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2008 Spring Ordeals

Orca Lodge will host two spring Ordeals this year. Mow-A-Toc Chapter will hold its Ordeal on the weekend of June 6-8 at Riggs Johnston Scout Camp at Elk River. Two weeks later, June 20-22, Cabrosha Chapter will present its 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. Staff Adviser Gary Varano has spread the word: there will NOT be a shortage of work at either camp. We need everyone to pitch in and get as much as possible done...and then even more!!!

In addition to the service projects, the Lodge will also be conducting a Brotherhood Hike for those members eligible to seal their membership in the Order. If you are eligible, here is your chance to take the next step in our Brotherhood. You should have already begun studying the principles of the Order of the Arrow in the handbook or online at www.jumpstart.oa-bsa.org/. When you receive your Brotherhood, you not only prove yourself in cheerful service, but you help our Lodge in our Brotherhood attainment. The Brotherhood honor is a part of the Quality Lodge Award requirements.



Riggs Johnston Scout Camp at Elk River
June 6-8

Arrowmen wishing to lead a Brotherhood Hike can contact Dave Dukeman at (707) 443-9559/496-4898 (Cell) or adviser@orca194.org for more information. Also, ceremony teams need help in their part of the Ordeal. If you're interested in helping, please contact either Jason Kracht or Chris Teschan.

In addition, the Lodge is looking for Arrowmen (both youth and adult) who wish to serve as Elangomats at the Ordeals. Service as an Elangomat is a great way to help out at the Ordeals and meet other Scouts. Anyone who is interested (even remotely) should contact Ben LeRoy at (707) 538-7832 or chief@orca194.org. He can fill you in on the details and get you signed up. The Ordeals are a great event not only to 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, May 26 (if attending Riggs Johnston) or Saturday, June 9 (if attending Masonite Navarro). Please note: The Lodge policy, in order to prevent chaos in the kitchen, states: "If you do not RSVP by the Monday before the Ordeal, there will be a five dollar late fee added to the cost of attendance."



Camp Masonite Navarro
June 20-22

----- 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	\$25.00 (food)
Brotherhood Candidates	\$25.00 (food and sash)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Zip Code: _____

No. Youth Members _____ No. Adult Members _____

Chapter: _____ Honor: _____

I will be attending the following Ordeals:

Riggs Johnston _____ Masonite Navarro _____

I will be participating in the Brotherhood Hike _____

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

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ArrowCorps⁵

Scouting's Historic Service Project

By Marty Tschetter

The Boy Scouts of America will make a profound statement towards both service and conservation stewardship in our nation's national forests this summer. ArrowCorps⁵ will be the largest organized service project in our history. The National OA Committee has invested over three years of time developing the concept and building a rapport with the U.S. Forest Service. Our Order is projected to provide twenty-five years of service to each of the five selected locations. Beyond the service provided, a creative program has been developed to reflect our history and values, which have been hallmarks of Scouting.

Conservation projects are not new to the Boy Scouts of America. Over eighty years ago during the Depression, Eagle Scouts volunteered their service building trails at Yellowstone, Mount Rainier, and Glacier National Parks. Edgar McClay, instrumental in organizing the projects, wrote in 1931, "Scouting as a factor in the lives of boys was demonstrated by word and action. The daily 'Good Turn' is the motivating



Yellowstone National Park, 1925



principle in the Scout and the Eagle Scout Trail has proven that it is a practical working principle and will intrigue and capture boyhood."

This summer, our Order has the opportunity to continue this legacy. Unlike the individual OA high-adventure programs at Philmont, Northern Tier, and Sea Base, adults and youth age fourteen and up can participate.

If, after reading this article, you thought to yourself, "Gee, this sounds pretty amazing. I wish I could go," then know that **IT IS NOT TOO LATE!!** Even though we have been telling you about this since last year, and have passed at least one "deadline," there is still time to reserve your

spot. Just complete these two steps: 1) send a check to the Council's Santa Rosa Office at **2240 Professional Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95403-3005**. The check needs to be payable to: **Orca Lodge, BSA, with ArrowCorps5 deposit and your name** on the memo line. 2) E-mail BOTH of our ArrowCorps5 coordinators: **Keith Schoenthal** (ChiefKeith@sbcglobal.net) AND **Jeffrey Forest** (jeff4est@sbcglobal.net) to say that you are going.



Glacier National Park, 1925

From the Chapter Chiefs

Brothers,

I am Matt Sullivan the Mow-a-Toc Chapter Chief. I have served as Mow-a-Toc Chapter Secretary and Lodge Treasurer. I am a Vigil Honor member and have received the Silver Fluke. The Mow-a-Toc Chapter Meetings are the third Tuesday of every month at the Eureka Scout Office at 7:30. We are talking about getting some more service project ideas so, if you have any, come to the meetings and let us know. I look forward to the rest of the year and to having fun serving the Lodge.

Yours in Cheerful Service,

Matt Sullivan
Mow-A-Toc Chapter Chief

Hello Brothers,

My name is Michael Millerick of Troop 134 in Santa Rosa. The Cabrosha Chapter Ordeal is coming up on June 20-22. I strongly encourage all members to attend the Ordeal and make it as successful as previous Ordeals and highly encourage all Brotherhood Candidates to attend and join in the fun. Attending the Ordeal is the primary way our Chapter can grow together and further ourselves. Just think of it is a mini-Lodge Fellowship. The next Cabrosha Chapter Meeting is on May 20th. We will be discussing the Ordeal in more detail there.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Michael Millerick
Cabrosha Chapter Chief

DESIGN OPPORTUNITIES

For All Artistic Arrowmen

Here are the designs that were submitted for NOAC '09. Designs are still being accepted, so feel free to send them to our Lodge Chief, **Ben LeRoy**. There is a deadline, though. *The design will be finalized at the Ordeals, so have your idea(s) in by then.*



"Nor Cal #1" Submitted by **Ben LeRoy**



"Nor Cal #2" Submitted by **Ben LeRoy**



"Orcas on Fire #1" Submitted by **Stefan LeRoy**



"Orcas on Fire #2" Submitted by **Stefan LeRoy**



"Orcas in Indiana" Submitted by **Ben LeRoy**



"The Matrix" Submitted by **Ben LeRoy**

As you can see, there's one word that repeats its self several times on this page..."**LEROY**"...



"Presidential Orca" Submitted by **Ben LeRoy**

...that's because only **TWO** people (out of 200) have sent in designs—the LeRoy brothers. Come on, people give these guys some competition. **ANYTHING** will be accepted.



SECTION W3B The Shaft



BENJAMIN LEROY
SECTION SECRETARY

Lodge Newsletter Insert



Section W3B

Order of the Arrow
Spring 2008

Boy Scouts of America

All about Conclave and Fellowship By Benjamin LeRoy, Secretary

When I'm back in my Troop, and in my council I hear many say, "OA is all about slaving away to get a patch". This is not the case. There is so much more in this organization than what meets the eye. We play games, help the community, go and promote camping. Conclave got me back into the Order of the Arrow. I want to talk to you about it so you think about going, so that you can see why I stayed with the OA. Conclave is a fun filled weekend with games, movies, shows, camp promotions, leadership classes, and Indian events. All these rotate around the idea of fellowship: an idea lost in translation to all whom have not experienced it. By definition, Fellowship is community of interest, activity, feeling, or experience; the state of being a fellow or associate, (Merrian-Webster online dictionary). Mix the two together and you get the real thing. In Order of the Arrow, you have the greatest scouts in BSA, and

you group them together. You don't see people being rude, cheating or the like. We play games with people from all over Nevada and California. We trade patches. We watch youth-made movies. We see that we, the youth, can run things, and we see the leaders of tomorrow.



Fellowship

Where do I sign up for conclave?

<http://www.sectionw3b.org>

Randy's Response, Chief's Minute

The Section W3B Conclave, hosted by Tannu Lodge, is sooner than you think. Those of you who have been to any one of the Conclaves can testify that is an amazing experience. For those of you who haven't, you don't know what you're missing. Events include competitions, unique training classes, fellowship between the seven lodges in W3B, and the election for new officers. The Section Conclave will be in conjunction with the Air Races in Stead; because of this the theme "As an Arrow Driven Skyward" has been properly chosen. Be sure you register as soon as possible (registration opens in March) for a cheaper registration fee. I expect to see all of you at this year's Section W3B Conclave! If you have any other questions, feel free to contact me at rpchico5@yahoo.com.



YIS,
Randy Pares
Section W3B Chief

Promotion

Section W3B Conclave 2008

Theme: Like An Arrow Driven Skyward

Date:
September 12-14

Location:
O'Brien Middle
School

Service Lodge:
Tannu



sectionw3b.org

Section W3B, Raising the Bar.



Welcome

To the Order of the Arrow

Section W3B



Brotherhood

Throughout the year, lodges go on fun trips, host fellowships, and hold BBQs. Some other fun activities many include playing games and having great meals at chapter meetings. In September all our brothers come to Conclave and join in the fun and games.



Cheerfulness

With all the Fun trips, and interesting service projects, how can anyone not have fun in the Order? All you have to do is participate. I'm sure you all know how good it feels to watch others eat food, while you have more food in another area. Seriously though, the Order is fun filled, just like Boy Scouts should be. Remember, making it a fun experience is your choice. And... the place with the most cheer and the best experience is Conclave.

Service

From the Oregon Border, down to Santa Barbara, all the way from the coast to the eastern edge of Nevada, Arrowmen in our Section serve. In many great cities. Arrowmen like yourself serve this country, their communities, and their camps with service projects. In local camps and other places, the OA provides help to many.



What is Conclave?

Every year, the youth in the Section plans out a weekend of fun on the 2nd weekend of September. Filled with fellowship, games, sports, patch trading, Native American Dances, ceremonies, food, ice cream socials and much more, it's sure to provide fun for all!. During this event, Arrowmen from across the section get together for a weekend of fellowship. At conclave you will be able to learn a variety of new skills at the training sessions that are offered right before the games. These sessions help you learn necessary skills, and other interesting ones that will help you in your troop and in your lodge.



NEW ORDEAL MEMBERS: Sign up now and get a \$10 discount! At www.sectionw3b.org

THE AKELA FESTIVAL WAS FANTASTIC!!!

BY PATRICK DANIELS
AKELA FESTIVAL HEAD COORDINATOR



On March 14-16 about 45 people gather for an Akela Festival. In previous years, the Akela Ceremony (at which Cub Scouts bridge over to Boy Scouts; was know as and Arrow of Light Ceremony) was held at Miwok District's Camporee and put on by the Miwok Clan. This year, however, it was separated from the Camporee and put into a separate event, similar to a Camporee, but called an Akela Festival. It was changed to a joint district event, and therefore put on by Cabro-

sha Chapter. We had about 20 people on staff and 26 or 27 boys go through the ceremony. I would like to thank all of the staff that worked that weekend. We were on time for all of our events and even finished early in some cases, so some of the staff opened up a game of ultimate frisbee, which the kids loved. We did not have



a single complaint the entire time, and all of the parents that I talked to said that they themselves had had a great time. I could not have asked for a better ceremony as this was the first time that the script had EVER been memorized for the Akela Festival. I do want (and have brought up at the Chapter meeting) an Akela Festival

Committee so we can make next year's Akela Festival go even better! This would be run through elected youth of the Chapter and overseen by myself, Mike O'Neill, Mike Bell, Sue Bulleri, and a few other adult leaders. Hopefully we can get this going soon so we can start planning early!

Once again, a HUGE thanks to the staff. This could not have happened without you—and let's make next year's **even better!!!**



LODGE CHIEF'S CORNER

My name is Benjamin LeRoy, and you elected me to be Orca Lodge Chief for the year 2007-2008. Thank you for this great opportunity. When I was a young scout, around 13 years old, my scoutmaster talked to me about how OA just wasn't the greatest. I'm sure most of you know a person like this. When I joined the Order of the Arrow, I, like most of you, never saw myself going far.



My Ordeal was, like most, lots of work, little food, and a night alone. I understood that this was to test us, but I still didn't like it. I was impressed by the leadership, who did seem like good leaders, but after the Ordeal I sort of fell through the cracks. Thanks to a few calls and a conclave, I came back.

There is so much more to this organization than what seems like punishment: we play games, help the community, and go and promote camping. The amount of time and energy that you put into the Order is equivalent to what you get out of it. I hope to see you at Chapter meetings and Lodge events. If you stick it out, you will see why the Order of the Arrow is Boy Scout's National Honor Society.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Benjamin LeRoy
Orca Lodge Chief 2007-2008

Lodge T-shirt Design Finalized



The winner of the Lodge T-shirt design contest was this Native American Head*. The design beat out the competition 16-6! The credit for it goes to Daniel Washburn. They will

be available by Conclave, and cost \$10-15.

*Note: This is the design for the back of the T-shirt; the front was voted on at the Fellowship, and will consist of the graphic to the right.



Elangomats for Spring Ordeals Sought

Lodge wants to encourage this program

WANT TO FIND a way to serve the Order without committing yourself to an ongoing, time-consuming program? The Elangomat System is perfect for those Arrowmen who wish to attend Ordeals, but who don't have the time to commit to a project for a lengthy period of time. Orca Lodge is currently seeking members who wish to serve as Elangomats at an Ordeal. In the language of the Lenni-Lenape, "elangat" simply means "friend."

During an Ordeal, the Elangomat, who has also taken the vows of the candidate, works with a small group of candidates, completing jobs. By instructing through example rather than through words, the Elangomat accomplishes his mission. This program was begun by a Lodge in Florida about 27 years ago, and with such success, that it was implemented on a national scale a few years ago. Elangomats strive to teach brotherhood, cheerfulness,

and service through their own unselfish example and work to ensure that each candidate understands the meanings of the Ordeal and is warmly accepted into the Lodge.

Typically, the Elangomat will remain in contact with those candidates he worked with at the Ordeal, encouraging them to attend clan and Chapter meetings and to become active in the Order. For the Arrowman who simply wishes to lend

a hand at an Ordeal and serve as an Elangomat without a longer term commitment, this continued contact is not mandatory although it has been shown to be an effective way to retain members.

Anyone who would like further information on the Elangomat program or is interested in serving as an Elangomat is encouraged to contact Ben LeRoy at 538-7832 or chief@orca194.org.



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Dates to Remember...

April 25-27 Pomo District Camporee/Lake Sonoma
April 25-27 Miwok District Camporee/Camp Tamarancho

May 2-4 Yokayo Camporee and Cuboree/Lake Mendocino
 May 10 Section COC Meeting/Modesto Scout Office
 May 16-18 Pacific Rivers District Camp-o-ree
 May 20 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
 May 20 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Lions Building 7:00

Jun. 6-8 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Spring Ordeal/Camp Riggs Johnston

Jun. 7 Lodge Executive Board Meeting/Camp Riggs Johnston
 (Concurrent with the Mow-A-Toc Chapter Spring Ordeal)
 Jun. 17 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
 Jun. 17 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Lions Building 7:00

Jun. 20-22 Cabrosha Chapter Spring Ordeal/Camp Masonite Navarro

Jul. 12-19 ArrowCorps⁵ at Shasta-Trinity National Forest

Aug. 9 Section COC Meeting/O'Brien Middle School Reno, NV
 Aug. 19 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
 Aug. 19 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Lions Club 7:00

Sep. 12-14 Section W-3B Conclave/O'Brien Middle School Reno, NV

Sep. 16 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
 Sep. 16 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Lions Club 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. 21 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Lions Club 7:00

Nov. 7-9 Mow-A-Toc Fall Ordeal/Camp Riggs Johnston
 Nov. 14-16 NLS Camp Bothin Fairfax, California
 Nov. 22 Annual Lodge Dinner & Executive Board Meeting/Hosted By
 Mow-a-Toc Chapter

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