



The Eagle has Landed.

Providing Resources to Support Units, Chapters, and Lodges

In the early 1960s President John F. Kennedy made a bold statement to Congress and the American people. Kennedy promised that the country would put a man on the Moon “not because [it is] easy, but because [it is] hard.” At that time, there was little practicality or certainty of how NASA could make it to the moon and back, but the United States had a new and exciting mission. We believed we could complete the impossible because that is what we were set out to do. In July 1969, thousands at the National Scout Jamboree and across the world were able to witness Eagle Scout Neil Armstrong touch down on that cratered surface of the Moon and declare, “The Eagle has landed.”

The Order of the Arrow also has a lofty mission, “to fulfill its purpose as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.” Many times your mission seems farther away than the stars and improbable at best, but easy or hard this is what we were *chosen* to do. Through dedication, the advice of experienced adults, and encouragement of one another, we can complete these missions; we can make these landings possible. Just like the exploration of space, our mission of service will never be complete, but through you, our youth leadership, we will have many successes on the way.