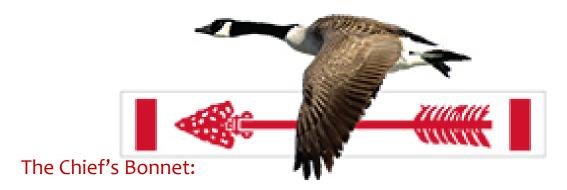


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Brothers,

As we kick off our September Fellowship Weekend, I am sad to say the end of my term as Chief is fast approaching. I cannot thank everyone enough for all the help that's been given to me and to the Lodge to make this such an incredible year. Although this is our last weekend down at camp this year, there are still very important events in the future. The Lodge will be kicking off our new Cub Scout Day, called C5, in October at Paradise Farms Camps and it should be an absolute blast. Volunteers for this event are always welcome to help make this new and improved program the best one yet! Also, there will be a Lodge Leadership Development and Brotherhood Blitz weekend in November that is sounding like it should be a really great time!

This year, I was very pleased to see a huge increase in youth participation in this Lodge. The future of our Order falls into the hands of the younger Brothers who have that determination to one day lead Octoraro 22. There will always be openings and vacancies in the executive committees that can be filled with ambitious new members. I challenge all new Brothers to find some area of the Lodge, like the Elangomats, the ceremonies teams, unit elections groups, or the trail crew, to name a few, that is intriguing, and pursue it. Find out what you can do to get involved, your service is always welcome. Nothing makes me happier than seeing eager new youth doing what they can to participate in the advancement of the Lodge.

Thank you all again for an amazing year so far and I look forward to the events left to come.

**WWW** 

AJ Moreno

Lodge Chief



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### Lodge Adviser's Minute:

Brothers,

Late in July, four other Brothers and I had the privilege of attending the #NEXT Conference in Bloomington, Indiana – the site of the 2018 NOAC. The University played host to five Brothers from each Lodge across the country, where Best Practices from each Lodge were shared. The hope was to get ideas on how we can incorporate some of those learnings back into our Lodge here at home. with the daily meeting Along schedule, we were put into Crews of about 10 to 15 people following the registration process - youth with youth, adults with adults - acting as a Crew. We were housed close together, together, ate our meals participated in activities as one Unit. It was a great experience as I got to know Lodge Advisers from across the Country. It was fairly easy as we had things in common – two dedication to the Order of the Arrow and our willingness to provide Cheerful Service. The September Fellowship Weekend brings us that same opportunity. Instead of Lodges across the Country, we have Troops from across the County. I would challenge each Brother to go out of



their way and introduce yourself to five Brothers you do not know. We all have that same things in common, as we did in Indiana – the dedication to The Order of the Arrow and our willingness to provide Cheerful Service. If you didn't believe that, vou wouldn't be here for weekend. It is far easier to meet and talk to someone new when you have a common purpose. This September Fellowship weekend, we will have an estimated 120 new Brothers joining our Lodge; please make yourself welcoming and offer any assistance they might need. Mark Shields (Journalist) once said, "There is always strength in numbers. The more individuals or organizations that you can rally to your cause, the better." have that opportunity weekend - to add in additional Brothers to strengthen our Lodge. We cannot do that without everyone's assistance.

I look forward to meeting and talking with you all.

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Gus Sauerzopf



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Lodge Advisor

#### Virtual Chief:

Lodge Chief AJ Moreno phones in from Virginia Tech, over 300 miles away, for the Seotember Lodge Meeting.



Virtual Chief Leads the Lodge Song

#### PRISM:

brothers In late June. seven ventured to the Summit Bechtel Reserve (the home of the Jamboree) to experience the camp's offerings, lend service to the reservation, and rededicate themselves to the high ideals of Scouting and the OA.

Luke Carstens, Cameron Zach, Tyler Rollins, Gus Sauerzopf, Jackie Palmer, Andrew Coe, and Steve Scheidt spent four days in the hills of West Virginia enjoying the expansive program of the Summit, such as zip lining, archery, tomahawk throwing, rifle shooting, skateboarding, and a friendly couple games of basketballwhich the Octoraro adults of course won handedly, 10-0 and 10-2.

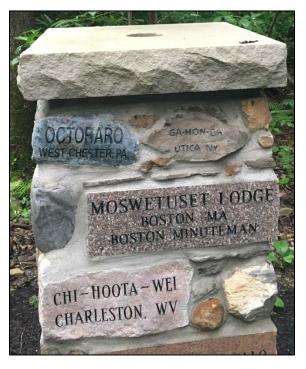


While there were plenty of activities in which to participate, the Octoraro contingent also lent their cheerful service to the "Tree Tops Zip Line" assisting area. other program members of #PRISM in cutting a new emergency evacuation trail in case zip lining **Scouts** or Scouters need expedited medical attention. In total 170 members of the OA from around the country (but predominantly from



the Southern region - the hosts for the event) ventured to the Summit for the

program, but also to share best practices and learn what each lodge cherishes and best exemplifies from the Order of the Arrow.



At the closing of #PRISM, the participants hiked from their camping site to the new National Order of the Arrow Ceremonial Circle. An impressive site, the circle boasted lodge "Brotherhood Rocks" from each current lodge and many "Legacy Rocks" from lodges no longer in existence due to mergers or other circumstances. The rich history of the OA has been captured in the original fire circle from Unami One, painstakingly transported from the OA's birthplace on Treasure Island rededicated at the Summit on April 2016. PRISM participants, including Octoraro 22 contingent members in the inaugural PRISM segment, were among the first to admire the fruits of such an undertaking.

Though short on program time (only two full days), PRISM was long on memories and stride: several participants clocked in over 40,000 steps on one of the days. But it was worth it. Some of the steps were out in the middle of nowhere getting lost

on the way to the rifle range, others were next to fellow Arrowmen on the newly forged trail. Others were into newly-hallowed ground in the ceremony circle. And each step, no matter how short or long, was in the name of Wimachtendienk.

### HSR 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Patch Design Contest:

#### **CALLING ALL DESIGNERS:**

In 2017, the Horseshoe Scout Reservation will celebrate its 90th year of Scouting adventure!

We are asking for your help with designing the logo for the anniversary. This logo



will be used on patches, clothing and other memorabilia for the year.

Of course, we will have prizes for the top 3 submissions -

1st place - a free week at camp in 2017

2nd place - a pizza and ice cream party for your unit at camp

3rd place - \$50 Amazon gift card

Submissions are due by November 15. Please email <a href="mailto:camping@cccbsa.org">cccbsa.org</a> with

your questions or submissions.



#### Conclave

This past June was the NE-6B Conclave, at Camp Tuckahoe, near Gettysburg, PA. Our hosts. Sasquesahanough 11, of the New Birth of Freedom Council, provided great programs. We enjoyed a weekend of training and fun activities, which included STEM activities such as drone flying, bridge building, and stream studying, as well as the everpopular Gaga Ball. We had more than 70 members come out to enjoy this weekend of fun. food. and fellowship.

Highlights include the opening and closing ceremonies, delicious meals, free swim, rededication ceremonies, and the Fellowship feast.

Save the date for next year's Conclave, June 9th through 11<sup>th</sup>, at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation, hosted by the Hawk Mountain Council's Lodge Kittatinny 5. The theme will be James Bond!





#### **Brotherhood:**



#### **Attention Ordeal Members**

Did you take your Ordeal in September 2015 or before?

Yes?: then **you** are eligible to **complete Brotherhood** this weekend!

#### Why should I complete Brotherhood?

- You fulfill the commitment you made during the Ordeal ceremony to **conclude the induction process** that you started when you were called-out as a candidate for the Ordeal.
- You gain further awareness of the Order's purpose.
- You learn the other part of the Legend... about Uncas' challenge while helping the Lenâpé force back the fierce marauders.
- You will meet new friends outside your troop.
- You discover what "service to others" really means.
- You rededicate yourself to the traditions of the Order of the Arrow.
- You learn the symbolism behind the two bars on your new Brotherhood sash.
- You set the example that other Arrowmen should follow.
- You gain a sense of belonging to something greater than yourself.
- You help the lodge earn the *Journey to Excellence* award.

**Adults**: The *Journey to Excellence* program does not distinguish between youth and adult members. Please **support the youth** in our lodge by completing your Brotherhood.

#### How can I sign-up to complete my Brotherhood?

Sign-ups are accepted up-to the start of the *Brotherhood Experience* at 1:30P.M. on Saturday afternoon in Goodman Pavilion. You may sign-up at the Brotherhood table in Goodman Pavilion during Friday evening registration. You may also sign-up at dining hall during Saturday breakfast or at McIlvaine Lodge between breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

How much does it cost? Are there any other requirements?

There is <u>no additional cost</u> to complete Brotherhood—you paid for Brotherhood when you paid for the Ordeal. The only other requirement is that your **2016 lodge dues are paid**; if you took your Ordeal in 2015, then your dues are already paid.

Octoraro Lodge 22 needs You!!!



### **Upcoming Events for 2016**

### September

Lodge Meeting: Council Service Center- September 11, 2:00pm

Fall Fellowship Weekend- September 23 – September 25

Last day to pay 2017 dues with discount- September 30

October

Cub Recruitment day- October 22-23

Blue Heron Fellowship Weekend- October 21- October 23

November

Lodge Leadership Development: Camp Horseshoe- November 4-5

Brotherhood Blitz: Camp Horseshoe- November 5

Lodge Meeting: Council Service Center- November 6, 2:00pm

December

Council Service Center Cleanup- December 4

Lodge Meeting: Council Service Center- December 4, 2:00pm

