



ORDER OF THE ARROW NISQUALLY LODGE #155

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GREETINGS BROTHERS!

By Sam Taylor, Lodge Chief

Weather you were inducted this year, in the recent past, or decades ago, you deserve a congratulations. You were chosen by your peers to represent your unit in Scouting's National Honor Society because of your devotion to the Scout Oath and Law, your demonstrated Scout skill and your inspiring example. The Order of the Arrow was founded to recognize honor campers. The scouts who through irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities led their fellow scouts by example. Your election to the Order of the Arrow is a recognition and appreciation of your servant leadership by your peers. The best part is...the journey continues!

Membership in the Order of the Arrow is not just recognition of what you have done, but of what you are expected to do. Members of the Order of the Arrow are expected to continue and possibly elevate their service to their unit, their community, and to themselves.

I encourage you to embrace every opportunity offered by the OA. The best way to do this is to become involved in your Chapter! Your Chapter meets at least once a month. Many Chapters engage in service projects and fun focused events such as putt-putt golf and a summer picnic. Don't be afraid to talk to your Chapter about planning new activities. Your Chapter is yours for the making! In addition to fellowship, your Chapter offers numerous services to your local Scouting community such as OA unit election, public ceremonies and staff to Scouting events.

One of the best ways to experience the Order of the Arrow is to attend an OA Conclave! An OA Conclave is a section based, weekend long fellowship featuring marvelous games, activities, shows, and classes that will expand your knowledge of the OA and provide you with an array of awesome opportunities and experiences. This year, our Conclave is at Camp Gorsuch near Anchorage Alaska, September 20th-22nd. We will

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CALENDAR

Please be sure these events are on your unit's calendar to avoid conflicts.

Lodge Executive Council

June 10, 7pm, Tacoma Office

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July 8, 7pm, Tumwater Office

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August 12, 7pm, Tacoma Office

Summer Ordeal

August 16-18, Camp Thunderbird
Volunteer to be an Elangamat or just come out and join a service project.

Lodge Executive Council

September 9, 7pm, Tumwater Office

Fall Fellowship

October 25-26, Camp Thunderbird
Lodge & Chapter Elections! Will you answer the call?

Lodge Executive Council

October 14, 7pm, Tacoma Office

Nisqually Lodge Leadership Development & Executive Council

November 9, 9am-5pm, Tacoma Scout
Office

Lodge Executive Council

December 9, 7pm, Tacoma Office

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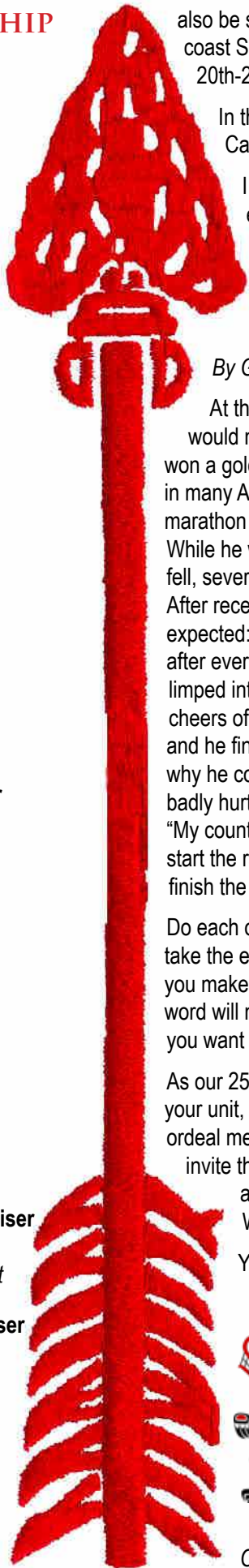
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also be sending contingents to the Conclave at Camp Meriwether on the Oregon coast September 6-9th, and the Conclave at Camp Fife, in the cascades, September 20th-22nd so that everyone can experience a Conclave this year.

In the nearer future, I hope to see you at the Summer Ordeal, August 16-18th at Camp Thunderbird.

I hope that you will take every opportunity to enjoy all of the terrific experiences offered by the OA. Your involvement is key to making the 25th year of Nisqually Lodge the best it can be!

LODGE ADVISER'S MINUTE

By Gene Victor, Lodge Adviser

At the 1968 Olympics, Bob Beamon set a long jump record that many thought would never be broken. That same year, a young boxer named George Foreman won a gold medal and paraded around the ring with an American flag, instilling pride in many Americans. One athlete named John Stephen Akhwari from Tanzania, a marathon runner, probably made the longest lasting impression on people, though.

While he was running, he stumbled and fell, severely injuring his knee and ankle. After receiving first aid he did what no one expected: He got back in the race. Long after everyone else had finished and left, he limped into the near empty stadium to the cheers of a small crowd that was still there and he finished his final lap. When asked why he continued the race after he was so badly hurt with no chance to win he replied: "My country did not send me 5,000 miles to start the race—they sent me 5,000 miles to finish the race."

Do each of you accept responsibility to finish a task when you start one, or do you take the easy way out when the going gets tough? Do you keep your promises when you make them, even the ones you make to yourself? A person who doesn't keep their word will not be respected and will not be trusted. What kind of person does each of you want to be remembered as?

As our 25th Anniversary year continues, I hope that you are volunteering for service for your unit, community, the chapter and the lodge. I would like to see each of our new ordeal members attend at least one event following their ordeal. Take the lead and invite these new members to "finish the race." Let's push for 100% of our members attending an event and celebrating our vision...Wimachtendienk, Wingalausik, Witahemui.

Your Brothers need you. Will you answer the call?



AHOTASU MBI CHAPTER

by Dayton Drazkowski

Ahotasu Mbi has been very busy planning joint activities with Tsaw Chapter, including a Fun Day. We also conducted chapter elections and we have 16 new ordeal candidates. Angela Rupert, Zach Victor, and Brian Moore have been very helpful with the

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CHAPTERS

Ahotasu Mbi (Hylebos District)

Chief: Dayton Drazkowski

Adviser: Angela Rueber

Totem: Timber Wolf

Meeting: Third Thursday of every month, 7pm, North Lake Improvement Club in Federal Way.

Chehalis (Timberline District)

Chief: Alex Anderson

Adviser: Dave Anderson

Totem: Eagle

Meeting: First Tuesday of every month, 6pm, Chehalis Scout Lodge.

Kcum Kcum (Coastal Waters District)

Chief: Daniel Wiechelmann

Adviser: Tim Helman

Totem: Salmon

Meeting: Third Sunday of every month, 5pm, Central Elementary, Hoquiam.

Sahaptin (Glacier View District)

Chief: Chris Byrd

Adviser: Jesse Adams

Totem: Frog

Meeting: Second Thursday during the Glacier View District Roundtable, 7pm, Lakewood LDS Church.

Squaxin (Capital Area District)

Chief: Joey Taylor

Adviser: Russ Carron

Totem: Salmon

Meeting: First Monday of every month, 7pm, First United Methodist Church, Olympia.

Tsaw (Puget Sound District)

Chief: Kelson Dooley

Adviser: Matt Bachmann

Totem: Beaver

Meeting: Third Wednesday of every month, 7pm, Tacoma Scout Office.

Wapiti (Mt Tahoma District)

Chief: Nathan Parks

Adviser: Janet Johnson

Totem: Elk

Meeting: Second Thursday during the Mt. Tahoma District Roundtable, 7pm, Sumner LDS Church.

elections and helping me get better at conducting them. I'd like to thank them for all their help. Thank you for your time. We meet the third Thursday of every month, 7pm, at North Lake Improvement Club in Federal Way. Ahotasu Mbi serves the communities of Federal Way, part of Auburn, Fife, Milton, Northeast Tacoma.



CHEHALIS CHAPTER

by Alex Anderson, *Chapter Chief*

I am proud to say that, for the first time since 2016, our chapter had elections and is growing again. Chehalis serves the communities of Adna, Boistfort, Centralia, Chehalis, Evaline, Morton, Mossyrock, Napavine, Onalaska, Packwood, Pe Ell, Randle, Rochester, Toledo, Vader, White Pass, Winlock.



KCUM KCUM CHAPTER

Kcum Kcum serves the communities of Aberdeen, Elma, Hood Canal, Hoquiam, Lake Quinault, McCleary, Montesano, Mary Knight, Naselle-Grays, North Beach, North River, Oakville, Ocean Beach, Ocosta, Pioneer, Raymond, Satsop, South Bend, Taholah, Willapa Valley, Wishkah. If your unit is in this area, please contact your fellow

OA scouts and carpool to your monthly chapter meeting. We would love to see you at the next Chapter Meeting!



SAHAPTIN CHAPTER

Sahaptin serves the communities of Bethel, Clover Park, Eatonville, Franklin Pierce, Graham, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Lakewood, Steilacoom. If your unit is in this area, please contact your fellow OA scouts and carpool to your monthly chapter meeting. We would love to see you at the next Chapter Meeting!



SQUAXIN CHAPTER

by Joey Taylor, *Chapter Chief*

We meet at least twice a month. The first Monday of every month is our regular meeting consisting of planning activities for the next month and addressing upcoming scouting events that we can help with. The third Thursday of every month is for a service project or fun

event, though we have so much fun working that it's hard to tell the difference between what's service and what is fun! Our Ceremonies team meets prior to our Chapter meetings on the first Monday of every month at 6:15. We are open to all Arrowmen who wish to get involved in ceremonies. We hope to see you at our next meeting (Mon. June 3rd)!

Some service projects we often do are sorting and labeling books at the South Sound Reading Foundation, bagging food for the Thurston County Food Bank's backpack program, washing vans for the Senior Services for South Sound, and much more. Some fun events we do are Movie Nights, Game Nights, Mini Golf, and our most recent: Roller Skating. We are always open to new service and fun event ideas. Every August we have a Chapter Picnic with good food, yard games and Disc Golf!

Squaxin serves the communities of Griffin, Lacey, North Thurston, Olympia, Rainier, Shelton, Tenino, Tumwater, Yelm.

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TSAW CHAPTER

Tsaw serves the communities of Tacoma, Gig Harbor, University Place, Fircrest. If your unit is this area, please your fellow OA scouts and carpool to your monthly chapter meeting.



WAPITI CHAPTER

by Nathan Parks, Chapter Chief

In the past month we had a meeting and discussed what we were planning on doing in the future. We are planning to have our next meeting at Walley's Drive-In for the month to June while we continue our search for a new permanent meeting place. We went bowling in May and are planning to do more fun activities in the future.. Wapiti serves the communities of Carbonado, Dieringer, Enumclaw, Orting, Puyallup, Sumner, White River.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW VIGIL HONOR MEMBERS

by Conner Frans, Third Vice Chief

Every year Nisqually lodge elects a select group of Arrow-men for the Vigil Honor. The Vigil Honor is awarded to the Arrow-men who best interpret and display the values of the Order of the Arrow: brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service. Congratulations to the following Vigil honor candidates:

Joe Oskowicz, Nate Otheller, Troy Schock, Tim Arensdorf, John Anderson, John Ruppe Sr, Mickey Adkins, and Christine Helman

Thank you to Vigil Chief Zach Victor, Vigil Adviser Wright McCartney and the Vigil Ceremonies Team for putting on a great event. Special thanks to the Kitchen Crew of Phil Misner and Sarah Kitchings, and John Ruppe Jr. in the dish pit and BBQ Chefs Gene Victor and Jim Desy!

The Vigil Honor is a very prestigious award and all of Nisqually Lodge would like to congratulate this group.



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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/nisqually155/>

<http://www.pacificarbors.org/>

SUMMER ORDEAL LINKS

Ordeal Registration - Members Only

<https://scoutingevent.com/612-OAMemberSummerOrdeal2019>

Ordeal Registration - Candidates Only

<https://scoutingevent.com/612-OACandidateOrdeal2019>