

The Wulamoc

He Who Speaks Truly



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Letter from the Lodge Chief, Collin Wheeler

Brothers, it is my honor to welcome you to our 100th Annual Banquet! If we haven't had the pleasure of meeting, my name is Collin Wheeler, and I will be serving as your Lodge Chief for 2026. Our banquet is a time of reflection—an opportunity to look back on the achievements of the past year and to recognize those who have contributed so significantly to our success. Congratulations in advance to all of our award recipients!

We are honored to welcome several special guests this evening, including many former Chiefs of Octoraro 22 and our National Chief, Josh Nero. Please take a moment to connect with them and learn more about our lodge's history and legacy.

I strongly encourage you to attend our Rededication Ceremony at Hillsdale on May 17. Our Ceremonies Team and 100th Anniversary Committee have been working diligently to make this a meaningful and memorable event. Throughout this anniversary year, all members have the opportunity to earn the Centurion Service Award. The requirements can be found at octoraro22.org and in the QR code below. If you remain active and engaged, I am confident you will achieve it! In addition, those who earn the award will receive a special commemorative patch available only to recipients.

I hope you enjoy our 100th Annual Banquet and the rest of this historic anniversary year.

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Collin J. Wheeler
Octoraro 22 Lodge Chief

The Centurion Service Award

The Centurion Service Award is for those looking to participate in lodge activities and program and to rededicate themselves to the Order of the Arrow in this, the 100th anniversary of Octoraro Lodge 22. Members who complete the requirements are eligible to receive this patch. The Centurion Service Award Requirements sheet can be found within the QR code or the link posted above.



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Letter from the Lodge Adviser, Tom Savoy

Brothers,

Welcome to the Annual Banquet and the official kick off for our lodge’s centennial celebration! Tonight we are lucky to welcome many distinguished guests including our National Chief along with at least 12 of our former Lodge Chiefs! I would encourage you to meet and welcome all of them to our banquet. 100 years is a significant accomplishment, and our Lodge Leadership Team has many activities planned to celebrate our 100th year, including:

- Starting tonight with our 100th Anniversary banquet.
- Centennial rededication ceremony on 5/17 at Hillsdale.
- Special fellowship events at all Ordeal weekends.
- 100th Anniversary Lodge History Book.
- Special 100th Anniversary patch sets.
- Centurion Service Award, with a special 100th anniversary ghost lodge patch for members who complete the eligibility requirements.

We are also looking at expanding our fellowship activities during the year and already planning a day ski trip on March 8th and we are looking at a lodge trip to a baseball game later this year.

Our biggest event to support the National challenge to grow and retain Cub Scouts for 2026 is hosting and running the Cub Spook-O-Ree in October at Camp Horseshoe, which is always well attended and fun.

I would encourage you to sign up to help with this important event!

We look forward to continuing to grow our membership in 2026 with our efforts around our Troop Visitations program and new member engagement. I would encourage all Brothers to take back the message – we are here to serve you and to make your packs, troops and crews stronger than ever. It will take more than the leadership of the lodge; it will need to be a message carried by all. We have a strong tradition of helping not only Chester County Council but everyone in our daily lives through our daily actions as Arrowmen. With all the changes in today’s society and changes here in our Lodge there has never been a better time to be courageous, innovative, strong and confident. Our Lodge Leadership Teams may have new faces, but we need strong voices to emerge, rise and deliver new ways of working, thinking, and succeeding. The future of our Lodge will be created by a collective, diverse group of Brothers with the courage to be the evolution and the catalyst of change.

I challenge you to join our outstanding youth Lodge Leadership Team and I as we work to make 2026 the best year for our lodge and expand our lodge’s foundation for our second century!

I look forward to working with you all in the upcoming year to make a difference, one person at a time.

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Tom Savoy, Lodge Adviser



TIME LINE

Help Dr. E. Urner Goodgoose get to the banquet

Put events from pop-cultuer to world history and even lodge events in order.

Enjoy with a group of 2-6 arrowmen

Pick up a game on the back table

Participate in the Timeline Game!

100th Anniversary Rededication Ceremony at Camp Hillsdale

The registration for the 100th Anniversary Rededication Ceremony is open. It is on Sunday May 17, 2026 from 3 pm to 5:30 pm at Camp Hillsdale. Parking information will be communicated later. Attached is a QR code to go directly to the signup. The link is also at <https://octoraro22.org/register>.



Hillsdale - Bowers Mill

BROTHERHOOD TEAM

JOIN TODAY



TALK TO ETHAN SHIN OR NATE SAYLOR

- OR -

EMAIL BROTHERHOOD22@COMCAST.NET

COME JOIN A

COMMITTEE

TALK TO ANY YOUTH WITH A NAME TAG
- OR -
TALK TO COLLIN, GREG, OR WILL

Letter from 2000 Lodge Chief, Matt Griffin

When I think about 100 years of Octoraro Lodge, I don't first think about events or titles. I think about belief.

In 1994, I came home from school and found a message on our answering machine; for our younger members, that was essentially prehistoric voicemail. It was from the Lodge Chief, asking me to get involved; I was just 11 years old. I don't know what he saw in me, maybe just a kid eager to belong. But that simple act of trust opened a door that would shape the rest of my life.

The Order of the Arrow entrusts young people with real responsibility; not symbolic roles, but meaningful leadership. Sometimes we succeed brilliantly. Sometimes we stumble. But we are trusted to try. That trust builds confidence, resilience, and the lasting understanding that leadership isn't about position, it's about service.

Years later, I lost reelection as Lodge Chief. It was painful, but it reinforced an even deeper lesson. Leadership isn't defined by a sash or a title. It's defined by mindset, by showing up, by lifting others, and by continuing to serve regardless of recognition.

I remain involved today because someone once believed in me before I fully believed in myself. The next 100 years will not be built by tradition alone; they will be built by the courage to trust young people with real leadership. Let's choose to empower them, to guide them, and to believe in them long before they believe in themselves.

Letter from 2012 Lodge Chief, Alex Hughes

The last time I celebrated a hundredth anniversary for the Order of the Arrow, I was hurtling through the country in the back of a fifteen passenger van. On staff for the 2015 ArrowTour program, a roadshow to camps and councils across the country promoting the OA's centennial, I was front and center for the 100th summer of the OA. You could feel excitement on every stop rising with the summer heat. Life on that road made me imagine what our lodge's hundredth anniversary might look like. In the time since then, I know many of you have too.

Now the moment is upon us. The excitement sets in. Yet, all I can think of are memories of the years that led us to this one. Cramming into the basement of the old council service center on Super Meeting Sundays. Eating breakfast on rainy April mornings in the dining hall before a long day of service. Holding late night officer meetings at NOAC while sleep deprived to the point of delusion. Smoke rising off the embers of the countless ceremonial fires. Honking loudly and obnoxiously at conclaves. Most of all I remember friends who became brothers, and the brothers who brought us to this moment, no longer with us.

In all the lodges I saw on ArrowTour, and beyond, none bear so brilliantly a rich tradition as does Octoraro Lodge. That our lodge made it to this moment is because you hold that standard high. Our tradition is not plaques or acres or charters. It's you brothers who share fellowship, service, and the memories they bring. So cheers to one hundred years and here's to a hundred more years!

Meet your 2026 Officers!

Lodge Chief - Collin Wheeler



Our Lodge Chief is Collin Wheeler! Collin is an Eagle Scout from Troop 62 in Kemblesville, PA and is a Vigil Honor Member. Collin has served in various positions over the years, including communications chair and Vice Chief. At the section level, Collin has served as Section Vice Chief and also is currently serving as Section Secretary of E11. In his second year as Chief, Collin plans to strengthen the LLT and execute a strong 100th anniversary.

Vice Chief of Program - Will G.



Our Vice Chief of Program is Will G! He is currently a brotherhood member in our lodge and a Life Scout in Troop 73 Valley Forge PA. Since his ordeal, he's attended conclave, NOAC, LLD meetings, service weekends, and served on OA camp staff. He also worked as a Handicraft instructor at Camp Horseshoe, where some of you may have earned a merit badge with him. His goal is to make 2026 the best year our lodge has ever had as we celebrate our 100th anniversary. He is fully committed to putting in the time and effort needed to make this milestone unforgettable.

Vice Chief of Administration - Greg C.



Our Vice Chief of Administration is Greg C! You've probably seen him working at Camp Horseshoe as he was a CIT in 2023 and worked in Campcraft for the 2024 and 2025 seasons. In the lodge, he has helped out with the elangomat program and has been a part of the elections committee. He is a Brotherhood in the OA and a Life Scout out of Malvern Troop 7. He looks forward to helping out with all of the committees and their needs and to our 100th anniversary being a great one.

Corresponding Secretary - Sid P.



Our Corresponding Secretary is Sid P! He is looking forward to serving as our 2026 Corresponding Secretary. He is an Ordeal member and a Life Scout from Troop 216 in Lionville. Outside of the OA, he serves as ASPL of Service in NYLT and has served as SPL of his troop. He hopes to get to know all of you better so we can have a great 100th anniversary!

Recording Secretary - TJ B.



Our 2026 Recording Secretary is TJ B! You may have seen him working at Handicraft as an instructor or camping with his troop, Devon 50. In the lodge, he's served as the Brotherhood Chair and a Fellowship Team member. Outside of Scouting, he plays trombone in his school marching band and is a member of the school's Vex Robotics team. Looking at the year to come, he is excited to create a fantastic 100th anniversary celebration.

Treasurer - Camille B.



Our Treasurer is Camille B! She started her Scouting journey in 2019 and she is currently a Life Scout in Troop 19. In the OA, she is serving as our Ceremonies chair and recently ended her term as Vice Chief of Program. During this past year, she kept her vigil in April 2025 and worked on camp staff for her third year. She is thrilled to kick off the new year as our Lodge Treasurer and excited to serve us for 2026!

General Lodge Information

2026 Calendar

March 8: Lodge Ski Trip

Shawnee Mountain

April 12: Lodge Meeting

PARC

April 24-26: Lodge Service Weekend

Horseshoe Scout Reservation

May 17: 100th Anniversary Rededication Ceremony

Camp Hillsdale

May 29 - 31: Section E11 Conclave

Camp Tuckahoe

June 5-7: Lodge Service Weekend

Horseshoe Scout Reservation

July 17-18: Vigil Weekend

Horseshoe Scout Reservation

August 30: Lodge Meeting

PARC

September 25-27: Lodge Fellowship Weekend

Horseshoe Scout Reservation

September 30: Last Day to pay 2027 Discounted Dues

www.octoraro22.org/register

November 1: Lodge Meeting/Vigil Pre-Selection

PARC

November TBD: LLD

PARC

December 6: Lodge Meeting

PARC

December 12: Brotherhood Blitz

Camp Horseshoe

Banquet Group Photos at 4:30 p.m.

Get Your Event Photo with the Virtual 100th Anniversary Background! From 4:30 PM to 5:00 PM, Andrew Coe will be taking group photos with a virtual background that includes the 100th Anniversary Logo. It's like red carpet photos at a movie premiere or gala, but this is Octoraro - so think of it as a magenta carpet!

After 5:30 PM, the photos will be uploaded and available to download free using the QR code located here. Then post the photo(s) to your social media using the hashtag #OA22100 to get credit for the Centurion Award!

