Lodge Winter Gathering
January 20-22 at Camp Kikthawenund

Have you ever wanted to know how much work and effort go into putting a ceremonial team together? Would you, yourself, like to be on a ceremony team? Or maybe you are new to all of this and want to see how it works?

If you answered yes to any of those scenarios above, then you need to make plans to attend this year’s Lodge Winter Gathering from January 20-22 at Camp Kikthawenund.

By attending the Lodge Winter Gathering, you can find out what it takes to be part of a ceremony team, and maybe even learn a little Native American history and culture along the way.

Come on out and join us for an enlightening weekend full of ceremonies, regalia, and of course, loads of fun with your fellow Arrowmen!

Click here to learn more or register online at www.jaccostownelodge.org today.
Fellow Arrowmen,
I want to thank you for electing me to serve as your 2017 Lodge Chief!

So many amazing things to come this year: With the new Ordeal plans in full swing and our Chapters working hard to make this plan happen, we are certain to kick off the New Year with great things happening. In this upcoming year I plan to work alongside my amazing team of officers to give Jaccos Towne Lodge Arrowmen the best experience they can get!

If you have any questions, feel free to email me at chief@jaccostownelodge.org. I look forward to a great year!

In Wimachtendienk,
James Colter
2017 Lodge Chief

From the Adviser

As the 2017 Lodge Adviser, I look forward to the challenges that our Lodge will face in the coming year.

Your elected leaders are very well qualified to lead the changes we face, but it will take all of us working together to implement the changes to strengthen our ties of brotherhood.

We enter the new year with many changes to come; however, the changes are needed to take our service for Crossroads of America to the next level.

We are a strong Lodge, and I have no doubt we will achieve our 2017 goals.

Eric Wickizer
Lodge Adviser

Attention Chapter Officers and Advisers!

If you have not already, please supply the Lodge with the names of your 2017 Chapter Officers and Advisers, along with the best phone number and email address to reach each one. The Lodge needs this information, as the Chapter Chiefs and Advisers will be given a Lodge email address for their use. Agendas and other important communications are sent through the Lodge email system, so please make sure you are connected!
**Dues Changing in 2017**

With National Order of the Arrow planning on charging more for dues in 2018, the Lodge has decided to go ahead and raise its dues from $10 to $15 in 2017.

Consider an Otter Pass to save some money on your dues.

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**New Ordeal Arrangement**

Coming in 2017, our Ordeals will be held per your Region. Each Chapter has been assigned to an Area, and these Chapters will work together to plan and prepare an Ordeal for that Area. Planning for 2017 is already underway!

To better explain this new organization, here is a quote from our 2017 Lodge Chief, James Colter:

“As the New Year gets closer, so does the time until our Ordeals begin to take place! With this new Ordeal plan in place, we will now have three Area Ordeals and one Lodge Ordeal. These Areas are West, East, and South. Lodge and Chapter leadership is working hard to make sure these Ordeals are successful. If you have any questions about this new Ordeal structure, feel free to contact me or your Chapter leadership!

Remember, progress is impossible without change. As we take on this new challenge in our Lodge, let it not bring thoughts of negativity among us, but instead, a sense of unity as we work together to make it happen!”

If you have any questions about this new structure, please email James at chief@jaccostownelodge.org and he will answer any questions you have.

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**Lodge Spring Fellowship**

If you are looking forward to spring already, be sure to mark this on your calendar for a countdown to the Lodge Spring Fellowship.

This year, it will be held at Camp Krietenstein from March 17-19th. In previous years, we offered entertaining activities such as a Games theme night. This year's theme is TBA, but whatever it may be, you will not want to miss it!

Cost is $25 for the weekend. Cost is included for 2017 Otter Pass holders.
Winter Gathering is the Lodge’s annual ceremonial training event. This year it will be held at Camp Kikthawenund from January 20-22, 2017. All Arrowmen are welcome! To register for the event, visit the Lodge website at www.jaccostownelodge.org. A tentative schedule is listed here.

2017 Schedule

FRIDAY
6:30 - 8:00PM Registration
8:00 - 9:45PM Make & Take
10:00PM Cracker Barrel
11:00PM Lights out

SATURDAY
8:00 - 8:45AM Breakfast
9:00 - 10:15AM Breakout Session #1
10:30 - 11:45AM Breakout Session #2
12:00 - 1:00PM Lunch
1:00 - 2:15PM Breakout Session #3
2:30 - 4:00PM Breakout Session #4
4:00 - 5:45PM Breakout Session #5
6:00 - 7:00PM Dinner
7:00 - 9:00PM Fellowship
9:00 - 11:00PM Cracker Barrel
11:00PM Lights out

SUNDAY
8:00 - 8:45AM Breakfast
9:00 - 9:30AM Scouts Own followed by cleanup
10:00AM LEC

Schedules sometimes change. Receive text message alerts to stay up to date on possible changes by texting the following code to 81010. @JTLWINTER
Vigil Honor Nominations

The Vigil Honor is reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position or office to one or more of the following: their Lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or their Scout Camp. Candidates must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America AND dues-paid members of the Lodge.

To nominate someone for the Vigil Honor, the nominator must fill out and submit a completed National Vigil Petition AND Vigil Guide Form.

All Vigil Petition and Guide forms are due at the March LEC. Please submit them either to the Vigil Chair or Adviser in person or at vigilchair@jaccostownelodge.org and vigiladviser@jaccostownelodge.org.

The Vigil Selection Meeting will start at 2:30PM on Sunday, April 9th at the Golden-Burke Scout Center. All Chapters are asked to send two members who are not eligible for Vigil, preferably one who is already a Vigil. The committee would like the names of these Arrowmen by the March LEC.

The required forms are available at www.jaccostownelodge.org/resources.

Latest Vigil Honor Members

Congratulations to the Arrowmen who stood their Vigil over Lodge Leadership Development.

They became just the latest Vigil Honor members of Jaccos Towne Lodge, bringing the total to 24 Vigils this year. They were:

- Matthew Best
- Brent Brandon
- William Kalvaitis
As Scouting’s National Honor Society, 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.

Through Unit Elections, worthy Scouts are recognized and elected as Ordeal candidates. Arrowmen are needed to serve on Unit Election teams in their Chapter. Contact your Chapter Chief and volunteer! Most units do their elections in the first months of the year, so contact your Chapter Chief as soon as possible. Forms are available on the Lodge’s website under Resources. Please make sure copies of Unit Elections and Adult Nominations are turned into the Lodge.

It is an Arrowman’s responsibility to help promote camping through his unit, district, and council. This may be done through camp promotions to Cub Scout and Boy Scout units. Information and resources are available from the Council to help you make presentations on camping opportunities in the Crossroads of America Council. Doing a unit election and camp promotion at the same time for Boy Scout units is an efficient way of offering cheerful service and helping both the BSA and the OA!

Be Prepared for Unit Election & Camp Promotion

Jaccos Towne Lodge Dues Form

Please turn in this form, with payment, at any Lodge or Chapter meeting, event, or by mail to:
Crossroads of America Council, Attn: OA Staff Adviser, 7125 Fall Creek Road North, Indianapolis, IN 46256

Last Name ___________________________________________ First Name _________________________ MI ____________
Birthdate ___________________________ Unit Type & No. ______________ BSA Membership No. ______________
Address ___________________________ City ___________________________ Zip ____________
Home Phone ________________________ Work Phone ____________________ Cell Phone ______________________
Email Address ______________________
Date of Ordeal ______________________ Date of Brotherhood ______________ Date of Vigil Honor ______________

SELECT CHAPTER DISTRICT AREA SELECT CHAPTER DISTRICT AREA
KICKAPOO (KPO) WABASH VALLEY WEST TATANKASKAH (TAK) SUGAR CREEK WEST
KIKTHAWENUND (KIK) SAKIMA NORTH WAPISCHUYMEKUK (WPK) GOLDEN EAGLE NORTH
LORARLEWHENSE (LBH) PATHFINDER SOUTH WAPISCHUYMEKUK (WAP) NORTHEAST SOUTH
LOWANEU ALLANQUE (LOA) NORTH STAR WEST WAPISCHUYMEKUK (WAP) PIONEER SOUTH
MACQUISSIN (MCQ) OLD TRAIL SOUTH WAPISCHUYMEKUK (WAP) T-SUN-GA-NI SOUTH
QUANASITA (QUN) DEL-MI NORTH WUNDCHENNEU (WUN) HOU KODA WEST
SEKE MACQUE (SKM) IRON HORSE SOUTH

Please select the appropriate line for your chapter / district.

Cash ________ Check ________ Date __________________________ Receipt No. __________________

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The 2017 Otter Pass is now on sale at Lodge events and the Scout Office. While the yearly dues have increased, the cost for an Otter Pass is still $100.

What do you receive as a member?

- A special limited production patch available only to Otter Pass members
- Priority in food lines at events
- A special VIP check-in line at all events
- Your health form maintained by the Lodge for the year
- The complete event patch set for the year
- Fees* for Winter Gathering, Spring Fellowship, Lodge Ordeal, LLD, and Lodge Banquet
- A discount for joining

*Additional fees will apply for Ordeal and Brotherhood candidates.

2017 Section C6A Conclave

Section Conclave this year will be held on April 7-9th at Camp Buffalo, just north of Lafayette. Hosted by Takachsin Lodge, this Conclave’s theme is WWW, the Wild Wild West.

There will be a multitude of activities to take part in, and we know you will have a blast! Dress up in your best Western costumes to make it even more fun!

Register online at www.oasectionc6a.org by April 1st and receive an early bird registration discount.

Also, for youth Arrowmen who are Ordeal members, the Richard “Bear” Eberly Memorial Scholarship is available. This scholarship covers the Conclave registration fees.

To qualify, the Arrowman must have become an Ordeal member within a year prior to the date of the upcoming conclave and show future leadership potential.

Download the Bear Scholarship application and turn the completed form in to the Lodge.
**NLS: National Leadership Seminar**

There has been a change of date from the previous publication. The next NLS course is February 17-19, 2017 at the Geneva Center in Rochester, Indiana. Register online at central.oa-bsa.org/region-programs/sign-up

All Lodge Officers, Chapter Chiefs, and their Advisers must attend NLS. The Lodge does pay for them to attend. The National Leadership Seminar is a weekend conference focused on the skills and attributes of leadership. It is intended primarily to enhance the leadership skills of the Order of the Arrow’s key youth and adult members as they seek to improve their services to the Boy Scouts of America and the greater community. Near the end of the seminar, participants make a contract with themselves to apply the skills studied in the seminar on projects in their Lodge, Council, and community.

Any youth or adult member seeking to improve their leadership skills and improve their services to the Boy Scouts and greater community should attend and may pay to do so.

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**2017 National Jamboree**

Consider joining 40,000 other Scouts at the 2017 National Jamboree to be held at The Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. Participants will experience the 2017 theme, Live Scouting’s Adventure, every day of the Jamboree. Whitewater rafting and kayaking, mountain biking, rock climbing and bouldering are just a few of the activities offered at the Summit. Attendees will also enjoy skateboarding, BMX, shooting sports, and zip-line challenge courses. And that’s just the beginning! You will find forest canopy touring, buckskin games, SCUBA, rappelling towers, an American Indian village and more. The opening and closing arena shows are not to be missed.

It’s Scouting at its very best! For more information on the Crossroads of America Council’s contingent, visit scoutingevent.com/?2017NationalJamboree

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**Operation Arrow at the Jamboree**

Arrowmen have a special opportunity to participate in what will be the largest-ever Order of the Arrow staff at a Jamboree. To continue a tradition that dates back to the 1950 National Scout Jamboree, over 750 youth Arrowmen will answer the call to serve as part of Operation Arrow - the largest Jamboree staff team ever assembled by the Order of the Arrow! Operation Arrow staff members will support the jamboree program by joining one of three primary OA program areas: the Service Corps, the Trek Guides and the Indian Village.

We hope you will join us for what is sure to be the experience of a lifetime. Be part of Operation Arrow at the 2017 National Scout Jamboree!

For more information, visit event.oa-bsa.org/events/jambo2017
JACCOS TOWNE
OTTER PASS 2017

Calling all Arrowmen!

Become an **Otter Pass** holder!

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**Otter Pass on sale now!**

Cost is $100.

*Additional fees will apply for Ordeal and Brotherhood candidates.*

**PRINT LEGIBLY PLEASE!**

Name:________________ ______________________
Chapter:_________________ District:__________

Street Address: _________________________________________ ____________________________

City:______________________ ____________________ State: ________ Zip: ________________

Email:__________________________ _____________________________ ______________________

Phones: Home(_____) _______________ Cell (_____) ______________ Work (_____) ______________

BSA #:______________________ Unit Type & No. ____________________  □ Youth □ Adult (check one)

You may also pay for **Otter Pass** at the Scout Office.

Make checks payable to **OA-BSA** and put **Cam code 60ADP** on your check.

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## 2017 EVENTS REGISTRATION

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## 2017 Lodge Events Registration

Registration begins at 6:30 PM Friday evening. Health Forms are required for all events except banquet!

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Send to: Crossroads of America Council, c/o OA Staff Advisor, 7125 Fall Creek Road North, Indianapolis, IN 46256
Make checks payable to OA-BSA and put Cam code 6OADP on check

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