

Lodge Vision

2017 Egwa Tawa Dee Lodge Vision:

We see ourselves as a Lodge that is recognized by Atlanta Area Council leaders and Scouts at the Unit, District, and Council level for

- Giving service to the community, Scouting, and our Council camps,
- Recognizing Scouts who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law as well as a spirit of unselfish service,
- Supporting adventure in the outdoors, and
- Providing meaningful leadership opportunities for Scouts to grow.

Council Service:

- Develop a Lodge Display that promotes the OA to non-members, and make it available at Council functions as requested.
- Promote summer camp and other outdoor recreation opportunities in the Council.
- Help recruit summer camp staff for both in-Council Scout Camps.
- Complete at least one service project for one of our Council Camps outside of Ordeals.
- Provide support to the University of Scouting and Woodbadge Weekends.
- Provide service as requested at Council events and functions.

District Service:

- Each chapter will provide service to their District as directed by their District Chairman, and District Executive.

Program:

- Provide a meaningful program to increase membership retention and to promote our image throughout the Council.
- Encourage and promote participation in the Lodge Recognition program.
- Continue to refine the program of the Trailblazer Adventure Camp with heavy emphasis on Cub Scout advancement.
- Continue to develop the Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) "Egwa University" to accommodate both returning and new members alike.
- Promote American Indian Activities in the Lodge and in the Chapters.
- Have all events planned 90 days out and start event promotion at least 6 months out.

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Inductions:

- Administer effective and impactful induction weekends to provide a positive first impression for candidates, increase membership retention and proactivity, and to ensure a more seamless transition from callout to Brotherhood conversion.
- Continue to provide activities and fellowship for new Arrowmen after their completion of the Ordeal ceremony the Saturday of Ordeals.
- Explore creating a “New Arrowmen” group at the fellowship event proceeding the induction weekend as to encourage new member inclusion within the Lodge.
- Refine the JumpStart Program to reflect a more interactive and welcoming atmosphere.
- Continue to expand the elangomat program through more training opportunities and the promotion of the Honor Elangomat award.
- Continue to refine the Unit Election process through more training opportunities, more Lodge support to Chapters, the promotion of election execution in accordance with National policy, and implementing a proactive Adult Selection Committee.

Administration:

- Work towards earning Journey to Excellence (JTE) for the Lodge and its Chapters through effective record-keeping, training, and the setting of short-term goals.
- Continue to build upon the innovative techniques and administrative policies collected from trainings and inter-Lodge functions such as “NEXT: A New Century” National Conference.
- Implement an effective committee system in which all chairman may communicate and perform their duties in an environment which fosters new leaders.
- Continue to refine the Vigil selection and induction processes.
- All chairmanships will be filled by the February LEC.

Chapter Support:

- Enhance Chapter functionality by improving Chapter/Lodge communication, Chapter financial infrastructure, and unit presence.
- Build a positive image in the units through the Chapters and revamp the Troop Representative program for grassroots promotion of OA activities and functions.