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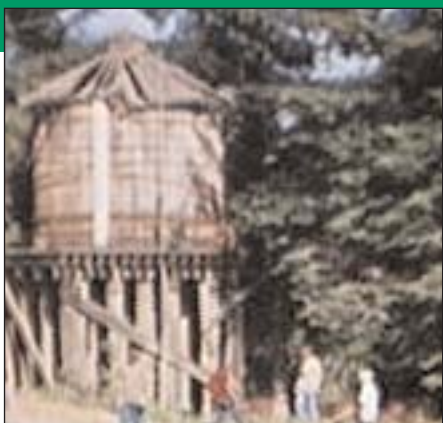
Elk River Scout Camp

Camp Masonite Navarro

June 6-8

June 13-15

Orca Lodge will host two spring ordeals this year. *Mow-A-Toc Chapter* will hold their Ordeal on the weekend of **June 6-8 at Elk River Scout Camp**. One week later, on the weekend of **June 13-15, Cabrosha Chapter** will present the second ordeal at **Camp Masonite Navarro**. There are many service projects as well as a variety of jobs that need to be completed at both camps. In addition to the service projects, the lodge will also be conducting a *Brotherhood Hike* for those members wishing to seal their membership in the Order. Arrowmen wishing to lead a *Brotherhood Hike* can contact **Dave Dukeman** at (707) 443-9559 or quietleder@aol.com for more information. Also, the lodge is looking for arrowmen (both youth and adult) who wish to serve as *Elangomats* at the ordeals. Service as an *Elangomat*



is not only a great way to help out at the ordeals and meet other Scouts, but it also counts toward the new *Arrowmen Service Award* (see article in this issue). Anyone who is interested (even remotely) should contact **Jason Yarnall** at (707) 792-1129 or JLY194@cs.com. He has served as an *Elangomat* and can lend his wisdom and expertise.

The lodge is hoping for a large turnout at both Ordeals, not only to complete service projects, but also to help build the *Elangomat* and *Brotherhood Hike* programs. The ordeals are a great event to not only serve the lodge, but also to participate in fun and fellowship. Return the attached registration form to the Eureka Council Office no later than Saturday, June 1 (if attending Elk

River) or Saturday, June 8 (if attending Masonite Navarro).

Spring Ordeal Registration Form--Cut and Mail Today

Mail this form with your check payable to Orca Lodge #194/BSA, and marked "Spring Ordeal"

Orca Lodge #194/Spring Ordeal
Boy Scouts of America
 1007 Wood Street
 Eureka, CA 95501

Costs are as follows:
Members (food): \$15.00
Brotherhood Candidates: \$22.50
 (food and sash)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code _____

No. Youth Members _____ No. Adult Members _____

Chapter: _____ Honor: _____

I will be attending the following Ordeals:
 Elk River _____ Masonite Navarro _____

I will be participating in the Brotherhood Hike _____

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

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FROGTOWN to be site of 2003 W3B Conclave

By Kevin Fromherz

The 2003 section conclave is going to be held on the weekend of *September 12-14, 2003* in Angles Camp, CA. The site within Angles Camp is the Calaveras County Fairgrounds and is also known as **FROGTOWN**, the site of the annual Jumping Frog Jubilee.

The section Council of Chiefs is busy planning many new and exciting activities. On Friday evening we are planning for a large amount of fun and fellowship. After check-in and time to visit the trading post and silent auction of memorabilia, this will include movie shorts, board games, patch trading and of course time to reacquaint with old friends.

The fun will continue the next morning with training in subjects such as Ceremonies, Native American knowledge, Leadership skills and other Order of the Arrow Programs. During the afternoon Arrowmen can check out the Midway which will include vendors featuring leading camping equipment manufacturers, local fire/police officials, and a dunk tank with a really good chance that you might be able to dunk a region or section officer. As if that was not enough, there will be the always colorful Indian Dancing competitions and inter-lodge athletic competitions. After dinner, that evening will feature an amazing show, which our CVC of Shows is promising, will be the best ever! In short, there is something for everyone at this year's conclave!

So fill out those applications and send them in today! Don't have an application, or want to register on line? You can print out an application to mail in, or better yet, register on-line at www.sectionw3b.org.

See you in September!!



NEW PROGRAM, FOR NEW ARROWMEN



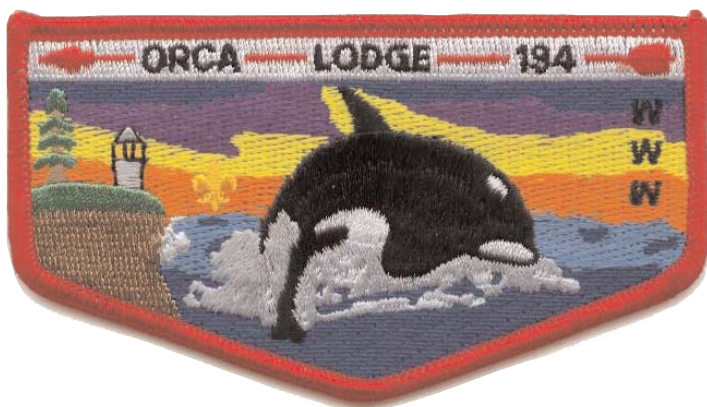
A special area of the national OA web site has been created to help new members of the Order of the Arrow learn about the OA. The *Jumpstart for New Arrowmen* area provides an introduction to the Order and its programs, and assists new members in sealing their membership in Brotherhood. You can access it through the National Order of the Arrow Website or by going directly to: <http://www.jumpstart.oa-bsa.org/>

In the meantime below are listed the Brotherhood Honor requirements:

- Memorize the signs of Ordeal Membership. Memorize the Obligation of the Order, memorize the Order of the Arrow Official song, the Admonition, the sign of the Ordeal membership, and the OA handclasp.
- Advance in your understanding of the Ordeal. Gain a thorough understanding of the Ordeal through which you have passed.
- Serve your unit. Retain your registration in Scouting. During a period of at least ten months, strive to fulfill your Obligation by continuing and expanding your service to your own troop.
- Plan for service in your lodge. Retain your registration in your Order of the Arrow Lodge and keep your dues paid. Be aware that acceptance of Brotherhood membership involves a pledge of service to the lodge. Develop a concrete idea of how you plan to fulfill this pledge.

Review your progress. When you earnestly feel that you have met the four challenges above, write a letter to your Lodge Secretary. In this letter: 1) Explain what you think the Obligation means. 2) Describe how you have been fulfilling this obligation in your troop and in your daily life, and you have used your understanding of the Ordeal to aid in this service. 3) Describe your specific plans for giving service in the Lodge program

At each Ordeal and Fellowship, Orca Lodge holds a Brotherhood ceremony to honor those members who fulfill the above requirements.



Notes From the Chief:

My Fellow Arrowmen,

As many of us are involved in wrapping up the end of the school year, and just living life, we find time is a very precious commodity. I myself can barely find time to get to a troop meeting, let alone any other scouting events. But I do! Don't fall back on the excuse that "they" don't understand how much "I" have to do. It is only in giving of yourself, your time and your vision that you can truly find yourself as a member of the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service.



So, I ask you, what have you done and what are you doing to make Scouting and Orca Lodge the best program in the nation? If your answer leaves something to be desired, perhaps you should step forward and take on some tasks or opportunities in the Lodge. Have you thought about being a member of Camp Promotions, Unit Elections, or volunteering to lead new members in the Elangomat program? Maybe you can become a Clan, Chapter or even Lodge officer. Currently the Lodge is undertaking a major revision to the *Where to go Camping* booklet. Perhaps you are good with data entry and can help out.. At the very least you can attend one (or both) of the upcoming ordeals and be a task leader, help in the kitchen or other much needed tasks.

Many new programs are being started from a national level, among them are *Scoutreach* and the *Arrowmen Service Award*. These are new and unique ways of reaching out in cheerful service to others. For, truly, why else are we here but to serve ourselves, and our brothers, in cheerful service.

Lest we forget, OA is not all hard work. Coming up in August is our Annual Lodge Fellowship at Camp Noyo. The emphasis is FUN, relaxation and...well....FELLOWSHIP! Then, in September we have the annual Section W3B Conclave. This year looks to be one of the best ever, I should know, as I am in charge of the shows, ya'll come and check them out.. Don't forget that the current Section Chief is none other than our own Chris Schoenthal...and we need to get the *Bald Eagle* back. where it belongs, in Orca Lodge!

I look forward to seeing you at both events and working side by side with you in the *Brotherhood of Cheerful Service!*

Yours in Scouting

Aaron Landwehr

Here it is! The latest and greatest Orca Lodge flap. 1,000 were produced, so they should last a little while...however, please note that at the Lodge Executive Board meeting in April close to 200 were sold. They are hot and going fast! For those arrowmen who have not had a chance to purchase the beautifully-designed flap or who want to add a few more to their collection, plenty of patches will be available at both Spring Ordeals for \$5.

Arrowman Service Award



The Order of the Arrow's vision for the future emphasizes a strategy of increased service to the Boy Scouts of America by Arrowmen. To reward those Arrowmen who go beyond their immediate responsibilities to help and guide others to new heights, the Order of the Arrow created the *Arrowman Service Award*. The award will focus on three areas of service: personal, chapter/lodge activities, and general service to the community.

The timeline of the award will begin on January 1, 2001, and will end on December 31, 2003. The award may be earned in the year 2001, 2002, and 2003. All first time recipients may purchase the original award (the white ribbon with the gold compass). Arrowmen who earn the award more than once during the outlined three year period (2001-2003) may purchase the silver attachment for having completed this award a second time (2002 or 2003 only) and the bronze attachment for having completed this award a third time (2003 only). The attachment will be worn on the award's white ribbon. Signatures of approval will be required for each requirement.

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The *Orca Spouts* welcomes (okay, pleads for) submissions, both articles as well as photographs. Sending Articles and Digital Photos via e-mail is highly encouraged. All Photos welcomed (arn't you getting tired of ours)? The deadline for submissions to the next edition is Sunday, July 13. Send articles and photos to:

John Mattern, 707-538-0968, secretary@orca194.org

Dates to Remember...

June 3 Miwok Clan Meeting/Cotati Scout Hut 7:30
June 6-8 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Spring Ordeal/Elk River Scout Camp
 June 10 Wonk-A-Toc Clan Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
 June 12 Allohak Clan Meeting/Presbyterian Church, Ukiah 7:30
 June 12 Yuki Clan Meeting 7:00
 June 17 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
June 13-15 Cabrosha Chapter Spring Ordeal/Camp Masonite Navarro

Aug 2-7 Indian Summer/Ridgecrest Conference Center - Asheville, NC
 Aug 5 Miwok Clan Meeting/Cotati Scout Hut 7:30
 Aug 7 Allohak Clan Meeting/Presbyterian Church, Ukiah 7:30
 Aug 7 Yuki Clan Meeting 7:00
Aug 9 Section W3B COC Meeting - On site, Angels Camp, CA
 Aug 12 Wonk-A-Toc Clan Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
 Aug 14 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
**Aug 16-17 Lodge Fellowship and Executive Board Meeting
 Camp Noyo**
 Aug 19 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30

Sept 2 Miwok Clan Meeting/Cotati Scout Hut 7:30
 Sept 9 Wonk-A-Toc Clan Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
 Sept 11 Allohak Clan Meeting/Presbyterian Church, Ukiah 7:30
 Sept 11 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
 Sept 11 Yuki Clan Meeting 7:00
Sept 12-14 Section W-3B Conclave/Frogtown -Angels Camp, Ca
 Sept 16 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30

Oct 7 Miwok Clan Meeting/Cotati Scout Hut 7:30
 Oct 9 Allohak Clan Meeting/Presbyterian Church, Ukiah 7:30
 Oct 9 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
 Oct 9 Yuki Clan Meeting 7:00
 Oct 14 Wonk-A-Toc Clan Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
Oct 17-19 Cabrosha Chapter Fall Ordeal/Camp Masonite Navarro
 Oct 21 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
 Oct 25-26 Spook-E-Ree/Elk River Scout Camp

Nov 7-9 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Fall Ordeal/Elk River Scout Camp

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