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## Operation Arrow Report

This year was the 2017 National Jamboree, and I decided to work Operation Arrow Service Corps staff. We went around for two weeks at the Jamboree, filling in where we were needed. We staffed programs, cleaned, and even worked with security and the Secret Service during the President's visit.

Participant arrival day was one of the longest days for Operation Arrow. Every person from each program area for Operation Arrow was staged at the Welcome Center to get on the buses with the Troops that were coming in from all across the country. We welcomed them to the Jamboree and gave them a brief rundown on the property as well as what to expect over the next 10 days. This was my personal favorite thing about working with OA Service Corps, simply because seeing the smiles on the Scouts' faces when the bus topped the hill was priceless.

Most staff members got one free day to play around the Jamboree, patch trade, or just chill out and enjoy the atmosphere.

You also got time in the evening to patch trade, relax, and socialize with your fellow Brothers. I even met some new friends from different areas of the country! One night we went down to the Summit Circle and watched a ceremony being performed.



We had six people from Coosa Lodge serving on Operation Arrow staff. On Service Corps, we had Cade Hamm, Walker Kelly, and Will Hamm; on OA Indian Village we had Caleb Overstreet; on OA Medical Transport we had Mr. Don Russell and Mr. Jim Charlton. I encourage each member of the Lodge to talk to these

people about their experience at the Jamboree and find a place that best fits himself for the next National Jamboree. This was a life-changing experience, and I recommend that every member of the Order of the Arrow go do this at least once. I can definitely say that I will be back in four years.

WWW,  
Will Hamm  
2017 Coosa Lodge Chief

## 2017 Fall Fellowship

Join us at Camp Comer on November 3-5 for a weekend of fun, games, fellowship, and more as we celebrate all that we did in 2017, elect our new slate of lodge officers, recognize our new class of Vigil Honor recipients, and set the stage for an awesome year in 2018. Visit the registration area to pre-register now!

## Upcoming Lodge Events

- Nov 3-5 - Fall Fellowship
- Nov 11 - Hawk Day @ Camp Jackson
- Dec 8-10 - Lodge Leadership Retreat
- Dec 28-30 - Ceremony Teams Retreat

For the full calendar, including 2018, visit our website at <http://coosa50.org>

## 2018 SR-9 Heartland Gathering at Camp Comer

Due to tornado damage at their camps, Withacoochee Lodge can not host next year's Heartland Gathering. At Indian Winter, the Council of Chiefs voted to approve moving the 2018 Heartland Gathering to Comer Scout Reservation.

Now that we are hosting in 2018, Withlacoochee will host in 2020.

There will be a service lodge committee meeting this weekend. This is a great time for you to find a way to get involved in making this event a success!

Mark your calendars now for the April 20-22, 2018, and plan to help us show Section SR-9 a good time at Camp Comer as we host the 2018 SR-9 Heartland Gathering!



## Hawk Day Report from Camp Westmoreland

Hawk Day was an epic success at Camp Westmoreland. We topped over 200 hours of service work. As everyone is aware, Hawk Days are extremely valuable to the Council camps. It has been my privilege to serve alongside my Brothers during these Hawk Days over the past year.

Projects included repainting the door of the OA Lodge, painting the Gaga ball pit, and cutting down hazardous trees and putting them in a burn pile. We also completed painting the brand new rifle range building and pressure washed the Ranger House. Many dedicated Lodge members drove hours and worked tirelessly to make this one of the best Hawk Days in Coosa Lodge history.

As Vice Chief of Service, I arrange all the Hawk Day projects, but without all the dedication and support that I have from the Lodge members, none of this would come to fruition. It is an inspiration to see projects come to life. Thank you to all of you who have made the effort to serve the Lodge and Council by attending Hawk Days.

WWW,  
Cade Hamm  
2017 Coosa Lodge Vice Chief of Service



## Founder's Award

If you would like to nominate an Arrowman for the Founder's Award, the deadline to do so is November 2nd (Fall Fellowship). Stop by the registration area to pick up a nomination form.

## NOAC 2018

Registration for the 2018 National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) is now open. For more info, stop by the registration area and pick up a contingent application form.