



Hail and Farewell Edition

Lenape Lodge 8
Order of the Arrow | Garden State Council June 2024

Upcoming Events

Vigil Weekend @ PHSR	6/21
Lodge BBQ @ PHSR	6/22
Installation of LEC @ PHSR	6/22
NOAC @ CU Boulder	7/29-8/3
Fall Induction @ PHSR	10/18-10/20
Fall Fellowship @ PHSR	11/1-11/3
Holiday Bash @ PHSR	12/20

A Farewell Message From the Lodge Chief



I know we will thrive.

This month, with the Lodge BBQ on June 22, marks the end of my term as 2024 Lodge Chief, and I am very blessed to have had this experience. Though it was only a 6 month term, I worked with some incredible Arrowmen and have learned invaluable lessons.

Greetings, Arrowmen! Lenape Lodge has been very busy since our last publication.

As I move on with the next chapter of my life - that being Cadet Basic Training at USMA - I will cherish the memories I made throughout my 2.5 years in the OA.

In May, we hosted our Harry Potter Fellowship, uniting Arrowmen with a weekend of fun activities and trainings.

Thank you to everyone who made my Scouting experience as amazing as it was. Your friendship and support has meant the world to me, and I don't know where I would be without it all. I can't wait to see what the next generation of Arrowmen can do!

We also elected our 2024-2025 LEC, and I am very excited to see what plans our new officers have in store. We have some amazing Arrowmen on our LEC, and under the leadership of Michael Esimio,

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Sign Up for Farm Fair July 19 and 20

By Bela Tahmazian

The GSC has asked for the Lodge's help at the Burlington County Farm Fair on July 19 and 20. Please review the time slots below and sign up if you can. We need about 3-4 Scouts who are 18+ to work the fryers, but Scouts 11+ are welcome to sign up as well. Please indicate your age when you sign up. Thanks, all!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FAEAB2BA7F4C34-49979364-burlington>



Greetings from our New Lodge Chief

Greetings Arrowmen,
Following in the footsteps of Bela, who has been an exemplary leader and friend, I am honored and privileged to be serving as your new Lodge Chief. Her dedication and passion have set a high standard, and I am committed to continuing the legacy she has left.

Our lodge has always been a place of fellowship, growth, and service. As we move forward, I envision us building on these core values, striving to make a positive impact both within our Scouting community and beyond. We have many exciting events and projects ahead, and I encourage each of you

to get involved, share your ideas, and contribute your unique talents.

As Lodge Chief, I want to ensure that every voice is heard and that we are able to work together

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to create an inclusive and supportive environment. Whether you're a seasoned Arrowman or new to the Order, your input is valuable,

and I am here to listen and learn from all of you.

Giving back has always been the heart of what we do, and I believe we can make an even greater difference through our collective efforts, enthusiasm, and spirit of service.

Again, I want to express my gratitude to Bela for her incredible leadership and dedication. As she embarks on her new journey at West Point, we wish her all the best and know she will continue to inspire and excel.

Thank you all for your trust and support. Together, let's make this a memorable and impactful year for Lenape Lodge.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Michael Esimio, Lodge Chief Elect

Meet our new Lodge Officers



Michael Esimio
Lodge Chief



Daniel Seibel
Admin



Cameron Tarditi
Program



Joey Pessolano
Treasurer



Hayden Thom
Secretary

During Spring Fellowship weekend members of the Lodge participated in the first election of the newly formatted term of office for our youth Lodge Leaders. The reason for this change was to align the leaders' period of service to coincide with the school year, rather than the calendar year. This term's leaders were selected from a wide and highly qualified pool of eligible Arrowmen. They will be installed during the annual Lodge Barbeque event coming up on June 22 from 11am to 4pm at Cub Field, Pine Hill Scout Reservation. Congratulations to these five new leaders!

A "Magical" Spring Fellowship at Hogwarts...



Wand Making!



Floating Candles in the Great Hall



Our Professors...



Quidditch!



Potions!

Sign Up For NOAC As An Online Delegate

by Daniel Seibel

Hello Arrowmen!

Did you miss the chance to register for the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) because it sold out? Don't worry! You can still join in the excitement from home as an Online Delegate.

By becoming an Online Delegate, you'll not only be part of the fun but also enjoy exclusive discounts on the Lenape 8 full NOAC patch set. Registration is simple and can be completed through the National Order of the Arrow Registration system for just \$75. Hurry and register soon—our supply of NOAC patches is running out fast!

Thank you, and have a great summer Lenape Lodge 8!

Daniel Seibel,
NOAC Youth Contingent Leader

From the Lodge Adviser



By Linda Estacio

I'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate our outgoing Lodge Leaders, Bela Tahmazian, Justin Lora, Ethan Bardsley, Michael Esimio, and Dan Seibel for their tremendous efforts in leading the Lodge in new directions. In the six short months since they were elected, they conducted an outstanding Ordeal Weekend, an amazing Harry Potter-themed Spring Fellowship, and as of this writing they will be going out with a bang during the Barbeque

Weekend. As our first female Lodge Chief, Bela brought a new level of organization and focus to the job, which will make her an excellent cadet at West Point. As retired Army officers (Manny and I) and with Dustin Tarditi as a veteran Army officer, we all shared with Bela a common vision of duty, service and "mission first." Best wishes to her as a future Army officer, and to Justin who will be on a religious mission trip for two years.

Please join me in welcoming our new slate of Lodge Officers for 2024-25. Michael and Daniel return as lodge officers and are joined by motivated Arrowmen Hayden, Cameron, and Joey. We look forward to their leadership as the Lodge continues our commitment to "Getting Back to Basics, and Forging Ahead."

Conclave 2024 was a Blast!

Conclave 2024 was held at Camp NoBeBoSco in northern New Jersey June 7-9. It is the location where the original film “Friday the 13th” was filmed, so you know that the theme of Conclave was “Frightening Fellowship! The purpose of Conclave is to provide Scouts from our Section (E-17) to gather together for education, fun, and fellowship. Numerous workshop sessions helped Arrowmen learn more

about how to improve Lodge functioning. And there were plenty of opportunities for fun and fellowship! Well over 60 members of our Lodge joined Arrowmen from the Lodges in our Section, including Unami, Ajepeu, Lenapehoking, Woapalanne, Witauchsoman, Na Tsi Hi, Lowwapanau, Japeechen, Black Eagle, and Yokahu in Puerto Rico, the site of next year’s Conclave! Registration is limited to

about 20 Scouts and 10 adult leaders. Registration instructions will be published shortly.



Calling All Arrowmen: Service Opportunities Ahead

We are the “brotherhood of cheerful service.” In keeping with this mission and following our Lodge Adviser’s vision of raising the visibility of the Order of the Arrow within Garden State Council, your LEC is working on providing support to the following Cub Scout-related events throughout the year:

1. Cub Scout Camps, Four Sessions:
 - a. 5-19 July and 22-26 July, Pine Hill SR
 - b. 29 July-2 August and 5-9 August, Pine Tree
2. Farm Fair: 19-20 July

3. Traumapalooza: 27-29 September, Pine Hill
4. Cub Scout Fun Day: 12-13 October, Pine Hill

This is a very ambitious plan, but one that is completely achievable with the support of every Arrowman in the Lodge. We will need many volunteers to staff these events. We also need adults to serve as Advisers for our youth leadership heading these activities. Look for opportunities to sign up for these events.

Adult Mentors Needed

Adult volunteers are needed to fill positions of responsibility to support the new youth LEC leadership. At this time we are looking for an adult adviser to support Program. We are also looking to develop an adult committee focused on improvement projects for the Lodge building as Pine Hill becomes the focus of major upgrades and improvements. Please let your Lodge adult advisers (Linda and Manny Estacio, and Dustin Tarditi) know if you are interested in any of these positions.