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#### WEBINAR CALENDAR

October 12th, 2014:  
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November 2nd, 2014:  
Proper Preservation  
and Archiving

## Welcome Lodge Historians!

Are you working on a **Lodge History Book**? If so, then welcome to our monthly e-newsletter, the *Historian Gazette*. The October edition highlights the September and October webinar sessions, the unveiling of Lodge Card resources, and identifies three recently submitted lodge histories.

If you are not working on a Lodge History Book, help us out by forwarding this important resource to those that are. Pass along their contact information, **via this form**, so that we can be in touch with them. We have included identified Lodge Historians from the 2012 NOAC in the October distribution list.

Our goal is to have a Lodge History Book youth chairman and adult adviser from each lodge. To date we have about 150 lodges represented.

## October 12th Webinar- Layout and Printing

\*\*All webinars are ☺  
8:00pm EDT

**NOTE: The October Webinar, previously scheduled for October 5th, has been rescheduled for October 12th.**

The October topic is layout and printing! Our presenter, Justin Kernes, will be walking us through the details of the process. Justin hails from California and just finished his fourth summer as a Philmont Staff member. He brings professional experience in writing, layout, and publishing.



The hope is that you will walk away with some options for book publication. Advice will also be shared on laying out your written story and accompanying photos.

We ask that you join the call prepared with any questions that you have about the publication steps of this project. Materials for this call and others can be found

at: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/0ut1iilsleymq2bm/i6g3M4QyKq>

**Call in Information:**

**Time: 8:00pm EDT—October 12, 2014**

**Dial-in number: 1-888-878-7416**

**Participant code: 8322520#**

**Meeting room**

**link: <https://connect6.uc.att.com/attinc2/meet/?ExEventID=88322520>**

## September Webinar Recap-Editing



In September, Order of the Arrow Key Volunteer Jeffrey St. Cyr joined us to discuss the finer points of the editing process. He brought with him vast experience from his work with the national Order of the Arrow communications team, where he served as layout editor and currently serves as adviser to the national OA bulletin.

His presentation focused on two main subtopics, the first of

which was editing vs. proofreading. The second part of the webinar focused on resources used by the national communications team. He shared items relating to Order of Arrow publication layout, formatting, and branding.

Those resources and the powerpoint from the webinar can be found in the dropbox: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/0ut1ilsleymq2bm/i6g3M4QyKq>

## Lodges Begin Submitting History Books!!

This time of year has proven very exciting so far – we currently have three lodges that have submitted their completed history book via this [link](#) as indicated on the [Lodge History Book](#) webpage.

**Withlacoochee Lodge  
Amangamek-Wipit Lodge  
Monaken Lodge**

We are happy to be able to share selected history book submissions through the following dropbox link: <http://goo.gl/6Mg01s>

You might find it interesting to see the different approaches taken. For example, Withlacoochee Lodge utilized a lot of images to augment the story told by the text. Their lodge also underwent a merger so it serves as a great example for how to write on that topic.

For more examples, check out the instructional manual found here: <http://goo.gl/zgWZjY>

## Lodge Card Scans Available to Historians Working on a Lodge History Book

The History of  
**Withlacoochee Lodge**  
South Georgia Council, BSA  
(Including the Histories of Alapaha Lodge and Innokentee Lodge)

*Firm Bound in  
Brotherhood*



**WITHLACOOCHEE**

Compiled for the  
**Order of the Arrow**  
**CENTENNIAL HISTORY PROJECT**

LODGE	CHARTERED	COUNCIL	Year	New Members	Active Membership	House Totals	Cumulative Total
494	May 28, 1953	Overland					
1951						O B V	
1952						O B V	
1953	Thomas Harvett 8218 E. Broadway Overland Park, Kansas Blount, Joseph 1921 E. Broadway Overland Park, Kansas					O B V	
1954				54	70	O 89 B 1 V	70
1955	11204 Maple 1917 S. Lundy Overland, KS 66204		25	100	O 115 B 15 V 3	115	

In the past, a large portion of Order of the Arrow data was stored on record cards. As time passed, these cards were lost. That was until national committeeman Bill Topkis asked OA Team Specialist, Matt Dukeman, if he had seen anything similar

to the then only known surviving card, which was for Papago Lodge 494. Matt instantly recognized the card and passed the lot of them along to the Order of the Arrow's digital archivist, Tracy Mesler. All of the records have been scanned, and PDFs of the cards are available to lodge historians upon request. You can also be sent the cards for predecessor lodges.

As can be seen in the photo, the top of the card includes lodge name and number, council name, original charter date and description of lodge totem. For the years 1951-1964 there are pieces of data filled in for lodge chief name and address as well as membership breakdowns between Ordeal, Brotherhood, Vigil, new membership, active membership, and a cumulative total. For lodges that do not yet have a complete lodge chief list, this card can potentially fill in some blanks.

What if your lodge already has a complete list of lodge chiefs and knows all the other information on the card? The suggestion is for lodge historians to try and speak with these lodge chiefs as they can serve as a wonderful primary source. Through talking with your previous chiefs, your lodge's historians might be able to uncover leads on further information and stories about your lodge! Lodge historians can request their lodge's card via [lodge\\_history@email.ou-bsa.org](mailto:lodge_history@email.ou-bsa.org)

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