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1999 Conclave a Unique Experience...

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Section W-3B held their 27th annual conclave in Yosemite National Park, on the weekend of September 17-19. The conclave was a unique experience for several reasons. The large service project, completed in the valley floor illustrated the conclave's theme—"Service in Yosemite...The Conclave of the Century". About 400 participants were transported to the Yosemite valley floor, and cleared several miles of trail. The project occupied the better part of Saturday, with participants returning to camp around 4 in the afternoon.

The actual campsite for the Conclave was held at Bridalveil Creek campground, at an elevation of approximately 7200 feet. Participants not only saw the beautiful scenery around Bridalveil Creek, but also such famous sights as Half Dome and El Capitan, while working in the Yosemite Valley floor.

This conclave had no host lodge. Members from each of the section's five lodges attended, and had certain duties. About 45 arrowmen attended from Orca Lodge. Orca helped to run the trading post, as well as cook, and serve meals for the participants. In fact, if not for a contingent of National Guard members (some of whom are in the OA) who *convoyed* from Healdsburg, the meals might not have happened. The weekend also included traditional conclave activities, such as Indian dancing, ceremonies, sports, and sumo wrestling.

The site for the 2000 conclave is the USS Hornet, now docked in Alameda. Attending

will not only include Section W3B members, but arrowmen from W3A (SF Bay Area) and W3C (Hawaiian Islands) as well. It will be

known as the *Western Region, Area 3 Conclave..*

As many as one thousand arrowmen are expected at this event. Orca will co-host/Service Lodge for this conclave with the Talako Lodge of Marin Council. For the second year in a row, we will have

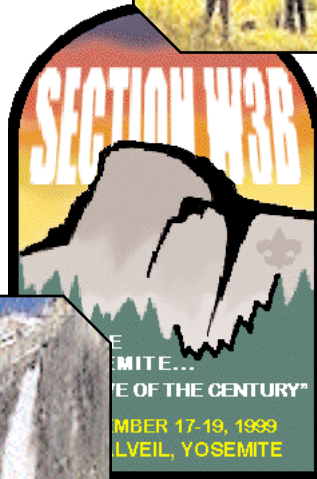
the opportunity to participate and attend a really special conclave.

Matt Dukeman elected Section W3B Chief

Kudos to Matt for the honor of being elected Section Chief Saturday night. Matt grew up and earned his Eagle while living in Eureka. He served two years as Orca Lodge Chief and is a Vigil Honor member. He is active on the Council High Adventure Team and

currently is living in Santa Rosa where he attends SRJC. This past summer he worked on Staff at Philmont Scout Ranch, and still managed to get away in August to attend the OA Summit as a Staff member in Fort Collins, CO.

Matt was very involved in the planning and execution of this years conclave. The Saturday Night show was one of the best in years and was conceived and produced under the watchful eye of Matt and his team from Tannu Lodge. We all look forward to a great conclave next year under Matts guidance.



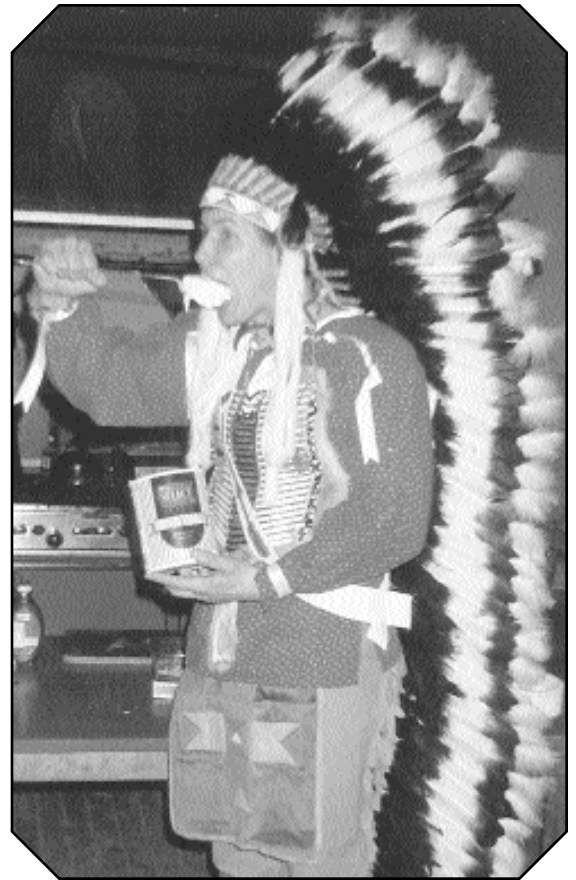
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Get Ready for Lodge Dinner '99

Orca Lodge will hold its seventh annual Lodge dinner on Saturday, November 20. Cabrosha Chapter will host this year's dinner. The dinner will be held at the Villa Chanticleer Annex, in Healdsburg (see directions). The dinner will begin at 5 p.m. with a social hour. Immediately following will be the dinner. After dinner, around 7 p.m., Lodge elections, awards and entertainment will commence. This should last until around 8:30. A Lodge Executive Board meeting will precede the Lodge dinner, and will begin at 1:00 p.m.

The cost is only \$19.00 for arrowmen, and includes dues for 2000. For non-members, the dinner is \$12.00, and for children ten years old and under, \$8.00. This is not an exclusive Lodge event. Be sure to bring family and friends. Fill out the registration form below, and return it to the Santa Rosa Council Office by Friday, November 12, to ensure a place at the dinner. Hope to see you there.



Directions to the Villa

To get to the Villa Chanticleer, take Highway 101, and exit at the Dry Creek exit in Healdsburg (from the north, this is the first Healdsburg exit, from the south, it is the third). Head east on Dry Creek Road (becomes March Avenue, as it enters town). Take March Avenue to University Avenue (you will pass a shopping center on your left, and then several apartment buildings on both sides of the street). Turn right on University, and take it to Powell Avenue (to the end of University). Turn left on Powell. Climb the hill, past the armory on the right. After you have wound up the hill (Fitch Mountain), you will see a large sign on the left saying "Villa Chanticleer". Go straight past the sign. You will be in the parking lot (additional parking is available at the rear of the Villa). The dinner will be held in the Annex, the smaller building to the right of the Villa (it will have an American Legion sign on it).

Cut and mail today

Mail this form with your check payable to Orca Lodge #194, and mark it for "Lodge Dinner".

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2240 Professional Drive
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Costs are as follows:
Arrowmen: \$19.00
 Non-members: \$12.00
 Ten and under: \$ 8.00

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code _____

No. of Members _____ No. of Non-Members _____ No. of Ten and under _____

Chapter: _____ Honor: _____ Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

The Ordeal: Pattern for a Life Well Lived

*You were sent to seek a vision
of yourselves, and of your purpose.*

I am called to search for the sublime meaning and purpose of my life, and to struggle for its fulfillment. I choose my Ordeal as my pattern of action for the quest.

*Learn by fasting, sacrifice and self-denial
To subordinate desires to the spirit's higher
purpose.*

I reduce the time I consume being entertained and increase the time I spend being helpful to myself and to others. I restrain my wants for things and the desire to be popular. I admit into my mind and body only that which is enlightening and healthy.

*Listen to these admonitions
For your guidance on your journey!*

*Hours spent in thoughtful silence
Help us make the right decisions
More than days and days of talking.*

I speak and act from deep respect and love for my fellow man and for nature's beauty. I observe the Ordeal silence frequently, seeking direction from the yearnings, longings and convictions appearing deep within my heart and spirit.

*The ones who chose you need you.
Seek to serve . . . Master every challenge faithfully.*

I give myself to public-spirited causes and activities which increase my knowledge, exercise my talents, and expand my skills. From these I receive rich inward satisfactions.

*Leave all daily cares behind you, leave the crowd and its
opinions . . .
Be you steadfast as the Polestar, self-reliant,
undiscouraged.*

I take no action which is motivated either by the desire to win approval from peer groups or to avoid their ridicule. I am willing to face criticism and rejection on account of my choices if I am sure they are morally defensible.

Living the WWW In Your Everyday Life by Ray Petit

From the Lodge Advisor...



Fellow Arrowmen,

Thank you to all who came to the conclave in Yosemite, and either worked on Support Staff, the trail project or helpedcook. None of these jobs would have been successful without all your help.

A question has come up regarding chapter and clan monies. OA national policy states "All Order of the Arrow funds must be handled through the council's financial system and [be] deposited into the council's Order of the Arrow custodial account." The finances of the Lodge must be included in the council treasury, as they are subject to council regulations. I hope this helps to clear up any questions or misconceptions.

The Lodge dinner is not far off—November 20th, at the Villa Chanticleer Annex, in Healdsburg. The fall Lodge Executive Board meeting will start at 1 p.m. The social hour will be from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., with dinner and program starting at 6 p.m. Also, youth members, be prepared to elect your new Lodge officers. See you November 20th.

In WWW,

Greg Hannan



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Patch Opportunities

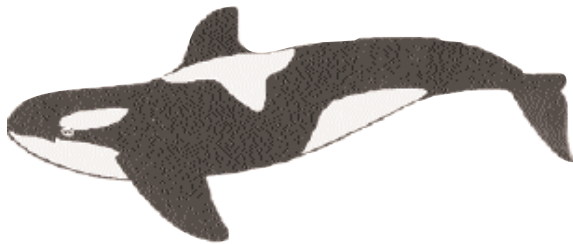
Get Your 1998
NOAC Patches

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 Board the price has been reduced to \$5.00 for the top and \$2.50 for the bottom. A Great Deal!! They will be available to purchase at both of the Fall Ordeals. Supplies are limited, so hurry!



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Dates to Remember...

Oct 14	Allohak Clan Mtg/Presby Church-Ukiah	7:30
Oct 14	Miwok Clan Meeting	7:00
Oct 14	Wonkatonk Clan Meeting/SR Scout Office	7:30
Oct 14	Yuki Clan Meeting	7:00
Oct 15-17	Cabrosha Chapter Fall Ordeal—CMN	
Oct 19	Mow-A-Toc Chpt Mtg/Eureka ScoutOffice	7:30
Oct 29-30	Spook-A-Ree—Elk River Scout Camp	
Nov 5-7	Mow-A-Toc Chapter Fall Ordeal—Elk River	
Nov 11	Allohak Clan Mtg/Presby Chrch-Ukiah	7:30
Nov 11	Miwok Clan Meeting	7:00
Nov 11	Wonkatonk Clan Meeting/SR Scout Office	7:30
Nov 11	Yuki Clan Meeting	7:00
Nov 16	Mow-A-Toc Chpt Mtg/Eureka ScoutOffice	7:30
Nov 20	Orca Lodge Dinner & Executive Board Meeting; Villa Chanticleer Annex, Healdsburg, California	
Dec 9	Allohak Clan Mtg/Presby Chrch-Ukiah	7:30
Dec 9	Miwok Clan Meeting	7:00
Dec 9	Wonkatonk Clan Meeting/SR Scout Office	7:30
Dec 9	Yuki Clan Meeting	7:00
Dec 19-20	Vigil Weekend—Elk River Scout Camp	
Dec 22	Mow-A-Toc Chpt Mtg/Eureka ScoutOffice	7:30

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