

## New OA Lodge Adviser



Scout Executive Randy Larson has appointed Michael Bryant as the new Lodge Adviser for Nanepashemet Lodge 158. Mike grew up in Scouting as a member of Troop 41 Merrimac, MA and prior to that Pack 14 Merrimac. As a scout he attended the 1985 National Scout Jamboree and the 1990 National Order of the Arrow Conference. His primary focus in Scouting has always been with Scout Camp and the Order of the Arrow. As a youth he served two terms as Lodge Chief of Passaquo Lodge 539 and is a recipient of the Vigil Honor.

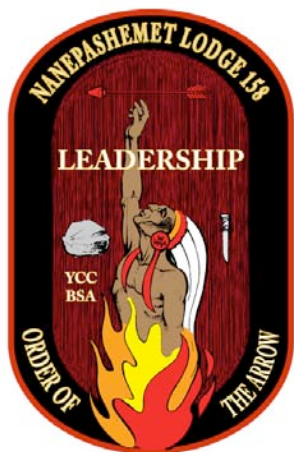
Mike served seven summers as a member of the Lone Tree Scout Reservation camp staff, mostly in the Aquatics area. He served three summers as Aquatics Director at Camp Onway.

In 2006 Mike served as Adviser for the Order of the Arrow NE1A Section Conclave at Wah-Tut-Ca and has served as Associate Adviser for Lodge 158. Recently Mike served as chairman of the Camp consolidation Task Force, transitioning program elements from Camp Onway to Wah-Tut-Ca Scout Reservation.

His other public service includes a three year elected term to the Merrimac and Pentucket Regional School Committees and he served as chairman and vice chairman of those committees respectively.

The lodge has come a long way in the past few years. Much credit is given to Lodge Adviser Gwilym Clarke, whose spirit, vision and leadership has revitalized the Lodge and inspired youth. Nanepashemet is clearly on the road to be a national leader and this is due to the path finding of Gwilym.

Mike has appointed 4 Associate Advisers as part of his Adviser's Council.



Jim Bradley will serve as Associate Lodge Adviser for Administration. In this position, Jim will serve as an adviser to the Lodge Secretary and Lodge Treasurer, working with them to organize our records, finances, and lodge property. One of Jim's first tasks will be to work with our lodge officers to migrate our membership information onto the Lodge Master program a national software program for Lodge membership records. Jim has served the last few years as Shingebis Chapter Adviser.

Chris Eckelkamp will serve as Adviser for our Cub Scout Programs. Chris will work with our youth leaders in developing and operating our Webelos Woods program for first year Webelos and our Arrow of Light Weekend for second year Webelos. Chris is a former Lodge Chief and also holds the OA Founders Award. He has recently served as Cubmaster of Pack 136 and Camp Director for the Greater Lowell Day Camp.

Brian Lobao will serve as Associate Lodge Adviser for Communications and Training. Brian will continue to work with the committee advisers and youth leaders involved in our website, newsletter, and shows. He will also serve as adviser for our Lodge Leadership Development Training and other training needs of the lodge. Brian is a former two-term Lodge Chief and served as Lodge Adviser for 23 years. He holds the Silver Beaver and was one of the first OA Founder Award recipients.

Ray Morrison will serve as Associate Lodge Adviser for Inductions. Ray will work with committee and chapter advisers and youth leaders to coordinate the entire process of inducting new members, from unit elections to Brotherhood conversion. Ray is a former Lodge Vice Chief and Associate Lodge Adviser in Nanepashemet Lodge.

Brian Arenella, District Executive of the North Essex District, serves as Lodge Staff Adviser. This group, along with Mike Bryant and will serve as the six core adult advisers of the Lodge. This is a very talented and experienced group of Arrowmen who are dedicated to the spirit and purpose of the Order and are firmly committed to the development of youth leadership. All six are either Vigil Honor members or Vigil Honor candidates of the Order and all were inducted as youth members of the Order.