



NEWSLETTER FOR JACCOS TOWNE LODGE

KINOHSAMIA

January 2025

CALENDAR

JAN.-FEB.
31-1 TRADE-O-REE
BOONE COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS

FEBRUARY
16 LEC
GOLDEN-BURKE

MARCH
21-23 NATIONAL LEADERSHIP
SEMINAR
JAMESON

MARCH
21-23 JOINT SPRING
FELLOWSHIP
KIKTHAWENUND

MARCH
23 LEC
KIKTHAWENUND

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 Jaccos Towne Lodge

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Joint OA/FC Spring Fellowship- Camp Kikthawenund

From March 16th-18th come to Camp Kikthawenund for the Joint OA/Firecrafter Spring Fellowship and enjoy a weekend of outdoor fun and fellowship! The weekend is packed with opportunities to connect with nature and fellow scouts, like a Euchre Tournament, Ultimate Frisbee, Service, and much more, so grab your gear and join us for an unforgettable weekend!

Registration will be open until March 14th, at 11:59. Register below!

[Register Here!](#)



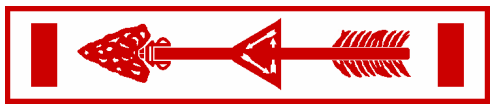
Pay Your 2025 Dues Now

Arrowmen must pay their annual dues of \$20 to remain in good standing with the Lodge and be eligible for various awards. The number of members in good standing helps our Chapters and the Lodge receive funding, awards, etc from the National Order of the Arrow, and provide additional services to you and your unit. Not only can you pay your dues, but also buy your Otter Pass for the year! You can access the form below or register online.

To pay your 2025 dues or Otter Pass, you can pay online [Here](#).



Vigil Honor



Nominations for the Vigil Honor are open and close on April 16th!

The Vigil Honor is the highest recognition in the Order of the Arrow, awarded to those who exemplify Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. It's not about tenure or effort alone—it's about living these values in an extraordinary way.

To be eligible:

- Be a Brotherhood member for 2+ years by May 4, 2025.
- Be a dues-paid member in good standing with the Lodge and Council.

Anyone can submit a nomination—even non-Scouts! Share why your nominee stands out with details about:

- Exemplary Character
- Servant Leadership
- Service to the Lodge, OA, camp, Scouting, and community.

Submit now and honor someone truly deserving!

Nomination form: [Click here!](#)

Questions should be directed to both vigil@jaccostownelodge.org and vigiladviser@jaccostownelodge.org

National Leadership Seminar (NLS) is a weekend conference focusing on leadership skills and training. NLS is intended for youth and adults who want to enhance their leadership skills as they seek to improve their service to the Scouts BSA and the greater community.

Developing Youth Leadership Conference (DYLC) will strengthen an adviser's capacity to develop youth leadership in their lodge. DYLC will help advisers create a culture that empowers youth to build successful teams, and lead their Lodge to success. Prior participation in the National Leadership Seminar is encouraged, but not required.

[Click here to Register!](#)

2025 Calendar
 Feb. 7-9 (Mobile, AL)
 March 21-23 (Indianapolis, IN)
 Oct. 3-5 (Rockville, RI)
 Dec. 3-5 (Greensboro, NC)

Winter Banquet

" The 2025 Lodge Banquet was a remarkable event, offering us a special opportunity to celebrate the outstanding contributions of our Arrowmen. Guests enjoyed a delightful evening filled with excellent food, great company, an amazing keynote speaker, and exciting raffle prizes. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who joined us and made this occasion so memorable. Your presence and support means the world to us, and we look forward to creating more wonderful moments together in the future. Thank you for being a part of this unforgettable experience!"

- Zack B. & Wyatt O., Banquet Chairs





Chief's Talking Feather Wyatt O.

Hello Fellow Arrowmen,

It's 2025! My name is Wyatt and I will be serving as the Jaccos Towne Lodge Chief this year.

I'm thrilled to work with all the great members of my team and look forward to a year more focused on connecting at the Unit Level from the Lodge perspective. We hope to introduce a new unit-based award, make Spring Fellowship more unit-based, and improve the troop representative program!

**WWW,
Wyatt O.**



Clara B. - VC of Administration

Hello Arrowmen! My name is Clara, and I'm ecstatic to serve as your 2025 Vice Chief of Administration!

This year, I want to ensure that our Lodge maintains outstanding PMP numbers. The way I plan to do this is by continuing to help carry out a fantastic program of brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service within the Lodge. It is my mission to ensure more Arrowman want to come back and take advantage of the countless opportunities that the OA offers!



Lodge Adviser's Corner Matt F.

Hello Arrowmen,

I want to say thank you to our 2024 youth leadership and advisers. It was a great year filled with amazing experiences for our members. I am looking forward to what our 2025 youth leadership team has planned. The team is working on our ordeals, joint service, and spring fellowship with Firecrafter, LLD, banquet, section conclave, chapter events, and many more. Also, the National Order of the Arrow will be offering NLS in Indianapolis this spring. What great opportunities our lodge has! There will be something for everyone to enjoy.

I want to thank Scott Smith for all he has done as Lodge Adviser over the last four-plus years. He has done an amazing job. I will do my best to live up to and maintain the high standards Scott has helped set for our Lodge. I look forward to working with and helping all of our Arrowmen. Here is to a great 2025!

**Your friend,
Matt Fisher**



Ben P. - VC of Operations

Arrowmen, I hope everyone had an excellent break and is looking forward to another exciting year of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. I'm Ben and I'm serving as your 2025 Vice-Chief of Operations.

I am looking forward to building relations with the Firecrafter program, ensuring events run smoothly, and am thrilled to see our lodge grow this upcoming year.

Tori Y. - VC of Field Service



Hello! My name is Tori, I am thrilled to be serving as your 2025 Vice Chief of Field Service!

I am looking forward to building stronger communication between chapters, units, and the lodge. Along with that, I plan to make election season as smooth as possible for chapters, and help set up fun meetings for Arrowman to enjoy! I hope to see you at the next lodge event!

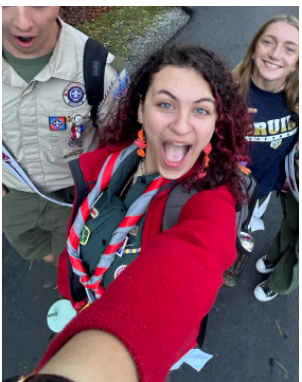
Clare M. - Secretary



Hi, I'm Clare, and I'm excited to serve as the Lodge Secretary this year!

My goal is to keep organized meeting notes and support our officers. I'm excited to be a part of this team and help make 2025 a great year for everyone!

EI W. - Director of Communications



Hello Arrowmen! My name is EI and I'm your Director of Communications!

This year, I plan on getting unit leaders connected more with our Lodge through Roundtables. I would like for everyone to be on the same page as us when it comes to our events and inductions throughout the year. My mission is work towards enabling them to be prepared when they have their unit experience our program.



Summer Camp Applications

Camp staff applications are open!

Being a staff member is a great way to connect with Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA members beyond the troop level at any camp. You can staff at 3 camps: Belzer, Kikthawenund, and Ransburg!

Camp staff will allow you to make a difference in scouts' lives. You will not only meet new friends, but you will become a family. You can help scouts experience new things they have never done before such as Horseback Riding, Climbing, sailing, ATVs, rifle shooting, and so much more. Along with that you can also be an active Arrowmen and help out with the OA program at Summer camp!

Click the links down below to learn more and register for camp staff.

For any camp, here is the application: <https://www.jotform.com/form/222904860397059>

This page has a bit more information: <https://www.joinscoutsin.org/about/careers/>

OA High Adventure

With OA High Adventure, you will join together with Arrowmen from around the country and get the opportunity to experience some of Scout's high adventure bases for a fraction of the price. The program consists of half service and half program. It allows Arrowmen to give back and leave an impact on the camps. The program focuses on self-growth and discovery.



Section E1 Conclave

Theme: Star Wars

Camp: Maumee (12975 W County Rd 925 N, Norman, IN 47264)

Date: April 11th-13th

Price: regular price \$55, \$50 for early bird by March 15th, Registration closes on April 4th at 11:59

Registration link: <https://scoutingevent.com/160-94310>

You can experience OA High Adventure at Northern Tier, Philmont, or Summit in the following programs:

- OA Canadian Odyssey
- OA Wilderness Village
- OA Trail Crew
- OA Summit Experience

[Learn more and register for OA High Adventure here!](#)





Are you currently an Ordeal Member? Has it been six months since your ordeal?

If so, you are eligible for Brotherhood!

Sealing your membership is a great way to advance your experience and dedication! You can seal your membership during Spring Fellowship!! When you register, make sure you check the Brotherhood add-on. The link to REGISTER is on PAGE 1

Interested in putting something in the newsletter?

Want to show your what happens at your Chapter meetings, spotlight your committee, or have a info piece you want to share with the lodge?

Put it in the newsletter!

If interested please email
- Comms@jaccostownelodge.org
- Newsletteradviser@jaccostownelodge.org

Newsletter Help

Hello Arrowmen!

Do you like writing or want to improve your writing skills? Do you like designing flyers and want to put that skill to use?

My name is El Willis, and I'm the Newsletter Committee Chair. The Newsletter Committee is currently me and a few other Arrowmen, but we want to expand and get as many Arrowmen involved as possible!

If interested please email

**Comms@jaccostownelodge.org
Newsletteradviser@jaccostownelodge.org**

When and Where does your Chapter meet?

**WPH(Bear Creek):
Email WPHchief@jaccostownelodge.org for meeting info**

**WAP(Fall Creek): 3rd Thursday of the month, 7:15 at [Golden-Burke Scout Center](#)
Email: WAPchief@jaccostownelodge.org**

WAS(White River): 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm at [Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church](#)

ALO(Five Creeks): email ALOchief@jaccostownelodge.org for meeting info

**TCO(Monon): 1st Sunday of the month, 3:30-4:30pm at [the American Legion Post 155](#)
Email: Tcochief@jaccostownelodge.org**

**KPO(Wasbash Valley):
Email KPOchief@jaccostownelodge.org for meeting info**

**LBH(Pathfinder): 3rd Thursday of the month, 6:30 at [Resurrection Lutheran Church](#)
Email: LBHchief@jaccostownelodge.org**





2025 Otter Pass Form

What do you receive as an Otter Pass holder?

\$150
PAYMENT

- Yearly dues for 2025
- Special, limited production patch available only to Otter Pass members
- Priority in food lines at all Lodge events
- Health form maintained by the Lodge for the entire year
- Entire event patch set for 2025
- Fees covered for Winter Banquet, Spring Ordeal, Summer Ordeal, Lodge Ordeal, Lodge Leadership Development
- A discount for joining



YOUR INFORMATION

Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Male Female
 Email Address _____ Birthdate _____ Under 21 Over 21
 Unit Type & No. _____ District _____ Chapter _____ BSA No. _____

Otter Pass holders still need to register for events. Additional fees will apply for Brotherhood candidates. Turn in this form, with payment, at any Lodge meeting, event, or by mail to: Crossroads of America Council, Attn: OA Staff Adviser, 7125 Fall Creek Road North, Indianapolis, IN 46256. Make checks payable to CAC-BSA-OA.