

ORDER OF THE ARROW – BSA

SECTION G4 CONCLAVE ARROWMEN GUIDEBOOK



Camp Rockefeller
Damascus, AR

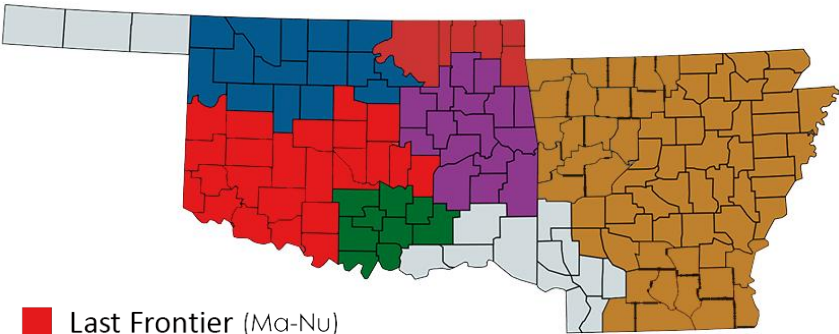
May 2-4, 2025

Name: _____

Lodge: _____

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ORDER OF THE ARROW
GATEWAY REGION SECTION G4



- Red Last Frontier (Ma-Nu)
- Purple Indian Nations (Ta Tsu Hwa)
- Green Arbuckle Area (Wisawanik)
- Blue Last Frontier (Ema 'o Mahpe)
- Red Cherokee Area (Washita)
- Orange Natural State (Mixti Wanaxe)

THANKS TO OUR 2024/25 SECTION OFFICERS!



Chief-Berkeley Wasson
ViceChief-Naomi Liljenberg Secretary-Morgan Johnson

LETTER FROM THE CHIEF

Welcome to the Section G4 2025 Conclave! We are super excited to have you out here this weekend; and if you aren't already, you'll be just as excited when you see what we have planned this weekend. Our CVC team has been hard at work to bring you a Conclave for the ages. Like, the medieval ages. Get it?

Thank you for being here, and for continuing the Legacy of Order of the Arrow alive in our Section!

I give you my word. Yours in
Brotherhood,

Berkeley Wasson

Section G4 Chief



What Is Chivalry?

The word 'chivalrous' (adj) comes from the Old French word '*chevalerie*', meaning knighthood or nobility. 'Chivalry' (n) refers to the high ideals and code of behaviour that was followed by the medieval knights of Europe.

The knights of Medieval Europe were warriors who lived by the following high ideals:

Honour - expected to behave in a way that was morally right.

Nobility - members of the aristocracy. In the Middle Ages, they earned their position by fighting for the sovereign (king) in return for an allocation of land.

Bravery - fought in battles and defended the monarch.

Service to Others - In addition to serving the monarch, they believed in protecting people who were weak and defenceless.

<https://jadejoddle.com/chivalrous-communication/>

2024-2025 SECTION OFFICERS, CVCs AND ADVISERS

SECTION CHIEF – **Berkeley Wasson, Mixti Wanaxe Lodge**
SECTION VICE CHIEF – **Naomi Liljenberg, Mixti Wanaxe Lodge**
SECTION SECRETARY – **Morgan Johnson, Ta Tsu Hwa Lodge**

COMMUNICATIONS CHAIR – **Adelaide Warden, Ta Tsu Hwa**
SERVICE CHAIR – **Parker Miceli, Mixti Wanaxe**
TRAINING CONCLAVE VICE CHIEF (CVC) – **G4 Section**
QUEST CVC – **Connor Wasielewski, Mixti Wanaxe**
Expo CVC – **Caitlin Cannon, Ema ‘o Mahpe**
Competitions CVC – **Daeten Snelson, Ma-Nu**
Special Events CVC – **Jaden Franks, Washita**
Shows CVC – **G4 Section**
Displays & Traditions CVC – **David Nichols, Ma-Nu**
American Indian Activities CVC – **Cian Hass, Ta Tsu Hwa**
Host CVC – **Brett West, Mixti Wanaxe**

SECTION ADVISER – **Theresa Lux**
ASSOCIATE SECTION ADVISER, PROGRAM – **Shawn Johnson**
ASSOCIATE SECTION ADVISER, COMMUNICATIONS – **David Long**

SERVICE ADVISER – **Jason Wakefield, Mixti Wanaxe**
TRAINING ADVISER – **Section G4**
QUEST ADVISER – **Jeff Wasson, Mixti Wanaxe**
Expo ADVISER – **Christian Branch, Ema ‘o Mahpe**
Competitions ADVISER – _____
Special Events ADVISER – _____
Shows ADVISER – **Section G4**
Displays & Traditions ADVISER – **Eric Davis, Ma-Nu**
American Indian Activities ADVISER – **Jason Schubert, Ta Tsu Hwa**
Host ADVISER – **Bradley West, Mixti Wanaxe**

WELCOME TO CAMP ROCKEFELLER!

In 1975, Natural State Council acquired Camp Kiwanis; It was renamed Cove Creek Scout Reservation in 1976 and opened as a permanent summer camp experience. In 1981, the portion of CCSR which was used for its long term resident camp was renamed after a local Scouting professional to be Camp Nile Montgomery. During 2001, Cove Creek Scout Reservation, and its subsidiary camping areas were renamed in honor of Gus Blass II and Lieutenant Governor Winthrop P. Rockefeller, both of whom were major supporters of the Scouting movement.

Camp Rockefeller promises a quality program mixed with a unique blend of fun and adventure delivered by an exuberant staff. At Camp Rockefeller Summer Camp, our guests are not a number on a spreadsheet; they are a member of our summer camp family. We pride ourselves on getting to know each camper, youth and adult. Our staff is selected based on their ability to connect with and mentor younger scouts, so that those scouts can have a role model for their scouting futures.



Welcome to the 2025 Section Conclave at Camp Rock. We are glad you are able to join us, and hope you have an awesome time!!

-----CHECK-IN PROCESS

Upon arrival, each vehicle will be stopped at the pavilion near Climbing and parking. Bring your Medical Form to the Pavilion to complete registration. Vehicles will be allowed into camp to unload on Friday night, but parking is back near the Climbing Pavilion.

SATURDAY, only Camp Rock-permitted vehicles can use camp roads.

SUNDAY, AFTER breakfast, vehicles are allowed to move around camp.

-----SOUVENIR STORE

STARTS 6PM FRIDAY THRU SATURDAY EVENING

Trading Post – Mixti Wanaxe - Trading Post

Get your Conclave souvenirs, G4 and lodge merchandise, or a snack.

TRAINING OPTIONS -----

9:00-NOON

Arrowmen Fun Stuff – STEM Classroom

9 AM – Life-to-Eagle – Sherria Carel

Working towards Eagle Scout rank? Learn about Eagle project and the paperwork. Bring your questions.

10 AM – OA and School/College – Morgan Johnson

School work can coexist with OA activities. Find out how to juggle both successfully.

11 AM – Beyond the Lodge – Morgan Johnson

What OA experiences and leadership opportunities exist beyond your chapter and lodge? Hear about other ways to keep involved, and build up your resume.

Lodge/Chapter Needs – Lakeside Pavilion

9 AM – ArrowCorps conservation – Dave Long

OA service often includes outdoor projects. Learn more about trail work and setting up larger service projects

10 AM – OA and Cub Scouting – Adelaide Warden

OA has a role in supporting Cub Scouting, which helps build up troops, and stronger chapters and lodges.

11 AM – Scout Unit Relations – Nate Carel

Most Arrowmen know about the OA Unit Representative, but there's much more on how OA works with traditional Scouting units.

Adult Interest – Scoutmaster Lounge

9 AM – Supporting Youth Protection – Dr. Jan Church & Judge Shawn Johnson

Expert discussion about a culture of communication, supporting youth protection, and safety. Plus, peer-peer abuse and recognizing abuse.

10 AM – Using OA within Troop Program – Dave Long

OA helps keep youth engaged in Scouting longer than those youth that don't become Arrowmen, but units can also benefit from additional OA exposure and leadership training.

11 AM – Advising 101 – <TBA>

There's more to mentoring and advising, both for those that have a formal patch and those adults that just happen to be around.

Dutch Oven Cooking - Paul Dahnke - Ridgetop Pavilion

Entrees: 9am; Desserts: 10am. Always a Conclave favorite. Learn how to cook with and care for the dreaded Cast Iron gear. Lots of tasty meals can be prepared with this durable equipment, some of which can date back to the medieval times and grand castle hearths.

9 AM - History of the O.A. – Lyle Johnson – Hillside Pavilion

You think you know a lot about the Order of the Arrow, and Scouting in general? Come test your knowledge. If you're new to the OA, or not, this entertaining session will showcase the history of the Order.

11 AM – Flywheel Theory – Christian Branch – Hillside Pavilion

Trying to figure out improving your Unit, Lodge, Section, or a school's club or a volunteer trying to support your unit, Council, National, or even your own company, this theory can help you and your groups grow in many ways, plus avoid getting caught in a "Doom Loop".

----- COMPETITIONS

9:00-NOON

Lodge Merchandise Competition - 9-Noon - Program Off.

Show off your Lodge's creative side, with examples of recent patches and apparel used to promote your lodge, events, or activities.

Unit Election Evaluation - (timed signup) - Chapel

One of the most important things each Chapter and Lodge can do is to have an effective Unit Election presentation, Crafting an effective "election elevator pitch" on why young Scouts should join the Order of the Arrow is a critical part of serving on an election team. Arrowmen will have 3 minutes to convince a panel of judges on why they should consider the OA.

Pre-Ordeal Ceremony - (timed signup) - Council Ring

How good is your Chapter's Pre-Ordeal Ceremony? Do you have parts memorized and use good stage direction and gestures? Teams are not graded against each other, but against the 'standard' in the 2022 (minor 2023-12 updates) Ordeal Ceremony publication.

Dutch Oven Cooking - _____ - Ridgetop Pavilion

Bring your ingredients and Dutch Oven(s) to show off your cooking skills. Charcoal will be ready for you at 11am. Sampling at the end of lunch (12:45pm) with awards during the evening show.

AMERICAN INDIAN ACTIVITIES OPTIONS -----

9AM-NOON, 1-3PM

Dance Instruction – Texas Connection - Lower Parade Field

Whether Grass Dance, Fancy Dance, Traditional or one of several other styles, come learn from experts, then show off your skills during the Pow Wow... maybe even taking home a prize.

Drum Instruction – Texas Connection - Lower Parade Field

The heartbeat of Mother Earth, the drum is a sacred instrument used in Native American traditions and pow wows. Learn about the role of the drum and what some songs are used for. See what it feels like to drum as a group, and possibly help within the pow wow.

Regalia Presentation – Texas Connection - Lower Parade Field

Regalia runs from the everyday utilitarian garment to the "Sunday Best". Look at some impressive artwork and even learn how to make some accessories. Simple craft kits available for purchase.

5PM-6:30PM

Pow Wow – Texas Connection - Lower Parade Field

Ever been to a Pow Wow? No? Well, this is a great way to learn about the traditions and expectations for those watching or participating in a real pow wow. No regalia or experience necessary. Come review the Arrowmen who are practicing a new dance style, or participate in an inter-tribal dance. The MC will explain what's going on for us newbies.

HISTORY & TRADITIONS

9AM-4:30PM

OA Displays & Traditions – _____ - Admin Building

See what our G4 lodges have put together for displays of their history and traditions. Some items are valued in the hundreds of dollars while others are just fun to learn about.

SILENT AUCTION

9AM-4:30PM

Silent Auction Bidding – _____ - Admin Building

Check out the various items that you can bid on, from whimsical to serious, from rare to just unique. Top bidder at 4:30pm gets to take the item home.

SPORTS OPTIONS

12:30-5PM

Shooting Ranges –

- Shooting Range

Test your (Cowboy) Action Shooting. **Requires camp's permission form and \$7 (pay at Trading Post)**

12:30-5PM

Zip Line –

- The Mountain

Slide into the castle of your choice by climbing the Camp Rockefeller NEW Zip Line (by Check-In). **Requires camp's permission form.**

MID-DAY GRUEL

NOON – 1PM

New Arrowmen Luncheon –

- Dining Hall

Have you joined OA in 2024 or 2025? Come meet our Section Chief, Berkeley Wasson. Learn more about how you can get involved with the Order of the Arrow. Plus a good meal...

12:20PM – 1PM

Seasoned Arrowmen Lunch –

- Dining Hall

Didn't have enough snacks from the Trading Post or the Cast Iron Cooking demonstration? Here's the lunch option that will keep you going a few more hours until the feast.

2025 G4 CONCLAVE SCHEDULE – Subject to change

| Time | Friday, 5/2 | Location | Bad Weather |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 6-10 PM | Trading Post Opens | Trading Post | Trading Post |
| 6-10 PM | Registration | Climbing Pavilion | Climbing Pavilion |
| 9 PM | Cracker Barrel | Dining Hall | Dining Hall |
| 10 PM | Just Dance Party | Stage | Dining Hall |
| 11 PM | Roundtable (CoC) | Scoutmaster Lounge | Scoutmaster Lounge |

| Time | Saturday, 5/3 | Location | Bad Weather |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 7:30 AM | Opening Flag Ceremony | Parade Field | Dining Hall |
| 7:40 AM | Bard’s BREAKFAST | Dining Hall | Dining Hall |
| 9 AM - Noon | Training Sessions – Knight Academy | | |
| 9 AM | • ArrowCorps Service | Lakeside Pavilion | Lakeside Pavilion |
| 10 AM | • OA & Cub Scouting | | |
| 11 AM | • Unit Relations | | |
| 9 AM | • Life-to-Eagle | STEM Classroom (By T.P.) | STEM Classroom |
| 10 AM | • OA and School/College | | |
| 11 AM | • Beyond the Lodge | | |
| 9 AM | • Dutch Oven - Entrees | Ridgetop Pavilion | Ridgetop Pavilion |
| 10 AM | • Dutch Oven - Desserts | | |
| 11 AM | >> Dutch Oven Cook Off Competition | | |

| Time | Saturday, 5/3 | Location | Bad Weather |
|---------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 9 AM | • Peer-Peer abuse | Scoutmaster Lounge (Behind T.P.) | Scoutmaster Lounge |
| 10 AM | • OA & Troops | | |
| 11 AM | • Advising 101 | | |
| 9 AM | • History of the OA | Hillside Pavilion | Hillside Pavilion |
| 11 AM | • Flywheel Theory | | |
| 9 AM - Noon | Competitions - Signup sheet by 8:30 am | | |
| 9 - Noon *by appt* | • Unit Election | Chapel | Chapel |
| 9 - Noon *by appt* | • Pre-Ordeal Ceremony | Council Ring | TBA |
| By 9 AM | • Merch Display Competition | Program Office (Admin) | Program Office (Admin) |
| 9 AM – Noon & 1 - 3 PM | Dance & Drum Instruction and AIA Activities | Lower Parade Field | TBA |
| 9 AM - 5 PM | OA Displays & Traditions | Admin Bldg | Admin Bldg |
| 9 AM - 5 PM | Silent Auction | Admin Bldg | Admin Bldg |
| Noon - 1 PM | New Arrowmen Luncheon | Dining Hall | Dining Hall |
| 12:20 - 1 PM | Seasoned Arrowmen LUNCH | Dining Hall | Dining Hall |
| 9 AM – Noon & 1 - 3 PM | Dance & Drum Instruction and AIA Activities | Lower Parade Field | TBA |
| 12:30-5 PM | Action Shooting | Shooting Sports | canceled |
| 12:30-5 PM | Zip Line | The Mountain | canceled |

| Time | Saturday, 5/3 | Location | Bad Weather |
|---------------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1-5 PM | The Expo | West Parade Field | TBA Canopies |
| 1-5 PM | Quest Games - 5 player teams | | |
| 1-5 PM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Catapult Launch <u>Chariot Race</u> Chess Relay <u>Wall Breaking</u> Knights Duel | Basketball Ct <u>Ridgetop Pvl</u> Chess Board <u>Ridgetop Pvl</u> Gaga Ball pit | <i>Dining Hall (indoor games)</i> |
| 5-6:30 PM | Pow-Wow | Lower Parade Field | TBA |
| 6:45-7:30 PM | DINNER Feast | Dining Hall | Dining Hall |
| 7:30-9 PM | Closing Show/Golden Arrow | Stage | <i>Dining Hall</i> |
| 9-10 PM | (Lodge- A- Palooza) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patch trading Cracker barrel Yard games (Parade field) | Dining Hall / Parade Field | Dining Hall |

| Time | Sunday, 5/4 | Location | Bad Weather |
|----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 7 AM | Vigil BREAKFAST | Dining Hall | Dining Hall |
| 8 AM | BREAKFAST | Dining Hall | Dining Hall |
| 9 AM | Interfaith Worship Service | Dining Hall | <i>Dining Hall</i> |
| 9:30 AM | Section Business Meeting | Dining Hall | <i>Dining Hall</i> |
| Coconut Ride | | | Gallop home |

QUEST GAMES OPTIONS

1PM-5PM

5-person team competitions – – East-end Parade Field

Catapult Launch (Basketball Court) – Medieval Pioneering.

Chariot Race (Ridgetop Pavilion) – You'll roll for this one.

Chess Relay (Chess Board) – Knight, Rook or Pawn?

Wall Breaking (Ridgetop Pavilion) – I hear you knocking...

Knights Duel (Gaga Ball Pit) – Don't drop the box.

EXPO DEMONSTRATIONS

1PM-4:30PM

Expo Demonstrations - _____ - West-end Parade Field

Wander through several displays and demonstrations, from military gear to outdoor skills. Some also have handouts and contests to try your skills.

CLOSING SHOW

7:30-9PM

Recap, Awards, Fun – _____ - Stage

Find out what lodge earned the coveted Golden Arrow award and recognize the individuals and teams that won prizes. Plus, some special stuff. Practice your melodic accompaniment before and during the show.

LODGE-A-PALOOZA OPTIONS

9 – 10PM

Cracker Barrel with attitude -Everyone!– Dining Hall

Cap the night with a crazy Cracker Barrel, plus patch trading and even yard games on the Parade Field.

Patch Trading – Everyone! – Dining Hall Porch

Come swap patches and stories, and make even more friends.

Yard Games - Lodges! – Parade Field

Practice Brotherhood and Fellowship with friendly activities with others at this year's Conclave.

===== SUNDAY =====

VIGIL ROUNDTABLE BREAKFAST -----

7 – 8AM

Gathering of Vigils - _____ – Dining Hall

Each Conclave, the Vigil Honor members gather for a fellowship, a special gift, and a rededication to their support of the Order. Vigil Honor members only.

INTERFAITH WORSHIP SERVICE -----

9 – 9:30AM

Scouts Own - _____ – Chapel

A Scout is reverent and practices their duty to God. Our nondenominational worship service that everyone is invited to attend. Please attend service in Field Uniform

SECTION BUSINESS MEETING -----

9:30AM

Elections, etc – Section Chief – Chapel

Business meeting to determine the direction of Section G4 for the 2025-2026 activity year. Voting for our 2025-2026 Section G4 Officers will also take place.

Each Lodge gets up to 10 votes towards our new 2025-2026 Chief, Vice Chief and Secretary. (If fewer than 10 youth attendees, each lodge gets one vote per youth attendee.)

2026 Section G4 Conclave information.

Clean Up & Packing – Your Lodge – Your Campsite

Each Lodge

Check-out procedures...

- Put everything back the way you found it.
- Tie tent flaps (on both ends).
- Perform a police line to pick up any trash in the site.
- Trash should be collected and bag(s) placed at road.

Speak like a Knight

I give you my word.

My pleasure.

Everything is taken care of.

I'm always here, whenever you need me.

Allow me to do that for you.

Thank you so much for your kind consideration.

It's been an honour serving with you.

I'm afraid not.

That is a line I will not cross.

I will take that to my grave.

This formal manner of speaking is likely to sound behind the times to some. In order to 'carry off' speaking like a knight, it's important that you also embody the knightly ideals, and attempt to live by them.

NOTES:

COUNCIL OF CHIEFS (COC) INFORMATION

SECTION OFFICER POSITIONS

Have you been really involved in the Order and your Lodge? Are you looking for a different experience that can keep you involved, yet offer new challenges? If so, then you should consider being a Section G4 Officer. There are two basic requirements: 1) You will be under 21 years of age for the entire term of office; 2) Be a registered member of Scouting America and in good standing with a Lodge and Council within Section G4. In addition, you must obtain, in advance, written approval from your respective council Scout Executive. **All interested candidates must talk to the Section Adviser (Theresa Lux) by April 25, 2025.**

OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Chief: Presides over meetings of the Council of Chiefs. They provide leadership and motivation at all functions and represents the Section at area, regional, and national functions to which they are invited.

Vice Chief: Fills in for the Chief as needed, ensures the Section Conclave is promoted in each of the Lodges.

Secretary: Takes minutes for all meetings and keeps an up-to-date roster of the Council of Chiefs. Serves as a member of the Gateway Region Communication team.

Section Officers must attend in-person meetings each year including the Section Officer Seminar, plus regular virtual meetings. Necessary transportation and housing will be provided. The in-person meetings are:

- National Council of Chiefs (July 21-26, 2025)
- Section Officer Seminar (October 24-26, 2025)
- CHIEF ONLY: National Planning Meeting (Jan 16-18, 2026)
- Winter Council of Chiefs (TBD____, 2026)
- Section Conclave (May 1-3, 2026)

SECTION OFFICER VOTING

Field Operations Handbook (FOH) – Rule IV-B: Nominations for section officers may be made by one of the designated council youth representatives when nominations are declared open at any meeting of the council of chiefs or at the conclave business meeting. Nominations shall require no second, but the nominee must accept the nomination. Nominations for each office shall be closed only once – just before balloting for that office.

FOH – Rule IV-C: The following election procedures shall be used:

1. After the nominations for a given office are declared closed, the designated council youth representative, shall poll their delegates who are younger than 21 to determine how they will cast their votes. Such a poll shall be taken before each ballot.
2. Each council in the section, in good standing (renewed its OA charter) with the national service center, may cast one vote per youth member present at the time of the election, up to a maximum of 10 votes, for each office on all ballots. The designated council youth representative must cast their votes in proportion to the poll of the delegates (in whole votes, not fractions). The section chief, in consultation with the section adviser and section staff adviser, has final authority to determine any questions about whether a delegation is officially representing a council at the conclave. Such judgments shall be based on written or verbal certification by the lodge adviser, lodge staff adviser, or council Scout executive of the council in question. In no case shall adults vote. Telephone, email, or other electronic votes are not permitted.
3. A nominee must receive a majority (one vote more than fifty percent) of the votes cast on a given ballot to be elected (abstentions do not count as votes cast). Where a majority is not achieved, the nominee(s) receiving the least number of votes is (are) dropped and another ballot is taken. This procedure continues until one nominee achieves a majority and is declared elected, or until two ballots in succession result in tie votes and the balloting is declared deadlocked.
4. When balloting is declared deadlocked, the youth conducting the election (Note: This is the section chief or a youth appointed by the section chief and approved by the section adviser) will announce to the voting delegates that one more ballot will be taken to break the tie and, if another tie results, they shall cast sufficient votes for the nominee of their choice to achieve a majority and declare them elected.

THE CODE OF CHIVALRY

Since ancient times, great feudal houses have been defended by valiant knights. Recognized as the most skilled and cunning warriors of their respective nations, knights pledged to follow the code of Chivalry. In times of both peace and war, knights find guidance in the twelve virtues of the code.

Faith

He honors God, and follows his spiritual convictions

Loyalty

He serves his house and lord with trust, and defends his companions

Justice

He defends the innocent and defenseless, and punishes evil

Charity

He ensures quarter for widows, orphans and the wounded

Prudence

He does not seek to cause unnecessary offense or conflict

Wisdom

He is careful in his judgments, and reveres the counsel of his elders

Temperance

He abstains from intoxication and belligerence

Resolve

He remains steadfast to his commitments in spite of adversity

Honesty

He searches for the truth, and does not deceive his peers

Benevolence

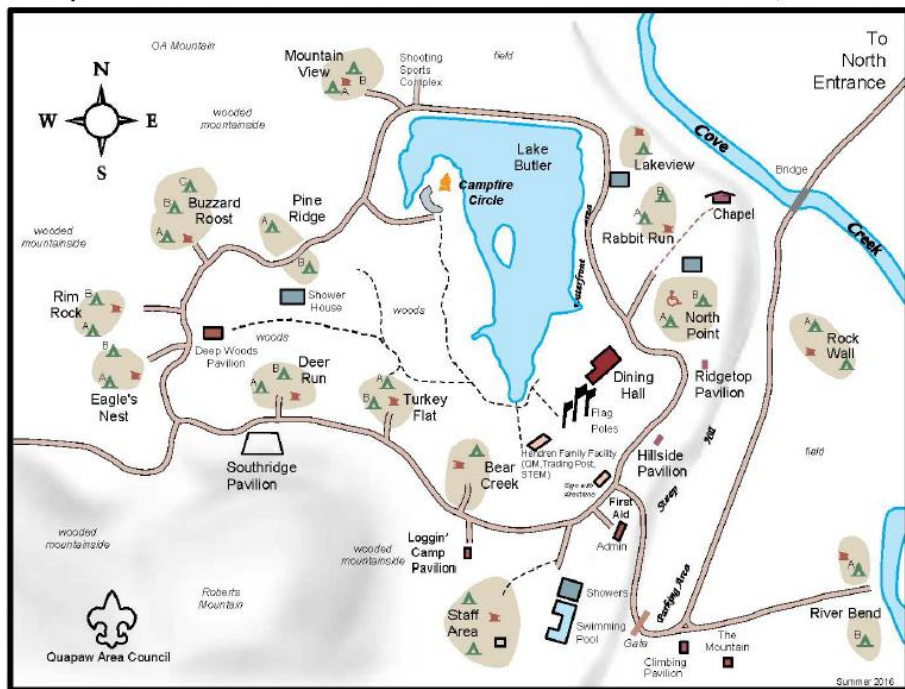
He uses power for the well being of his people, not personal enrichment

Bravery

He does not turn his back in battle, and accepts a challenge by his equal

Valor

He treats the defeated with dignity, and brings glory to his banner



Order of the Arrow Grace

For night alone that rests our thought
 For quiet dawn that lights our trail
 For evening fire that warms and cheers
 For each repast that fuels our work
 We give thanks, O Lord

