All Arrowmen: The gathering of fellowship and fun is almost here for all Arrowmen to enjoy! The Winter Banquet is filled with games, valuable training, lodge elections, and of course...The Banquet!

When and Where: The Winter Banquet will be Friday the 4th of January to Saturday the 5th in Mitchell SD at the 1st United Methodist Church. 310 N Rowley St, Mitchell, SD 57301.

Registration/Check-in: Please pre-register to help us make the proper accommodations for the Banquet; a pre-registration form is attached in this issue of the Turtle Talk and the cost to attend is $20, or you may register online at siouxcouncil.org. You are also able to register in person Friday evening or Saturday morning.

What: Friday evening is the time to get to know other Arrowmen that you might not know and spend time with other friends with games, movies, or other activities. Saturday morning includes a filling breakfast with training cells to prepare Arrowmen to be leaders in their chapters, lodges, and beyond. Saturday afternoon includes ceremony demonstration, activities, and auctioning off of memorabilia and patches. We will then have a catered meal and a presentation of honors awards earned by Arrowmen and Chapters for their service. The final activities will be auctioning off of the Walking Stick and the passing of the bonnet.

The Purpose of the Order of the Arrow

As Scouting’s National Honor Society, the Order of the Arrow is an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America. Our purpose is to:

- Recognize those who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and through that recognition cause others to conduct themselves in a way that warrants similar recognition.
- Promote camping, responsible outdoor adventure, and environmental stewardship as essential components of every Scout’s experience, in the unit, year-round, and in summer camp.
- Develop leaders with the willingness, character, spirit and ability to advance the activities of their units, our brotherhood, Scouting, and ultimately our nation.
- Crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

The Mission of the Order of the Arrow

The mission of the Order of the Arrow is to fulfill its purpose as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.
Lodge Executive Committee (LEC)

The Lodge Executive Committee is the group of Arrowmen responsible for all aspects of lodge operation. The LEC is the steering committee for the lodge. It carries out the business of the lodge by planning and coordinating fellowship and induction weekends, service projects, training sessions, and other events as appropriate. It consists of the elected youth officers, appointed youth committee chairman, chapter representatives, and Advisors.

Unit Elections

Unit Elections are an important activity the Lodge undertakes every year. In order to have new members we must take the time to contact the Troops in the Council and hold and election for eligible Scouts. Troops have from now until March 31st to complete their election and have results turned into the council office. For the Lodge to work towards Journey to Excellence, each election needs to be completed by a trained election team. Training is going to be offered at the Winter Banquet and is also offered at Chapter meetings.

If you would like to play an important role in the Order of the Arrow, sign up to be a part of your Chapter’s Unit Elections team. An excited Arrowman can have a large impact on the Lodge by helping to make sure every Troop in the Council is able to have an election. Elections can be scheduled by making arrangements through your Chapter Chief or Adviser. If your unit still needs to have an election contact your Chapter or talk to your Troop OA representative to make sure that the eligible Scouts in your Troop can get elected. Remember someone had to take the time to make sure you were elected, how many Scouts can you have the same effect on?

2019 OA Tetonwana Lodge 105
Winter Banquet Schedule

Friday – January 4, 2019
7:00 PM – Check in
9:00 PM – Cracker Barrel
11:00 PM – Lights out

Saturday – January 5, 2019
7:00 AM – Check in resumes
7:15 AM – Breakfast
9:00 AM – Opening Ceremonies • Presentation of the Colors
9:30 AM – Training Session • OA Sustainability Session 1
10:30 AM – Training Session • OA Sustainability Session 2
11:30 AM – Lunch
1:00 PM – Training Session #3 • Unit Elections

2:00 PM – Free Time

3:30 PM – Lodge Meeting

5:30 PM – Lodge Banquet • Meal • Key Note Speaker • Recognitions • Awards • Introduction of New Lodge Officers • Passing of the Bonnet

8:00 PM – Closing Ceremonies • Retiring of the Colors

Saturday Morning will be focused on the Sustainability merit badge.

What is sustainability in the simplest terms? “Sustainability is more of a new way of thinking as opposed to the science in the Environmental Science merit badge,” Berger says. “The idea is not just to conserve but to truly be stewards of our environment, our energy sources, and more—to think in terms not just of having enough for our lifetime but enough for future generations.”

prerequisite of requirement 1: Before starting work on any other requirements for this merit badge, write in your own words the meaning of sustainability. Explain how you think conservation and stewardship of our natural resources relate to sustainability. Have a family meeting, and ask family members to write down what they think sustainability means. Be sure to take notes. You will need this information again for requirement 5.

Chiefly Speaking
Winter Banquet Registration Form

Please RSVP by December 31st by sending this form to:
Tetonwana Lodge, Center for Scouting 800 N. West Ave Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Winter Banquet is January 5th at 1st United Methodist Church. 310 N Rowley St, Mitchell, SD 57301

Name _________________________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________________________

Phone: ___________________________________________________________________________________________

Email: __________________________________________________________________________________________

___ $20 Enclosed or ___ Pay at Event

___ Bring my dues current for 2019 - $15 per Arrowmen
2019 Campership Council Strip Submission Form

Design MUST Include:

Council Name (Sioux), States in the Council, (MN, SD, IA)

And the year (2019)

Bring to the Winter Banquet.

MUST be Colored

NO Hypothetical Ideas.

Submitted by: __________________________________________________________________
2019 Tetonwana Lodge Calendar

Jan 4-5 Winter Banquet, Mitchell SD

Jan 26 CLT Sioux Falls SD

Feb 1-2 Section C-1A Council of Chiefs Mtg, Sartell MN

Mar 2 LLD / LEC, Center for Scouting, Sioux Falls

April 20-21 Section C-1A Council of Chiefs / Section Conclave On-site –

Apr 27 Sioux Training Academy, Mitchell SD

May 17-19 Spring Conclave at L&C Scout Camp

Aug 9 - 11 Fall Conclave at Newton Hills

Sept 7-9 Section C-1A Section Conclave - Northern Tier High Adventure Base, Ely MN

Oct 19 - 20 Vigil Retreat Newton Hills Scout Camp

Oct 25 – 27 Potential Midwest Rally

Jan 3 -4 Winter Banquet