



THE FIREBIRD

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THE CHIEFLY CORNER

Hi, my name is Conley Thom, your 2017 Lodge Chief. I am a Senior at South Medford High School and have been involved in the Order of the Arrow for four years. I am very excited for this coming year in scouting. As a lodge, we are looking forward to our spring event coming up very soon. Another event to be looking forward to is the Crater Lake service project that we as a lodge will be leading. Last year's project was a huge success, and we hope to do even more for Crater Lake this coming year. Overall, this year is going to be very exciting. I hope to grow our membership as well as our attendance to events. Please join me in making this year one to remember.

2016 AWARDS

Congratulations to all thirteen of our award-winning Arrowmen in 2016!

Founders Award

James Alexander & Ed Sutton

Arrow of Honor

Dave Hicks & Morgan Perry

Recognition of Cheerful Service

Jacob Elwood & James Verheyden

Vigil

Kelly Joyce, Kevin Padrick,
Angela Perry, Seth Roy, Don Spriggle
& Kyle Williams

James E. West Award

Conley Thom

CONCLAVE

This year's Section W-1S conclave will be held from September 8th-10th at Lane Community College in Eugene, OR. We are the host Lodge this year, so it is important for everyone to get involved!

SPRING FELLOWSHIP

This year's Spring Fellowship will be held from April 7th-9th at Chinquapin Group Campground, 12 miles from Cave Junction, OR. There will be many outdoor activities including a visit to the Oregon Caves National Monument. Please register at bit.ly/LodgeSpringThing2017.

DUES REMINDER

If you have not yet paid your 2017 dues, please do so as soon as possible. Paying your dues gives us an accurate count of our membership, helps fund the Lodge and you will receive mailed communications. Dues can be mailed in or paid online at dues.oalodge491.org. Visit oalodge491.org for more information.

2017 EVENTS

SPRING FELLOWSHIP
INDUCTION WEEKEND
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LODGE SERVICE PROJECT
W-1S CONCLAVE
W-3N CONCLAVE
INDUCTION WEEKEND
INDUCTION WEEKEND
NLS/DYLC
INDUCTION WEEKEND
FALL FELLOWSHIP

April 7-9 Chinquapin Group Campground
June 2-4 Camp McLoughlin
June 9-11 Camp Makaula
June 16-18 Camp Riggs Johnston
Aug. 27-29 Crater Lake National Park
Sep. 8-10 Lane Community College, Eugene
Sep. 15-17 Camp Lassen
Sep. 22-24 Camp Makaula
Sep. 29-Oct .1 Camp Riggs Johnston
Oct. 6-8 Boring
Oct. 13-15 Camp McLoughlin
Nov. 3-5 Location TBD

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Klamath District Office

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CHEERFUL SERVICE

Brotherhood. Cheerfulness. Service. These are the core foundations on which our lodge thrives on, without even one element we wouldn't be what we are today. 2016 was a phenomenal year for our lodge but as always we can and will accomplish bigger and better things, nevertheless attendance to our ordeals and service events is absolutely key to improving out council camps and the communities within our lodge this year. Once again this summer we plan to work in partnership with the National Park Service to benefit Oregon's crown jewel, Crater Lake National Park. These weekends aren't just hard labor to help others, they're a chance to make some of the best memories of your lifetime, bond with your fellow brothers in the great outdoors, and be a fundamental part of what I believe to be the greatest youth organization in the world.

—James Alexander | 2017 VC of Programs

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