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There are opportunities for everyone in Eswau Huppeday!

TEN AND TWO - GRIFFIN DUNCAN

There are ten committees and two teams that, as members of Eswau Huppeday Lodge #560, YOU can be a part of. Whether you are just joining the lodge as recently as August Ordeal of 2024, or if you are a long-time member of the lodge, you can find your place in the lodge on one of these committees.

First, are the Program committees. These committees are in charge of all of the programming or “the fun stuff” at all of our lodge events. First on this list is the Activities Committee. Chaired by Wyatt Hager and Amelia Hollar, this committee is in charge of all of the fun events that occur, primarily at fellowships, throughout the year. They are in charge of planning and running the Winter Banquet, Fellowship Weekends, and Friday night activities at ordeals. Additionally, they are the chief designers of the Lodge’s patches and plan all of the religious services. If you enjoy planning, designing, and letting your creativity flow, then the Activities Committee is perfect for you. Second on this list is the Cook Team Committee. Wade Matthews and George Potts do a fantastic job of chairing this committee. They are in charge of planning, coordinating, and preparing all lodge meals. If you enjoy cooking, planning, or serving food, then the Cook Team Committee is perfect for you. Third on the list is the Service Committee. Led by Ben Garmon, the Service Committee is in charge of coordinating service projects at Beaver Day and Ordeals and overseeing cleanup after all activities. If you enjoy service, planning, and coordination, then the Service Committee is perfect for you. Fourth on this list is the Training Committee. With Kayleigh Jo Hatley leading, this committee is a blast. The Training Committee is in charge of planning and conducting training cells at lodge and section events. If you enjoy planning and training others, then this is the perfect opportunity for you.

If you are interested in any of these committees, reach out to Tanner Berg, the Vice Chief of Programs, at tannerberg2008@gmail.com.

Second are the Administration committees. Though these committees often do a lot of behind-the-scenes work, they are nonetheless vital to the function of our lodge. Without any one of our committees, lodge events would not operate smoothly. First on this list is the Communications Committee. Alex Floyd, the Communications Chair, does a fantastic job of keeping the lodge informed through the Communications committee. The Communications Committee is in charge of all lodge publications, including newsletters, the website (eswau.net), and our social media ([eswauhuppeday](https://www.instagram.com/eswauhuppeday) on Instagram, [Eswau Huppeday Lodge 560](https://www.facebook.com/eswauhuppeday) on Facebook, and [Eswau560](https://twitter.com/eswau560) on X). If you are interested in creative writing, design, websites, or social media, look no further than the Communications Committee. Second on this list is the Membership Development Committee. Working alongside his brother, the Service Chairman, Patrick Garmon does a fantastic job in planning ordeals, encouraging active membership, and brotherhood achievement. The Membership Development Committee is in charge of most of the programming during Ordeals, ensuring they run smoothly, and promoting membership throughout the Lodge. If you enjoy connecting to your brothers, planning, making new friends, and encouraging others to stay in the Lodge, then the Membership Development Committee is perfect for you. Third on this list is the Unit Elections Committee. Unit Elections is in charge of performing or aiding all unit elections in the Lodge, especially at summer camp. If you enjoy helping new people join the Lodge and reaching out to all those in your chapter or in the lodge, then the Unit Elections Committee is perfect for you.

Fourth on this list is the Camp Promotions Committee. Chaired by David Boggs, this Committee has a lot of fun while getting stuff done. This Committee is in charge of coordinating the Lodge’s Camp Promotions Program. They do this by working with members of camp staff, encouraging units to go camping within our Council, working with Council members, and promoting Camp Bud Schiele. If you are interested in working on camp staff, promoting camping within the council, and helping people find places to camp then look no further than the Camp Promotions Committee. If you are interested in any of these Committees reach out to Griffin Duncan, the Vice Chief of Administration, at griffinsduncan@gmail.com.

We have two special Lodge Committees that are neither Program nor Administration. First on this list is the Vigil Selection Committee. Led by Elliott Gantt, this committee is in charge of selecting, from those nominated, which members of our Lodge will become our Lodge’s newest Vigil members. If you enjoy careful deliberation and active participation in the future of our Lodge then the Vigil Selection Committee is perfect for you. Second on this list is the NOAC (National Order of the Arrow Conference) Committee. This Committee, under Cole Majocha, is in charge of all of the planning and coordination for NOAC and is the Lodge’s NOAC liaison and expert. If you enjoy NOAC and helping the lodge prepare and plan for events, then the NOAC Committee is perfect for you. If you are interested in either of these committees please reach out to Caleb Mulholland, Lodge Chief, at EswauChief@gmail.com.

Last, but certainly not least, are the teams. We have two teams that are in the AIA area. First is the Ceremonies team. Chaired by Sam Williams, the Ceremonies Team is responsible for all OA ceremonies, keeping regular practices, and competing at section and national events. If you enjoy memorizing lines, learning more about OA ceremonies, theatre, and competition,

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Even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities...

then the Ceremonies Team is perfect for you. Second is the Drum and Sing Team. Gavin Duncan, the Chairman, and the rest of the team ensure that the team is ready to compete at any competition and play at ordeals. If you enjoy singing, drumming, rhythm, and Native music, then the Drum and Sing Team is perfect for you. If you are interested in either of these teams please reach out to Camden Majocha, the Vice Chief of American Indian Affairs, at camajocha.jersey@icloud.com.

Regardless of your current position in the lodge, your tenure in the lodge, your age (as long as you are under 21), your membership rank, or any previous accomplishments in the lodge, YOU can serve on one (or more) of the many committees or teams listed here. It is a great way to give back to the Lodge and, in turn, let the Lodge give back to you with good memories and fun. We look forward to EACH of you having a role in the lodge.

Yours in Service,
Griffin Duncan
Vice Chief of Administration

SERVING THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THE OA - LACI SMITH

When many Scouts think of cheerful service in the Order of the Arrow, leadership positions, service in their units, or ordeals are often what come to mind. However, there are many opportunities to serve outside of just Scouting organizations. Service in your local community is also a good way to give back and help others.

Recently, members of Nv Ya O Sa Ni chapter came together to volunteer at Northview Church of Christ, who provides the chapter as well as the Eswau Huppeday ceremony team with a meeting location. This past summer, the church held a Vacation Bible School wrap-up celebration which included a variety of different games and activities such as bounce houses, slip-n-slides, and even a petting zoo. OA members assisted in setup, cleanup, and

supervising the games.

Cali Smith was one of the members of our chapter who helped out with the event. Her opinion of the event was very positive, stating that she “had fun helping the kids have a good experience.” She also enjoyed talking to the members of the church, who she described as “very nice and welcoming.”

“I was very grateful to be able to give back to the people who make chapter meetings possible,” Cali said. “I’m glad I had the opportunity to help out and make a difference where I could.”

This September, Northview Church of Christ has once again asked for Nv Ya O Sa Ni chapter to help out, this time by running stations at a church-sponsored carnival for people with special needs. Until then, there will be other local opportunities to serve.

THE SILENT LEADER - ALEX FLOYD

Service comes in many shapes and sizes. Sometimes it’s obvious, and sometimes it’s not. One of the strongest kinds of service one can exhibit is that of the silent leader: the person who makes things happen but seeks no credit for themselves. The silent leader cares for more than just their personal gain.

A silent leader could be one of many people. They could be the committee member who takes on extra responsibilities. They could be the scout leader who dedicates hours of time every week to serving the youth. They could be the chairman who never steps up and says, “I made this happen.”, but quietly says, “I will make this happen”.

No matter what they do, all silent leaders have one common defining trait; they prioritize the greater good over themselves. While they aren’t commonly given recognition, these silent leaders are the foundation of our success as a lodge. Moving forward, let us all strive to show these virtues.

Chiefly Speaking...

CALEB MULHOLLAND



Brothers,
In this edition of the Elogamgussit, I want to take a moment to talk about the most important part of our organization: our admonition, and what it looks like when we live our lives embodying the spirit of the selfless leader.

Ahoalton, which means to “Love One Another,” is something we all promised when we took the obligation. As arrowmen, we are called to be the selfless leader, the cheerful brother, and the role-model for the people around us. However, this level of love and selflessness is not always easy for us to attain. As Kichkinet said: “It is not an easy journey. Sometimes, even friends will mock you. Tempt you to betray your promise.” In our world today, how do we navigate these obstacles and stand firm in our promise and obligation to Love One Another?

To guide ourselves, we must turn to the story of Uncas, a young man who volunteered to warn all his tribe of the dangers encroaching on their land, the enemies threatening their home. In a moment where no one was willing to step up and serve, Uncas chose to forget himself in serving others,

catching the higher vision of a life of cheerful service and urging on his kindred firm devotion to their cause. When he led, more followed. Soon, brotherhood grew from its seeds as tall and strong as corn in the summer. They fought back the marauders, and peace was declared in the valley.

As we look at Uncas, we realize that selflessness and loving others isn’t always easy. Sometimes it can be scary or embarrassing. “All your strength will be required to face the isolation which a leader often faces”. However, like Uncas, we can make the conscious decision to stand up for others, to show them love, and to lead them to do the same. One small act of kindness, one cheerful bow to the flame, can have an impact greater than you could imagine.

I challenge you, brothers: be the Uncas in your life. In your units, chapters, lodge, schools, churches, and families. Through example, show them what it means to Love One Another through a life of cheerful service. For, remember: “They who serve their fellows are, of all their fellows, greatest!”

Love, is what our Order is for.

Love, is why we serve others.

Love, is the true meaning of the Arrow...

Until next time, keep the fire burning, brothers.



Event Spotlight:
FALL FELLOWSHIP

THE LODGE’S PREMIER EVENT. ARE YOU
COMING? - ALEX FLOYD

(Two cook team members resting after a very long day of work)

Fall Fellowship is THE premier event of Eswau Huppeday Lodge. With a full variety of training cells ranging from anything to everything, gourmet meals prepared by the cook team, appearances by the famous Caleb Mulholland (as well as the Section Chief and Secretary), patch trading galore, and lodge officer votes, what’s there not to love? After a season of arduous labor, scant food, and silent reflection, Fall Fellowship is the time for Arrowmen to celebrate! Be sure to register at <https://eswau.net/fall-fellowship-registration/> to attend this event. Plus, attending this event will also pay your lodge dues for the coming year!

Ask Nabby
CHEERFUL SERVICE

Hey Nabby! What does cheerful service mean? How can I do this at my home Troop? Sincerely, “A Curious Arrowman”

Hello “A Curious Arrowman”, I hope this newsletter finds you well.

So you’re curious about cheerful service? You’ve come to just the right place! One of the core principles of the Order of the Arrow is that of serving those around us cheerfully.

This means that we recognize the importance in serving those around us and making the world a better place.

As arrowmen, this is extremely important. In fact, the Order of the Arrow is called the “Wimachtendienk Wingolauchsik Witahemui” - the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. Also, remember in the OA Song where you sing “Gather the clan that cheerful service brings to fellow man”.

Cheerful service could be many things. From simply holding the door for a classmate to attending an ordeal to even helping out an elderly neighbor!



Most importantly, cheerful service is done non-begrudgingly. That means you want to help others!

Hopefully, this answered some of your questions about cheerful service.

Sincerely, Nabby

REPORTS AND NOTICES

Interfaith Services Eswau Huppeday has begun a collection for the World Friendship Fund at interfaith services. Please bring spare money to the interfaith services at lodge events and remember that even a penny is a contribution.		Ceremony Team The Ceremonies Committee, better known as the ceremony team, is a committee of people who want to help serve their lodge by doing their part of cheerful service. The ceremonies are a vital part of the OA that must be respected. The current team our lodge has is very experienced with some having exemplar evaluating at Conclave and other national events. Our current active members of the team are: Laci S. who is our newest member joining back in early 2023, Camden M. who is our current AIA vice chief and has been on the team since late 2021, Ian M. who has been on the team since late 2021, Caleb M. who is our current Lodge Chief has been active since 2019, and our chairman Sam W. has been active on the team since 2019. We have people come and go, but this group of people has really put in the hours on the team. Currently, we are holding ceremony team practices every Thursday afternoon from 7:30 to 8:30 to get ready for Conclave. We would be more than happy to have more members as we need people who can be backup ceremonials for the team. If anyone is interested, please contact Sam W. and/or Ian M. Some of the members of the team are currently working on creating a way for people to join our meetings through Zoom! So hopefully more people will be able to attend soon.	
Communications Committee The Communications Committee is looking for new members. If you're interested, contact Alex Floyd. The committee needs: - Good writers - People good at graphic design - People to look for bugs on the website	Drum and Sing Team If you are musically inclined and looking for a way to get involved with AIA, you might be interested in the Drum and Sing Team. The Drum and Sing Team is a great way to meet your fellow arrowmen and learn more about aspects of Native American powwow culture. We have flexible, monthly meetings to practice and learn new songs. If you are interested in learning more about, or potentially joining the drum and sing team, please contact Gavin Duncan at 828-405-0816. If you are under the age of 18 and intend to contact Gavin, please include a parent in the text thread	Training Committee At Spring Fellowship, there were 9 cells in total. Hopefully, everyone enjoyed them. In the morning there were cells about strange BSA and OA history, Cherokee ceremonies outfitting, and brotherhood study. Later in the day, there was tie-dying, patch history, and Elangomat and Nimat training. At the very end of the day, the cells then were medicine bag construction, ceremonies, and lodge leadership. A big thanks to everyone who taught cells.	
Tsungani Chapter On March 15-17, 2024, over 70 scouts and leaders from 7 troops descended upon the Patterson School in Happy Valley in Caldwell County for a weekend of fun and fellowship. On Friday the scouts enjoyed the cracker barrel and setting up camp. Saturday morning the scouts played basketball, kickball, soccer, and ultimate Frisbee in a round-robin. In the afternoon the scouts engaged in a service project by taking the sod off a hill where the school plans to plant an educational garden. The scouts didn't get the entire hill, but they worked hard. The scouts also had the opportunity to participate in a chess tournament. The Western North Carolina Sculpture Center was holding an iron pour and scouts had the opportunity to watch the pour or for an extra price they could make a tile mold and have a tile made to take home. Two troops had OA Unit Elections held and three scouts were elected to the OA. In the evening Tsungani Chapter put on a campfire where troops put on skits and songs. The OA also held a callout ceremony where five scouts were called out. In the morning the scouts gathered for a worship service. The scouts had a blast and made many memories. Thank you to all the leaders and Arrowmen who made it possible.			Empty Spot Any lodge officer, chapter officer, or chairman may request a spot on the lodge notice board. Please contact Alex Floyd to claim a spot for the next Elogamgussit issue! Alex will be a youth for the remainder of this year, and his number is 828-409-0514.