

# **SECTION G18S CONCLAVE**

2024 Edition

To Brotherhood and Beyond

## Welcome

Greetings, all G18S Arrowmen from a galaxy far far away!

Are you new to conclaves? Excited for new thrills and fellowship? An adventure awaits!

Over the past year the section team has worked diligently on an event that is truly out of this world. Strap on your boots and clean your visor as our team sports and events seek new heights! Many Arrowmen have ventured from all parts of the Galaxy to meet you and partake in this new endeavor.

Finally, if you are up for this expedition, the Section Space Rangers salute you as you hit hyperdrive and blast off to brotherhood and beyond!

The section team wishes you safe travels on your journey across the stars to this year's conclave!

To Brotherhood and Beyond,

Michael Rios Tolano - 2024 G18S Section Chief

Howdy! I am extremely excited to be joining y'all at the 2024 Section G18S Conclave at **Camp Emerson**. Having attended the 18S Conclave last year as a guest, I know y'all like to have a good time and I am ready to join in on the fun once again!

Conclave has always been one of my favorite events within the Order of the Arrow. The opportunity to build connections with local Arrowmen (sometimes local can even mean 8 hours away, depending on your section) through fun activities, meaningful training, and captivating shows is unlike any other. Conclave also served as an event which ignited my love for the Order of the Arrow. After I attended my first conclave in 2018, I felt as though I really had a place in the Order of the Arrow. I made a ton of friendships that have followed me through my whole OA journey, and I built memories that will last a lifetime. Every conclave after my first in 2018 has given me that same experience and has served as a rejuvenating event for me year after year.

Throughout my term as Gateway Region Chief this year, I've had the opportunity to attend events across the world. Traveling to events far away from home has opened my eyes to different challenges we face, both big and small. These challenges might seem daunting, but I assure you that the Arrowmen of today are prepared to handle whatever comes their way. One thing I can say for sure is that whether I am in Chicago, Illinois, or Tokyo, Japan, or even Camp Tahquitz, the spirit of the Order of the Arrow is alive in the hearts of Arrowmen.

In closing, I want to reiterate just how excited I am to spend a weekend with you all at the Section G18S Conclave. Whether this is your first conclave or your thirtieth, I can assure you that it will be an unforgettable experience. I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Yours in Cheerful Service,

Jake Whitley - Gateway Region Chief

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# G18S Leadership

Section Leadership			
Section Chief	Al Silva		
Section Vice-Chief	Brandon V.	Section Associate Adviser	Michael Hare
Section Secretary	Alex T.	Section Associate Adviser	Adrian Castaneda

Lodge Leadership			
Cahuilla Lodge Chief	Ryan Y.	Adviser	Cynthia Blessum
Puvunga Lodge Chief	Aaron T.	Adviser	John McGlynn
Wiatava Lodge Chief	Vijay R.	Adviser	Becca Daniels

Conclave Vice-Chiefs and Advisers				
Lodge Assignment Lodge Vice-Chief Adviser				
Facilities	Puvunga	Grant Z.	Chris Espinosa	
Admin	Wiatava	Caleb W.	Justin Underwood	
Special Events	Cahuilla	Saylor H.	Julie Stevens	
Shows	Puvunga	Henry T.	Eric Zandvliet	
Activities	Wiatava		Javier Venegas	
Training	Cahuilla	Andrew L.	Andrew Blessum	

Conclave Trainers			
Class	Trainer		
OA Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion	Amanda Klopping / Steven Soto		
OA Art and History	Frank Sydow		
Photography of People in Nature	David Lesyna		
Catalyzing Your Vision / ACT Session 3	Javier Venegas		
Lasers – Light that Burns	Keith Weinrich		

# **Lodge Histories**

## Cahuilla Lodge #127

Cahuilla Lodge has 4 distinct predecessor Lodges, 2 of which began in the 1930s and 2 in the 1950s. Navajo Lodge #98 and Tahquitz Lodge #127 were the 2nd and 4th Order of the Arrow Lodges formed in California, founded in 1937 and 1938 respectively. Ho-Mita Koda Lodge #380, part of the Redlands Area Council, existed between 1948 and 1952. Wisumahi Lodge #478 became a Lodge in 1952. Finally, A-tsa Lodge #380 was chartered in 1955 after the previous Lodge was disbanded.

Cahuilla Lodge #127 was formed in 1973 from the merger of Tahquitz Lodge #127 and Wisumahi Lodge #478. An exact date of founding is elusive. While California Inland Empire Council was formed on January 1, 1973, the Lodges had a year to complete their merger. The 1973 merger brought both new opportunities and challenges. Integrating different groups into one large organization took careful planning. The Lodge's organization was formed slowly. During the planning process, which took almost all of 1973, the Lodge used the office of the Lodge Chief; Ken DeWitt, and Jon Nelson. Both youths were the outgoing Lodge Chiefs and were responsible for helping lead the group as one.

Despite the issues involved, the groups demonstrated enormous foresight. The use of the name Cahuilla, in commemoration of the loosely constructed tribe of American Indians, was a natural name to latch on to. Also, the use of the rattlesnake totem gave the Lodge one of the most popular totems in the entire country. Throughout the years, Cahuilla Lodge's distinctive pocket flaps are just as recognizable as any Lodge short of Unami #1.

The name, Cahuilla Lodge, was selected in the spring and announced at the 1973 Section W4B Conclave.

In 1974, A-tsa Lodge #380 (Grayback Council) was absorbed into Cahuilla Lodge and was constituted as their own chapter. On May 1, 2006, the portion of Navajo Lodge #98 (Old Baldy Council) in San Bernardino County was welcomed into the family to make the territory of the Lodge as we know it today, and Navajo became its own chapter.

There were at least two Pre-OA Societies that existed at two different camps. The Tribe of Tahquitz (Riverside County Council) was formed in the late 1920s at Camp Emerson and is the second Pre-OA Tribe of Tahquitz after the original formed at the Idyllwild Camp Tahquitz as part of Long Beach Area Council. The second was the Tribe of Siwanis, which formed at Camp Arataba in Barton Flats and was part of the Arrowhead Area Council. Both groups were reformulated as Order of the Arrow Lodges once their Councils received formal charters.

Cahuilla Lodge has a long tradition of service to the council, camp, and community and earned multiple national service, camping, and innovation awards. Cahuilla celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2023, honoring its 1973 Scout Executive and Lodge Chiefs, and continues its long-standing traditions of service to Camp Emerson as well as National Trails Day, National Public Lands Day, Induction Weekends, Fall Fellowships, and other community-based service projects.

#### Puvunga Lodge #32

The Long Beach Area Council chartered its first Lodge (Lodge 32) in the history of its existence on January 1, 2012, and consisted of (22) chartered members that had previously been inducted by (10) different lodges. The Lodge began its life without a name and totem. Its number was derived from the Council's number in accordance with OA National policies. Lodge 32 held its first ordeal weekend on May 18-20, 2012 at Camp Tahquitz supported by Section W4-S Lodges Ta Tanka, Wiatava, Tiwahe, and Cahuilla.

In keeping with tradition, the youth members considered various names and totems representative of the Tongva (Gabriellino) Tribe. The first ordeal new members settled on the name Puvunga which means "the gathering place" which was considered to be one of the Tongva Peoples' most sacred sites and its location today on the campus of Cal State Long Beach University.

After considering a number of symbols the Arrowmen Settled on the Porpoise which was one of the many animals and objects considered sacred to the Tongva people.

Over the next 10 years, the Lodge attended 4 National Order of the Arrow Conferences, hosted 2 Conclaves, 2016 conducted its first Vigil ceremony, co-hosted many Fall Fellowships with Cahuilla Lodge, and many more exciting OA activities.

In 2022, Puvunga celebrated its 10-year anniversary.

#### Wiatava Lodge #13

The Order of the Arrow program started in Orange County during World War II. In 1945 the Orange County Council split into two councils. The Orange Empire Area Council served communities south of Anaheim and the North Orange County Council served north county communities. Both Councils shared one OA lodge for five years.

Orange Empire's new Scout Executive, Hugh Wilcox, ushered in the Order of the Arrow. San Gorgonio Lodge #298 was chartered in 1945. The first "call out" was held in May 1945. Elbert Clark of Laguna Beach was elected the first Lodge Chief and "Cap" Pritchard was selected as the first Lodge Adviser. Spring Fellowship (Induction Weekend) started in 1946, followed by Fall Pow Wow in 1949.

In February 1950, Ahwahnee Lodge #430 was granted a charter by the National Office. Don Piantoni served as Ahwahnee's first Chief and Eldon "Red" Knaus as the first Adviser. Ahwahnee Lodge served the North Orange Council.

On January 1, 1973, Wiatava Lodge #13 officially began. A merger committee was formed in spring 1972. In the end, both lodges gave up some of their traditions to form a new whole. There were some new traditions to start as well, including a name, number, and totem for the new lodge. The lodge number, 13, was the lowest available at the time. Wiatava is the Cupeño Indian name for Lost Valley, the Council's summer camp. It translates to "place of the Oaks." The lodge totem is a cogged stone, an Orange County archeological artifact that dates back thousands of years.

The first official Wiatava Lodge function was the Lodge banquet, held on January 13, 1973, and highlighted by the election of Charles Wisdom as Wiatava's first Lodge Chief, while Ray Smith was selected as adviser. Spring Induction Weekends followed at both Lost Valley and Ahwahnee. From 1973 to 1978, Lodge Pow Wows alternated between the two camps. Pow Wow stayed at Lost Valley from 1978 until 2020, it moved to the Irvine Ranch Outdoor Education Center.

The Lodge has become a leader (nationally), earning the National Service Award, Camping Award, and Lodge Service Grant many times. Wiatava had many members elected to the Section, Region, and National offices. The first national officer was Larry Brown, the 1978 National Vice Chief. The most recent was Manue Lopez, 2017 Western Region Chief.

The lodge continues to evolve as the Scouting program evolves. The first female Arrowmen were inducted in 2019. The first female Lodge officer, Melody Fewx, served in 2021. Wiatava Lodge continues to add to an outstanding legacy of brotherhood and cheerful service.

# Schedule of Events

Friday	/: Aug	gust 23
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1pm – 5 pm Service Lodge and Staff Arrival

5pm - 10pm Admin Check-in Circus Tent 5pm - 9:30pm Trading Posts Open / Pre Order Pickup 8:45pm - 10:30pm Cracker Barrel / Welcome & Evening Activity Commissary Circus Tent

10pm COC - Conclave Staff Gathering

10:30pm Lights Out

#### Saturday: August 24

6:30am Wake Up

7am **Registration Re-Opens** Admin 7am Fellowship Run Admin/Flag Morning Flag Ceremony (Cahuilla) Flag Pole 8am 8:15am - 9am **BREAKFAST** Commissary

**Training Sessions** 

9am - 9:50am Training Session #1 (Meet the Chiefs) Bowl 10am - 11:50am Training Session #2 – See Map Various 12pm - 1pm LUNCH Commissary 12pm - 5:30pm **Conclave Museum Displays** Commissary 1pm - 3:30pm Silent Auction – Youth Only Commissary 1:30pm - 5:30pm **Trading Post Open** Circus Tent 1:30pm - 5pm Afternoon Activities – See Map Various 5pm - 5:30pm **Camping Promotion Competition** Admin/Flag 5:30pm Evening Flag Ceremony (Wiatava) Flag Pole 5:45pm – 6:45pm **DINNER** Commissary

7pm - 8:45pm **Evening Show** Bowl

9pm - 10:30pm Trading Posts Open / Conclave Live Auction Circus Tent 10:30pm - 11pm Council of Chiefs Meeting Circus Tent

11pm Lights Out

#### Sunday: August 25

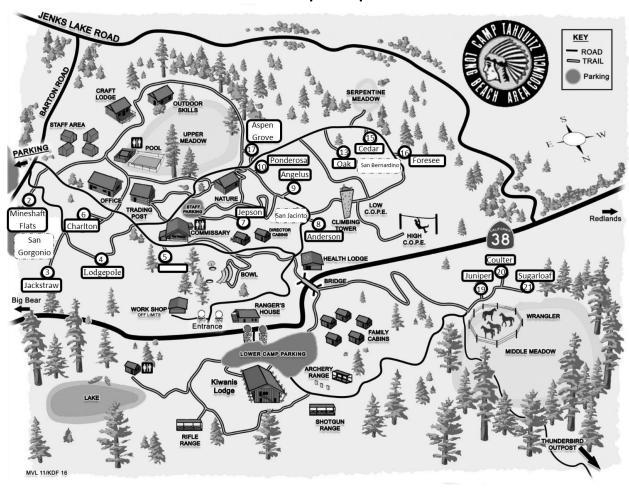
7am Wake Up 7:30am - 7:45am Interfaith Service – Scouts Own Admin/Flag 7:45am Morning Flag Ceremony (Puvunga) Flag Pole 8am - 8:45am **BREAKFAST** Commissary 9am - 9:30am Trading Posts Open Circus Tent 8:45am - 9:45am **Section Elections** Bowl Conclave Awards and Closing Ceremony 9:45am – 10:45am Bowl

10:45am - 11:30am Personal Clean up and Campsite Inspection

11:30am Checkout & Departure Admin

11:30am 2024/2025 Council of Chiefs Meeting Commissary

# Camp Map



Check In / Out Trading Post next to Office

Hospitality Lounge Front of Commissary

**Training Sessions** 

ACT / Catalyzing Your Vision Bowl

OA History & Patch Design Commissary

Photography Nature Lodge

Lasers / Light That Burns K - Lodge

Leadership Diversity/Inclusion Craft Lodge

**Activities** 

Volleyball, Ultimate Frisbee, 9 Square and Other Games Camp Site Area

Sand Painting Camp Site Area

Camp Promotion Admin / Flag

# **Training Sessions**

The training portion of Conclave will take place Saturday morning. We will be offering 'Areas of Interest' with no rotation. Participants will remain with their area for the two-hour session. No other events or activities are scheduled during this time.

#### OA Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, although not a new concept, has helped Arrowmen across the nation feel more comfortable and included in the Order of the Arrow. The Admonition Team debuted at the 2022 National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC), which was held on the campus of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion continues to expand, now with a new goal: localization. The main initiative right now is localizing the work, making sure we're meeting the needs of the members of the Order of the Arrow where they are. Arrowmen will learn and work together with others from across Southern California on how to implement DEI into your Lodge. This is an opportunity to learn about leadership and how inclusivity can not only help people feel included but also increase the effectiveness of the group and ensure everyone feels safe and has fun.

#### OA Art and History

Arrowmen will learn about the history of the Order of the Arrow. This section dives deeper into the art & patch history of the Order of the Arrow focusing on using the past for inspiration for the future. Old patch designs will be available to view and see what has worked in the past and gain inspiration for new patch designs. The group will create a new design using what they learned. Bring colored pencils and a sketchpad or paper.

## Photography of People in Nature

Arrowmen will gain a basic understanding of good photo composition. This will involve what makes a good photo and how to make it more interesting. After being introduced to these skills Arrowmen will head out on a nature hike to test what they have learned. During the hike they will capture images of nature and people at various conclave session. Upon return, they will all share some images and join in a group critique to see how well they did and where they can improve. Selected images will be used in the conclave newsletter. Please bring a digital camera or smartphone to this session.

# Lasers / Light that Burns

In this STEM related session Arrowmen learn about using computer software and a laser table to make simple conclave-themed or OA keepsakes.

# Catalyzing Your Vision / ACT Session 3

Change is the key to success. Trying new ideas can cause uneasiness among members, but it is necessary if we are to create long-term improvements. Each delegate will also realize that they must be the ones to initiate this change. In this session participants will understand why change is necessary and pertinent to the success of organizations around the world and why the Order of the Arrow must change in order the Thrive.

## **G18S Conclave Museum**

#### Welcome to the 2024 G18S Conclave!

Have you ever heard the expression of how "everything in Life changes - Nothing remains the same"? Well, the Order of the Arrow is no different. After 100 years of evolving, the year 2022 marks another milestone in OA transition. After years of existence as Area U, Region 12A & 12E, Area 4A & 4B, Area W4S and W4N, we are now the Gateway Region, Section G18S. We hope this Conclave lives up to previous traditions of past Conclaves established by the Order of the Arrow.

In 2017, the W4S and W4N dual Section Conclave was held at the IOEC in Orange County. Dave Minnihan had a vision of many BSA displays that consisted of OA members bringing their specific collections and sharing OA history at a Conclave. He selected only those members with the most comprehensive collections and knowledge of specific Lodges, Jamboree and Conclave displays to be shared at the Conclave. Hence, the Conclave Museum was born and is back for our Conclave in 2024.

We encourage everyone to engage with the Museum presenters, look at their collections and ask questions. These presenters today were once youth OA members enjoying the fellowship that OA offers. Many of them were heavily involved as youth members and never lost the passion of the OA as adults.

We are honored to welcome ALL the OA Museum presenters of the Gateway Region to our 2024 Conclave and Thank them for all their efforts to make the Conclave Museum a reality.

Please take time to stroll through the different display areas and learn about the OA History in your own area. Maybe your display will be on exhibit at the next Conclave Museum.

I hope everyone is able to enjoy the Fellowship that only a Conclave can offer.

In Brotherhood,

Al Silva

G18S Section Adviser

# **Lodge Competitions**

#### Fellowship Run

- Each participant must run or walk the entire designated course within the allotted time (one hour).
- Ribbons will be awarded to the first 3 runners to cross the finish line.
- The Fellowship run will take place Saturday morning at 7:00 a.m. Be at the starting point no later than 6:45 a.m. to participate. Register at check-in on Friday.
- A conclave perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winning lodge.
- Each Lodge with a Scout or Scouter participating must provide 3 or 4 spotters to help guide participants from making wrong turns.

#### Ultimate Frisbee

- The field is a rectangular shape with end zones at each end. A regulation field is 50 feet x 25 feet, with end zones 10 feet deep.
- Each point begins with both teams lining up on the front of their respective end zone line. The defense throws or "pulls" the disc to the offense. A regulation game has seven players per team.
- Each time the offense completes a pass in the defense's end zone, the offense scores a point. Play is initiated after each score.
- The disc may be advanced in any direction by completing a pass to a teammate. Players may not run with the disc. The person with the disc, the "thrower", has ten seconds to throw the disc. The defender guarding the thrower, the "marker", counts out the stall count.
- When a pass is not completed, the defense immediately takes possession of the disc and becomes the offense.
- Players not in the game may replace players in the game after a score and during an injury timeout.
- No physical contact is allowed between players. Picks and screens are also prohibited. A foul
  occurs when contact is made.
- When a player initiates contact on another player a foul occurs. When a foul disrupts possession, the play resumes as if the possession was retained. If the player committing the foul disagrees with the foul call, the play is redone.
- Players are responsible for their own foul and line calls. Players resolve their own disputes.
- Ultimate stresses sportsmanship and fair play. Competitive play is encouraged, but never at the expense of respect between players, adherence to the rules, and the basic joy of play

#### Rules

- Six (6) youth Arrowmen per team are allowed; substitutions are allowed only after a point is scored.
- The game will commence with a pull (throw off).
- The team must pass and catch the disc into the end zone to score.

- An Arrowman that receives the disc is not allowed to take more than 3 steps after catching the disc before establishing a pivot foot. Any further movement after establishing the pivot foot is a travel and results in a turnover.
- A disc that is thrown out of bounds must return in bounds to be caught by an offensive player. If it does not come back in bounds, the opposing team receives possession of the disc at the point where the disc first traveled out of bounds.
- One (1) point will be awarded for each time the disc caught in the end zone.
- Each half will be ten (10) minutes long. After the first half, hold a (3) minute half time break. Only two halves are to be played. If there is a tie after the two halves a (5) minute overtime will be held. If there is still a tie after this next one to score a point wins.
- Defenders must stay at least arm's length away from the handler. Any contact with the handler (or the disc in his hand) is not allowed. Only one defender may guard an offensive player with the disc.
- Only incidental contact down field will be tolerated. Pass interference or pushing off results in the sufferer of the foul receiving the disc.

#### Bracket

Each Lodge will face each other one time. If a Lodge goes undefeated 2-0, they will get first place. If a Lodge is defeated in all games 0-2, they will receive third place. If one Lodge goes 1-1, they will receive second place. If all lodges end with a record of 1-1 the tie breaker will be decided by the games score differential.

Games	Lodges	Lodges	Points	
Game 1	Wiatava	Puvunga	W	Р
Game 2	Cahuilla	Wiatava	С	W
Game 3	Puvunga	Cahuilla	Р	С

## Volleyball

How to Play Volleyball

- A volleyball game consists of two teams of six players each, separated by a net. The six volleyball court positions are setter, middle blocker, outside hitter, opposite hitter, libero and serving specialist.
- To start, flip a coin to determine which team serves the ball first.
- Then the two teams will rally—or hit the ball back and forth over the net—until a fault occurs. There is a maximum of three hits per side.
- The objective is to score points by sending the ball over the net, grounding it into the opponent's court.
- Volleyball matches are made up of sets, typically three or five sets.

- Three-set matches are two sets to 25 points and a third set to 15 points. Each set must be won by two points. The first team to win two sets is the winner of the match.
- Five-set matches are four sets to 25 points and a fifth set to 15 points. The team must win by two points unless tournament rules dictate otherwise. The first team to win three sets is the winner.

#### **Volleyball Rules**

Here are the fundamental, must-know rules of a volleyball game:

- Only 6 players on the floor at any given time: 3 in the front row and 3 in the back row.
- Points are made on every serve for the winning team of the rally (rally-point scoring).
- Players may not hit the ball twice in succession (a block is not considered a hit).
- Ball may be played off the net during a volley and on a serve.
- A ball hitting a boundary line is in.
- A ball is out if it hits an antenna, the floor completely outside the court, any of the net or cables outside the antennae, the referee stand or pole, or the ceiling above a non-playable area.
- It is legal to contact the ball with any part of a player's body.
- It is illegal to catch, hold or throw the ball.
- A player cannot block or attack a serve from on or inside the 10-foot line.
- After the serve, front-line players may switch positions at the net.
- Matches are made up of sets; the number depends on level of play.

#### **Volleyball Rule Violations**

Committing any of these volleyball rule violations results in a point for the opponent.

- Stepping on or across the service line when serving while making contact with the ball.
- Failure to serve the ball over the net successfully.
- Ball-handling errors and contacting the ball illegally (double touching, lifting, carrying, throwing, etc.)
- Touching the net with any part of the body while the ball is in play.
- Blocking a ball coming from the opponent's court and contacting the ball when reaching over the net if your opponent has not used 3 contacts AND has a player there to make a play on the ball.
- Attacking a ball coming from the opponent's court and contacting the ball when reaching over the net when the ball has not yet broken the vertical plane of the net.
- Crossing the court centerline with any part of your body, with the exception of a hand or foot. It is only considered a violation if the entire hand or entire foot crosses the court centerline.
- Serving out of rotation or out of order.
- Back row player blocking (deflecting a ball coming from the opponent) when, at the
  moment of contact, the back row player is near the net and has part of their body above the
  top of the net. This is an illegal block.

Back row player attacking a ball inside the front zone (the area inside the 3M/10-foot line)
when, at the moment of contact, the ball is completely above the net. This is an illegal
attack.

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Each Lodge will face each other one time. If a Lodge goes undefeated 2-0, they will get first place. If a Lodge is defeated in all games 0-2, they will receive third place. If one Lodge goes 1-1, they will receive second place. If all lodges end with a record of 1-1 the tie breaker will be decided by the games score differential.

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#### Cornhole

To toss a bean bag in the opponent hole.

#### Rules

- Cornhole is played with two teams, each consisting of one player (singles) or two players (doubles).
- Players pitch their bags in an underhand motion from the pitcher's box next to each side of the board.
- Players alternate turns tossing their cornhole bags toward the opposite board.
- After each team has pitched four bags, players take score, and resume pitching to the opposite board.
- The team who scored points in the previous inning goes first in the next inning. If it was tied, the team who went first in the last inning gets to go first again.

#### **Scoring**

- A cornhole bag that goes through the hole is worth 3 points.
- A cornhole bag that lands on the board and stays there is worth 1 point.
- A cornhole bag that lands on the ground or bounces onto the board is worth 0 points.
- Cancellation Scoring: Only one team can score points per inning. The team with the higher score cancels out the points of the opposing team in that inning.
- Points Calculation: The team with the higher score in an inning earns the difference in points. For instance, if Team A scores 5 points and Team B scores 2 points in an inning, Team A earns 3 points for that inning.

## 9 Square

Objective is to get into the 9th square.

#### **Rules**

- The player in the center square serves the ball to any other square. The player receiving the ball must hit the ball out the top of their square and into another square.
- Each player is allowed to hit the ball only once per turn.
- Play continues in this manner until someone is eliminated.
- To be eliminated the ball must be hit through your square and hit the ground.

# Sand Painting

Sand painting is an open event. No awards will be given, but participation for the Niganet award will be tracked.

#### **Administrative Events**

Section G18S will abide by the following guidelines and criteria for judging of the Administrative Events at the Section Conclave.

#### **Section Administrative Guidelines**

All Lodges are required to turn in items wishing to be judged in the administrative events portion of Conclave. The Section must receive these by the date set forth by the Section committee. All decisions are final.

Each Lodge participating in administrative events is asked to provide one adult over 21 years of age, to judge for each of the following events: Plan Book and Where to Go Camping Guide. Judges' names must be submitted to the Section Chief or designate. These competitions will be judged online prior to the event.

Administrative Events will be judged by a team of judges representing all Lodges present, overseen by the Section Chief and/or Section Vice-Chief. Plan Book and Where to Go Camping Guide are due prior to Conclave and will be judged online before the start of Conclave. All other competitions will be judged by Sunday morning. See schedule for times and location.

#### Lodge Plan Book

A Lodge can only enter one Plan Book and it must be the current year's edition. The Plan Book will be judged on context and print quality. Listed are the criteria that will be judged. A score sheet will be provided to the judges selected.

#### **Format**

- General Appearance
- Use of Graphic materials
- Organization

#### **Informative Value**

- Quality of Information for Officers
- Information About the OA and the Particular Lodge

#### **Contents**

- Lodge Calendar
- Lodge Goals
- Listing of Lodge / Chapter Officers
- Description of Lodge Activities
- Lodge History
- Lodge Budget
- Lodge Rules

#### Where to go Camping Guide

Each Lodge may enter only one Camping Guide and it should be current. It will be judged on such topics as correct information, actual use for a BSA Unit, print quality, and content. Listed are the criteria that will be judged. A score sheet will be provided to the judges selected.

#### **Format**

- All Information is contained within one cover
- Materials produced by the Lodge are of good quality
- The information is arranged by categories
- Layout enables user to easily use and understand
- Information is easily updated

#### **Informative Value**

• Information contained is helpful to Unit Leaders

#### Contents

- Contains information about the local camps, including use of the camps in the off-season and use of camp equipment
- Contains information about camping opportunities in the Council
- Contains information about camping opportunities in the state, including state and national parks and forests
- Contains information on hiking trails, rivers, lakes, and other specialized camping facilities
- Contains information on tour permits and touring
- Contains information about camping opportunities at the BSA High Adventure bases and the OA High Adventure program

#### **Camping Promotion**

Camp promotion competition will be divided into two categories; unit presentation and static display/presentation. Judging criteria for each category are listed below.

#### **Unit Presentation**

This category is to judge the presentation that is given to local units when visited by the OA. Topics of discussion should include both local long term and year-round camp opportunities.

#### **Static Display Presentation**

This category is to judge the display/presentation that might be set up at Council / civic events by the OA to promote Scout camping.

#### **Recognition and Awards**

Awards will be given to the top teams according to the judges. Awards will be presented in both categories and an overall award for combined. A combined award will be presented only if a Lodge competes in both categories.

# Lodge Plan Book Score Sheet

Lodge:	
Scoring – Lodge Plan Book	
Format (1-8 points) Is the general layout easy to follow? Is the formatting consistent throughout the plan book?	
Informative Value (1-8 points) Is the information presented of value? Does it include information about the lodge and the council?	
Lodge Calendar (1-8 points) Is the lodge calendar complete? Does it include any information on events outside of the lodge? Council?	
Lodge Goals (1-8 points) Is there a writeup on what the lodge / lodge chief would like to accomplish during the year?	
Lodge History (1-8 points) Is there a section on the lodge history?	

# **Lodge Rules (1-5 points)**

Lodge Budget (1-5 points)

Are the current lodge rules included in the plan book?

Is the current lodge budget included in the plan book?

Total (50 points max)

# Lodge 'Where to go Camping' Score Sheet

Scoring – Where to go Camping	
Format (1-9 points) Is the general layout easy to follow? Is the formatting consistent throughout the guide?	
Quality (1-9 points) Is the information presented of good quality? Is it arranged by categories?	
Council Information (1-9 points)  Does it include information on council camp, including use of the camp in the off season and use of camp equipment?	
Out of Council Information (1-9 points)  Does it include information on camping opportunities outside of the local council? State? National Parks?	
Type of Information (1-9 points) Is there information on hiking trails, rivers, lakes and other specialized camping facilities?	
High Adventure (1-5 points) Is there information about the opportunities at the BSA High Adventure bases?	
Total (50 points max)	

# **Camping Promotion Unit Presentation Score Sheet**

Scoring – Unit Presentation	
Appearance (1-9 points)  Are the presenters in full Scout uniform? Did they promote their Council camping programs?	
Comprehension (1-9 points)  Did the presenter speak slowly and clearly? Did they make themselves understood?	
Presentation / Staging (1-9 points)  Did they use visual aids? Is there identification of the Order of the Arrow?	
Resources (1-9 points)  Do they have current Council event flyers or an up to day Council calendar? Do they have the Lodge Where to go Camping guide?	
Impression (1-9 points)  Did the presentation leave you with a better understanding of camping in their council?	
Time Limit (1-5 points) Was the presentation under 15 minutes?	
Total (50 points max)	

# Camping Promotion Static Display Score Sheet

Scoring – Static Display	
Appearance (1-10 points) Is the display manned? Are they in full Scout uniform? Did they promote their Council camping programs?	
Comprehension (1-10 points)  Did the presenter speak slowly and clearly? Did they make themselves understood? Were they knowledgeable of the topics?	
Presentation / Staging (1-9 points) Is there a booth or display area? Are there visual aids? Is there identification of the Order of the Arrow? Are there pictures? Is the display well put together?	
Resources (1-10 points)  Do they have current Council event flyers or an up to day Council calendar? Do they have the Lodge Where to go Camping guide?	
Impression (1-10 points)  Did the presentation leave you with a better understanding of camping in their council?	
Total (50 points max)	

# General Information

#### **Camp Location**

Puvunga Lodge is the Service Lodge for the 2024 Conclave. They have arranged for Camp Tahquitz to serve as grounds for the Conclave. A camp map is located at the end of this plan book.

#### Conclave Headquarters

Conclave Headquarters will be located in the Main Lodge. Please relay any questions or concerns to headquarters. Check the official Event Map for the headquarters location.

#### Meals

All meals will be served at the location designated on the schedule. Accommodations will be made as best as possible for food allergies, but it is recommended that anyone with a very restrictive, special diet bring their own food. This can be kept in the camp kitchen refrigerator.

#### First Aid

All injuries at Conclave, no matter how minor, should be reported immediately at the Conclave Headquarters, located in the Main Lodge. Lodge Advisers will serve as the point of contact for any parents needing to contact their youth while at Conclave. All participants are required to have their Annual Health and Medical Record Part A&B with medical information (allergies, etc) on file with the Section and their Lodge. Lodges will be responsible for handling these forms following the policies of their Councils. Safety is everyone's responsibility. Please be aware of what you are doing and report any unsafe situations that are discovered to the Section Adviser. Everyone can avoid accidents with the use of a little common sense. BSA policies will be enforced.

#### Communications

The Communications Headquarters will be located in the Main Lodge. At various times throughout the Conclave Section G18S newsletter, The Daily Horn, will be distributed to keep participants informed about what is going on.

Cell service across camp is not guaranteed.

#### Participant Guide

Conclave will have a participation booklet containing a participation card, the conclave schedule, event locations, and camp map available to those who request it. The participant guide will also be available via QR code for easy access and download.

#### **Religious Services**

An interfaith worship service will be held at Sunday morning, after breakfast. See your program schedule for times and location.

#### Tobacco

The camp is a Smoke Free facility. There is NO SMOKING allowed on the property. This includes the use of electronic cigarettes, personal vaporizers, or electronic nicotine delivery systems that simulate tobacco smoking.

#### Conclave Dress Code

At all times during the Conclave, participants are be encouraged to wear the full BSA field uniform. During some parts of the Conclave, participants are permitted to wear their BSA activities uniform. These occasions include sport, ceremony events, and free time. Keep in mind however, that during assemblies, breakfast, dinner, religious services, and all shows, Arrowmen must be in their field uniform. If not, he or she may be asked to go back to camp to change. Uniform guidelines are listed in the Scout Handbook.

#### Areas of Interest

Training will consist of "Areas of Interest" which will comprise the traditional sessions two and three. Special time has been devoted to Areas of Interest at the Conclave. No other scheduled events will take place during this portion of Conclave. All sessions can be found in the Areas of Interest section of this plan book.

#### Theme

To Brotherhood and Beyond was select as the theme for this year's Conclave.

#### Hospitality Lodge

The hospitality lodge is a peaceful spot for Arrowmen to gather to take a break and relax. Snacks and drinks will be available to help you enjoy fellowship with other Arrowmen.

#### Trading Post

There will be a trading post at Conclave selling refreshments. Pre-approved Lodge Trading Posts will be set up with a \$25 flat commission fee paid to the Section. Contact the Trading Post Adviser for information regarding trading post areas. (no lodge without prior approval will be able to sell items at Conclave) Gateway Region merchandise will be available for sale at the section trading post. Check the schedule for times and location of the trading post.

#### Housing

Campsite assignments will be assigned based on lodge attendee numbers. There may be optional bunkhouse/cabin assignments available. See registration for available options.

#### **Special Arrangements**

If a member of your Lodge will require disability access, special assistance or arrangements during the Conclave, that are not covered in the guide, please contact the CVC of Facilities or adviser in advance of the event. Your specific needs can be addressed as long as the Service Lodge is made aware of your needs in advance.

#### **Shows**

The Shows Committee, headed by the CVC of Shows is responsible for the planning of the Friday evening fellowship activities and the Saturday evening theme show.

The Friday evening activities will consist of Music, OA games, and energizers for the weekend. Available special guests will speak during the Friday Evening activity. The Saturday theme show will include Section Officers and Lodge Chiefs participation. Each Lodge will perform a themed based skit, and all skits must abide by BSA Guidelines and be approved by the Section Adviser or their designate in advance.

#### **Section Elections**

The Section elections this year will be held on Sunday morning. Each Arrowman that wishes to run for a Section position must have a signed letter from their Council Scout Executive or their designee and shall present it to the Section Adviser through email or by personal delivery at or before the stated deadline. The nominations for the position of Section Chief will close at the Section meeting just before the election per the Field Operations Guide (FOG) guidelines (Check www.oa-bsa.org to download the FOG). All Arrowmen running for Section office must attend the COC meeting on Friday night at Conclave in order to run, as well as submitting their letter to the Section Adviser by the due date. The open positions are as follows: Section Chief, Section Vice-Chief and Section Secretary. Each Lodge has up to a maximum ten (10) votes to vote for each position. The votes may be split or as a whole according to the wishes of each Lodge.

Scout Executive Letters of Recommendation must be delivered to the Section Adviser for those running for Section Officer by the due date stated. The form and due date can be found on the section website.

#### **Check Out**

After the closing ceremony on Sunday, each Lodge will be asked to work together to clean up areas that were utilized during the course of the Conclave. Lodge responsibilities will be distributed at the Saturday night Council of Chiefs Meeting. All participants will be required to check-out individually with their Lodge contingent leader. Participation patches will be distributed to the lodges. Session completion and evaluations must be turned in to receive a participation patch.

## **Conclave Awards**

#### **Conclave Spirit Award**

The scoring committee shall consist of four guests not members of any Lodge in Section G18S as well as the Section officers for that year. The outside Section guests will submit a recommendation on which Lodge won the spirit award, at which time the Section officers shall make a final decision on the winners of the Spirit Award.

Consideration for the Spirit Award shall begin the moment the scoring committee member receives his/her scorecard. Scorecards must be signed and certified by 11:00 PM Saturday evening. The Section Chief, upon agreement with the Section Adviser, has the option of not revealing the members of the scoring committee until after the Conclave.

The spirit award shall measure the following:

Negative spirit detracts from the effectiveness of Scout Spirit and thus will not be tolerated. Negative spirit is defined as any act or acts by any person or persons that is contrary to the ideals of the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service and more importantly, to the ideals of Scouting. The scoring committee member has the option of subtracting points or eliminating that Lodge from spirit consideration dependent upon the severity of the act.

A "gig" used by a Lodge as a spirit item is defined as; any device, apparatus, or other item issued to all Conclave participants in that Lodge for the purpose of promoting spirit at the Conclave. Each Lodge is limited to one gig. The official gig must be from that year only; all other gigs from previous Conclaves cannot be used unless a Lodge is officially reusing a gig for that Conclave.

Noisemakers are not permitted as spirit items with no exceptions. Any Lodge violating this will lose all points for their spirit item but will not be eliminated from competition.

Each judge's scores will be weighted to make each judge's different scoring techniques balance. By this method, each Lodge's score will actually be compiled by subtracting their score from the judge's average score.

## Traveling Ram Award

The Traveling Ram award is awarded to the Lodge at the Conclave with the highest attendance percentage. The results from this award will be derived from the total attendance from the Lodge at the event divided by the membership total in their last charter as a Lodge. This award will be given out at the closing ceremony on Sunday.

#### Cimarron Award

The Cimarron Award recognizes Lodges that fully participate at the Section G18S Conclave. Unlike other traditional awards, any Lodge can receive the award. The award provides a level playing field for all Lodges, allow Lodges large and small to participate, and for the chance for every Lodge to walk home with an award to be proud of should they choose. The Lodge is required to fully participate in the competitions, events, and training.

#### The Niganet Award

The Niganet Award will be based on each Lodges overall performance at Conclave. The awards will be an enumeration of the total competitions for the weekend (excluding Spirit). Emphasis will be placed on team-building activities, all competitions and administrative events. Each event being scored will be assigned points based on the Lodge's performance in each area.

- 5 points for Superb
- 4 points for Excellent
- 3 points for Good

The winner will be determined by adding the total number of points for each event being scored. The winner will be announced at the closing ceremony on Sunday.

Competition / Participation Events
Fellowship Run
Ultimate Frisbee
Volleyball
Lodge Plan Book
Where to go Camping Guide
Camping Promotion

Participation Only Events
Cornhole
9 Square
Sand Painting

## Conclave Code of Conduct

As a member of the Order of the Arrow and participant at the Section G18S Conclave:

#### I will:

- Observe the Scout Oath, the Scout Law, and the Obligation of the Order of the Arrow. I will also practice Scout Spirit, respect the rights of others, and act in the spirit of brotherhood in dealing with all whom I may meet during the Conclave.
- Wear my Scout uniform during the Conclave when appropriate and required. For the afternoon activities, I understand I may wear a Scout t-shirt, or other Scout related outfit as authorized.
- Attend all training/workshops that I have already committed to and participate in as many Conclave activities as I can.
- Confine trading and socializing to free time (non-workshop or prior to opening and closing ceremonies time) and in designated areas.
- Be responsible for breakage, damage, or loss of property incurred. I will keep my quarters clean and dispose of trash in proper receptacles.
- Understand that the possession or use of fireworks or firearms of any kind will not be permitted on or off the premises of the Camp.
- Respect that the Camp is a smoke free facility.
- Understand that use or possession of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs is in violation of the national policy of the Boy Scouts of America and will not be permitted of tolerated, on or off the premises of the Camp during the entire weekend period, and failure to abide by these conditions will result in being sent home from Conclave.
- Understand that gambling in any form is not permitted during the weekend.
- Understand that only authorized vehicles will be permitted in Camp and then only used during approved times when authorized.
- Understand that leaving Camp will not be allowed during Conclave at any time unless
  authorized by the Section adviser or Section staff adviser, and then only in cases of
  emergency or overriding urgency of cause. I further understand that leaving the camp for
  purpose of smoking, consumption of alcoholic beverages, or unauthorized purposes will
  result in the forfeiture of all Conclave fees and violators of this policy shall be sent home
  immediately.
- Respect the host Camp, including natural features thereof.
- Observe and follow the BSA Practices and Policies of Youth Protection

# **Auction Flyer**



# 2024 Section G18S Conclave Memorabilia Auction August 23-25, 2024 | Camp Tahquitz

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#### Support the 2024 Section G18S Conclave Auction

When: Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> 2024 | Where: Camp Tahquitz 41700 State Hwy 38, Angelus Oaks, CA 92305 Silent Auction Saturday Afternoon & LIVE Auction Saturday Night After the Show

#### **Donation Details**

In return for your donation, we are offering 1 Gold Mylar Border Conclave Donor Patch (only 35 Donor Patches available for this year's auction). We have 1 limited edition gold mylar patch for \$150 in donations. You may donate multiples of \$150 in cash or memorabilia for multiple patches. Please donate what you would want to buy such as OA items, CSP's and Jamboree items. This is a Section Auction. Books, shirts, etc... are welcome, but (in most cases) will not provide a large contribution amount. High value and quality items are best and are gladly accepted. Auction donations are due by Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. If your donation sells in the top 5 highest sales on the LIVE auction, you'll receive a Special Limited Red Mylar Border Conclave Donor Patch.

Donation Value Guidelines for items:

- OA Flaps (\$5).
- OA 2-Piece Flap Sets (\$10) / OA 3-Piece Flap/CSP Sets (\$15).
- OA Jacket Patches (\$10) / OA Neckerchief (\$10).
- OA Activity Patches (Lodge, Conclave, NOAC) (\$3).
- JSP's (\$5); JSP/Jacket Patch Sets (\$15); Jamboree Neckerchiefs (\$5).
- Camp Patches (before 1990 \$3) (1990 and newer \$2).
- Council Shoulder Patches CSP's (\$2) (PLEASE, NO REGULAR ISSUE OR FOS CSP's).
- Higher value CSPs: Maximum \$10 donation credit on any CSP.
- · Donations of high value items must be reviewed by the Auction Committee.
- PLEASE, NO DUPLICATE ITEMS, UNLESS THE ITEM YOU DONATED IS EXTREMELY RARE.

Mail donations with contact information, inventory list and your values to:

Bret Keesler Section G18S Conclave 5475 Via Del Tecolote Riverside, CA 92507

Please contact Bret for auction information, questions and to reserve your Donor Patch at 951-255-7429 or badestdude@aol.com.

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