Spring Conclave/Ordeal Weekend - May 18-20

All Arrowmen: Our Spring Conclave/Ordeal Weekend is coming up! The weekend is open to all O.A. members and newly elected candidates. We ask every O.A member to be present and acting in accordance of the lodge’s values in order to lead by example. Help us welcome and greet our newly elected brothers and walk alongside them in their journey.

When & Where: The 2018 Spring Conclave will be at Lewis and Clark Scout Camp Friday, May 18th and conclude Sunday, May 20th. The event will begin at 6:00 p.m. Friday evening, and we will conclude on Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m., or soon thereafter as cleanup and checkout are completed.

Registration: Please pre-register as soon as possible by either sending in your check and registration form to Sioux Council at 800 N. West Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57104, or by online registration, www.siouxcouncil.org, click on Go to Events in the red Events box, scroll down to OA Spring Conclave May 18-20, 2018 and click on Register Now. If you have any questions or trouble with the online registration please contact Sioux Council. Every member of Tetonwana Lodge is encouraged to join in this time of cheerful service and fellowship.

Check-in: Check-in will be from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the camp’s Administration Building. Ordeal candidates must arrive and check in no later than 8:30 p.m. in order to participate in the Pre-Ordeal ceremony. PLEASE DO NOT BE LATE as it delays the program and ceremonies.

Cost: The cost is $35 for Ordeal candidates, $25 for Brotherhood candidates, and $20 for general members. Everyone is asked to pre-register ASAP.

Camping: After checking in on Friday, Ordeal candidates and members are to set up their tents in designated chapter areas.

Tailgate Party: The Lodge will hold it’s traditional “Tailgate Party” while everyone is arriving. It will feature food, beverage, fun, and fellowship. There is no charge, but a good-will donation is greatly appreciated.
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Tools Needed: Various tools are needed for the projects taking place at camp. The following tools will greatly help out the weekend projects such as: bow saws, pruners, brush clippers, wheel barrows, spades, shovels, rakes, paint brushes, chair saws & fuel (must be 18 to operate and chain saw trained), and ladders. Marking instruments will be available to mark your property if not marked already. Painting projects will also be carried out. Please bring work clothes or clothes you don’t mind getting dirty. Few things are as discouraging during these service times as having a great crew of enthusiastic volunteers and plenty of good jobs to be done, but not the appropriate tools to complete the projects. Please bring whatever tools you can.

Showers: Shower facilities will be made available during the weekend.

Elangomats and Nimats needed: Arrowmen are needed to give service to the lodge and their fellow Arrowmen by serving as an Elangomat or Nimat. Elangomats are those Arrowmen who unselfishly go through the Ordeal as a friend to new O.A. candidates. Nimats are those Brotherhood members who help Ordeal members obtain their Brotherhood. Both opportunities are an excellent way of fulfilling one of the requirements for advancement to the next level of membership in the Order.

Ceremonies team looking for new members: The Tetonwana Lodge is looking for Arrowmen who would like to serve the lodge as a member of the ceremonies team. Serving as a member of the ceremonies team is another way of fulfilling one of the requirements for Brotherhood. Contact the Lodge if you would like to serve on the ceremonies team or need more information.

2018 Spring Conclave Schedule

**Friday**
6:00 pm-Registration/Tailgate Party (Candidates receive booklet #2)
7:45 pm-Guard meeting
8:30 pm-Elangomat meeting
9:00 pm-Pre-Ordeal Ceremony
10:00 pm-Pre-Ordeal Ceremony #2
11:00 pm-Cracker Barrel

**Saturday**
(6:30 am) 6:00 am-Guards meet at dining hall
7:00 am-Breakfast (Candidates receive booklet #3)
7:45 am- Make assignments on projects
8:00 am-Projects start
10:00 am-Break
10:15 am-Projects resume
12:00-Lunch (Candidates receive booklet #4)
12:30 pm-Projects resume for Candidates
1:00 pm-Social Fellowship (General/Brotherhood Members)
2:00 pm-Brotherhood Hike
3:00 pm-Projects End for Candidates/Brotherhood Ceremony
4:00 pm- Ordeal Ceremony #1(4:30 pm)-Ordeal Ceremony #1
5:00 pm-Ordeal Ceremony #2
6:00 pm-Dinner (5:30 pm)-Dinner
6:30 pm-Lodge Meeting
7:00 pm-Chapter Meeting
7:30 pm-Trading Post

**Sunday**
7:30 am-Breakfast
(8:00 am) 8:30 am-Chapel
(8:30 am) 9:00 am-LEC, Cleanup (general members)
After cleanup is done, have a safe trip home!

*Any schedule changes will be announced and posted*
Spring Conclave/Ordeal Weekend (continued)

**Ordeal Candidates:** This is the first of only two weekends scheduled during 2018 that those Scouts and Scouters who were elected by their units to become members of the Order of the Arrow can go through their Ordeals. The other opportunity is at the Fall Conclave/Ordeal Weekend the weekend of August 10 – 12 at Camp Iyataka. Those who don't attend one of these two weekends will need to be re-elected next year by their units.

**Ordeal members:** Seal your membership in the Order of the Arrow . . . . Get your Brotherhood! The Spring Conclave is one of only two opportunities this year for those Ordeal members, who after 10 months of service and fulfilling certain requirements, may take part in the Brotherhood ceremony, which places further emphasis on the ideals of Scouting and the Order. Completion of this ceremony signifies full membership in the OA. Check the Lodge webpage for more Brotherhood information.

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**2018 Lodge Officers**

At winter banquet we elected new Lodge Officers for the upcoming 2018 year. The following will proudly serve the lodge as best they can.

- **Lodge Chief** – Tony Chida
- **Vice Chief of Service** – Anthony Johnson
- **Vice Chief of Activities** – Nathan Loutsch
- **Vice Chief of Inductions** – Riley Robinson
- **Secretary** – Christopher Loutsch
- **Treasurer** – Charles Hoffmann

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**2018 Tetonwana Lodge Calendar**

Jan 5-6  Winter Banquet, Center for Scouting, Sioux Falls
Feb 2-3  Section C-1A Council of Chiefs Mtg, Sartell MN
Mar 3    LLD / LEC, Center for Scouting, Sioux Falls
Apr 20-21 Section C-1A Council of Chiefs / Section Conclave On-site - Camp Wilderness, MN
May 18-20 Spring Conclave at L&C Scout Camp
Jul 30-Aug 4 NOAC Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47405, USA
Aug 10-12 Fall Conclave at Camp Iyataka
Sept 7-9  Section C-1A Section Conclave - Camp Wilderness, MN
Oct 20-21 Vigil Retreat Newton Hills Scout Camp
Greetings Brothers!

Thank you for electing me as your new OA Lodge Chief! I am excited to fill you in on some exciting information about upcoming events for 2018 in Tetonwana Lodge.

April 28th—Training Rendezvous at Mitchell. There is an OA 101 class for more information on OA that is available for youth and adults.

May 18-20—Spring Conclave: Lewis & Clark Boy Scout Camp
Hopefully the snow will be gone and we can have a great weekend of camping and fellowship. Congratulations if you have been chosen by your troop and are making your ordeal! If you are currently an Ordeal Member, please consider sealing your commitment by making your Brotherhood. As soon as I made my Ordeal, I signed up to be on the ceremony team and have been on the team ever since! I have made some great friends and we work hard practicing so we have a great ceremony for the Lodge.

I am from Watertown and I have personally helped out with Day Camp every year. It is a lot of fun and it is a great way to help the Cub Packs and meet new people. The Cub Scouts look to us and the adults really appreciate our help. Here are the dates that are listed for Day Camp:

- May 19th-Mobridge Day Camp
- May 26th-Brookings Day Camp
- June 2nd-Yankton Day Camp
- June 9th-Luverne MN Day Camp
- June 9th-Mitchell Day Camp
- June 9th-Watertown Day Camp @ Midwest Bible Camp
(Leann Jungen 906-351-3396)

I have helped out at the North Star Akela Camp for three years and it was a lot of fun. Please consider helping out.

July 30-August 4th—National Order Of The Arrow Conference at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. There are still spots available for youth and adults. If you have any questions, please talk to me at the Spring OA Conclave. I was at the 2015 NOAC and it was so much fun! If you want to register, please send your money to Sioux Council NOAC 2018. Becki Murphy-Johnson is the Contingent leader and she can be contacted at (507)530-7690.

- June 1-3rd—Madison SD Akela Camp
- June 8-10th—Yankton Akela Camp
- June 22-24th—Newton Hills Akela Camp

- June 16th-Aberdeen Day Camp @ Richmond Lake Youth Camp (Jennifer Hahler 605-350-4160)
- June 16th-Marshall MN Day Camp
- June 16th-Pierre Day Camp
- June 16th-Sioux Falls Day Camp
- July 13-15th - Pierre Akela Camp

August 10-12th, 2018—Fall Conclave at Camp Iyataka.
If you were unable to make the Spring Conclave in Yankton for your Ordeal, please attend the Fall Conclave or you will need to get elected again to become eligible.

September 7th-9th, 2018—Section C-1A Conclave at Camp Wilderness, MN
I have attended a few meetings to help prepare for this event. It is going to be a fun time and I encourage you to attend.

October 20-21st, 2018—Vigil Retreat at Newton Hills Scout Camp.

The Wahpekute Lodge Chief and I are in the planning stages to have a fellowship camp out together for both lodges most like at Camp Shetek. I plan to have more details about this by Spring Conclave.

If you are interested in being an Elangemat, please contact Anthony Johnson.
If you are interested in earning your Brotherhood, please indicate that when you register so that we can send you some information to help you be better prepared.

If you are interested in being a Nimat, please contact Riley Robertson.

If you are interested in being on the ceremony teams, please contact Riley Robertson.

We have a new way to notify you of Lodge activities and it is easy to join! Please text @tetonwna to 81010 to get on the Remind notification.

Tony Chida
2018 Lodge Chief
Order of the Arrow Unit of Excellence Award

I. Background & Purpose of the Award

As the primary platform where the Scouting program is delivered to youth, the unit is the most vital and important level of the BSA for the Order to support.

The Order of the Arrow Unit of Excellence Award seeks to identify those units, and the leaders within them, who excel at incorporating the OA into their annual planning. This award is intended to provide a tool for lodges to recognize, incentivize, and operationalize unit-level participation in Order of the Arrow programs.

The OA Unit of Excellence Award criteria recognize units that invite the lodge to conduct quality unit elections, participate in lodge events and meetings, and operate a complete OA Troop/Team Representative program. Our hope is that units that complete these criteria will benefit from the support programs that the Order of the Arrow has implemented to strengthen unit-delivered program. This recognition program, along with other tools for unit support, should be distributed and promoted to Scoutmaster/Coach, OA Troop/Team Representatives and Advisers, and chapter election teams to include in communication to units.

II. Award Requirements

Units must complete all of the requirements listed below in order to be eligible as an Order of the Arrow Unit of Excellence. If all requirements are completed, the unit receives a ribbon for their troop/team flag, per annum. In addition to the ribbon, the award system has built in recognitions for the key players in each unit responsible for creating a strong Order of the Arrow culture in the unit. These awards are available for the following three positions:

· Scoutmaster/Coach
· Troop/Team Representative (TTR)
· Troop/ Team Representative Adviser (Assistant Scoutmaster or Assistant Coach Designee)

Order of the Arrow Unit of Excellence Award:

1. Leadership: Implement the Troop/Team OA Representative and Troop/Team OA Representative Adviser (Assistant Scoutmaster or Assistant Coach Designee) programs in your unit.

   · Every six months, ensure that the senior patrol leader (Troop) or Team Captain (Team) appoints or reappoints one Scout or Team Member to serve as Troop/Team OA Representative and the Scoutmaster/Coach appoints one adult to serve as Troop/Team OA Representative Adviser.

   · Feature an annual presentation at a Court of Honor by the Troop/Team OA Representative on the Order of the Arrow with a focus on the accomplishments of unit members.

2. Participation: Promote lodge events and provide transportation to all Arrowmen wishing to participate.

   · At least 50% of unit OA members attend at least one lodge event in addition to their Ordeal.

3. Elections: Schedule a unit election with the chapter election team annually.

   · Hold an election and have 100% of elected Scouts or Team Members complete their Ordeal.
Order of the Arrow Unit of Excellence Award-continued

4. Planning: Maintain an active planning process that prevents overlap between lodge and chapter events with unit events.
   · Review the local OA calendar with the Patrol Leader’s Council or Team Leadership during annual troop/team program planning and schedule unit events so that 100% of troop/team programs do not overlap with any full-lodge events.

5. Conversion: Demonstrate the depth of your unit’s OA program through Brotherhood conversion.
   · At least 30% of eligible troop/team members seal their membership in the Order by converting to Brotherhood.

Order of the Arrow Scoutmaster/Coach of Excellence:
   · Lead your unit in earning the OA Unit of Excellence Award three times during your tenure as Scoutmaster/Coach.

Order of the Arrow Troop/Team Representative of Excellence:
   · Lead your unit in earning the OA Unit of Excellence Award during your tenure as a Troop/Team Representative (six months of service minimum).

Order of the Arrow Troop/Team Representative Adviser of Excellence:
   · Advise at least two Troop/Team Representatives towards earning the OA Unit of Excellence Award during your tenure as Troop/Team Representative Adviser.

Note: The OA Troop/Team Representative Adviser (Assistant Scoutmaster or Assistant Coach Designee) is a new, official BSA adult position of responsibility that has been created in conjunction with this award. Its purpose is to create the role for an adult to guide the youth TTR and be a ‘voice of the Order’ at the adult level in the troop/team structure. Patches for these positions can be purchased through the BSA Supply Division at your local Scout Shop.

III. Award Design/Format

Units and unit leaders selected to receive the Order of the Arrow Unit of Excellence Award will be recognized as follows:

   · OA Unit of Excellence
     o National: Troop/Team flag ribbon, per annum
     o Local: Lodge and council recognition
   · OA Scoutmaster/Coach of Excellence
     o National: Certificate
     o Local: Lodge and council recognition
   · OA Troop/Team Representative of Excellence
     o National: Unit of Excellence recognition patch
     o Local: Lodge recognition
   · OA Troop/Team Representative Adviser of Excellence
     o National: Unit of Excellence recognition patch
     o Local: Lodge recognition
     o Position Patches available
Order of the Arrow Unit of Excellence Award-continued

IV. Order of the Arrow Unit of Excellence Awards can be bestowed by any chartered lodge of the Order of the Arrow upon units in their council that meet the requirements of the Award. The lodge should track these requirements, and Units of Excellence should be identified and recognized annually.

Ribbons, recognition patches, and certificates can be ordered for your lodge’s Units of Excellence by filling out the order form and mailing it in to the national office at the following address: Order of the Arrow, Boy Scouts of America, 1325 West Walnut Hill Lane, P.O. Box 152079, Irving, TX 75R015-2079. The order form will be available on the national website starting June 30, 2018. Assistant Scoutmaster and Assistant Coach position patches will be available from the supply division in your local Scout Shop after March 31, 2019.

In addition to national recognition items, lodges should actively work to recognize Units of Excellence annually, because Units of Excellence provide the base of support that will build a strong chapter and lodge program. Active recognition will increase the strength of your troops’/teams’ OA programs, and through that, your chapters and lodge. Here are some suggested recognitions:

- Present ribbons, patches, and certificates annually at troop/team meetings or Courts of Honor
- List Troop/Team Numbers, Scoutmasters/Coaches, and Charter Partners in lodge and council publications, banquet programs, and on the OA and/or council website
- Invite all recognized Troop/Team Reps, Troop/Team Rep Advisers, and Scoutmasters/Coaches to an annual “thank-you” dinner, hosted by the lodge
- Create a special event at district or council camporees to recognize Units of Excellence
2018 Vigil Honor Nominations

The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort and unselfish interest have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities with the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or their Scout Camp. Tenure should not be considered a reason for nomination. Please take the time to nominate those worthy Arrowmen using the form that is included with the Turtle Talk. Feel free to make copies and make multiple nominations. Nominations can be submitted at registration at the Spring Conclave, or mail your registration to the Center for Scouting. No nominations will be accepted after noon Saturday at the Spring Conclave.

The Vigil Selections Committee will meet Saturday evening to discuss the elections of new Vigil Honor candidates. The selection committee is made up of youth members who are asked to serve by the lodge chief. In order to recruit the committee in a timely manner, NO nominations will be accepted after NOON Saturday at the Spring Conclave.

Youth Arrowmen

Anderson, Noah
Andrews, Nick
Antonides, Austin
Avery, Mason
Bauer, Daniel
Bertsch, Adam
Bevers, Cody
Bot, Cole
Clausen, Tycho
Dykstra, Brandon
Dykstra, Brian
Ersland, Andrew
Falk, Andrew
Grebner, Jacob
Greff, Cody
Hansen, Joshua
Harrell, Jakob
Hass, Logan
Hatch, Ethan
Hildebrandt, Jared
Hoffmann, Charles
Honner, Benjamin
Hoy, Dalton
Hoy, Miles
Johnson, Anthony
Johnson, Carter
Johnson, Scott
Johnson, Zachary
Jussel, Jess
Kast, Kyle
Ketter, Alexander
Klimisch, Dylan
Kortan, Dylan
Lester, Benjamin
Loutsch, Nathan
Maberry, Lucas
Machtemes, Gavin
Mauer, Jared
Moffe, Justin
Muehlbeier, Isaac
Neu, John
Osborn, Jarod
Peoples, Nathan
Robinson, Riley
Ruesch, Matthew
Snow, Jesse
Stout, Jason
Szarmach, Cody
Thompson, Kendric
Warkenthien, Garrett
Welsh JR, Karl
Workman, Dean
Wright, Blaine
Yeager, Jacob

Adult Arrowmen

Aman, David A
Anderberg, Anthony
Bertsch, Randy
Bierstedt, Adam
Bierstedt, Christopher
Bierstedt, Eric
Bierstedt, Zachary
Bitz, Mike W
Blau, Steven
Block, Douglas
Block, Jon
Bouza, Michael
Buchholtz, Lori
Christie, Scott
Crapser, Eldon Paul
Crapser, Jessie E P
Gonsor, Les
Greenfield, Mychael
Gregg, Jeff
Haen, David Charles
Hansen, Jon Charles
Hass, Eric J
Hawkins, Benjamin L
Hawkins, Tina Marie
Holinka, Tyler
Howe, Lance
Hoy, Douglas
Huisman, Rodney Glenn
Hunt, Scott Frank
Johnson, Becki
Johnson, Robert
Jussel, John
Kent, James P
Kent, Michael James
Ketter, Joseph Allen
Kirkeby, Dean Allan
Krieger, Jeff A
Leland, Sheri A
Lethcoe, Kent Jon
Lortscher, Paris
Loutsch, Jeffrey
Maberry, Mark
Mauer, Clifton
Mauss, Joseph Martin
Moen, Mark
Muehlbeier, Brian Keith
Nelson, Anthony A
Nordlie, Trintje
Ochocki, Mark James
Osborn, Scott
Prorok, Ronald Duane
Pugh, Timothy
Rames, David
Rau, Trevor L
Ruesch, Lyle W
Schamens, Kirk
Snow, Vickie
Sowden, Lonny Alan
Stavig, LeAnn
Stydel, Steven James
Tamisiea, Jeremy
TeGrotenhuis, Jeremy
Thares, Steven G
Welsh SR, Karl
White, Peter Troy
Wiebelhaus, Lorrie A
Williams, Aleene A
Wright, Chad
Yeager, Terry Douglas
Zapf, David Paul
Zapf, Patrick
Vigil Honor Nomination
This nomination is CONFIDENTIAL!!

Avoid possible disappointment, please do not advise the nominee in any way of your actions.

Mandatory eligibility requirements for the Vigil Honor:
1. The nominee must be registered with the Sioux Council, BSA, and a member in good standing with Tetonwana Lodge #105.
2. The nominee must have been a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow for at least 2 years.
3. The nominee must have rendered exceptional service, personal efforts and unselfish interest.

Nominee’s Name:___________________________________________________________ Adult____ Youth ____
Address:______________________________________________________________________________________
City:________________________________________State:____________________Zip:_____________________
Unit No:_____ Nominee's Current Scouting Position:____________________________Entered Scouting:___________
ORDER OF THE ARROW RECORD
Date of Ordeal Induction:____________________ Date of Brotherhood Induction:____________________
Committee Work (Length of Each):
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Held (Length of Each):
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List specific Arrow activities that have caused this nominee to be considered for me Vigil Honor (Service and Camp Promotion work):
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Suggested Vigil Honor Indian name (English):____________________
This nomination was submitted by:______________________________
Street address:______________________________________________________________________________
City:________________________________________State:____________________Zip:_____________________
Phone:________________________________________Date:______________________________
Signature:___________________________________________________________________________________
Important: This nomination is confidential! To avoid possible disappointment and preserve the element of surprise, please do not advise the nominee in any way of your action on their behalf.
This nomination must be forwarded to the Sioux Council Service Center one week prior to the Spring Conclave or brought to that event and given to a member of the Vigil Nomination Committee,

Sioux Council, BSA
800 N. West Avenue
Sioux Falls, SD 57104
For every member of the Order of the Arrow, their membership began with a decision: first the decision of their fellows to elect them as a candidate, then their own decision to step forward and complete their induction. Since then, each member of the OA has made countless decisions—each one shaping their future.

The world is now changing faster than it ever has, and what it means to be a young person today is different than it was even a decade ago. The decisions we make today will define the next century of our Brotherhood. And the time to act is now.

The NOAC 2018 slogan, revealed during the 2017 National Planning Meeting, is Decide Your Destiny. This slogan reinforces the conference learning objective: Today’s decisions shape tomorrow’s reality. Together, these elements make up the NOAC theme.

For some, destiny might evoke the image of a mountaintop, or some other summit. But our future is not a journey upward; it’s a journey inward. It’s not a pyramid, but a maze. Each decision we make can bring us closer to the center—or send us spiraling out toward the edges. The maze represents the decisions we make each year. The logo itself evokes the centennial logo, but evolved into something more symbolic. It’s both a literal challenge to be solved and an open question: what’s at the center of the maze?

The lodge still has slots available to attend NOAC this year. July 30 - August 4 2018 in Bloomington IN (Indiana University). Contact Becki Johnson 507-530-3839 with any questions.

We Need You!

Tetonwana Lodge #105 needs your support. A strong lodge is one in which its members are active in its operations. There are many opportunities available. Find out for yourself! We encourage you to learn more about the Order of the Arrow by checking out the following:

National Order of the Arrow Website:
www.oa-bsa.org

Central Region-Order of the Arrow Website:
http://central.oa-bsa.org/

Tetonwana Lodge #105 website:
https://www.siouxcouncil.org/oa

Tetonwana Lodge #105 Facebook:
www.facebook.com/TetonwanaLodge105

Section C-1A Website:
http://www.sectionc1a.org/

Section C-1A Facebook:
www.facebook.com/sectionc1a
2018 Spring Conclave Pre-registration
Lewis & Clark Scout Camp May 18 - 20

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________

Phone: ______________________ E-mail _______________________________________

Cost:

☐ Ordeal Candidate—$35
☐ Brotherhood Candidate —$25
☐ General Members —$20

☐ I will attend the Spring Conclave
☐ I will pay my registration fee at the conclave.
☐ Enclosed is my registration fee.

☐ Bring my dues current—$15 (Ordeal Candidates your dues are included in your fee of $35 to attend the conclave.)

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DETACH & MAIL
Return to the
Center for Scouting
800 N West Ave
Sioux Falls, SD 57104

(Office Use Only: Registration #62912    Dues #62910)