

The Monthly G4-Cast

Welcome Arrowmen to the End of Summer issue of the G4-Cast! These newsletters will provide insight into upcoming events and training for all Arrowmen residing in the Order of the Arrow's Gateway Region Section G4.

The G4-Cast (G-forecast... get it?) will be published bi-monthly to give you the latest news from the Section.

Section Calendar

Event	Location	Date	Link
NLS/DYLC - Gateway Region	Renaissance High School & Hotel Lodging (Boise, ID)	October 10th-12th	NLS Info (Arrowmen) DYLC Info (adults)
NLS / DYLC - Gateway Region	Longhorn Council Office + Hotel Lodging (Fort Worth, TX)	November 7th-9th	NLS Info (Arrowmen) DYLC Info (adults)
NLS / DYLC - Gateway Region	Irvine Ranch Outdoor Education Center (IROEC) (Orange,CA)	November 22nd-24th	NLS Info (Arrowmen) DYLC Info (adults)
Ma-Nu LLD	Edmond, OK	September 13th	<tbd></tbd>
2026 G4 Conclave	Camp Simpson (Milburn, OK)	May 1st-3rd,2026	G4 Conclave

Our Section Communications Committee (SCC) is working hard to bring you the news from around the Section and keep you updated on fun activities. Look out for posts on Instagram or Facebook and check out the section website at SectionG4.org

Reminders and Announcements:

Ma-Nu Lodge opened their LLD (Lodge Leadership Development) on September 13th to the entire Section—thank you to Ma-Nu for the invitation!

Additionally, the date for the ACT Conference (Adapt, Collaborate, Thrive) has been changed. Updated information on both events is available later in this newsletter.

Adapt, Collaborate, and Thrive (ACT) Conference

Dear Section G4 Arrowmen,

We're excited to share that our ACT (Adapt, Collaborate, Thrive) Conference has a new date and location! To make the event more accessible and to build energy for the year ahead, we've decided to move ACT to November 13–15, 2026.

To offer a preview of the ACT experience, we're partnering with Ma-Nu Lodge to host a special ACT showcase during their LLD on September 13 in Edmond, Oklahoma. This collaboration will provide a glimpse into the impactful programming to come and help generate excitement across the section.

This shift allows us to reach more Arrowmen and introduce the ACT experience in a way that is engaging, convenient, and sets the stage for next year's full return. We're planning a strong program and hope you and your lodge will be part of it!

More information on registration and logistics (including overnight options for those needing them) will be coming soon. In the meantime, please spread the word and save the date!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to our Adviser at adviser@sectionG4.org or call 405-696-9368.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Bryce Mosley

Section Chief

Gateway Region Section G4

New OA Member App:

The new OA member app launches August 10th and will be available on both Apple and Android devices. It features the Ordeal and Brotherhood Journey, online dues payment, news and events from your Lodge, Section, Region, and National, push notifications, and profile editing.

Arrowmen can claim their accounts now to be ready when the app goes live!



National Leadership Seminar (NLS)

The National Leadership Seminar (NLS) is a weekend conference that focuses on the skills that attribute leadership. The program enhances the leadership skills of the Order of the Arrow's youth and adult members as they seek to improve their service to Scouting America and the greater community. The weekend format complements the National Youth Leadership Training (for youth) and Wood Badge (for adults). Course participants make a promise to themselves to apply the skills learned based on projects in their lodge, council, and community. NLS prepares arrowmen to become better leaders both within and outside the Scouting program.



The National Leadership Seminar provides Arrowmen with an opportunity to grow in their leadership through a weekend of intense training. Course topics will include making personal belief-based decisions, promoting resilience, and cultivating a growth mindset. Arrowmen will bring these new skills back to their lodges to strengthen the leadership within their lodges and chapters.

The National Leadership Seminar program is offered several times a year in various locations throughout each region.

The next NLS(s) are the following:

Oct.10th -12th, '25 at Renaissance High School & Hotel Lodging 1307 E Central Dr

Meridian, ID 83642

Nov. 7th- 9th, '25 at Longhorn Council Office + Hotel Lodging 850 Cannon Dr Hurst, TX 76054

Nov. 21st-23rd, '25 at Irvine Ranch Outdoor Education Center (IROEC) 2 Irvine Park Rd Orange, CA 92869

To register, please visit <u>registration.oa-scouting.org</u>. For more NLS information, see the main OA site: <u>national-leadership-seminar</u>



Developing Youth Leadership Conference (DYLC)



The Developing Youth Leadership Conference (DYLC) will strengthen an adviser's capacity to develop youth leadership within the lodge and chapter. Conference topics will include learning how to promote resilience, foster a growth mindset, provide constructive feedback, and create a life-long mentoring relationship. Conference participants will gain insights necessary to successfully mentor youth applying the leadership skills they gained during the National Leadership Seminar.

DYLC will progress advisers beyond lodge mechanics and operations to establishing a culture within the lodge and chapter that grows youth who are capable of building teams, establishing goals, and guiding the lodge's work to achieve within the Performance Measurement Program. Prior participation in the National Leadership Seminar is encouraged but is not required.

The Developing Youth Leadership program is offered several times a year in various locations throughout each region.

The next DYLC(s) are the following

Oct.10th -12th, '25 at Renaissance High School & Hotel Lodging 1307 E Central Dr

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For more DYLC information, see: <u>developing-youth-leadership-conference</u>



Conclave 2026

Mark your calendars! Wisawanik and Washita Lodges are teaming up to co-host Conclave 2026, set for May 1–3, 2026 at Camp Simpson in Milburn, OK.

This Conclave's theme, "One Spark, Countless Legacies," reflects the spirit of change and renewal across our Order. Even as chapters close on long-standing traditions, the spark that first lit our journey remains — a reminder that one moment, one action, or one person can still ignite lasting impact and inspire new legacies.

Get ready for an unforgettable weekend of brotherhood, adventure, and inspiration. More details to come – don't miss your chance to be part of the spark!

Lodge Leadership Development (LLD)

Lodge Leadership Development is a training that is put on by a Lodge to help train and equip their arrowmen and lodge officers with the skills necessary to successfully plan and run a lodge and its programs. Through Lodge Leadership Development, you will learn essential components of organizing and coordinating successful events, and building up a unique and growth focused culture.

LLD can focus on many different aspects according to the Lodge's needs. Such as Creative thinking, community service, budgeting, group and one on one communications, goal setting, leading vs. serving, how to build and maintain relationships, and so much more.

Attending LLD would be a great opportunity for you because it holds a wealth of opportunity to gain skill and knowledge on how we can serve those who chose us and make unforgettable memories with our fellow servant leaders. Even if you, as an arrowmen, never get involved in the lodge or in your chapter, having these skills will make a competent and skilled young person in the real world and it will help you to better serve and grow your unit and the scouts in it.

Through LLD you have the opportunity to not just learn but also to enjoy fellowship, encouragement, and fun between all arrowmen.

You will enjoy team building challenges that kindle friendship, interactive discussions and evening activities that uplift and inspire. All designed to empower, create long lasting friendships, and build up both you as a leader and our community as a lodge.



G4 Section Lodge Highlights:

Ema 'o Mahpe Lodge:

While not highly active over the summer, Ema 'o Mahpe Lodge has made notable strides. Two members participated in OA High Adventure programs, gaining valuable experience and leadership skills. The lodge was also represented at the National Council of Chiefs (NCOC), ensuring their voice was part of national-level conversations. Discussions around a potential lodge merger have been initiated. Looking ahead, the lodge is hosting Summer Fest on August 16th at Perry Lake, Oklahoma—a great opportunity for fellowship and fun. Their Fall Fellowship is also scheduled for September, promising more chances for involvement.

Ma-Nu Lodge:

Ma-Nu Lodge has been actively navigating its recent merger, holding discussions to finalize lodge merger details and successfully settling bylaws related to new leadership positions. The upcoming Fall Experience will provide a chance for members to reconnect and re-engage. In addition, Ma-Nu is excited to host its Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) training this September—open to all members of Section G4. Their Fall Fellowship and Festival will mark a historic moment with the first official lodge elections as a fully merged lodge.

Ta Tsu Hwa Lodge:

Ta Tsu Hwa Lodge is gearing up for a busy fall season, with both a Fall Fellowship and Fall Induction planned. In addition to those major events, lodge members will be offering their support and cheerful service at a council-wide Camporee in September, further showcasing their dedication to Scouting and community engagement.

Mixti Wanaxe Lodge:

Mixti Wanaxe Lodge had a strong showing at summer camp, with excellent participation from both Arrowmen and staff. A successful Summer Induction was held, bringing in new members and reinforcing brotherhood. The lodge is now turning its attention toward preparing for their upcoming Fall Fellowship this September.

Washita Lodge:

Although activity has been limited in recent months, Washita Lodge continues to support the Section through active collaboration—particularly their lodge secretaries who have been working closely with the Section Communications Committee. Looking ahead, the lodge has planned a Work Day on August 30th to prepare for their Fall Fellowship.



Wisawanik Lodge:

Wisawanik Lodge had a strong presence at Camp Simpson this summer, where a well-received call-out ceremony took place. The lodge was represented at NCOC, ensuring their continued engagement on a national level. This fall, they will host their Fall Ordeal from September 19–20, which will include lodge elections and the highly anticipated Vigil Honor call-out.

Chief's Moment

A few words from our Chief, Bryce Mosley:

This summer has been full of energy, growth, and unforgettable experiences. I've been inspired by the enthusiasm shown across our Lodges and I am excited to begin traveling to events, meeting Arrowmen, and continuing to support the incredible work happening throughout the Section.

But the momentum of summer doesn't stop here.

As we look ahead to the Fall, there's so much to be excited about. From Lodge Fellowships to Training and Induction Experiences, each event is an opportunity to grow as leaders, serve with purpose, and strengthen the bonds of Brotherhood. I look forward to connecting with many of you at these gatherings as we continue building a legacy of cheerful service together.

Our Section leadership is also hard at work planning for Conclave 2026 and the upcoming ACT Conference. Big things are ahead, and your involvement is what will make them meaningful and impactful.

So I challenge you: carry the spark of summer into everything you do next. Lead with purpose, serve with heart, and be the example others look to. I can't wait to see the impact you'll make in the months ahead.

Bryce Mosley

Section Chief

Gateway Region Section G4



The Joke Lodge: A Gathering of Groans

Q: Why did the lantern apply for a leadership position at camp?

A: Because it really knew how to shine under pressure!

Q: What did the Scout say after building their first fire?

A: "This is lit-erally the best part of camping!"

Q: Why don't porcupines join OA ceremonies?

A: They always make a point to stand out!

Q: Why did the Scout bring a pencil to the campfire?

A: *In case they needed to draw some attention!*

Q: Why did the Scout set up their hammock near the joke book?

A: They wanted to hang out with the best lines!

Q: Why was the pinecone late to the nature hike?

A: *It kept getting stuck in sticky situations!*

Q: What did the compass say to the lost hiker?

A: "You really need to find yourself!"

Q: Why did the Arrowman bring string to the fellowship?

A: *Just in case things started to unravel.*

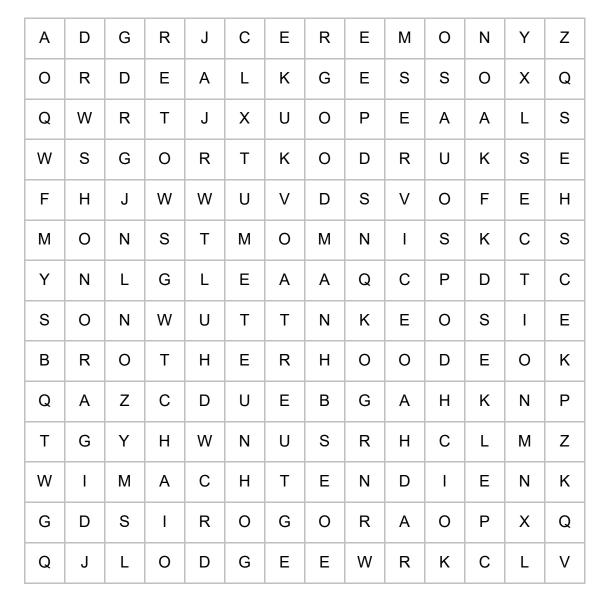
Q: Why did the Scout ace their geography test?

A: *Because they always know their way around camp!*

Have some corny jokes of your own? Share them to Comms@SectionG4.org to see them entered in the newsletter!



Section Wordsearch



Arrowman, Meteu, Service, Wimachtendienk, Goodman, Brotherhood, Honor, NOAC, Sash, Ordeal, Section, Lodge, Ceremony

That's all from us at the *G4-cast* crew. Have a great start to the school year!

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