

# Arrow Points

## Pow-Wow 2017

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# Mowogo Lodge 243

## Chiefly Speaking

Brothers,

This summer I had an amazing experience. I decided to exploit not one but two individual opportunities at Philmont in New Mexico. The first week of my journey was spent at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp where I participated in the National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience(NAYLE). Even though that was awesome, I would like to focus on the second part of my trip. The second adventure was Order of the Arrow Trail Crew. We started this experience in Base Camp (like always) where I got to meet all of the Arrowmen that I would bond with over the next 2 weeks. I had the privilege of working with some of the best scouts from all over the nation. We then set off to our worksite. The first week of OATC is spent in service. We were building a new trail up the South West side of Mount Phillips. In 6 days and 42 hours per man we completed about a half mile of trail. It doesn't sound like much, but it was one of the most meaningful and satisfying projects I had ever taken part in. I am so happy about all of the future hikers that will appreciate the nature of Philmont just like I did. We then set out on our trek. During the work week, my crew drew up a rough six-day trek that we had all agreed on. Our foremen modified the trek based on past experience and certain requirements, but it was still our own unique journey. My crew did a 6-day tour of the South Country, we hit places like Cyphers Mine, Carson Meadows, Harlan, and Black Mountain. Our journey was 74 miles long, but it wasn't long enough. There were so many other little things that only OATC gets to do, that I wanted to stay for the rest of the summer. It was all the extra little things that makes OATC so special. If you want to figure what these things are, I guess you'll have to go yourself. I completely recommend any and all OA High Adventure programs. In my opinion, they are the best way to experience any high adventure base, because of the lasting legacy I left and the incredible memories I will cherish forever.

WWW,

*Cy Roth*

2017 Lodge Chief





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## Chief Updates

### Vice Chief of Membership

Arrowmen,

It has been an extreme pleasure to serve you for the past two years as a Vice Chief of this Lodge. The improvements we have made together have surpassed what we thought was possible a few years ago. It has been an honor to serve under two incredible Lodge Chiefs and I have the privilege of calling both Cy Roth and Chris Steele some of my best friends. I am happy to announce to the Lodge that I will be running for the helm of Lodge Chief for the upcoming calendar year. I have been thinking over the past few months about everything that I could do for this Lodge and I have made the decision that this is my next step. I would love for you to come up to me and ask me about what I plan on doing for the upcoming year throughout the weekend or you will hear it in my speech.

Yours in Service,

*Shaun McManus*

2017 Vice Chief of Membership



### Vice Chief of Administration

Brothers,

No article submitted.

Yours in Cheerfulness,

*Adam Free*

2017 Vice Chief of Administration







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## Chief Updates



### Vice Chief of Indian Affairs

Brothers,

At Indian Summer we did a lot of service in preparation for the eclipse. We also had a brotherhood conversion at which Collin McGinnis and Cody Gordan got their Brotherhoods.

I would also like to say thank you to the engineers and ceremonialists who helped me at precamp. I would first like to thank my Ceremonies chair Jake Wiggs, along with Beau Barnett, Alex Carmichael, Chris Steele, Luke Royston, Ryan Strozensky, Devin Saunders, Will Carroll, Cameron Williams, Aiden Finnegan, Joseph McNair and Remington Smith.

I'd also like to thank my engineers starting with my chair Briar Stevens as well as Matthew Myers and Jake Wiggs. Just again, a huge thanks to all those who worked together to make these events successful. If you are looking for a way to get involved in OA, please consider Indian Affairs. Being active is a great way to get to know your brother arrowmen and become more involved with other activities in the Order.

Yours in Brotherhood,

*JJ Murray*

2017 Vice Chief of Indian Affairs





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## Chapter Reports

### Machque Chapter

Brothers,

What a tremendous summer it has been for the Order of the Arrow. In Machque Chapter, we had a tremendous amount of opportunities and accomplishments through our wonderful group of service. From the end of Pre-Camp to this current week, Machque Chapter has been thoroughly involved in all manner of participation in service and the adventure of Scouting. From Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico, to the National Boy Scout Jamboree in Jean, West Virginia, Machque Chapter has been impacting the world around them. Over the summer, our council was able to send a group of youth to Philmont where they were given the opportunity to hike in the mountains of New Mexico and to experience a completely unique form of the great outdoors. On the other end of the map, Machque had a tremendous group of people who offered themselves in service at the National Jamboree in various roles throughout. Included in this group of staffers were Luke Royston, Devin Saunders, Uriah Giet, Thomas French, Terry Bramlett, Ruth Bramlett, Tom Orchanian, and Kristy Kumler. These outstanding people gave tremendous time and effort on the behalf of Scouters from across the world that they might have such an experience in Scouting that it would be life changing. Furthermore, at Camp Rainey Mountain Luke Royston served on waterfront staff for the summer. Looking forward to the NEGA Council's fall camporee, Machque Chapter is working very hard to organize OA troop elections and the Callout ceremony that will be held in recognition of these upcoming brothers in service. As we look to the end of the year and a new group of leaders within the chapter, may we remember to always look to serve others with humility and seek to live by the Scout Oath, and Law.

Yours in Service,

*Uriah Giet*

Chapter Vice-Chief of Communications





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### Ani-Gatogewi Chapter

Brothers,

Don't let the blistering sun and bad weather bring you down, get hipped and get ready for another great year! Speaking of another great year, let me discuss how great the year has been for the Ani-Gatogewi chapter. Since last year's PowWow, the AGG chapter has accomplished many great feats, gaining new members and expressing ourselves throughout our community through service and events. We have acquired 20 new Ordeal members, 4 Brotherhood conversions, and even a Vigil honor. The chapter has completed over 55 hours of hard working service on the chapter's official Boy Scout Camp, Camp Rotary, where we also held a District Arrow of Light and Crossover Ceremony for 19 new Boy Scouts back in March. We have visited two local packs, Pack 1 and Pak 149, to teach Beat the Drum requirements for the Bear members, and showed these Cub Packs what the Order of the Arrow is all about.

We are all looking forward to seeing all you PowWow veterans again, and can't wait to meet the new comers. Best of luck to everyone in games for the Black Bear, and good luck to the candidates of leadership for all chapter and lodge positions.

Yours in Service,

*Raine Somerville*

Chapter Chief







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### Canantutlaga Chapter

Brothers

Canantutlaga is going strong, and are charged to start off the school year with many activities of service and fellowship! Since Precamp, we met in May for an informational meeting with a cookout. We reconvened in August with a School year cookout where we discussed the upcoming events as well as different ways to get involved in the lodge. Later this year, we will have multiple more meetings including a service project and a guest speaker.

Yours in Service,

*Jarrod Millen*

Chapter Chief

### Yona-hi Chapter

Brothers,

Over the past two months, Yona-Hi chapter continued its service within the community by continuing to maintain the Little Free Library at Martin Technology Academy of Math and Science. We continued our service by participating in the Indian Affairs Day at Camp Rainey Mountain. At that event, we performed service to prepare for the Solar Eclipse event. In the coming months, we will focus on getting all units to hold elections. Our chapter is suffering from a loss of anyone with drumming/singing and dance experience. We need our adults with Indian affairs experience to attend our October 12th meeting. 7pm at Redwine UMC.

Yours in Service,

*Remington Smith*

Chapter Chief





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### Japeechen Chapter

Brothers,

Japeechen Chapter had a great summer with many brothers attending Philmont and the National Scout Jamboree at Summit Bechtel Reserve. We also had many brothers from Japeechen work on Rainey Mountain Camp Staff this summer. On October 20-22, Japeechen Chapter is helping with the local Moonshine Festival where scouts can earn money to add to their NOAC 2018 fund. At the August Chapter meeting, we had the highest attendance all year with 30% of brothers attending were new Ordeal members this year! We are looking forward to a weekend full of fun, fellowship, great training cells and quest events! We hope to see you all there on The Quest for the Black Bear!

Yours in Service,

*Ryan Strogensky*

Chapter Chief

### Jutaculla Chapter

Brothers,

Welcome to pow wow where WE WILL TAKE THE BLACK BEAR! There will be many fun games this weekend such as dodgeball and ultimate Frisbee. We will also be holding chapter and lodge elections this weekend. I am Running for Lodge Vice Chief of Indian Affairs(VCIA) so please vote for me so I can help better our lodge through the Ceremonies teams, Drum team, Dance team and The Indian engineers. We also have a chapter service day coming up in November that everyone should attend. Christmas Banquet on the horizon along with troop elections. I hope everyone has a great time this weekend as we fellowship as a lodge.

Yours in Brotherhood,

*Beau Bannette*

Chapter Chief







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Pre-Camp 2017







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# Pre-Camp 2017







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# Indian Summer







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## Indian Summer







## Lodge Adviser's Minute



### ALWAYS LEAVE THE DANCE BEFORE BEING ASKED TO LEAVE

As you can tell by looking at my face...I'm a fighter. Yes, at 51 years young I'm still fighting. I was at a karate tournament last Saturday but had to only judge because of recovering from the Achilles injury. It was painful to not be able to get into the ring. It's not the violence that I enjoy, (although in my profession one must be able and willing to do violence to protect one's self and others). I think that it is the brotherhood. There exists a sportsmanship and camaraderie among fighters that cannot be explained. In the ring, I feel alive, and after the fight, win or lose; I have normally made a lasting friendship based upon respect. It really is just like Seraph said to Neo in The Matrix, "You never truly know someone until you fight them".

Contrary to what you may think, a fighter's greatest enemy is not the person he taps gloves with before the fight. His greatest enemy is the person living inside. It is his mind, will, and emotion. To be a champion, you must defeat "Self" (just as the Ordeal taught you to subordinate your desires). A good fighter must discipline himself or he will suffer defeat. This discipline must exist in as well as out of the ring for him to win inside the ring, and out.

Muhammad Ali was arguably one of the best boxers of all time. His movement and ring generalship were art forms. But even the best fighter of all time had difficulty walking away from the sport of boxing. In 1978 he lost the world championship title. He gained it back later that same year in a rematch. Instead of retiring on top as the champion, he returned to the ring in 1980. After beating Larry Holmes, he lost his title to Trevor Berbick with no way of earning it back. Two years later, it became a topic of public discussion that Ali was having some issues. It would not be for some time that he would later be diagnosed with Parkinson's disease which claimed his life in 2016.

My karate coach and I have talked a great deal about knowing when to say when. He tried his best to keep Robert Harris (his two-time World Kickboxing Champion) from coming out of retirement at age 40. Against his advice, Robert's return was short-lived, and he did not retire as a champion. I heard my coach say that a fighter should have the discipline to know to retire when he is on top, instead of retiring after being pulled down. I then watched that happen. I had another friend that once told me, "A man should always leave the dance before being asked to leave".





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## Lodge Adviser's Minute



Thinking on that last piece of advice, I believe it is very applicable to scouting. After all, this is what happened to Fred McMurray's character in the movie "Follow Me Boys", is it not? He had outlived his prime as scoutmaster and he couldn't keep up. Everyone loved him and respected his investment in the troop, yet no one wanted to come to him and ask him to step down. No one who loves an organization should cause that group to suffer by hanging onto a position in such a way as to prevent new infusion of leadership. Neither should he ever place another person in the awkward position so as to have them come to him to ask his to step down.

These have always been fears of mine. That's why, as scoutmaster of Troop 402, I resigned every year. You should have seen Jon Jones' face (our committee chairman) when I turned in my letter of resignation that first year. He asked, "What's wrong?" I said, "Nothing". He said, "Why do you want to quit?" I replied, "I don't". He asked, "Then, what can I say to get you to stay?" and I said, "Just ask". The look on his face was priceless. I gave up that position to be your Lodge Adviser.

I said all that to say that it is time for me to step down as your Lodge Adviser. The past seven years have been awesome – the absolute best time of my scouting career. But, seven years is too long to go without an infusion of new leadership. A lot changes in seven years. Both my sons graduated from college. They both got married, and as of Pow Wow weekend 2016 my first grandchild was born. I retired from the Cherokee Sheriff's Office and five years ago took up the position as police chief in Ellijay. I have a lot going on and I am afraid that I cannot adequately balance all the things that are needed to balance in order to give the best lodge in the country the advisement that it deserves. Don't get me wrong – I'm not leaving scouting and you're not getting rid of me that easily. I just believe that it is time to finish strong, and to leave the dance before being asked.

I love you all for the tremendous memories; for the support you have given me; for putting up with me; and for allowing me to serve this long as your Adviser.

This year at Christmas Banquet we will transfer power from one LEC to another and look forward to another great year in the Order. This will come and go just as always with one exciting difference; the installment of a new Lodge Adviser. See you there. Mowogo! Mowogo! Mowogo!

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)

### General Member Login

Username: Mowogo243

Password: Alto2013

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## Pow-Wow Schedule

### Friday

Time/Event	Location
6:00- Check-in	Admin Building
6:30- Pre-Event Meeting	Admin Building
8:30- Opening Campfire/Rededication	Amphitheater
To follow camp fire- Cracker Barrel	Dining Hall
10:45- Vigil Meeting	OA Trading Post Porch
11:00- Lights out	Campsites

### Saturday

Time/Event	Location
8:00- Breakfast	Dining Hall
9:00- 11:50 Training Cells	Handicraft, Trading Post, & Archery
12:00- Lunch	Dining Hall
12:30- Meet the Man	Dining Hall
1:15- 5:30 Quest for the Black Bear	Parade Field & Bear Field
6:00- Dinner	Dining Hall
7:00- Election	Dining Hall
8:00- Chapter Meeting & Election	See Chapter Chief
9:00- Auction	Dining Hall
10:00- Cracker Barrel	Dining Hall
11:00- Lights out	Campsites

### Sunday

Time/Event	Location
8:30- Breakfast	Dining Hall
9:00- Religious Service	Dining Hall
9:30- LEC	Dining Hall

