



Section E5 Lodge Chiefs Call (LCZC)

Monday, October 6th, 7pm ET

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Attendance:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section Chief | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oseeola |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section Vice Chief | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> O-Shot-Caw |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section Secretary | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Semialachee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aal-Pa-Tah | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tipisa |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Echoekotee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee |

1. Welcome & Roll Call

2. Section Officer Reports

a. Section Chief - Nick Switzer

- i. Nick shared that he has now visited all 7 lodges in the section, however will not be stopping his visits; he is excited to continue visiting all the lodges for their events across the next 6 months.
- ii. He also highlighted the importance of attending the COC meeting at SLS, and asked that any lodges that have had recent elections to have their incoming chiefs attend the COC meeting during SLS, which will be held Saturday night at 10pm.
- iii. Nick also reiterated the role of our section officers, and reminded of their genuine commitment to the organization, and not doing things just because of their role or title.

b. Section Vice Chief - Walter Mentz

- i. Walter reported that all trainer spots for SLS have been filled, and thanking the chiefs for their recommendations.
- ii. He also mentioned results from the trading post survey, which have provided good results, with Megan Ewing also having been appointed as the section trading post chair.
- iii. Kamm requested the locations and times of the training sessions for SLS, and Walter agreed to discuss it after the meeting.



c. Section Secretary - Brady Kondek

- i. Brady thanked Aal-Pa-Tah, Tipisa, and Echockotee for having him out for their fall fellowships throughout the month of September, stating he had a great time interacting with each lodge and getting to know everyone.
- ii. He mentioned that the section social media will be having more SLS content as we are now in the last month until SLS, with weekly registration updates and countdown series posts highlighting different areas of the program to be posted.
- iii. Brady also announced the return of the section newsletter Sounds of the Section, which will be released on a quarterly basis. The fall issue will be released at some point later in the week.

3. Lodge Reports

a. Aal-Pa-Tah

- i. Lodge Co-Chief Ethan Stabile reported on Aal-Pa-Tah's successful fall fellowship (9/5 - 9/7) with 150 registered attendees, 74 of whom completed their Brotherhood. They also elected their new LEC, which will take effect in January, and also held a Conservation Day at Camp Oklawaha that had a total of 8 participants from the lodge.
- ii. Ethan also mentioned that SLS registration is going well, with 15 members registered as of right before the meeting, reaching 75% of their goal.

b. Echockotee

- i. Lodge Chief Holden Mendez shared that Echockotee had a successful fall fellowship (9/19 - 9/21) with 284 registered brothers, noting their largest Ordeal and Brotherhood classes in years with 67 and 34 candidates respectively. They hosted a number of special guests, held officer elections, and presented the Founder's Award.
- ii. Holden also mentioned that final touches were being put on SLS planning and encouraged everyone to register for SLS if they have not done so already.

c. Osceola

- i. Lodge Chief Lola Saad thanked Echockotee Lodge for hosting her at their fall fellowship, and reported that Osceola's fall fellowship (9/12 - 9/14) had 118 registered attendees.
- ii. Lola mentioned an upcoming October LEC meeting to plan their winter fellowship (12/12 - 12/14), themed to the Polar Express, and as well discuss transportation for SLS. She stated that they are currently over halfway to their attendance goal for SLS, and announced several guests would be attending their winter fellowship; stating that if anyone is interested in attending to reach out to her directly.



d. O-Shot-Caw

- i. Lodge Chief Andrew Beckman reported that O-Shot-Caw held its fall fellowship (9/12 - 9/14) and announced a hockey social in December.
- ii. He also highlighted their upcoming haunted forest event, their largest fundraising event, aiming to raise \$30,000 for campership funds.

e. Semialachee

- i. Lodge Chief Darla Farmer shared that she had a great time at Echokotee's fall fellowship, and is preparing for their fall fellowship which will be held 10/17 - 10/19.

f. Tipisa

- i. Lodge Chief Benton Forrester thanked the section officers for their support and attendance at Tipisa's fall fellowship (9/12 - 9/14), which had 244 participants, including 75 youth and 15 adults completing their Brotherhood, achieving a 5:1 youth to adult ratio.
- ii. He also mentioned that their overall membership had grown to over 900, matching 2019 numbers, and highlighted their ongoing unit election season and upcoming chapter ordeals.

g. Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee

- i. Lodge Chief Drew Kelly reported that Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee had a great fall fellowship (10/3 - 10/5) with 180 registered attendees. During the event, 8 Arrowmen were awarded the Vigil Honor, 19 completed their Brotherhood, and officer elections were held; the incoming chief JJ will attend future meetings.

4. Upcoming Events

a. 2025 SLS

- i. SLS Host Chair Kamm Eckels urged attendees to register for SLS, emphasizing the importance of high attendance, especially with the National Chief's visit during the event. They also stressed the need for prompt communication of dietary restrictions to allow for proper planning. There is a field during the registration process where registrants can communicate any needs in that manner.

b. 2026 Section Conference

- i. Stephanie Cargill, Section Conference Host Chair for 2026, briefly updated the group stating that the plan book was nearing completion and committees would begin trial runs of their program soon.



5. New Business

a. NLS/DYLC - Fruitland Park, FL

- i. Section Adviser Michael Todd announced that Florida will be hosting NLS/DYLC for the first time since 2021, presenting a rare local opportunity for leaders and future leaders to attend national training.
- ii. Michael explained that NLS is for youth and adults, while DYLC is for adults seeking to deepen their understanding of empowering youth leadership.
- iii. This is scheduled for February 20th - 22nd in Fruitland Park, with registration live through [NOAERS](#), at a cost of \$240.
- iv. Michael emphasized that space is limited for both NLS and DYLC, with 64 spots open for each, and urged critical youth and advisers to register promptly. He also requested that social media promotions be withheld until October 25th, following a regional announcement at the Section Officers Summit (SOS) in New Jersey later in the month. This delay is to prioritize local registrations and allow other regions to focus on promotion for Greensboro in December.

6. Associate Adviser's Minute - Tim Faughnan

- a. Associate Section Adviser Tim Faughnan shared a "Kung Fu" anecdote about the three treasures of leadership: mercy, frugality, and humility; emphasizing that true leadership is demonstrated through deeds and service, not just titles or positions. He praised the Section Chief and Section Vice Chief, who were in attendance at Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee's fall fellowship, for their humble acts of service, highlighting that leadership is about seeing needs and meeting them.