

QUALITY CHAPTER MEETING
Number 14—Leave No Trace

Background: The Order of the Arrow has a history of a strong commitment to conservation of the beautiful outdoors, which builds on the Boy Scouts' 100 years of camping history.

Meeting resources: There are a number of resources available to those wishing to learn about Leave No Trace (LNT): books, websites, pamphlets, trainers, and videos. Consider inviting an LNT Master Trainer from your area to your chapter meeting to share ideas. Visit LNT.org to learn about the Travelling Trainer Teams. Also, visit the local library to find books on the subject. If feasible, bring a laptop or DVD/TV combo to show videos about Leave No Trace. Look into those who attended ArrowCorps5 to determine if any are LNT certified

Meeting Content: The meeting can be free-form, with different kinds of information presented. Consider the following:

- ♦ Show a couple of short videos about the LNT principles.
- ♦ At the end of the meeting have a trivia game or quiz about LNT principles. Have an LNT or Outdoor-Code-related prize available for the winner.
- ♦ Ahead of time, delegate each of the seven LNT principles to members of your chapter. Have them present details of their principle at the meeting.
- ♦ Host a competition at next ordeal or fellowship within your chapter to determine who is the most LNT-compliant. Then challenge other chapters!
- ♦ If any chapter members are LNT trainers this can be a great service to provide to units in your chapter.
- ♦ The BSA already has some meeting content ideas developed. Check them out here: <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/BoyScouts/TeachingLeaveNoTrace.aspx>