



**Tschitani Lodge, WWW  
Connecticut Rivers Council, BSA**

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My Fellow OA Advisers,

My name is Gil Rogers. I am an Associate Lodge Adviser in Tschitani Lodge of Connecticut Rivers Council. I am writing to you today to ask of your assistance.

As you probably know, in 2008 the Order of the Arrow is partnering with the US Forest Service to complete the largest service project in the OA's history. Five-thousand Arrowmen will gather at 5 separate National Forests over 5 separate weeks to perform various service projects in a program being called ArrowCorps5. These project include building new and maintaining existing hiking trails, campsite maintenance and removal of invasive species in some of our most pristine lands.

As you can probably imagine, the success of these projects will hinge on having a qualified staff of leaders to ensure not only the execution of the service, but also the safety of the participants.

I am writing you today to ask of your assistance in recruiting your "best" conservation-minded leaders in your lodge. You know the people I am talking about ... the guys that show up to every ordeal with a smile on their face. They do a lot of work, with nothing on their minds but the reward of a job well done.

**We need 800 of your "best" to serve as Squad Leaders** (aka Crew Leaders/Foremen) at the 5 various sites. They will have the opportunity to choose which site(s) they want to serve, and will be responsible for leading groups of 10-12 for the week of the project. The catch is, in order to be a Squad Leader, the Arrowman must be trained in various techniques by the US Forest Service.

Please direct your qualified folks to register for the Conservation Training as a participant at the 2007 National Conservation and Leadership Summit to be held this summer at Indiana University on July 28-August 1. They can register at <http://register.oa-bsa.org>.

If you have any questions about the summit, or about the Conservation Training, please feel free to e-mail me at [gil.rogers@gmail.com](mailto:gil.rogers@gmail.com).

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