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Section Conference 2019

Brothers,

We're officially less than 50 days out from the biggest event of the year... Section Conference 2019 will take place on April 12-14 at the Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation. If that isn't exciting enough, our HOST LODGE Registration is online and open on aalpatah.org. Check it out! Our Conference Leadership has been working hard to prepare for this event of huge proportions. We've been filling up our conference committees. If you're interested in joining one of these essential committees, don't hesitate to get in touch with myself or any of the Conference Leadership:

CVC-Program: Kyle Webb - will oversee activities and competitions, shows, American Indian Activities, Special Events, Adventure Areas, and more.

CVC-Logistics: Cameron Whalen- will oversee event logistics, parking, security, and food service

CVC-Administration: Matthew Grabasch-will oversee registration/ check-in, troop guides, and health officers

CVC-Finance: Andrew Sasser- will oversee the Conference Trading Post.

NOTE: E-MAIL section-2019@aalpatah.org to be put in touch with any of these individuals (please include area in subject, ex. "Conference Logistics" or "Conference Administration")

We'll see you at Section Conference 2019!

WWW,

Robert Ulbrich

Conference Host Chairman



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Chiefly Speaking



Brothers,

Scouting is a lifestyle. It can take up a lot of time, but in the end it is worth it. We learn skills that we can use throughout our life. We learn those skills by doing ... by actively participating. Lodge events are a great way to learn new skills, make new friends, and share in new experiences. The lessons you will learn will help build the Lodge and prepare it for a dynamic and adventurous future.

In WWW,

Ryan White

Aal-Pa-Tak Lodge Chief

Adviser's Minute



Brothers,

It is truly an exciting time for APT237! Spring Ordeal is upon us, and Section Conference is just around the corner. And, for the first time ever, we will have our first female youth candidates attend ordeal as we forge ahead into our next chapter in history!

I would like to welcome all of our new Brothers to the Lodge! This is your Lodge, and there are countless ways to get involved, and so many things that you can be a part of – AIA (American Indian Activities), ceremonies, kitchen, service corps, program, newsletter, chapter leadership, Elangomats, weekend activities, lodge box, trail crew, and so much more.

Benjamin Franklin once said, “Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn.” I encourage you to get involved in the Lodge in some way. I am a firm believer in “You get out of it what you put in it”. Not only will you learn valuable leadership skills that you can take back to your troop to help in your leadership roles, but they will also stay with you for a lifetime. The more involved you are, the more you will enjoy it!

I look forward to seeing everyone at Spring Ordeal, Section Conference, and Summer Festival in May.

In WWW,

Mr. Whalen



Officer Reports

Vice Chief of Inductions

My Brothers,

We are in the Inductions season. We need your help at the next two ordeals to ensure we have a smooth and meaningful inductions process. Please reach out to me if you would like to help in the inductions process. Some of the open positions are First Year Arrowmen Coordinator and Ceremonies Member. Please reach out at Inductions@aalpatah.org. If you have any members of your troop who are candidates, please also encourage them to sign up and attend Spring Ordeal. This can be done at aalpatah.org. Hope to see you all there!

WWW,
Matthew Grabasch

Vice Chief of Program

My Brothers,

I am excited to announce that we have a great new theme for the year, Exploration. This theme will bring us to new heights as we saw with Banquet 2019 where we began with space exploration and have more great themes planned out for the rest of the year. We have Silk Road and ancient exploration in March at Spring Ordeal and they just get better from there. So I hope you all are ready for a year of adventure with the Order of The Arrow.

WWW,
Kyle Webb



Lodge Secretary

My Brothers,

Congratulations to everyone who officially sealed their membership at Brotherhood Day. With that in mind, now is your time to find what you truly love doing in the lodge and embrace it. There are tons of positions to be filled and lots of opportunities to be given. Make sure you seize each one and make the most of it.

Also, I am still looking for a Gator Tales editor. Email me at Secretary@aalpatah.org if you are interested. See you at Spring Ordeal!!!

WWW,
Wilner Joseph

Vice Chief of Service

My Brothers,

Section Conference is right around the corner and we will need all the help we can get to ensure a successful event. Much of our upcoming service will be to aid the preparation for Conference. Inventories and repairs of essential supplies such as our carpools are crucial for our readiness at the event. We are also planning on finishing up the knot board as well as preparing all of our campsites and campwide areas to have camp looking in the best condition possible come April. I'm looking forward to a successful year of cheerful service.

WWW,
Sam Vagin



Chapter Corner

Oi-Ya-Tah

Brothers,

WOW! I can't believe how far this chapter has come. We have made progress beyond what I expected at the beginning of this term. I want to thank everyone who continuously remains active in the Chapter. But we have to get those inactive members back and DUES paid. Please be on the lookout in your emails as we have been planning something very special for the month of April, you won't want to miss it!

WWW,

Wilner Joseph



Lowaneu Mawat

Brothers,

We have had a great start to the year and I hope to continue this great streak. We recently had our January meeting where we invited all of our candidates to come and learn about our great chapter and we had fun playing games and eating great food. I hope all our ordeal members from last year earn their Brotherhood and keep advancing in the OA. That is all I have for you and I hope you have a very good day.

WWW,

JT Sorrell



Wyhome-Pa-Tah

Brothers,

Thank you for the support with the Chapter elections. I'm excited to have more brothers joining the chapter so make sure to promote Spring Ordeal. Hope to see you all there!

WWW,

Josh Caudill



Ne-Kee-Wa

Brothers,

I would say 2018 was an excellent year for Ne-Kee-Wa , & I believe we can continue this in 2019 . Section Conference is speeding toward us faster & faster everyday so make sure you sign up now . I trust that we can continue our cheerful as Ne-Kee-Wa expands. Especially with the new candidates coming in .

Furthermore we have meetings on the first Thursday every month at The Church of Latter Day Saints in Palm City.

WWW,

Sutherland Harper



A-Bani-Ki

Brothers,

So far A-Bani-Ki chapter is doing well. Thanks to our elections team for helping out. Our chapter meetings have been really fun, we've done a lot of team building activities. We can't wait to see what is coming up.

WWW,

Alex Craig





The Forum

Fast Pass 2019

Brothers,

Fast Pass 2019 is on sale on the Lodge Website! What is Fast Pass?

Well, Fast Pass will include:

- Registration for all 4 events **AT A REDUCED PRICE:**
 - Spring Ordeal: March 1-3, 2019
 - Summer Gathering: May 3-5, 2019
 - Fall Festival: September 6-8, 2019
 - Winter Fellowship: December 6-8, 2019
- Dues for 2019!

FAST PASS 2019 is perfect for any Aal-Pa-Tah Arrowman! Order now on <https://www.aalpatah.org/> !



Elangomats

Call for Elangomats

Brothers,

Do you want to help out the lodge? Have you ever wanted to be an Elangomat? This weekend is your opportunity to do both! If you would like to be an Elangomat for this upcoming ordeal from March 1st-3rd, please reach out to the lodge at lodge237@gmail.com. Elangomats should report at 6 PM to the Lassiter building for training and clan assignment. I hope to see you all there to help serve our lodge.

WWW,
Matt Grabasch

Lodge Box

Brothers,

Would you like to learn about the history of the lodge through patches? Would you like to serve your fellow brothers in finding the correct patch for them? Well the Lodge Box is meant for you!

We are looking for dedicated youth who are willing to go above and beyond to run the Lodge box. If you are interested please contact Treasurer@aalpatah.org for more info. Or find Joshua Caudill or Kondor at the next lodge event..... All help is welcome!

WWW,
Gator Tales Writing Staff

Lodge Awards Banquet 2019

Brothers,

If you had not heard yet we held our annual awards banquet on January 4th to kick off the new year and it was an outstanding evening. All you need to do is ask anyone who attended and they will tell you all about the food but we not only recognized those who went above and beyond in 2018. We also got to see some brand new additions to the kings cup, a large selection of patches in the patch auction, plenty of prizes in the raffles and the announcement of this years theme: Exploration! It was an out of this world and action packed evening of fellowship and fun which I hope you join us for next year.

WWW,
Program Committee

Spirit of the Elangomat Award

Kevin Pearson
Seth Robert

Golden Gators

Zachary Gerner
Sharon Webb



Lodge Advisors Award

Matthew Grabasch



Lodge Awards Banquet 2019

Vigil Class-Adults

Raymond Lynch

Len Fintzy

Seth Robert

Stan Oblaczynski



Vigil Class- Youth

Isaac Sunderman

Sean McCabe

Connor Thomas

Andrew Sasser



James E. West Fellowship Award

Robert Ulrich

Lodge Exceptional Service Award

The Sunderman Family



Founders Award

Cameron Whalen

Kondor Schwarz

Brotherhood Day 2019

Brothers,

The Brotherhood Ceremony at Brotherhood Day was one of the largest Brotherhood ceremonies we have had in recent memory. Congratulations to the following Brothers who were able to seal their membership at Brotherhood Day 2019:

- Marcus Lima
- Gavin White
- John Martinez
- Matthew Guzelf
- John Neilson
- Keith Alexander
- Thomas Baker
- Bryce Byford
- Michael DeFloria
- Mike DeFloria
- Timothy Derryberry
- Ken Harris
- Brandon Lehrman
- Brandt Mueller
- Tyler Savrda
- Schyuler Willis

In WWW,

Carlos Chirino, Brotherhood Chairman



Ordeal Call Out 2019



Awards Banquet Photos



Section Conference!

SECTION CONFERENCE 2019

WE WITH HEARTS AND WILLS S-4 UNITED

200 564 265

239 326 89 237

WWW

A graphic for the Section Conference 2019. It features a dark blue background with a large, stylized flame or sunburst in orange and yellow on the left. In the center, the text "WE WITH HEARTS AND WILLS S-4 UNITED" is displayed in various colors and fonts. On the right, there are silhouettes of three people wearing sashes with a red arrow pointing right. At the bottom, the phone number "200 564 265" is on the left, "239 326 89 237" is in the center, and "WWW" is on the right.

Spring Ordeal 2019!

Brothers,

It is hard to believe that Spring Ordeal is already upon us. March 1st -3rd we will be gathering at Tanah Keeta not only to welcome new members into our order but to make strides in service and have an amazing time in the process. We over see all things fun and that means that we can promise you that this will be one of the best lodge weekends of the year. The theme is Silk Road and all of the old world exploration that goes along with that. We will be exploring all sorts of activities from ancient times in the name of adventure. So we hope to see you there to experience it with us. **Arrival time for all Arrowmen is 6pm Friday night.**

In WWW,

Program Committee

Are you interested in
acting or being a part
of a show?

We'll Contact Zack Gerner

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or speak with him in
person at Spring Ordeal





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Upcoming Events

March 1-3

Spring Ordeal

April 12-14

Section Conference at TK (HOST)

May 3-5

Summer Gathering

June 19, June 26, & July 3

OA Days at TK