

ALAPAHA LODGE #545



This history was first developed for the Order of the Arrow's National Centennial History Project and included the histories of Alapaha and Immokalee Lodges. After the Centennial History was completed each lodges history was separated and placed under its respective lodge's section of the website.

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Chapter I

The History of Alapaha Lodge

Alapaha Lodge (#545) was chartered in 1960, the same year as Alapaha Area Council.



2003 Spring Ordeal



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Chapter II

Alapaha Lodge Section History

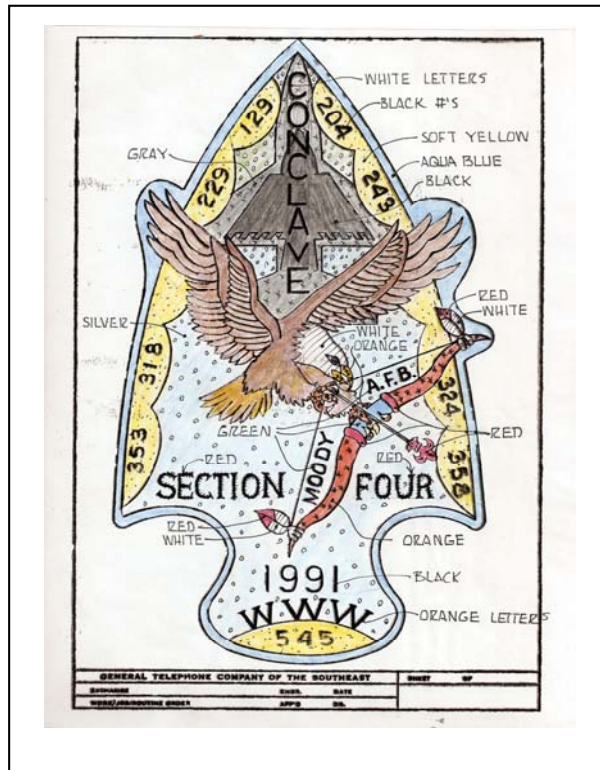
At its initial chartering in 1960 Alapaha Lodge was assigned Area 6E where it remained until the creation of Area 5 in 1973. It did not host any host any Conclaves.



Alapaha Lodge hosted the 1982 Area 5 Conclave at Moody A.F.B.



Alapaha Lodge hosted the 1991 SE-4 Conclave at Moody A.F.B.



1991 Conclave patch artwork.



Alapaha Lodge hosted the 2008 SR-4N Conclave at Camp Patten.

Chapter III

Alapaha Lodge Conclave Contingent Photos



2008 Alapaha Host Contingent



2012 Alapaha Conclave Contingent

Chapter IV

Alapaha Lodge Patch History



F1- First Flap



X1



S1a



S1b



R1



S2



S3



S4a



S4b



S6a



S6b



S6

No Scan

S7, S8, S9



S10



S11a



S11b



S13



S14



S15



S16



S17



S18 (Silver was for Leaders)



S19



S21



S22



S23



S24



S25



S26



S27



S28



S29 – Vigil Issue (1 per year)



S30 – 1996 NOAC (100 made)



S31 – 1998 NOAC (100 made)



S32 (50 made)

(Flap given to brothers that attended every function for the year and additionally put in 40 hours service at the council camp.)



S33 – 2000 NOAC (100 made)



S34 – 2002 NOAC (200 made)



S35a



S35b



S35c



S35d



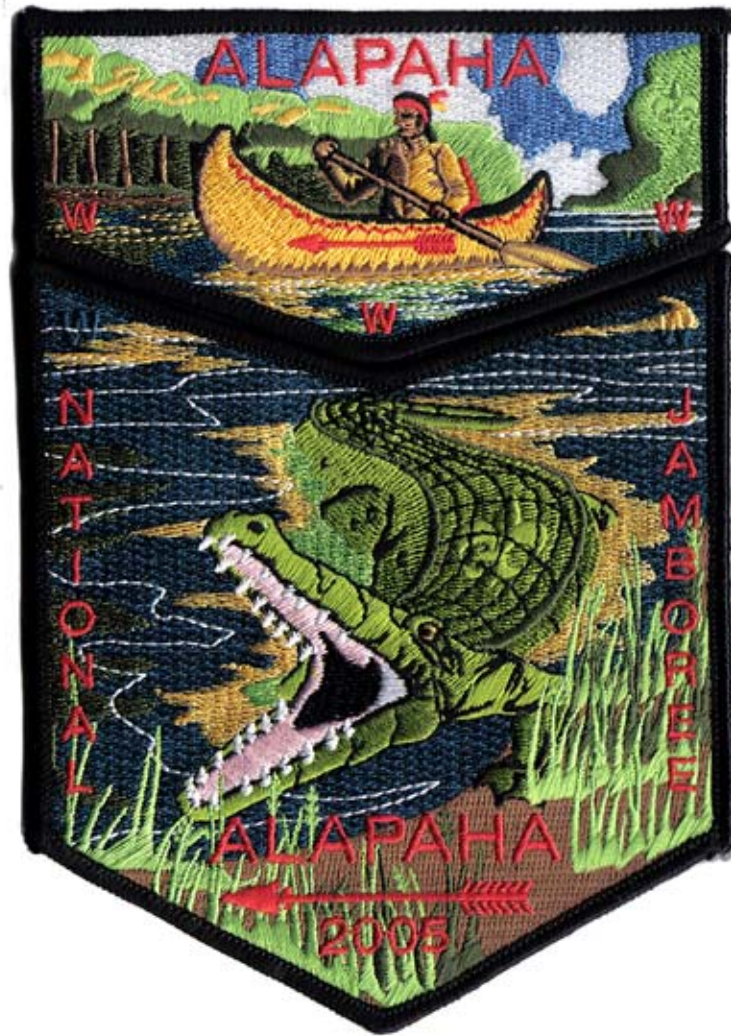
S36



S37



S38 (50 Made)



X2 – 2005 Jambo (bottom part)





S40



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Chapter V

Alapaha Lodge Fellowship, Banquet, and Ordeal Patches

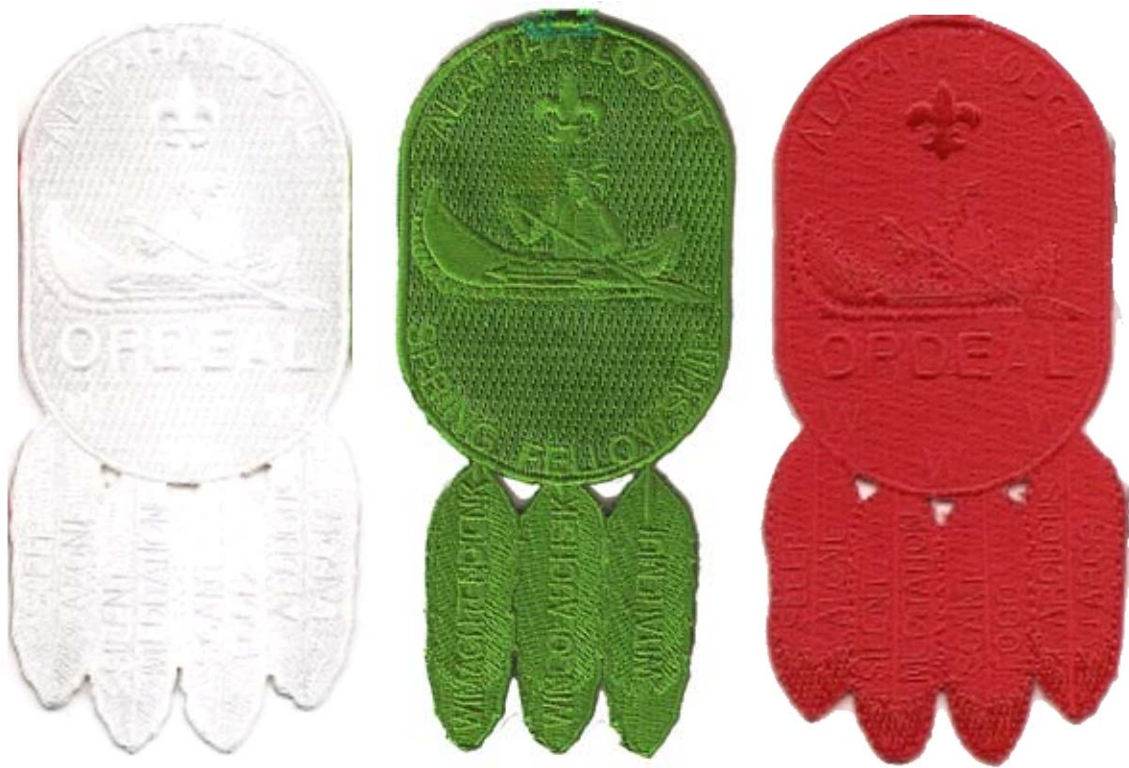


1970 Activity Patch

2008 Operation First Class
(loop omitted)

Operation First Class was a program that Alapaha Lodge hosted on an annual basis. The intent was to help Scouts who recently crossed over meet the rank requirements toward First Class. Arrowmen taught classes on basic skills such as knot-tying, fire-building, etc.





White (Ordeal 2008); Green (Spring Fellowship 2009); Red (Ordeal 2012) (loops omitted)



2010 Joint Fellowship (loop omitted)



2011 Joint Fellowship (loop omitted)



2013 Activity Patch

150 made. Designed by Mike Greene.

Issued for the joint Alapaha and Immokalee ordeal and fellowship.
(Loop omitted)

Chapter VI

Pilthlako Lodge - Alapaha Lodge's Predecessor Lodge

With 1960 formation of Alapaha Area Council out of Okefenokee Area Council, Alapaha Lodge (#545) was formed from Pilthlako Lodge (#229). Pilthlako Lodge was originally formed as Chippewa Lodge (#229) in 1943 as the Order of the Arrow lodge for Okefenokee Area Council. In the same year 1943, the lodge changed its name to Chawtaw. Then the lodge changed its name to Pilthlako Lodge in 1950. Pilthlako Lodge served the Valdosta area until the formation of Alapaha Area Council and Alapaha Lodge in 1960.