#### The Excitement Builds!

### **Climbing Wall Update:**

The Army climbing wall that was originally scheduled to be at the Expo will not be present. However, the Camp Powhatan Climbing Tower will be open during the Expo hours. Check out the camp map for the location.

#### Weather:

(Weather.com as of 1:46 a.m. Saturday)

#### **SATURDAY**

High 65 degrees

Cloudy with few showers later in the day. Thunder possible. Chance of rain 40%.

Camp Powhatan, peaceful calm tarnished only by the loud and persistent crowd of Arrowmen shouting "Pass it On!" As the section leadership began to welcome over 1.000 Arrowmen to the Blue Ridge Scout Reservation, one thing had

the Conclave had begun.

Arrowmen from across Virginia had spent the day traveling from their respective councils, all excited for an exciting weekwith welcoming smiles and directions to their

It was a cool brisk night at been made very clear; lodge's camps. Upon arrival, Arrowmen gave their contributions to the Conclave Service Project and headed to their designated campsites to drop off their gear and check in.

> end. As vehicles arrived, Once Arrowmen had sethost lodge staff met them tled into their tents, they

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### Area 7 **Commissioner** to Host Roundtable

Mike Sexton of Shenandoah Lodge 258 is currently serving as the Southern Region Area 7 Commissioner.

He will be hosting a commissioner roundtable Saturday at 11:00 a.m. on the upstairs deck of the Nature Lodge.

Join Mike to discuss ways to strengthen service to units in your council.

# Changes to Top Shot Competition

At Friday Night's Council of Chiefs Meeting, several key changes to Saturday's Top Shot Competition were announced that will allow more Arrowmen to participate.

First, pistols will not be a part of the contest, so the NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Course that was previously required is no longer applicable.

Second, because there will be no pistols, team members do not need to



be registered Venturers.

If you are interested in participating in this innovative new activity, please see your lodge adviser.

#### **Excitement**

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ities including a section from other lodges, enjoy ment. officer dunk-tank (thanks to Alex Maneval, Carter Elliott. and Anthony Peluso for volunteering to take the plunge), inflatables, giant chess, gaga ball, and many more exciting events. As the carnival came to a close, the section officers kicked off the largest conclave ever held at Camp Powhatan,

and went over some im- the last minutes of the portant information for carnival, and head back to began to congregate in the weekend. Once com- their lodge's camps, rejuthe main field to partici- pleted, lodges were sent venating their energy for pate in a plethora of activ- off to meet Arrowmen another day of excite-



# Join Operation Arrow @ Jambo '17

In 2017, the OA will con- and small, and exemplify teaching tradition providing cheerful service to the National Scout Jamboree. More than 750 youth Arrowmen will answer the call to serve in Arrow Operation staffing one of the OA's program areas, which include the Service Corps, Trek Guides and Indian Village.

The OA Service Corps, a tradition dating back to 1950, provides reliable manpower support to other essential jamboree programs. Service Corps staffers work to accomplish projects, both big

of the OA's commitment to song and drumming. "service with a smile."

ing unique programming. mation on our program fillment in their jamboree event.oa-bsa.org/events/ experience.

The OA Indian Village serves as the hub for American Indian programming. Indian Village staffers educate Scouts on American Indian life by

The Operation Arrow The OA Trek Guides lead team has been accepting units on their day-long applications to join our jamboree trek to the sum- staff since October 2015, mit of Garden Ground and our quota is filling Mountain, where partici- quickly. Interested Arrowpants spend a day enjoy- men can find more infor-Trek Guides enjoy rugged, areas and a link to apply outdoor adventures and by visiting the Operation help their crews find ful- Arrow website at http:// jambo2017 or by following @OperationArrow on Twitter.

#### **NEW ARROWMAN** LUNCHEON

Today's New Ordeal Luncheon is a gathering of food and fellowship, as well as encouragement to all new members to get their Brotherhood once they are able to.

They will be joined by all of their brothers who are in the same situation, and will have the opportunity to listen to their section officers and the 2016 National Chief, Hunter Jones, express the importance of the OA and Brotherhood membership.

If you are attending, be sure to bring an appetite and your Passport, and be fired up to hear why you should get your Brotherhood.



2016 SR-7	2016 SR-7A Conclave Training Schedule			
Time	BLOCK I Communication Location: Nature Center (Upstairs Classroom)	BLOCK II Leadership Location: Nature Center (Downstairs Classroom)	BLOCK III Membership Retention I Location: Centennial Training Center	BLOCK IV Lodge/Chapter Operations Location: Nature Center (Bench Side)
9:00 - 9:50AM	Extral Extral Read All About Iti Innovative Ways to Communicate Digitally	I Need You For My Team: Motivating People to Act	Just Keep Leading, Just Keep Leading: Keeping Youth Inspired	What Do You Mean By Advise? The Adviser's Role in the Lodge
10:00 - 10:50AM	Speaking to the Public: How to Present Yourself and Your Ideas	Growing Alongside Your Team: Personal Leadership Development	Taking Learning to the EDGE! How to Deliver Truly Effective Training	OA, LEC, SR-7A? Explaining the Order of the Arrow
11:00 - 11:50AM	Interleadership Communication: Eloquent Dialogue among Equals	So They Just Elected Me Chief, What Now? How to Confidently take the Lead	The First Impression of the OA: Developing a Good Elangomat Program	A Well Oiled Machine: Building an Effective Chapter Program
Time	BLOCK V Outdoor Skills Location: Commissioner's Ring (Behind Health Lodge)	BLOCK VI Membership Retention II Location: OA Shelter	BLOCK VII Service Nature Center (Upstairs Deck)	BLOCK VIII OA High Adventure Pine Tree
9:00 - 9:50AM	Welcome to the World of a Pyro Maniac: How to Build the Best Ceremonial Fire	Reconnecting with the First Century: Alumni Relations	High Adventure, Make it Happen!	
10:00 - 10:50AM	The Hospital in the Forest: Wildemess First Aid	Find Your Type of Spiriti	Outdoor Ethics - Hornaday Awards	How to Pack for an OA High Adventure Base
11:00 - 11:50AM	Camp Chef: Heavy Metal Cooking	Cheerfully Serving Away from Home: College for Arrowman	Commissioner Roundtable	How to Effectively Promote OA High Adventure
Time	BLOCK IX AIA I Location: Handicraft	BLOCK X AIA II Location: Handicraft	BLOCK XI Ceremonies I Location: Health Lodge Porch (Left Side)	BLOCK XII Ceremonies II Location: Health Lodge Porch (Right Side)
9:00 - 9:50AM	American Indian Beadwork Styles	Learn to Dance	Intro. to Pre-Ordeal Ceremony	Ceremonies 101
10:00 - 10:50AM	How to Set up a Tipi	AIA Adviser Discussion	Intro. to Brotherhood Ceremony	
11:00 - 11:50AM	Introduction to Northern Singing	Craft Extravaganza		
9:00 - 10:50AM	9:00 - 10:50AM   Ceremonies Evaluator Training at Water Tower		loa!	



