

# The Wulamoc



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## **Lodge Chief's Minute**

Hello Brothers,

Over the last two months I have been proud to be the Lodge Chief of Octoraro 22, and I have been starting a few initiatives that I hope will get us back and better than ever. None of the things we have started could have been accomplished without the help of all our brothers. Right now my team and I are getting everything in order to make our service weekends the best they can be. We recently started a camp service weekend where brothers can come to camp and start cleaning up in preparation for summer camp. Right now I have a fantastic executives committee and I would love to see some new faces, so if you would like to join a position and become more active in the lodge, I can help you find one that fits perfectly. I want to again thank all the arrowmen that have helped me over the last few months and continue to help me. Stay Swag Octoraro,

- 2021 Lodge Chief Ben Merkle

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## **What's New in the Lodge?**

- Mentor Program
- Open Committees
- Previous workday

## **What is the Mentor Program?**

The mentor program is where you can teach new arrowmen what it really means to be an arrowman. That involves helping them out on weekends, answering questions they have about the Lodge or OA in general, and helping them become the best arrowman they can be. A mentor's goal is to increase the return of new brothers. I highly encourage you to become a mentor, it is a great way to practice your leadership and learning. To sign up to become a mentor, go to [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CJnSM36EXpNriT\\_ukngOo\\_cYBVZVNKu-QAuhWAHrd3s/edit](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CJnSM36EXpNriT_ukngOo_cYBVZVNKu-QAuhWAHrd3s/edit)

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## **Open Committees**

**Brotherhood-** The Brotherhood committee is the one for you if you like raising excitement, testing other's knowledge, or just want to see others achieve more. The Brotherhood committee is responsible for making sure brothers can learn about our order and want to keep coming back.

**Troop Representative-** The Troop Representative is the bridge between the Troop and the OA. Our Troop Representative chair is the one who helps the Troop Reps relay information and helps build excitement for our lodge. The Troop Representative is responsible for sending out correspondence and brief recap of the upcoming events as well as information from the Lodge Executive Committee meetings. The Youth Chair should build a Team of Scouts (minimum 1/District) willing to assist with Visitations.

**Unit Elections-** Unit Elections is the committee that organizes troop elections to help our lodge gain new members and promote the Order of the Arrow and all the activities we do . Ideally the Youth Chair will build a Committee of Brothers (1/District) to assist and cover Elections for one another if the designate cannot attend.

**Costumes-** The costume committee is in charge of keeping our Regalia clean and organized for our Ceremonies team.

**Communications-** If you are interested in Web design, social media, or creating content for the Lodge the communications may be a great fit for you!

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**Conclave-** If you have ever been to one of our section conclaves and wanted to help out and give your input and ideas on how to make it even better, conclave might be a great team to join!

**Camping Promotions-** If you love Camp Horseshoe and want to help even more people come to our camp, Camping Promotions is perfect for you. We want people with a love for camp to help us promote it even more. Responsibilities include ensuring all Camping opportunities are communicated to the Troop Representative Youth Chair – so that they can spread the word.

**Winter Staff-** Winter Camp Staff is a great committee if you want more of a reason to stay at Camp Horseshoe. Winter Staff get to do activities with the troops in camp and make winter camping even more exciting for the troops in camp.

**Projects-** Is leading others in doing service projects something you are interested in? Maybe just being a leader? With the projects committee, you get to do just that. At our service weekends, the Projects chair gets to lead everyone in service and help clean up the camp. You may even get to tell the Lodge Chief what to do.

**Trustee (2)-** The Trustee committee is in charge of the upkeep of our lodge. Our lodge is where we display our whole lodge history. If you like building, fixing, or plumbing the trustees are the perfect place for you.

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## **February 20th Workday**

On Saturday February 20th, we had a successful workday at Camp Horseshoe. We mulched a pile of wood in front of Rothrock, split some wood up near Headquarters, and much more. There will be more work days like this in the coming future. Thank you to all the brothers who came and helped out.

Future Work Days:

- March 20<sup>th</sup>, Camp Horseshoe
- March 27<sup>th</sup>, PARC (Evasive Species / Litter Removal)
- April 24<sup>th</sup>, Camp Horseshoe
- May 15<sup>th</sup>, Camp Horseshoe

Keep an eye out for future emails with information regarding these work days!

Camp and PARC need you!