# 2024 National Order of the Arrow Conference

## Session: Commissioning: Cheerful Service After 21

**Session Length:** 45 minutes

## Session Description

Want to stay active in the OA, but don't want to register with a troop/crew/ship? When you turn 21, you can be a commissioner -- a district-level volunteer who builds relationships with Scout leaders and helps them solve problems. Commissioning has a flexible schedule, too -- it's a great way to continue your Cheerful Service after 21!

## Learning Outcomes

**Outcome 1:** Describe the role of commissioners and unit service in the Scouting movement.

**Outcome 2:** Describe how unit service is a continuation of cheerful service.

**Outcome 3:** Explain how to get involved in unit service.

## Theme Connection: Seek New Heights

As commissioners, Arrowmen can personally Seek New Heights as they expand their value to the Scouting movement. Also, expanding unit service is important for the Scouting movement to Seek New Heights more generally.

## Facility and Material Needs

### Facility Needs

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| *Is this session remote delegate-compatible?* (ie. can the material be engagingly taught via live stream) | [Yes] |
| *Does this session need audio/video (AV) capabilities?* (ie. projector) | [Yes] |
| *Are there any other specific facility needs for this session?* (ie. movable chairs, panel-style seating, etc.) | [None] |

### Material Needs

[Please put "NOAC Training Committee" under "Source" if you need a material and cannot source it yourself - we will try to source it for you. Please note that we would strongly prefer training materials to be in a digital format and would advise against flipcharts and other physical materials. If you need microphones, extension cords, etc., please also specify those needs here.]

| **Material** | **Quantity** | **Source** |
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| Projector | 1 | Classroom / NOAC Training Committee |
| Laptop | 1 | Trainer |
| HDMI or other cable | 1 | Classroom / NOAC Training Committee |
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## Session Preparation Steps

[Please list all steps you or another trainer would need to take to be prepared to teach this session. For example, if the trainer needs to add personal experiences, print handouts, or prepare items for a game, those should be listed here. **The goal is for someone to be able to read this syllabus and understand how to teach your session in the future!**]

**Step 1:** (Contact the recruiting/engaging chair of the National Commissioner Service Team.)

## Additional Staff Members

[If you are having additional trainers assist you with your session, please fill out their contact information below. Please note that due to the conference sell-out, we are limited in our ability to register additional staff members on the training committee. We recommend that your additional trainers come from contingents or other staff members that can break from their duties to facilitate the session.]

| Trainer Name | Email | Phone # |
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# Lesson Plan

[The main body of your presentation should be here. Remember to adjust the timing for each session as you add/edit topics. **Remember, be as specific as possible - the goal is for someone to be able to read this syllabus and understand how to facilitate your session in the future!**]

### Helpful Templates:

**Activity**

Copy and paste this box wherever you have an activity in this session!

**Materials Needed:** [materials]
**Length of Activity:** # [min]
**Activity Description:** [description]

**Trainer Action**

If at any point the trainer needs to complete an action (play a video clip, prompt questions, etc.) copy paste this box and edit this text to specify what!

**Introduction** **4 minutes**
*Slides 1-2*

- Case Studies: Yes, you can be a commissioner!

**Topic 1** **11 minutes**
*Slides 3-12*

- What do commissioners do? What is unit service?

**Topic 2** **11 minutes**
*Slides 13-19*

- A Servant's Heart: Unit Service and Cheerful Service

**Topic 3** **11 minutes**
*Slides 20-24*

- How can I get involved in unit service?

**Conclusion & Takeaway Challenge** **3 minutes**
*Slides 25-26*

Please take out your notebook and pen. For the final three minutes, think about your current and future roles in the OA, in Scouting, and in life. Write down three key takeaways from this session that will enable you to Seek New Heights in those current and/or future roles. For example, will you extend Cheerful Service to Unit Service? Later today, feel free to share these key ideas with others in your chapter or lodge.

## Appendix: Resources and Source Material

[Please add all referenced sources or handouts that would be useful to share with session attendees.]

| **Resource** | **Link** |
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| Commissioner Website | Available online at: scouting.org/commissioners |
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