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1998 Orca Lodge Dinner

On November 14th Orca Lodge held its 6th Annual Lodge Dinner in Fortuna. The site was the beautiful Eel River Lodge Conference Center, just opened in the spring of '98. For the first time in years, the weather held and 87 Lodge members and their guests arrived happy and dry. Dinner consisted of Tri-tip or Chicken with all the trimmings and dessert. It was expertly catered by The C.C. Market and Deli of Rio Dell. Thanks to *Wally and Sandra Close* for their hard work and excellent service.

Providing entertainment was the **Mow-A-Toc Dance team**, reprising the Dances they performed in competition last summer in Iowa at the National Order of the Arrow Conference. Thank you to the dancers and **Kitty Harriman**, their adviser.

One of the highlights of the evening was when the 1998 selections for the Vigil Honor were announced. The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond their immediate responsibilities to one or more of the following: Orca Lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or Scout Camp. Honored were **Floyd Higdon** from Fort Bragg; **Daniel Dukeman** of Eureka; **Paul Lanzi** of Eureka (currently attending UC Davis in his freshman year); and a father-son team of **Craig Bulleri** and **Jeff Bulleri** of Rohnert Park.

Orca Lodge annually presents Silver Flukes to those individuals whose contributions to Orca Lodge are above and beyond the call of duty. The Silver Fluke is an attractive medallion (made of real Silver!) in the shape of an Arrowhead, with a Whale Fluke engraved in it. Honored in 1998 were **Sue Bulleri** of Rohnert Park, **Greg Humes** of Santa Rosa, **Bob Taylor** of Healdsburg, **Eldon Whitehead** of Fortuna, and **Jason Yarnall** of Eureka.

The Founders award was presented to a sur-

prised outgoing Lodge Advisor **Bruce Mayfield**. The Founders award is intended to honor and recognize those Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to the lodge and who memorialize in their everyday life the spirit of achievement as described by the founder E. Urner Goodman.

Our new Scout Executive, **Scott Oldenburg** made the journey (crutch and all) and was the Keynote speaker. He challenged the Lodge to carry on the high tradition of the Order of the Arrow and strive to promote Scouting and Camping to even greater heights this coming year.

Capping the evening was the announcement of the 1999 Orca Lodge officers. They are as follows: **Jason Yarnall** of Eureka - Chief; **Daniel Dukeman** of Eureka - Vice Chief; **Chris Schoenthal** of Cotati - Secretary; and **Will Keaney** of Santa Rosa - Treasurer. Along with the new Orca Lodge Adviser **Greg Hannan** of Healdsburg, they were sworn in for 1999. Orca Lodge has truly had quite a year! Bravo!!

Great Fall Ordeal at Elk River!

The Fall Ordeal at Elk River was a big success!! Much work was done, and much fellowship was had. We had several work parties, one chopping wood, one doing general restoration and one spreading gravel on the driveway. We got 8 cords of wood cut so far, and we hope to have even more this spring. Overall, we had 8 candidates who were there, and 3 new Brotherhood members. Don't forget, Spring Ordeal coming up soon!

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Meet Your New Lodge Officers

At the Lodge Dinner in November, new officers were elected for 1999. So, without further ado, here are your 1999 Lodge Officers!

Jason Yarnall-Lodge Chief- Jason has been in Boy Scouts since 1989 with Troop 27 in Eureka. He is an Assistant Scoutmaster and an Eagle scout. He went through his Ordeal in 1994, and attained Brotherhood in 1995. He is 20 years old and attending College of the Redwoods. In his spare time, he likes working on his car.

Daniel Dukeman- Lodge Vice Chief- Daniel has been in Boy Scouts 9 years with Troop 27 in Eureka. He is Senior Patrol Leader and a Life scout. He went through his Ordeal in 1995, and attained his Vigil in December, 1998. He is 16 years old and attends Eureka High School as a sophomore. He says he has no spare time; therefore nothing to do in his spare time.

Chris Schoenthal- Lodge Secretary- Chris is in his 4th year of Boy Scouts, and is a member of Troop 4 in Cotati. He currently holds the rank of Star. He went through his Ordeal in the spring of 1997, and is currently a Brotherhood member. He is the Chairman/Spokesperson for the Cabrosha Brotherhood Team. He is 15 years old and attends Rancho Cotate High School in Rohnert Park. In his spare time, he listens to music and makes up newsletters.

Will Keaney- Lodge Treasurer- Will joined Boy Scouts when he was in 5th grade. He is currently a member of Troop 125 in Santa Rosa, and is a Life scout. He underwent his Ordeal in 1996 and attained Brotherhood in spring of 1998. As well as Lodge Treasurer, he currently serves as Clan Chief of Wonk-A-Tonk clan. He is 16 years old and a sophomore at Montgomery High School in Santa Rosa. In his spare time, he listens to Primus.

Also, we have a new Lodge Advisor! After four years of dedicated service to this Lodge, **Bruce Mayfield** is stepping down to work as the Section Staff Advisor. We wish the best of luck to him in his new position. In his absence, **Greg Hannan** was appointed. Read his letter in this issue!

Chief Sez

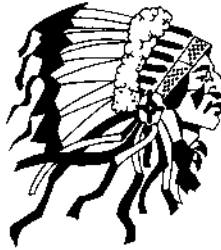
Fellow Arrowmen;

Our 1999 year is upon us, and an exciting year it will be. I would like to thank **Bruce Mayfield** as our past Lodge Advisor for doing an excellent job.

Our new Lodge Advisor, **Greg Hannan**, is sure to prove an excellent Adviser this year. The 1998 Lodge dinner went very well, with more than 80 members attending in Fortuna. It was a great evening that all enjoyed. Our next Lodge function will be Club Noyo at Camp Noyo on March 20-21, everyone is invited. For those of you who didn't go last year, we had an adventure just trying to get home on Sunday, this year will be just as fun. Be sure to come and participate at *all* our functions. This year looks to be a great one, and I look forward to sharing it with you.

Yours in ,

Jason Yarnall - Lodge Chief



Patch Opportunities

Come on, all you artists out there! The Section needs you! Our Section W-3B Conclave will be held at Yosemite this fall, and they need a patch design! The theme for the Conclave is *Service in Yosemite: Conclave of the Century*. The patch must include WWW, W-3B and 1999. Submit all entries to JasonYarnall by March 13.

And...Get Your 1998 NOAC Patches

For all of you who haven't purchased the full-pocket, two-piece NOAC patch, there are still a few available. By order of the Lodge Executive Committee, the price has been reduced to \$5.00 for the top and 2.50 for the bottom. A Great Deal!!



From the Lodge Adviser...

Fellow Arrowmen,

Welcome to an exciting year with Orca Lodge. The Lodge has a new slate of Officers just waiting to serve you. Give them a call and give them any ideas or suggestions that you might have. They will be happy to hear from you. An exciting step that the lodge is taking is to initiate the *Elangomat System* at our Ordeals. For further information on this, give Mr. **Tom Keaney** a call, as he is looking for a few good arrowmen to help him.

Orca Lodge has been challenged by the Redwood Empire Council to promote Camp Masonite-Navarro and to help with needed repairs. The Lodge Executive Committee discussed this and decided that Orca Lodge is definitely up to the challenge. This extends to all of their brothers as well.

Again, I am excited about the coming year and about being the new Lodge Advisor. If you have any ideas or suggestions, feel free to call me so we can discuss them. Hope to see as many as possible attend Club Noyo V in March; a good time will be had be all—even if it does rain.

Yours in cheerful service,

Greg Hannan,

Lodge Advisor

Cabrosha Brotherhood Team Looking for Members

The Cabrosha Brotherhood team is looking for members. All Brotherhood members are invited. Meetings are held every fourth Thursday at the Cotati Scout Hut. If you have been looking for a place to get involved in the Lodge, this is a great way to start! If you have questions or need directions, call **Chris Schoenthal** at 707-795-3099.

What Exactly is the *Elangomat System*?

The Elangomat system has been a part of the Order of the Arrow for many years, although it hasn't been until recently that this program was strongly encouraged. Orca Lodge is planning on instituting this system, and hopes that it will become an integral part of our Lodge. Elangomats may be present as soon as the Spring Ordeal in June of this year.

In the language of the Lenni-Lenape, 'elangomat' simply means 'friend'. This, indeed, is precisely what an elangomat is. Elangomats are present at Lodge Ordeals, and go through the Ordeal along with the candidates. Typically, they are the leaders of small groups of candidates, referred to as a 'clan'. The clan works together during the Ordeal, following the example of their elangomat. Elangomats are members of their Lodge, who wish to take an active part in the Order of the Arrow.



What is the purpose of the elangomats? Elangomats strive to set an example of what it means to be an arrowman. They teach the candidates Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. Often times, when groups are lectured to, they do not remember the bulk of the talk. It is for this reason that the elangomat system is so effective. By participating in the tests of the Ordeal, and showing the candidates what the Order is about, they become far more effective, than if they had used words alone.

Since an elangomat is also bound by the pledge of silence, advance training is necessary. The Lodge will train those who are interested, and looks forward to all those who wish to serve. Those that are interested in participating in the elangomat system, should contact **Tom Keaney** at 707-573-8769. What a great way to lend yourself in service to the Lodge!

Miwok Clan Elects New Officers

Miwok Clan elected new officers for 1999. **Kevin Gingher** is the new Clan Chief, and **Andrew Bulleri** is the new Clan Secretary/Treasurer. Although he tried valiantly, **Chris Schoenthal** was not elected for any position, though he still retains his position as *Clan Mascot*. Good luck to these new officers in 1999.

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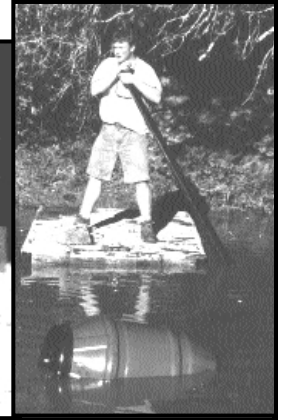
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If you have an article and/or pictures for submission, please contact any of the above to make arrangements. Next submission deadline is March 21st, 1999

Navarro Clean-up Gets Camp (And Parent) Squeaky Clean!

On October 17, 10 brave souls, one faithful dog and one loud tractor got together and cleaned up Camp Navarro. Some of the many tasks accomplished were getting the docks out of the water (at the expense of Lodge Secretary's father, Keith Schoenthal's clothes and dignity), moving the canoes and rafts into and charcoal out of the boat house, and other general chores that needed to be done. Afterwards, the ranger's wife



cooked up some great sloppy joes. Thanks to Eric Newmark, Nick Allen and friend, Robert Rivera and friend, Bruce Mayfield, Matt Dukeman, Chris and Keith Schoenthal, Lee the ranger, Lee's dog and Skippy the Dock Loader (tractor) for all their help in getting camp cleaned up. Great job, guys!

Dates to Remember...

- Feb 11 Allohak Clan Mtg/Presby Church-Ukiah 7:30
- Feb 11 Wonkatonk Clan Meeting/SR Scout Office 7:00
- Feb 11 Miwok Clan Meeting 7:30
- Feb 11 Yuki Clan Meeting 7:00
- Feb 16 Mow-A-Toc Chpt Mtg/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
- Feb 19 Council Annual Dinner - NEW DATE!!**
- Feb 26-28 High Advtr Sem/Camp Masonite Navarro**
- Mar 11 Wonkatonk Clan Meeting/SR Scout Office 7:00
- Mar 11 Allohak Clan Mtg/Presby Church-Ukiah 7:30
- Mar 11 Miwok Clan Meeting 7:30
- Mar 11 Yuki Clan Meeting 7:00
- Mar 13 W3-B Section Meeting, COC 11:00
- Mar 16 Mow-A-Toc Chpt Mtg/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
- March 20 - 21 Club Noyo V/Lodge Fellowship-Exec Board Meeting; Camp Noyo**
- Apr 8 Allohak Clan Mtg/Presby Church-Ukiah 7:30
- Apr 8 Wonkatonk Clan Meeting/SR Scout Office 7:30
- Apr 8 Miwok Clan Meeting 7:00
- Apr 8 Yuki Clan Meeting 7:00
- Apr 20 Mow-A-Toc Chpt Mtg/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
- Apr 23 -25 Section W3-A Conclave (Cutter Scout Reservation)**
- May 1 Scout-O-Rama/Humboldt Bay**
- May 8 W3-B Section Meeting, COC/ Modesto 11:00
- May 13 Allohak Clan Mtg/Presby Church-Ukiah 7:30
- May 13 Wonkatonk Clan Meeting/SR Scout Office 7:00
- May 13 Miwok Clan Meeting 7:00
- May 13 Yuki Clan Meeting 7:00
- May 15 Scout-O-Rama/Yokayo-Coast Logger**
- May 18 Mow-A-Toc Chpt Mtg/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
- May 22 High Adventure Raft Trip/American River**
- Jun 4-6 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Spring Ordeal/Elk River**
- Jun 18-20 Cabrosha Chapter Spring Ordeal/Camp Masonite Navarro**

Cabrosha Chapter Chief's Message

There are two Cabrosha Chapter officers so far: Chapter Chief **Chris Faurot** and Chapter Vice Chief **Nick Bulleri**. The Chapter Advisor is **Nick Allen**. The positions of Chapter Secretary and Chapter Treasurer are still open.

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