



Welcome to Heartland Gathering!

Welcome, Coosa, to the 2018 Heartland Gathering at the beautiful and always sunny Hugh M. Comer Scout reservation!

We are so excited to see more than 300 Coosa Lodge members come out in service to make this event a great experience for all of our brothers throughout Section SR-9.

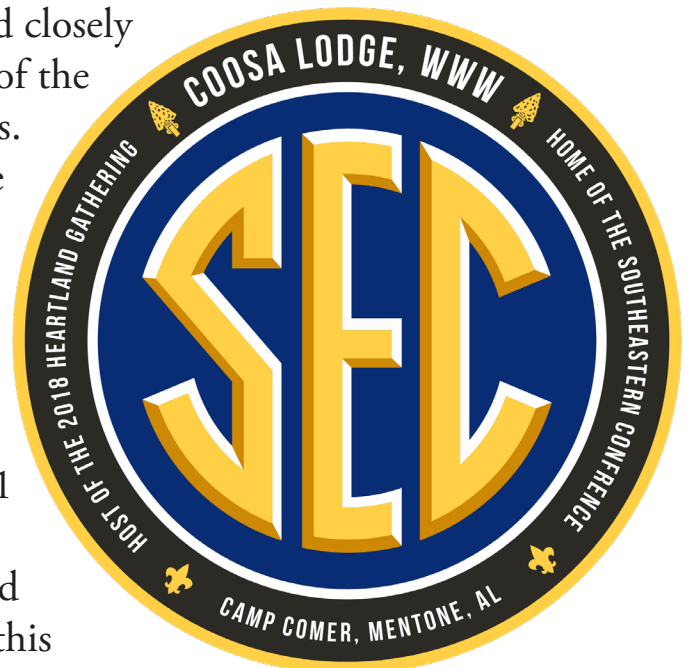
This weekend has been more than 400 days in the making, and we have the great members of this lodge to thank for it.

Over the span of an Induction Weekend and two Hawk Days, we have put more than 2,700 man hours into getting Camp Comer ready for Heartland Gathering.

The Camp Preparation Committee worked closely with the camp ranger to plan and execute all of the service projects needed to prepare the facilities.

Through your hard work this weekend, we are providing more than 100 pairs of hands in the around-the-clock kitchen, dozens in parking and transportation and with on-site requests; several others provide Shows production, trading post, and registration and support to the 875 visiting arrowmen from 11 different lodges across Georgia and Alabama.

A huge thank-you to all who have provided support in the past year, or who are on hand this weekend to cap off a “decade unlike any other!”



Chiefly Speaking



Just 440 days ago, the Coosa Lodge found out we have the privilege of hosting Heartland Gathering. This weekend marks the culmination of thousands of hours of work and preparation. It is our time to shine!

As you are all aware, the journey to this weekend has spanned over the terms of 2 Lodge Chiefs, many diligent advisors and our own Heartland Gathering Vice-Chief from the Section. All of these leaders have been dedicated to the preparation of Camp Comer to act as host site for this event. Most importantly, none of this would have been possible without the service of each and every one of you.

The Coosa Lodge will embrace each challenge we are met with through the course of this Gathering weekend. Through cheerful service and a dedication to go above and beyond the call of duty, this Gathering will be something we can all be proud of. We will be welcoming hosts to our visitors from other Lodges and remember that this is an opportunity to grow friendships that will last a lifetime. Again, my gratitude for your support and hours of service leading up to Gathering. As your Lodge Chief, I am truly humbled. I can't wait to see this Gold Medal weekend!

WWW,
Cade Hamm
2018 Coosa Lodge Chief

Adviser's Minute



Greetings and Welcome Coosa!

It is with great honor that Coosa Lodge is able to host the 2018 SR-9 Section 10th year gathering, now known as Heartland Gathering! It seems like just a short while ago that Coosa was hosting the inaugural SR-9 Section gathering in 2009. I want to personally extend a hearty welcome to all in attendance during this time of celebration and fellowship. I would like to acknowledge the many hours of service and preparation by so many that have gone into preparing Comer Scout Reservation for this incredible event. My heartfelt thanks to all who sacrificed so much of their time, labor and resources in order to provide an outstanding experience for all who will be in attendance. The Coosa Lodge team of youth leaders inspirational as I watched them excel in the execution of the preparation plans. I fully expect that these preparations will result in the culmination of a "gold medal" event worthy of being called a 10th anniversary celebration! Many improvements have been made in camp, and they were made due to the service and dedication of many Coosa Arrowmen. One of the highlights is the establishment of the brand new campsite #6 with new tents, courtesy of Coosa Lodge! This and other improvements will endure for many years to come and benefit many scouts well into the future. My deepest wish is for everyone (both Coosa and guests) to have an enjoyable and memorable experience while at the 10th SR-9 Heartland Gathering.

Again, Welcome to the 2018 SR-9 Heartland Gathering!

Yours in Brotherhood and Service,
Jim Colson
Coosa Lodge Lay Adviser

Supreme Chief of the Fire

On behalf of the Greater Alabama Council and Coosa Lodge 50 welcome to Comer Scout Reservation. Comer Scout Reservation has been serving the scouting community for over 50 years, and it has a long and deep connection to the Order of the Arrow.

The 2018 SR-9 Heartland Gathering is an opportunity for each of us, youth and adult to reflect back on what E. Urner Goodman said about Things of the Spirit. *“Things of the spirit are what count: brotherhood – in a day when there is too much hatred at home and abroad; cheerfulness – in a day when the pessimists have the floor and cynics are popular; service – in a day when millions are interested in getting or grasping, rather than giving”.*



Thanks to you, your lodge and your council, we are firm bound in brotherhood, cheerfully serving and making a difference in the lives of our fellow lodge members, the units we serve and the youth who depend on you.

Hoping your Scouting journey this weekend is full of fun, fellowship and learning, as we rededicate ourselves to the ideals of brotherhood, cheerfulness and service.

Yours in Brotherhood
J.T.Dabbs, III
Scout Executive

Chapter Article - Okhatim Manteu Chapter

The Okhatim Manteu Chapter of Coosa Lodge is having a wonderful year. In our last meeting we had 13 Arrowmen there. We will have order forms for our newest memorabilia available soon.

If you have questions, ask one of the chapter members. We will have Arrowmen from our chapter helping all throughout Heartland Gathering with Shows, Kitchen, and Parking.

Please follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter to get more upcoming announcements. You can find us @okhatimmanteu.

Contact okhatimmanteu@coosa50.org for more information about our chapter!

WWW,
Tyler Wright
Okhatim Manteu Chapter Chief





The National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) at Indian University in Bloomington is fast approaching. We are fortunate to have some exciting designs for our swag, pending National approval, which we will be rolling out soon. Our logos and designs will be based on and inspired by Remington.

In the coming weeks we will publish a memorabilia pre-order form on our lodge website for our contingent to order extra patches, shirts, and other items. With your fee, you will automatically receive some patches, shirts, hat, and a few other items. This is an opportunity to pick up some additional items for those of you that like to trade patches.

For those who have not completed your registration, you need to sign on to registration.oa-bsa.org and fill in any missing information. Accept your Code of Conduct, policies, and sign up for at least two training classes. If you are having issues, please contact David at davidmurphree@me.com and verify your email address.



Other opportunities at NOAC for our youth and adults are plentiful.

Coosa Lodge is forming up teams to compete in a variety of events, including: 4x100 run, basketball, Epic Lip Sync Battle, flag football, Jeopardy, Lodge Ball, Mascot Olympics, NOAC “Has Talent”, NOAC’s “Amazing Race”, NOAC’s “Escape Room”, Ultimate Frisbee, and volleyball. Please contact Will and David at noac2018@coosa50.org to sign up. I think we are most excited to roll out Hudson Hawk for the Mascot Olympics.

Currently we have 3 dancers set to compete and the Nunne Hi Pre-Ordeal team for ceremonies. If any others are going to compete, please let us know as soon as possible. NOAC is rolling out a new competition in American Indian Affairs for any of our crafters, adult or youth. Our very own Mr. Mike Thigpen is going to present his own crafts in this exciting new event.

Every contingent member will be required to complete a BSA Annual Medical Form, parts A, B, & C, with part C being completed by a licensed physician. Please plan to have these completed and turned in to David before the end of June.

There may be a few slots still available, if interested, please contact David, Will, or any of our Key 3. Registration closes at the end of May. Final payments will also be due in May and we will send out reminders. We look forward to the food, fun, fellowship with our Coosa Brothers at NOAC this year. If you have any question please see or contact David and Will.



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NOAC @ Home

For the first time in conference history, the national Order of the Arrow committee is offering a remote delegate program that's as close as you can get to attending the conference —right down to receiving a limited edition “Remote Delegate” variation of the conference patch.

This NOAC@Home program is designed to give Arrowmen joining from home a front-row seat to all the events they would want to attend if they were on-site, and exclusive events that are only available to remote delegates. This heavily discounted program is only \$75, which includes the conference memorabilia packet and program elements:

- Unique NOAC delegate pack complete with an exclusive remote delegate conference patch
- Live broadcasts throughout each day at the conference (morning, lunchtime, and “pre-show” broadcasts)
- Live streaming of conference activities throughout each afternoon
- Live streaming of NOAC evening shows and special broadcasts for remote delegates only
- Viewership into various NOAC trainings in the mornings
- A virtual tour of the NOAC museum
- Various Meet-the-Man sessions with national leadership only accessible by remote delegates
- Viewing of athletic competitions and various recreational activities from the eyes of an on-site delegate
- Inside scoops and interviews looking into the planning and delivery of NOAC 2018 from conference leadership
- Recorded playback over select activities based on demand
- Regional group challenges to all remote delegates for various prizes and awards

To register, visit registration.oa-bsa.org

Chapter Article - Kaskanampo Chapter



Talkato District recently held their District Camporee along with the Westmoreland District at Camp Westmoreland. Members of the Kaskanampo Chapter led the event with the support of the Yuchi Chapter. Coincidentally, our district themes both happened to be the same: Pioneering! The camporee got off to a cold wet start Friday night, followed by a cold, wet wind all day Saturday. Saturday's activities consisted of various Pioneering activities, taught using the EDGE method. In the morning, the scouts went around to five different stations "learning the ropes". After lunch, troops stayed in their campsites using the guide method. The evaluation phase consisted of a chariot race and evaluation of camp gadgets. Every troop who wished to participate had to

lash chariots together and race them around the course, while creating various camp gadgets along the way! After a fun day of activities, the campfire was the last event of the night. Awards were given out, songs were sung, fires were close to burning off eyebrows, and at the end, we had our callout to recognize those deemed worthy. The camporee went off without a hitch due to the combined efforts of Yuchi and Kaskanampo Chapters.

With the beginning of Summer arriving at an alarming rate, the Kaskanampo Chapter is going to have our last meeting of the year at a bowling alley on Redstone Arsenal to enjoy fellowship and to elect our new officers for August turn-over. Our Chapter has had an awesome year and we can't wait to see what the future has in store for us!

WWW,
Trenten Charlton
Kaskanampo Chapter Chief

Cub Adventure Weekend



On Friday April 27 and Friday May 4, The Greater Alabama Council is looking for Arrowmen from the Coosa Lodge to come out and host the Friday night movie at Cub Adventure Weekend. We will be setting up the projection system and all of the sound equipment as well as making fresh popcorn! if you're interested in coming out, contact info@coosa50.org.

2019 World Scout Jamboree

The 24th World Scout Jamboree will be held at the BSA's new permanent Jamboree home: the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. It's actually co-hosted by three Scout organizations: the Boy Scouts of America, Scouts Canada and Asociación de Scouts de México.

A World Jamboree in our country is a once-in-a-generation event. The 2019 World Scout Jamboree will be the first held in North America in 36 years (1983, Alberta, Canada) and the first held in the United States in 52 years (1967, Idaho).

Some 50,000 Scouts and Scouters from 167 different countries are expected at the event, to be held July 22 to Aug. 2, 2019. They'll meet people from around the world while enjoying SBR's world-class adventure offerings.

The promise of the World Scout Jamboree on American soil is encompassed in the U.S. contingent's motto: "The Boy Scouts of America wants you to come see the world!" The BSA contingent will include 10,000 people — the largest contingent the BSA has ever sent to a World Jamboree. The total will encompass Scouts/Venturers, adults and staff.

For more information about the World Scout Jamboree, visit wsj2019.us



Scoutfest 2018

Coosa Lodge is planning big things for the Greater Alabama Council's Scoutfest later this year. Over the coming months we will be planning to provide service by running our Service Corps as on site service relief for the event. We will also be hosting an Native American Village where Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers from all across the council can come and see what the Order of the Arrow is all about. But those are not the only places we have Coosa arrowmen on staff. Our nationally recognized Coosa Shows will be producing videos again this year.



If any of this sounds cool to you and you want to be a part of it, stay tuned to our website and Facebook page as we will be posting updates over the coming months.

Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Location
May 19	Hawk Day	Camp Sequoyah
Jul 30 - Aug 4	NOAC	Indiana University
Aug 17 - 19	Summer Induction Weekend	Camp Sequoyah
Sept 8	Hawk Day	Camp Jack Wright
Sept 22	Hawk Day	Camp Westmoreland
Oct 20	Hawk Day	Camp Jackson
Nov 2 - 4	GAC Scoutfest	Point Mallard Park
Nov 16 - 18	Fall Fellowship	Camp Comer

Got Brotherhood?



All dues paid Ordeal members are eligible for the Brotherhood after 10 months of membership. Brotherhood counseling is offered at Ordeals and some fellowships. Contact the Vice Chief of Inductions for more information regarding Brotherhood membership or the different honors of the order, or visit jumpstart.aa-bsa.org.



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