

# Arrow Points

## Pre-Camp 2017

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# Mowogo Lodge 243

## Chiefly Speaking

Brothers,

I recently went to see a movie that changed my view on life. This movie was *Hidden Figures*. If you haven't had the privilege of seeing, I highly recommend it. It is about three colored women in the early 60's that use their intelligence to break down both race and gender barriers at NASA. There is a particular scene that taught me a significant amount about brotherhood. Near the beginning of the film the three women are broken down on the side of the road. They are trying to fix their car when a police officer pulls up. At first this officer was racist with the women. He asked to see their I.D.'s and was suspicious about them owning a car. The officer then asked where they were headed, where he learned that the women were on their way to work at NASA. The officer was skeptical until he was shown their NASA badges. His tone switched immediately towards these women. He asked them if he could help repair their car and even gave them an escort all the way to work. Why did his tone shift so suddenly? Well the 1960's was in the heat of the space race with the Soviet Union. The officer saw the importance of their contribution and wanted to help them in any way he could. In simpler terms, his nationalistic senses outweighed his racist ones. He set aside their small meaningless differences to support the bigger cause. I think we can all benefit from this lesson. We are all different in many ways, but most of us are working towards similar visions. If we could learn to set aside those differences and learn to work together the world would be a much better place. Let the spirit of brotherhood drive you to help others achieve their goals, they might even help you achieve yours.

WWW,

*Cy Roth*

2017 Lodge Chief





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## Chief Updates

### Vice Chief of Membership

Brothers,

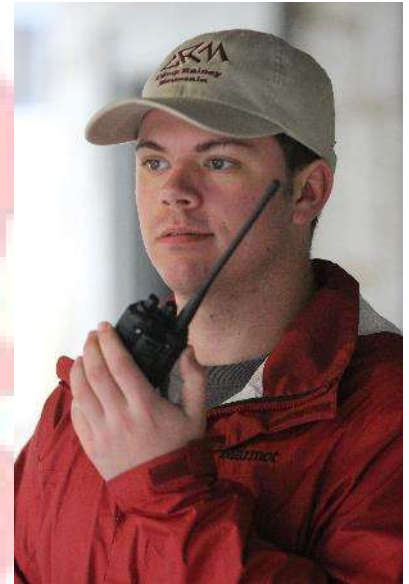
In the past couple of months, I have been working on recruiting for Pre-Camp, prepping for Conclave, and prepping for Pre-Camp. We had an extremely successful Conclave thanks to many devoted Arrowmen who competed in competitions and taught classes. On a similar note, NOAC 2018 is fast approaching and we have limited space. If you have an interest in going to this event at Indiana University, please get in contact with someone on the Lodge Leadership team.

I look forward to seeing you all at PreCamp Fellowship 2017!

Yours in Service,

*Shaun McManus*

2017 Vice Chief of Membership



### Vice Chief of Indian Affairs

Brothers,

At Conclave, they held a great pow wow. Sadly, our drum team did not place. We had a number of Fancy, Chicken, and Grass dancers. Hunter White and some others placed in Fancy dance. Alex Carmichael placed second in both regalia and dance for Chicken dance. He also honored in the Vigil Ceremony.

Yours in Brotherhood,

*Jonathan "JJ" Murray*

2017 Vice Chief of Indian Affairs







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## Chief Updates



### Vice Chief of Administration

Brothers,

There are lots of new and exciting things going on in the Lodge Administration Department! Please take some time and read about them below!

#### Trading Post

**Got Some Extra Cash? Come on over to the Trading Post Real Fast!** New Merchandise in the OA Trading Post will include OA Tumblers, Frisbees, Jackets, Vests, Backpacks, and more! The Trading Post Hours are displayed at the Dining Hall, Admin Building, OA Trading Post, and various other locations around camp. We are located next door to the Camp Trading Post. Please come visit us!

Also, be sure to check out the **MOBILE TRADING POST** in the dining hall during Cracker Barrel and in various other locations around camp during the weekend.

#### Trading Post Staff

**Are you an organized and energetic youth looking for an exciting way to get plugged into the lodge?** The Trading Post is currently looking for youth staff members! Youth Staff Members work two or three two hour shifts during each Lodge event. Youth Staff Members are called Sales Associates. They report to the Lead Sales Associate who reports to the Trading Post Chairman. Before becoming a Sales Associate, Youth complete a Training Shift where they learn all of the necessary skills. While working in the Trading Post, they have lots of fun and learn valuable skills! If you are interested in joining the Trading Post Staff, please speak with a Sales Associate Today.

#### First Impressions

**Do you have way too much energy and you don't know what to do with it?** Join the First Impressions Team! The First Impressions Team's mission is to provide both new and returning members with a positive and efficient check in, arrival and departure experience as well as congratulate new members for completing their ordeal both after each ceremony and before dinner. If you are interested in joining the First Impressions Team please speak with a team member today!

I look forward to seeing each of you this weekend. I would like to encourage each of you to get plugged in and involved in the Lodge!

Yours in Cheerfulness,

*Adam W. Foe*

2017 Vice Chief of Administration





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## Chapter Reports

### Machque Chapter

Brothers,

Pre-Camp is here, and Machque Chapter is excited to see more scouts join the Order of the Arrow. Recently, we had the Heartland Gathering (Conclave), and Machque Chapter had a total of 26 youth and adults present at the event. Leading up to the Gathering, Machque Chapter had multiple practices for Indian dance and for the new drum team. Evan Bryan, Parker Scott, and Hunter White competed in fancy dancing at the Heartland Gathering. Hunter placed 1st in regalia and 2nd in dance, Parker placed 3rd in dance, and Evan placed 3rd in regalia. David Stratton worked as the lead arrowman building the new drum team, and next year we plan to supply a team to compete at the 2018 Heartland Gathering. Many members of Machque Chapter were also a part of the Mowogo Lodge Ultimate frisbee team, champions of the SR9. Furthermore, Machque Chapter is currently working on our goal to participate in an activity with every troop in our chapter. We have also made a goal to plan and create our own election video for troop elections in the late fall of 2017. So far it has been a great year, and we plan to continue showing why it is such a great year to "Be Active."

Yours in Service,

*Devin Saunders*

Chapter Chief







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### Ani-Gatogewi Chapter

Brothers,

Since Fellowship we have a lot going on in our chapter. We visited two cub scout packs (Packs 1 and 149) and lead them in drumming and dancing. We had two recent elections and had 16 newly elected youth ordeal candidates and three new adult ordeal candidates. At Spring Fellowship, we had 14 members go through their ordeal, 4 go through their brotherhood, and one member tapped out for Vigil. We are planning on having a chapter meeting this summer and we are looking forward to another great year of service,

Yours in Service,

*Ben Haas*

Chapter Chief







## Chapter Reports



### Canantutlaga Chapter

Brothers

For the past two months, our chapter has had very good presence at district and unit events as well as planning and preparing for Precamp! We wrapped up our election season, and made sure that we the candidates could register for their ordeal, and we ran multiple cub scout crossover ceremonies. Also, we had representatives at Apalachee's Days of Service where we exemplified the spirit of service among our brothers. As far as preparation for pre-camp, we held our informational meeting for the new ordeal members in March where we introduced the different areas of our order. In April, we met for a bowling night to show our cheerfulness as a brotherhood while having fun and eating food, pictured below. We look forward to our performance at the Precamp campfire because we know it will impress! our next chapter meeting will be an end of the school year cookout, so don't forget Canantutlaga members!

Yours in Service,

*Janod Millen*

Chapter Chief



### Yona-hi Chapter

Brothers,

Yona-Hi chapter has been busy since our last newsletter.

We have added two new trained Elangomats, Taylor and Thomas Vick.

Our chapter members performed the OA Eagle Ceremony in two Eagle Courts of Honor, for myself and Adam Fox.

Thanks to my mom sewing late into the night, our chapter now has ceremonial regalia. We now have the equipment necessary to support our units through Arrow of Light and Crossover ceremonies.

A special thanks to Brother Adam Fox for performing the duties of Allowat at my COH, even though his Eagle Court of Honor was the next day.

Yours in Service,

*Remington Smith*

Chapter Chief



"Deep Fry-Everything" Fellowship Meet-N-Greet





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## Chapter Reports



### Japeechen Chapter

Brothers,

Japeechen Chapter is having a great 2017! Since Spring Fellowship, we have seen an increase in participation at chapter meetings with newly inducted Ordeal members getting involved in the chapter! We had a blast with our most recent chapter meeting at Dairy Queen in May! Many brothers from Japeechen served as elangomats and some more became certified at Spring Fellowship, and they plan to serve the lodge again as elangomats at Pre-Camp! We hope to see all of our brothers supporting the lodge at the events and with the activities such as the Elangomats and Indian Affairs! A few new Ordeal brothers became interested in drumming, and we encourage other brothers to be involved in Indian Affairs in the lodge. We just recently finished all of the Unit Elections, and we expect many new brothers to be inducted into our brotherhood this weekend! We look forward to the amazing campfire this weekend filled with your chapters' entertaining skits and songs! We had a great weekend of fellowship, training, and fun at Heartland Gathering! We look forward to a great Pow Wow this fall! Lastly, we would like to congratulate all brothers in the lodge who were bestowed with the Vigil Honor!

Yours in Service,

*Ryan Strogensky*

Chapter Chief

### Jutaculla Chapter

Brothers,

I hope you are having an amazing time at pre-camp. To those who have completed their ordeal, congrats, and go serve you fellow scouts who have elected you for this honor. The word on the patch for this weekend is service. The order of the arrow founder E. Urner Goodman once said "he who serves his fellow is of his fellows greatest. This is important to me because it reminds me of the charge Allowat Sakima gave me in the pre- ordeal ceremony "to spend a day in arduous labor". I don't think this should just apply for one day because there is more work that needs to be done than can be completed in one day. Serving your troop can be spending a day in labor, one example of this is to teach the square knot using the edge method or to serve the council by working on summer camp staff. So, to my fellow brothers I URGE YOU to find what is difficult for you to do with your troop and council, and spend some time in labor so that you may see the cheerfulness that comes from serving others. Go and serve so that the fire of service may burn bright in your heart.

Yours in Brotherhood,

*Beau Bannette*

Chapter Chief







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# Spring Fellowship







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# Heartland Gathering

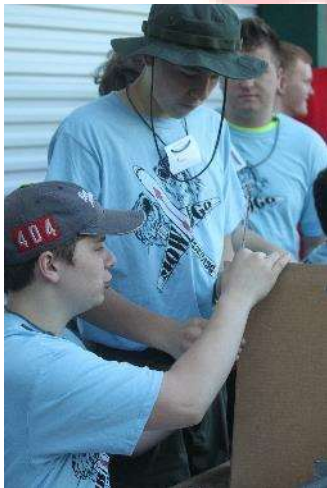






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# Heartland Gathering







## Lodge Adviser's Minute



### The Butterfly Effect

Do you make a difference? When you move, act, when you do something, is there really a lasting change or effect on the world? In other words, “Do you really matter”? Can something or someone as small and insignificant as you truly make an impact on the world? I truly believe you can – allow me to give you just one example.

In 1961, a man named Edward Lorenz was running a numerical computer model to redo a weather prediction. As a shortcut, he entered the condition of 0.506 instead of entering the full precise number of 0.506127. The result was two completely different weather scenarios. Although he was originally laughed at by the scientific community, the theory he developed from this mistake has now been recognized as a law called, “the law of sensitive dependence upon initial conditions” or as you may know it, “The Butterfly Effect”. The idea is that a butterfly can flap its wings and move molecules in one part of the world and as these molecules collide with others the exponential effect could cause a tornado or hurricane on the opposite side of the world.

Science has now shown the butterfly effect to engage with the very first movement of any form of matter – including people. In 2004 ABC highlighted their “Person of the Week”. His name? Norman Borlaug. “Who?” you may ask. In the 1940’s, Norman bred a hybrid strain of corn that could be grown in climates from the dust bowl of West Africa to South and Central America; to Siberia to our own Southwest US. It is said that because of him, more than two billion lives (and counting) were saved from famine.

So, did Norman Borlaug actually save two billion people from starvation? Well, actually when we apply the Butterfly Effect, it was actually Henry Wallace who saved two billion people. Henry was the Vice President under Franklin Roosevelt’s second term. He was the former Secretary of Agriculture and as such he used the power of that office to create a station in Mexico for the sole purpose of hybridizing corn and wheat – and he hired Norman Borlaug to run it. And so, although it was Norman Borlaug who won the Nobel Prize and was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, it was really Henry Wallace that saved two billion people..... or was it?

Have you ever heard of George Washington Carver? You know, the dude that came up with so many uses for the peanut. When old GW was 19 years old and a student at Iowa State University, he had a dairy sciences professor who would, on Saturdays and Sundays, bring his six-year-old son to “botanical expeditions” with the brilliant GW Carver. Young GW took that six-year-old boy in and instilled in him a love for plants and a vision for what they could do for humanity. Who was the six-year-old boy? You may have guessed it, he was Henry Wallace who would eventually become the Secretary of Agriculture and the Vice President of the United States. GW flapped his wings and the result was not just finding 266 uses for a peanut, or 88 uses for a sweet potato, but he influenced a six-year-old boy which resulted in two billion lives being saved from famine. So he should actually have been ABC’s “person of the week” ..... or should he?





## Lodge Adviser's Minute



There was once a farmer from Missouri named Moses. He lived in a slave state and he was often a target for Quantrill's Raiders. One cold January night, Quantrill's raiders rode through Moses' farm and burned the barn, shot several people, and dragged off a woman named Mary Washington who refused to let go of her infant son, George. Moses' wife Susan was Mary Washington's friend. Susan worked diligently to arrange a meeting between Moses and the bandits. Once arranged, Moses met with the bandits who were on horseback and wearing hoods over their heads; carrying torches. Moses traded the only horse he had left for a bundle wrapped in a dirty burlap sack. As the Raiders thundered off on their horses, Moses pulled from the bag a cold, naked, and almost dead baby boy. Placing the boy against his own skin to keep him warm, he walked through the entire night to get back to his farm - only to find that the boy's mother had died. Then and there, Moses and Susan committed themselves to caring for the boy. To honor his mother, they committed to seeing the boy received a good education. That night, Susan and Moses Carver gave their own name to that little baby, George Washington. So, it was really the Carvers who saved two billion people from famine... unless...

How far back or how far forward in your own life would we have to go to show the difference that you make? There are generations yet unborn whose very lives will be shifted and shaped by every move you make. Every single thing you do.... matters. You have been created as one of a kind, and there has never been one like you, and there never will be again. You have been created to make a difference and you have the power within you to change the world.

The difference between the numbers 0.056 and 0.056127 is "one hundred and twenty-seven millionths", and yet it resulted in a totally separate and different weather model prediction. If one hundred and twenty-seven millionths of makes a difference, imagine what you can do! Your actions cannot be saved for later or used selectively on just one group or person. The very beating of your heart has a purpose, and it has significant meaning.

The ancient warrior and strategist Sun Tzu once said, "If you know the enemy and know yourself, you need not fear the result of a hundred battles. If you know yourself but not the enemy, for every victory gained you will also suffer a defeat. If you know neither the enemy nor yourself, you will succumb in every battle." So, the first part of understanding how to live this battle we call life is to know yourself – and you should understand that sometimes the enemy is not another person, but your own fears, misunderstandings, or preconceived notions. So most importantly, you must know yourself.

Seek to find what your purpose may be – determine the meaning of the beating of your heart. Remember that your actions have value far greater than gold or silver. Never forget that what you do with your life today..... matters forever.

Yours in Brotherhood,

*Edward Lacey*

Mowogo Lodge Adviser







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## Mowogo Communication



**Out of touch? Get plugged in!**

**Question:** How do I stay up to date with what is happening in the lodge?

**Answer:** Register your email address with lodge administration team so you will get email updates from lodgemaster.

**Question:** What if I don't have time to read emails?

**Answer:** Check out the website at <http://www.mowogo.org>

**Question:** How can I get updates if don't want to go to the website?

**Answer:** Like MOWOGO243 on facebook to get the latest updates for upcoming events.

**Question:** Facebook is so old school, any other ways?

**Answer:** Follow Mowogo Lodge on Twitter @Mowogo243

**Question:** I really do not get the whole tweet thing; can you just text me info?

**Answer:** Glad you ask! Yes, yes we can. SMS/Text @MowogoLodge243 to 23559

**You will be asked for a password, reply: BlackBear**

**The next message:** To join @MowogoLodge243 reply with your Celly username (6-20 chars no spaces)

**Reply with back with a username to finish the setup.**

**Lodge Communication Team**



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to 23559 (Password: BlackBear)

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