

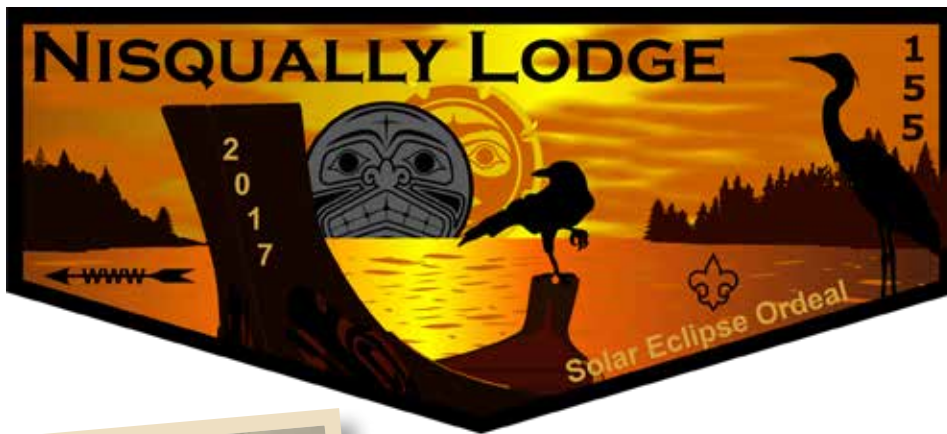


# ORDER OF THE ARROW NISQUALLY LODGE #155

# RAVEN'S WING

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## WELCOME ARROWMEN!

*By Michael Forbes, Lodge Chief*

Today, I would like to talk about leadership in the Order of the Arrow. Lodge chief is the highest leadership position in the Lodge, but did you know there are positions above that? There is the section chief who is in charge of the section and leads conclave planning, and then there are regional and national chiefs who help plan jamborees and NOACs.

This September, you have the opportunity to help choose the next section chief at our conclave. I encourage all of you to attend and

support Nisqually lodge members such as myself who are planning to run for section leadership. If section leadership doesn't suit your fancy then come to Fall Fellowship where you can run and vote on who will lead the Lodge and Chapters for the next year.

This summer, I was able to attend the National Scout Jamboree where I was able to make new friends around the world. Upon reflection, I came to realize that OA is not connected very well with Venture Scouts and I think that we can and should work hard to fix that.

## CALENDAR

### Lodge Executive Council

September 11, 7pm, Tumwater Office

### Conclave

September 15-17, Camp Pigott  
Cost is \$70 or \$50 if you register before September 10. Register online at <http://sectionw1n.org/conclave/>

### Lodge Executive Council

October 9, 7pm, Tacoma Office

### Fall Fellowship

October 27-29, Camp Thunderbird  
Cost is \$40. Register online at <http://phc.kintera.org/OAFallFellowship2017>

### Lodge Leadership Development

November 11

### Lodge Executive Council

December 11, 7pm, Tacoma Office

### 2018 Election Season

January 1 to April 15

### Lodge Executive Council

January 8, 7pm, Tumwater Office

### Lodge Banquet

January 13, 6pm, St. Martin's Church, Lacey

### Lodge Executive Council

February 12, 7pm, Tacoma Office

## CHAPTERS

**Ahotasu Mbi** (Hylebos District)

Chief: Brian Moore

Adviser: Warren Nedved

Totem: Timber Wolf

We meet on the third Thursday of every month at 7pm at the North Lake Improvement Club in Federal Way.

**Chehalis** (Timberline District)

Chief: Devon Schey

Adviser: Steve Wark

Totem: Eagle

We meet once a month at the Chehalis LDS Church.

**Kcum Kcum** (Coastal Waters District)

Chief: Daniel Wiechelman

Advisers: John Anderson & Tim Helman

Totem: Salmon

We meet on the 2nd Thursday of every month at the Aberdeen LDS Church.

**Sahaptin** (Glacier View District)

Chief: Nathan Placker

Adviser: Michael Placker

Totem: Frog

We meet once a month during the Glacier View District Roundtable.

**Squaxin** (Capital Area District)

Chief: Nate Ostheller

Adviser: Russ Carron

Totem: Salmon

We meet on the 1st Monday of every month at the First United Methodist Church in Olympia.

**Tsaw** (Puget Sound District)

Chief: Mack Gibbens

Adviser: Matt Bachman

Totem: Beaver

We meet once a month during the Puget Sound District Roundtable, 7pm, Tacoma Scout Office.

**Wapiti** (Mt Tahoma District)

Chief: Kyle Morgan

Adviser: Janet Johnson

Totem: Elk

We meet on the 2nd Thursday of every month during the Mt. Tahoma District Roundtable, 7pm, Sumner LDS Church.

## LODGE ADVISER'S MINUTE

By Gene Victor, Lodge Adviser

As our summer is drawing to a close, we have done many new and exciting things as individual scouts, with our troops, and as a Lodge. We now have the Tsaw Chapter up and running again! Thanks go out to Chapter Adviser Matt Bachman, Chapter Chief Mack Gibbens, and Chapter Vice-Chief Kelson Dooley.

I really appreciate you answering the call. Several of you went to a new summer camp, while some of you experienced the wonders of the National Scout Jamboree. Some of you saw new parts of the country as you challenged yourself at Philmont, Sea Base, Northern Tier or some other scout adventure. What an exciting time of your life!

I would like to welcome our new brothers who have completed their Ordeal and those brothers who have sealed their commitment to the Order through the Brotherhood. I invite you to think about new experiences ahead of you...most importantly, what being a Nisqually Lodge member means for you and what you can help the Lodge become.

We have some important and fun activities and responsibilities coming up this fall. There is the Section Conclave Sept 15-17 where all the lodges in Western Washington and Alaska meet for FUN, training, FUN, fellowship, and did I say, FUN? Early Bird registrations are due September 10!

Our Lodge is having our Fall Fellowship "Dio de Muerte" on October 27-29. It is very important to have as many Lodge members at Fall Fellowship as possible for elections. We are also planning to dedicate our new OA Firebowl that weekend!

As you can see, there are lots of things to do in the Order of the Arrow. Find something that excites you and jump in. The Lodge and the Order are only as strong as their members.

Your Brothers need you. Will you answer the call?

## CONCLAVE IS COMING!

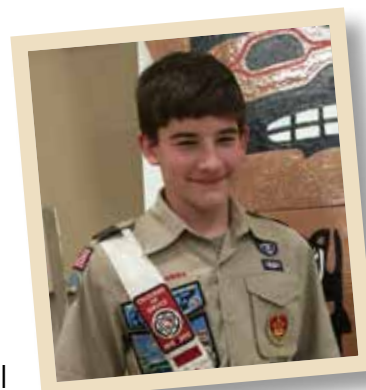
By Joe Oczkewicz, First Vice Chief

Conclave is fast approaching! Every year section W-1N hosts a conclave that rotates its location.

This year it will be hosted at Camp Pigott. It happens September 15-17. All lodges in our section gather to bond as brothers. People from all over will be there to enjoy this awesome event with you. It is a great experience with lots of games, classes, and lots of patches!

Register before September 10 and save \$20. If this is your first year in the OA, conclave is only \$45. Standard registration is \$70. Annual pass holders remember to register before September 10 with your code so you don't have to pay. Codes went out in an email July 18. Register at <http://sectionw1n.org/conclave/>.

And, be practicing the Nisqually yell "N-N-Nis-q-qua-qua-lly NiiiiiiSQUALLY!"



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## OPERATION ARROW

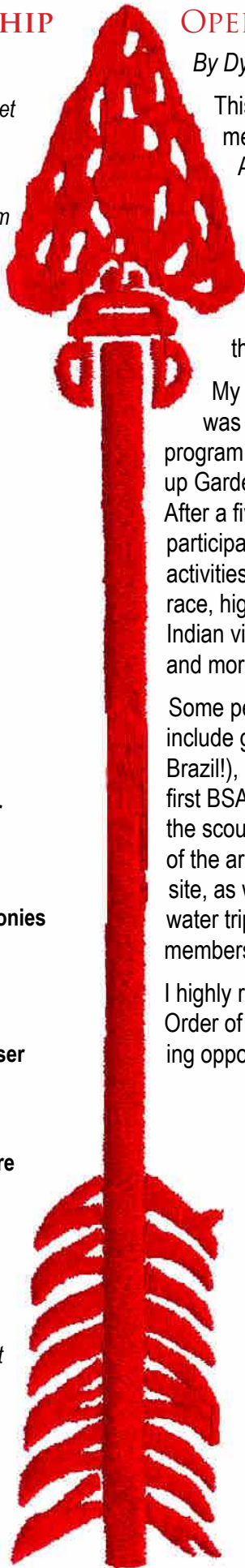
By Dylan Kitchings

This July, I served as a member of Operation Arrow, a group of 640 arrowmen coming together to help make the 2017 National Jamboree the best event it could be for the participants.

My chosen program area was Trek Guides. On all program days we guided units up Garden Ground Mountain. After a five mile hike, units participated in 1.6 miles worth of activities including the Spartan race, highland games, the OA Indian village, live music shows and more.

Some personal highlights as staff include greeting units on their busses during arrival day (one troop was from Brazil!), helping with 1910 scout games at the Silver Bay reenactment of the first BSA camp, meeting arrowmen from across the nation with a passion for the scouting program, seeing the summit circle, which is the national order of the arrow ceremony site, as well as a white water trip with other staff members.

I highly recommend this Order of the Arrow staffing opportunity.



## FALL FELLOWSHIP

By Zach Victor, Second Vice Chief

Fall Fellowship is October 27-29. This year's theme is "Dio de Muerte" with a Mexican-inspired menu. Tortillas will be prominent. Fun and games include Hungry Hungry Hippos (back by popular demand), pumpkin carving, table tennis, and more.

Fall Fellowship is also when we hold Lodge and Chapter Elections! This is a great way to serve and take an active part in guiding the Lodge and our Chapters. Our Lodge and Chapters are what we make them.

While you are at Fall Fellowship, check out the Trading Post for new t-shirts, patches, and other cool Lodge merchandise!



Spread the word in your units and invite all of your brothers to come and enjoy a week-end of Mexican Halloween themed fun! A flyer with more details will be available soon. Hope to see everyone at Fall Fellowship.



## 2017 SERVICE TO CAMP THUNDERBIRD

When you step into the Totem Dining Hall at Camp Thunderbird, you will immediately notice our Lodge's latest service project! Thank you to Adam Baughman for coordinating the project. Several individuals came in on June 23-25 and put down a primer coat and two coats of paint. Kathy Lee, Dylan Kitchings, PK Dan, John Ruppe, and John Ruppe Jr. put in a hard



weekend on this task in 90° weather. Eugene Victor, Terry Victor, and Emily Victor came in on Wednesday and put on the third coat of paint and trim work. The Lodge would also like to thank Ranger Dan Collett and Supreme Chief of the Fire Ralph Voekler for getting the paint and supplies.