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# The Flying Eagle



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## A year in the life of the Lodge: OAU 2015

This will mark the fourth year for this Wa-Hi-Nasa training event to be held at the council's premier scout reservation: Latimer!!! That's right! Order of the Arrow University (OAU) returns once again to Latimer and will feature EVEN MORE high adventure fun in addition to valuable training!!! This year's theme is "A year in the life of the Lodge"

Mark your calendars for March 6-8, 2015 for this fantastic event. From now through February 27, 2015 the cost is \$36. After this date, the cost goes up to \$41. What do you get for this bargain price? You get to stay at Latimer Reservation, cafeteria style meals in the new dining hall, games, fellowship, and much more for the whole weekend. This year, we will continue to offer more fun with your quality training. The weekend will feature shooting and mountain biking afternoon, a leadership and learning movie Saturday night, and a very special keynote guest.



This year, OAU training sessions will focused on one of four areas: Ceremonies, Leadership, OA Studies, and Adult Leadership & Advising. Ceremonies will focus on regalia, ceremonies techniques, and skills, and will end with mock ceremony teams running through actual ceremonies. Leadership is designed for lodge and chapter officers and committee chairs and is an invaluable course on getting the job done. OA Studies will give a

great overview of what the OA is all about and will focus on getting you plugged into the Lodge. This track is for Arrowmen who are not yet in a leadership position but want to become more involved with the OA. Finally, Adult Leadership & Advising will focus on training our more seasoned Arrowmen to advise at the lodge and chapter levels and will have a special class on Journey to Excellence. In addition, there will be a few special training opportunities for all Arrowmen.

Registration can be found at [wa-hi-nasa.org](http://wa-hi-nasa.org)

## ARROWTOUR



On June 22, 2015, the Centennial Caravan tour of the Order of the Arrow will roll to Boxwell Reservation.

ARROWTOUR, as its called, will be an all day event rolling to scout camps across the country this summer and Boxwell Reservation is the location where the tour will kick off in the Southern Region! Each stop

along the tours will consist of a full day of program centered on the Order of the Arrow's centennial.

The ArrowTour program will be customized to best meet the needs and capitalize on the unique features of each site. Some of the planned ArrowTour programs include: Exploration: History displays, interactive timelines, and program videos

Centuries of Service Show: A program that will recognize the Order's rich 100 year history, and reveal where the steps to our second century of service begin.

Activities: Silk screening, hat/belt branding, and recreational games. From branding and fun activities, to free giveaways and interactive exhibits, this event will be one for both campers at Boxwell and members of our lodge to have an outstanding time.

ArrowTour will be an amazing opportunity whether you're an OA member, a member in the Scouting community, or just a supporter of the Boy Scouts of America. Now is your chance to be apart of the centennial anniversary of the Order of the Arrow at Boxwell Reservation. So what are you waiting for? Save the date (June 22, 2015) and plan on coming out to our ArrowTour venue today!



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## Chiefly Speaking



Hello brothers. With some exciting events like OAU and Conclave on the horizon, I wanted to take the time to talk to you about the importance of training. Part of the purpose of the Order is to:

“Develop leaders with the willingness, character, spirit and ability to advance the activities of their units, our Brotherhood, Scouting, and Ultimately our Nation.”

What does this mean? Essentially, one of the jobs of the Order is to train the leadership within the BSA. It is our responsibility as members to bring what we learn in the Order back to our troops and everyday life.

This training comes in many forms, and is present in every aspect of the Order. The most obvious form of this training is in dedicated training events like our Lodge’s upcoming Order of the Arrow University, the Section Conclave, the Region’s National Leadership Seminar, and the National Order of the Arrow Conference. All of these events are partially or fully dedicated to training of various forms, and it is highly important for members to take advantage of these events as much as possible. Not only can they offer formal guidance on “best practices,” but one becomes exposed to ideas from outside of your troop, or even our Lodge. Tell me if this scenario sounds familiar: You’ve been in your troop for years, and nothing has ever changed. The meetings are boring and the events are simplistic and uninspired. The youth leadership either does not want to change, or is not confident enough to try new things. This is where the OA comes in.

The problem is that the program in this troop has been recycled and inbred to the point of staleness, and this problem also happens on a Chapter and Lodge level. One of the great things that OA can offer is the chance to hear the practices of other Arrowmen. This strengthens your troop, and ultimately strengthens the BSA as a whole. Training is vital to the growth and development of the program as a whole. Take what you learn seriously, but remember:

“Knowing is not enough; we must apply. Willing is not enough; we must do.”

--Goethe

Yours in service  
Jack Adamson



## Fall Fellowship 2015

## “The Amazing Race”

## Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>

## Brotherhood

Greetings fellow Arrowmen,

I am Peyton Hall, your Brotherhood Committee Chairman for this year. I would like to ask all of you Ordeal Members to go through review at one of the following dates:

- March 6-8 OAU at Latimer High Adventure Reservation
- May 29-31 Spring Ordeal at Boxwell
- (6 weeks at Boxwell Summercamp) Cracker Barrels
- August 14-16 Fall Ordeal at Boxwell
- September 18-20 Fall Fellowship at Bowell

If you find yourself asking what I need to take the next step and go through Brotherhood, there are only a few simple requirements:

- You will need 10 months since becoming an Ordeal member
- You will need to be a dues paid registered member with the Lodge.
- \$17 (for brotherhood, not dues)

I hope to see y’all there!  
Yours in Cheerful service,  
Peyton Hall  
Brotherhood Committee Chairman





## Unit Elections

It is time for our chapters to visit every troop in the district and conduct unit elections. This is the way for troops to recognize outstanding members of their troop and for us to obtain new members and introduce them to our Brotherhood of Cheerful Service.

It is essential that the OA bring in new Ordeal members to keep up the momentum of our chapters and the lodge. Therefore, this job falls to both the troops and members of the OA to make sure that every troop schedules an election date with the Chapter so that an election team can visit each troop and conduct the election appropriately.

The updated 2015 unit election forms will soon be available on the lodge website: <http://www.wa-hi-nasa.org/>. The Lodge encourages troops to announce the Scouts who have been elected either directly following the election, or at the follow troop meeting. This announcement should be done without waiting on a public calling out ceremony. This allows our candidates immediate recognition in their troop and allows them to put the Spring Ordeal on their calendar.

With a solid election team following the correct procedure, the Lodge's future can be secured. The key for maintaining membership is also for members of the Chapter and Troop to follow up with the scouts who are elected and make sure that they sign up for the Spring Ordeal and share with them the benefits of OA membership.

~Miller Garret, 2015 Chapters Chairman



## Adviser's Corner

"Someone is sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago."

--Warren Buffett

Preparation, planning and excellence. These three go hand in hand, and often the third will be difficult to reach without the first two set in motion. We may not be able to anticipate how our actions today will turn out, but we can still set those things in motion today. When we plan for the future, we can't anticipate all the results that will come about. We don't know who will be sitting in the shade of the tree, but we plant today for their benefit.



What are some things the Lodge does now to prepare for the future?

Training future leaders of the Lodge is critical. It is significant that the first Lodge event of the new year is our OAU. The training weekend sets the tone for the year. The goal of our training team is to give our brothers the tools they need to make this year and future years successful. Plan to be at Latimer on March 6-8 for a great weekend.

Also, our Lodge is entering unit election season. Our Lodge seeks to assist local troops in conducting elections for Ordeal candidates. Review the requirements with your unit leaders, plan a meaningful election, and turn in the results. But turning in the results does not complete your task. Follow up with the honor Scouts elected in your Chapter and encourage them to go to Ordeal. Let them know how the Order can assist them in their Scouting adventure.

Your Lodge officers have planned a great year for the Lodge. Our 100th Anniversary year will be full of opportunities to plan and prepare for higher levels of service. Strive for excellence. Do your part to provide unselfish service to the Lodge, your Chapter and troop and your community.

W.W.W.  
Bobby W. Brown  
Lodge Adviser



**Have you paid your 2015 dues? Pay online at : [www.wa-hi-nasa.org](http://www.wa-hi-nasa.org)**

## **2015 — “The Centennial”**

### 2015 Lodge Calendar

OA University  
March 6-8, 2015

Section SR-6 Conclave  
April 17-19, 2015

Spring Ordeal  
May 29-31, 2015

Arrowtour  
June 22, 2015

NOAC 2015  
August 3-8, 2015

Fall Ordeal  
August 14-16, 2015

Fall Fellowship  
September 18-20, 2015

Winter Banquet  
December 5, 2015

Winter Camp  
December 27-31, 2015

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