Conclave such a wonderful and spirit-filled experience! I hope to see even more people in 2026 at Camp Barstow.

Looking Forward: 2026 Lodge Officers – Cooper Cruce, VCC

Here is the new class of Lodge Officers for AKK, effective January 1, 2026.

Evan Lynch – *Lodge Chief*
Christopher Purcell – *Vice-Chief of Administration*
Madelyn Robinson – *Vice-Chief of American Indian Activities*
Barrett Marpes – *Vice-Chief of Communications*
Daniel Williams – *Vice-Chief of Inductions*
Jill Jewell – *Vice-Chief of Conclave and Spirit*
James Green III – *Lodge Secretary*



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