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2011 ORCA LODGE DINNER

PERHAPS THE LAST CHANCE FOR AN EVENING OF ORCA FRIENDSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP



The annual Lodge Dinner (The last one?) is rapidly approaching. It will be hosted by the Cabrosha Chapter on November 12 at the St. John's Catholic Church School:

217 Fitch Street
Healdsburg CA 95448

The cost is \$35, which includes the cost of dues for 2012.

The Lodge Dinner will be preceded by a Lodge Executive Board Meeting at 2:00 at the St. John's Catholic Church School. The dinner will follow and begin with a social hour at 5:00, followed with dinner being served at 6:00. The Lodge's annual awards will be presented during the dinner, including: Silver Flukes, Founder's Awards, James E. West Fellowships, 2012 Officer Elections, as well as the first public announcement of this years Vigil Candidates.



St. Johns Catholic Church & School, Healdsburg

All current lodge, chapter and clan officers are expected to attend the Executive Board Meeting at 2:00 as well as other interested parties. In addition to taking care of lodge business, like updating the Lodge Rules, to be voted on that day, it is a great opportunity to learn what will be expected of next year's Chief, Vice Chief, Secretary, and Treasurer. Lodge members who are interested in being officers for 2012 are especially encouraged to attend, and should call Mike Bell at 707-527-6282 in advance.

Every member of the Lodge will want to attend this dinner. It may be a long drive for some of us, but the friendship and fellowship will make it worth while. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity, and will be a wonderful experience that will bring us together with our fellow Arrowmen for perhaps the last time. All indications are that this will likely be the last Orca Lodge Dinner EVER!

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Lodge Dinner Registration Form--Cut and Mail Today

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

Orca Lodge #194/Lodge Dinner
Boy Scouts of America
1000 Apollo Way Suite 106
Santa Rosa, CA 95407

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Zip Code _____ No. Members _____

No. Non-Members _____ No. 10 yrs. & Under _____

No. 4 yrs. & Under _____

Email _____ Chapter: _____

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Arrowmen (includes 2012 dues): \$35.00

Non-Members: \$20.00

Ages 10 yrs. and under: \$10.00

4 yrs. and under: Free

Please make checks payable to BSA/Orca Lodge #194

Event Code #2371

CHIEF'S CORNER

FALL ORDEALS, BROTHERHOOD AND QUALITY LODGE!

Brothers of Orca Lodge,

Well, the year of 2011 is almost over. The lodge has excelled throughout the year with positive growth and is near Quality Lodge Status for Brotherhood conversions. I would like to thank all of our Orca Brothers who attended the Section W3N conclave for their outstanding work and the spirit that we showed at Conclave. I would also like to thank the Previous Section Chief Gabe McHugh of Orca Lodge for his fantastic job as Section Chief for the past year. With the 2011 Section W3N Conclave now passed, we have a renewed spirit for accomplishing the goals for this year, the implementation of an Elangomat Program with the chapters, as well as the continued conversions of Ordeal Members to Brotherhood, and continual Service.



Adam Taylor
2011 Orca Lodge Chief

Ordeals are quickly approaching for this Fall. I challenge you to go back to your home troops, and encourage tapped out members to attend, as well as invite Arrowmen who may be inactive, or are eligible to receive Brotherhood Membership. I also challenge you to strive with me to achieve Quality Lodge this amazing year.

Yours in Service

Adam Taylor

2011 Orca Lodge Chief

Mow-a-Toc Chapter has had a great year so far. We had a very successful spring ordeal in June at Camp Riggs Johnston, where we gained over ten new ordeal members, who have begun to participate in chapter meetings and events. Our chapter also attended the Section W3N Conclave at Two Rock, over September 16-18. In addition to the training and activities, Mow-a-Toc also had one brotherhood conversion.



Our plans for the rest of the year include running our districts Spook-o-ree at Camp Riggs, Oct. 21-22. Additionally, there will be a fall Ordeal at Camp Riggs in November, where we plan to receive new arrowmen and new brotherhood members.

THE CIRCLE WIDENS...
NEW BROTHERHOOD
MEMBERS FROM W3N CONCLAVE

Brett Carver
John Kulczewski
Sam Lozano

LODGE OFFICER DESCRIPTIONS

WHAT TO EXPECT IF YOU THROW YOUR NAME INTO THE HAT

Lodge Chief

The job of the Lodge Chief is to supervise Lodge activities (Fellowship, Ordeals, Dinner, etc.) and to ensure that the Lodge is on track to earn Quality Lodge in the calendar year of his term. The Lodge Chief also attends each Section W3N Council of Chiefs meeting and serves as a voting member of the Council of Chiefs. His responsibility at the Section level is to help plan the year's conclave and ensure that as many members of Orca Lodge attend the conclave as possible. He should also expect to serve as a Conclave Vice Chief for the Section. Should the Lodge not have a Vice Chief or a Secretary, it is the Chief's responsibility to execute their respective responsibilities.

Lodge Vice Chief

The job of the Lodge Vice Chief is to coordinate with the Chapter Vice Chiefs to make sure that Ordeal Candidate Elections are happening within in each Chapter. This is an important job because positive growth and brotherhood conversion rates are always the hardest part of earning Quality Lodge. Should the Lodge no longer have a Lodge Chief, the Lodge Vice Chief assumes the role of Lodge Chief.

Lodge Secretary

The job of the Lodge Secretary is to maintain records of each Lodge Executive Board Meeting, but his primary responsibility is to publish each edition of the *Orca Spouts*. He is also responsible for sending out notifications to the Lodge of upcoming Lodge events and opportunities for the Lodge to serve their fellow Scouts. He is also responsible for maintaining an accurate roster of Lodge Officers.

Lodge Treasurer

The job of the Lodge Treasurer is to maintain an accurate record of lodge funds and to maintain a Lodge Trading Post at the Lodge's Ordeals.

Chapter Chief

The job of a Chapter Chief is to supervise Chapter operations and to serve as a voting member of the Lodge Executive Board. He is to supervise his Vice Chief(s) and to ensure that they do their part in conducting Ordeal Candidate Elections. Should the Chapter not have a Vice Chief or a Secretary, it is the Chief's responsibility to execute their respective responsibilities.

Chapter Vice Chief

The job of a Chapter Vice Chief is to supervise elections teams in his area to ensure that each unit is given an opportunity to conduct an Ordeal Candidate Election. It is also his responsibility to make sure that a "Call-Out" Ceremony is performed to notify candidates of their candidacy.

Chapter Secretary

The job of a Chapter Secretary is to inform the members of a Chapter of upcoming Chapter and Lodge events (meetings, service projects, ordeals, fellowships, dinners, etc.). He is also responsible for maintaining an accurate roster of chapter members.

Please consider running for a Lodge Office. Your participation and leadership in the Lodge is necessary for the Lodge to continue to function. Your input as a Lodge Officer will also help shape the Lodge in coming years and create a better experience for all arrowmen.

2011 Section W3N Conclave

Fuel the Fire Within

Orca Lodge had over 40 members in attendance at the W3N Conclave held at Two Rock Coast Guard Base on September 16-18.

The conclave was hosted by Talako Lodge of Marin Council, but was held for the 2nd year in a row inside of the Redwood Empire Council. Even the Section Chief for the 2nd year hailed from Orca Lodge. Gabe McHugh, served as chief and many other members of Orca served in various capacities of service as well. Joining us for the weekend as a special guest was Western Region Chief, Joe Garcia, who hails from San Diego.

Joe must have brought the great weather, as the usual fog and wind, were almost nonexistent throughout the weekend.

For most, it all began with registration on Friday night. Then one moved quickly to set up their tent before darkness and grab a quick bite to eat from the on-site Trading Post. Next up was the opening show followed by a cracker barrel. One thing about the OA, there always seems to be plenty of food around. Oh yeah, there was a lot of meeting and greeting of friends, patch trading, and just plain fellowship. Some got to bed on time, most were up late just catching up on old times or getting to know new friends. In the



The Chief holds down the Midway Booth at the conclave.

AM we all got our first taste of the Coast Guards Galley. Good thing we don't eat like this every day or we would be even more well rounded. Right after breakfast a smorgasbord of trainings kept all busy throughout the morning. Perhaps the highlight of trainings was Scuba Diving, offered to those lucky few scouts who signed up early.

In the afternoon, there was Indian Dancing, Ceremonies competition, games and a midway featuring lodge displays, a climbing wall and even the Highway Patrol. Officer Gilbert showed up with his Dodge Charger and even

used a speed gun to check out a few scouts moving a little too fast. After a great dinner, the evening show took place, followed by a live patch auction and an Ice Cream Social.

Sunday morning began with breakfast and scouts own services, after which we all assembled one last time for awards and the installation of the 2012 officers. Joe Barton of Talako Lodge was elected chief and he closed with the admonition to see us all next year at Marin Sierra Scout Camp. Next years service lodge will be those "amazin nachos", Amangi Nacha Lodge.

Can't wait to see you all there!!

ORCA LODGE MEMBERS WHO

Mike Bell	John Dempsey
Dan Bobier	Dave Dukeman
Gloria Bradford	Bryan Enloe
Tim Bradford	Rick Facendini
Martin Campbell	Jack France
Brett Carver	Bryant Hill
Chas Christianson	Jason Kracht
Dale Cooley	John Kulczewski
Rick Cooley	Bob Lake
Mike Dempsey	Sean Lea



Austin Leonard
Ray Leonard
Ben LeRoy
Mike LeRoy
Sam Lozano
Steve Marshal

ATTENDED W3N CONCLAVE

Dominick Martinez	John Packer II
Bruce Mayfield	Alex Pagels
Lee McCann	Keith Schoenthal
Gabe McHugh	Shorty Silver
Michael McHugh	Jacob Smith
Mike Millerick	Killian Sullivan
Ken Moffitt	Bill St. John
Mike O'Neill	Adam Taylor
Patrick O'Neill	Daniel Washburn
John Packer I	Martin Webb



Registration was one hot spot with over 300 Arrowmen checking in on Friday Night.



The Service Project really got down to business repairing a trail on the base.



Opening of afternoon indian dancing.



NEXT STOP: NOAC 2012

MONDAY – SATURDAY, JULY 30 TO AUGUST 4

The National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) is the premier event of the Order of the Arrow and is Scouting's second-largest national program event. More than 8,000 Arrowmen will travel to East Lansing, Michigan, home to the 2012 National Order of the Arrow Conference at Michigan State University. Arrowmen will participate in a 6 day conference focusing on many of the aspects you are looking for: fun, fun and more fun. Each time a conference is held, Arrowmen coming from around the world gather at a major university to share their ideas on lodge leadership, American Indian Activities, and Inductions and OA Ceremonies as well as participate in a large variety of competitions. This six day adventure is unlike any other event in Scouting and is unique and limited to just members of the Order of the Arrow.

The training at each NOAC is world class because it brings together the most knowledgeable individuals in the area of your chosen topic. The trainers are some of the best in the Order who will share their expertise with you so that you may be able to bring these ideas back to your lodge and also for personal enjoyment. The training topics vary from American Indian Activities to Inductions and OA Ceremonies to high adventure such as SCUBA and kayaking.

What would be a gathering of people

from everywhere without competitions? The competitions vary in size but there is no shortage when it comes to the breadth of opportunities available for you to showcase your talents. A wide variety of sports competitions like volleyball, dodge ball, and soccer take place at each conference. For those of you interested in the American Indian Activities aspect, we have dance competitions for the many styles of dance. The Inductions and Ceremonial Events committee will host OA ceremonies evaluations. Through these competitions, Arrowmen are able to not only better themselves physically but also mentally. If these don't appeal to you, there are a multitude of other competitions that will ignite your inner competitive juices.

Also in the afternoons, the Order of the Arrow Museum will be on display showcasing the national chief and national vice-chief's bonnets, respectively. Much of the lore spoken of in the Order will be found within this novel place from patches to memorabilia to paintings. For many people, this is a once in a lifetime opportunity to see pictures of our founder, Dr. E. Urner Goodman and co-founder, Carroll Edson. You will also have the opportunity to see the history of Order of the Arrow sashes not found anywhere else in the world. You won't want to miss out on this chance.

Each evening, Arrowmen will gather in the university's arena for the nightly show. The shows will introduce the NOAC theme and will deliver an inspirational message to Arrowmen. From keynote speeches, award presentations, and original performances, the shows are not to be missed.

After an exciting six day adventure like this, what more can a person do than SLEEP! With the amount of activities on the horizon for the coming day, you are going to need your rest but most of all you won't want to miss NOAC 2012. Don't miss your chance at participating in history. Sign up today!

If you would like to join the Orca Lodge 2012 NOAC Contingent, now is the time to let your Lodge Chief or Adviser know. Cost is usually budgeted at around \$1,000 for airfare and conference fees. Keep in mind that we are currently selling NOAC fund-raiser patch to defray costs. Contact Adam Taylor <Chief@orca194.org> or Mike Bell <adviser@orca194.org> or call 707-527-6282 today to express your interest.

Don't miss going to this NOAC in 2012, because the next one won't be until 2015. And the 2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Order of the Arrow!



NOAC FUNDRAISER



Orca Lodge has a limited number (50) of our first fund raising patch for the 2012 NOAC, National Order of the Arrow Conference. The money collected from the sale of this patch will go to the youth of Orca Lodge who attend the 2012 NOAC which will be held at Michigan State University in East Lansing Michigan July 30-August 4, 2012.

At this time, arrowmen may order as many as they wish until inventory is depleted. The cost is just \$50.00 each and there is no limit to the number you may purchase, up to the point that the supply is depleted.

As always, you must be currently registered with Orca Lodge. If you have any questions please contact Lodge Adviser Mike Bell at (707) 527-6282 or email mikebell055@comcast.net

...AND THE LATEST



Yes, all you patch collectors, and the rest of you too, time to come out of hiding and get the very latest spiffy patches. The white border you can buy for just \$5.00 and until all 500 are gone, there is no limit to how many one can purchase. Also shown are some of the older issues still currently available... there may be others.....check the trading post at your Ordeal for details.



THE 2011 FALL ORDEALS

It's that time of year again. Orca Lodge is once again holding two Fall Ordeals this year. Cabrosha Chapter will be hosting their Ordeal at Camp Masonite Navarro on the weekend of October 21-23. Two weeks later, on the weekend of November 4-6, Mow-A-Toc Chapter will be holding their Ordeal at Riggs Johnston Elk River Scout Camp. These Ordeals should be similar to ones held in the past. There are many service projects to

complete at both camps as well as a variety of other jobs. Be sure that you attend one of the weekends and participate in the Fun, Service, and Fellowship.

Return the registration form below no later than Tuesday, October 18 (if attending Masonite Navarro) or Tuesday, November 1 (if attending Riggs Johnston). Anyone with questions about either Ordeal

can contact Mike Bell at adviser@orca194.org or call 707-527-6282.

For those Ordeal members who have been in the Order for at least ten months, you now have the opportunity to achieve the Brotherhood honor. Brotherhood reviews will be offered at both of the Fall Ordeals. Just do it, you won't regret it!

Hope to see all of you there!

Ordeal Registration — Cut and Mail Today or Register on line at www.orca194.org

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

Orca Lodge #194/Spring Ordeal
Boy Scouts of America
1000 Apollo Way, Suite 106
Santa Rosa, CA 95407

Cost of the Ordeal is \$26.

Register on line at <http://www.orca194.org/>

You will also be able to pay your 2012 dues at Ordeal.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Masonite Navarro ____ Riggs Johnston ____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code _____
Email _____ Chapter: _____ Honor: _____
I will participate in the Brotherhood Hike ____
Total amount enclosed: \$ _____



Order of the Arrow
ORCA LODGE Redwood Empire
Council, No. 41
2012 Annual Registration

Date _____
BSA Rgstr No. _____
Unit No. _____

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Date of Birth _____ Phone _____ BusPhone _____
Fax _____ E-Mail _____

Honor & Dates:

Ordeal _____ Brotherhood _____ Vigil _____
Vigil Name _____ English Translation _____

Offices, Awards and Notes _____

Dues Collected By _____ *At:* _____

Event Code 2371

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☐ Yes ☐ No

I understand that, if any information I/we have provided is found to be inaccurate, it may limit and/or eliminate the opportunity for participation in any event or activity.

Participants Name: _____

Participants Signature: _____

Parent/guardian's Signature: _____

(if under the age of 18)

Date: _____

Important - Make and keep a copy for yourself before returning

Dues are \$15 per member

Checks payable to: BSA/Orca Lodge #194

Completed forms should be mailed to

Orca Lodge Dues

Redwood Empire Council

1000 Apollo Way, Suite 106

Santa Rosa, CA 95407-5442

BILL HUGHES

A REDWOOD TITAN FALLS SILENT



William Hamilton "Bill" Hughes

On the North Coast, Bill Hughes was truly a Titan among Arrowmen in the Order of the Arrow. Bill was born on Sept. 1, 1928, in Clinton, Ind., and he passed away at Redwood Memorial Hospital in Fortuna, California, from a stroke, on August 30, 2011. Bill was married and raised a large family in the Rio Dell/Fortuna area. He was active in the LDS church where for many years he served as Bishop.

Bill became a member of Mow-A-Toc Lodge and then after the merger of 1992, a member of Orca Lodge. Anything that happened in the Order of the Arrow, Bill was there. I never asked, but I don't think Bill had missed a Section Conclave since sometime in the 70's....maybe earlier? Recently you could always find Bill in the Conclave Trading Post making sure to meet and greet everyone that passed through. Bill was known to trade patches in



Bill greeting Arrowmen in the Trading Post

give a patch to someone. Usually a patch that had proven impossible to get otherwise...no strings attached. He would just grin and ask you to enjoy it as much as he enjoyed giving it to you.

Bill had spent many hours as a volunteer lifeguard and right until the end he was still swimming frequently. Bill loved scouting and all the outdoors, which kept him physically fit late in life. He backpacked well into his 70's. He often lead his troop into his favorite wilderness, the Marble Mountains.

During the 80's and 90's Bill served as Lodge Adviser for Mow-A-Toc Lodge. He was a Vigil Honor member, and also had received the OA's Founders Award, the Orca Silver Fluke Award and was a James E. West Recipient of Orca Lodge. They just don't make them like Bill anymore. I wonder if he knew he had such an impact on so many folks for so many years? I hope so!

his day. More than once I saw him

Jamboree 2013

I know, you're saying, why even think about Jamboree so early? Because it's not that early! The Redwood Empire Jamboree Troop is being formed now. Space is limited as Redwood Empire Council is sending just one Troop this time. Cost has been set at \$2,950 and includes "exploring" all the sites of New York, Philadelphia, Washington D.C., as well as the Jamboree Fee..

This will be the first ever Jamboree at The Summit....not your Fathers Jamboree to say the least! You can go online NOW and register at <www.BSAJAMBOREE.org> to get yourself on the interview list (no fee until accepted). For further information contact Bill Hammett at <bill@troop16.us> .

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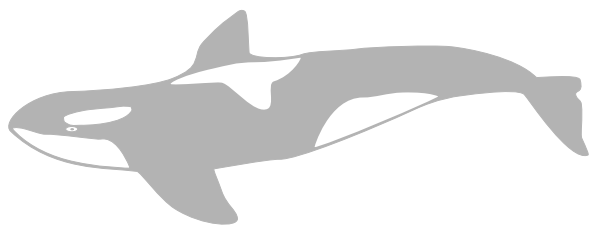
Space is limited! Sign up at www.BSAJAMBOREE.org send questions to bill@troop16.us

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Orca Lodge #194

Dates to Remember...

Oct 13 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
 Oct 18 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
Oct 21-23 Cabrosha Fall Ordeal/Camp Masonite Navarro
Oct 28-30 Western Region Section Gathering/Orange County
Nov 4-6 Mow-A-Toc Fall Ordeal/Camp Riggs Johnston
 Nov 10 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
Nov 12 Annual Lodge Dinner & Exec Brd Mtg - Cabrosha Host
 Nov 15 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
 Dec 8 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
Dec 10-11 Vigil Dinner & Ceremonies / Camp Riggs Johnston
 Dec 20 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
Dec 27-30 National Planning Meeting/Dallas, TX
Jan 6-7 Section W3N Planning and COC Meeting
 Jan 12 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
 Jan 17 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
 Feb 9 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
 Feb 21 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
Feb 25 NorCal Commissioners College / Hercules, CA
 Mar 8 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
Mar 10 Section W3N COC Conclave Planning Meeting
 Mar 20 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
 Apr 12 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
 Apr 17 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office 7:30
Apr 27-29 Section W3S Conclave / Fresno, Chaffee Zoo
May 12 Section W3N COC Conclave Planning Meeting
July 30 - Aug 4 2012 NOAC / Michigan State U - East Lansing, MI

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October 7, 2010

Dear Orca Lodge Member;

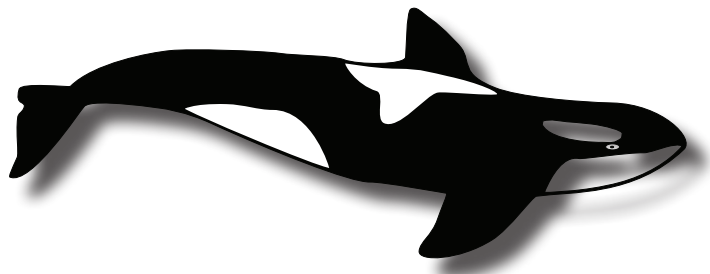
Our Lodge rules need to be updated. They are printed for your review on this sheet. All proposed changes are noted in red.

Please review and be prepared to discuss and vote on them at the Lodge Dinner in November.

Yours in Scouting

Adam Taylor
Orca Lodge Chief

Mike Bell
Orca Lodge Adviser



Orca Lodge Rules

I. NAME AND AFFILIATION

- A. The name of the Redwood Empire Council Order of the Arrow Lodge shall be Orca Lodge #194, which in the language of the Tlingit Native American tribe means killer whale.
- B. Orca Lodge #194 shall be affiliated with the Redwood Empire Council, Boy Scouts of America, under the administrative authority of the Scout Executive. The Lodge will also be under the supervision of the Council Camping Committee and the National Committee of the Order of the Arrow. Further, the Lodge will be subject to all regulations as contained in the current printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook.
- C. The totem of Orca Lodge #194 shall be the killer whale.

II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

We, of the Orca Lodge #194, Order of the Arrow W.W.W., in order to recognize those campers who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and by such recognition cause other campers to conduct themselves as to warrant such recognition; to develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit; to promote Scout camping, which reaches its greatest effectiveness as part of the unit's camping program, both year-round and in the summer camp as directed by the Council Camping Committee; and to crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others, do hereby ordain and establish these Lodge Rules for the Orca Lodge #194, Order of the Arrow, W.W.W.

III. LODGE MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

- A. The Lodge may schedule the following events:
1. Lodge Officer Retreat
 2. Lodge Fellowship
 3. Vigil Weekend
 4. Annual Lodge Banquet
 5. Other events to support the scouting program
- All events must be pre-registered through the Council Office.
- B. The Lodge Executive Committee may schedule Lodge General Membership meetings as necessary. Each youth member of the lodge shall have a vote of matters brought before a Lodge General Membership meeting.
- C. This Lodge shall participate in Section W-3n of the Western Region, BSA.
- D. The Lodge Executive Committee of Orca Lodge shall hold at least four meetings annually.
- E. Each meeting shall be opened with the Obligation of the Order of the Arrow and closed with the Order of the Arrow Song.

- F. Members of the Order 21 years and older shall have no vote in any decisions of the Lodge.

- G. Each Chapter may hold its own ordeals.

IV. MEMBERSHIP

- A. The requirements for membership in the Order of the Arrow shall be followed as required in the current printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook.
- B. Procedures for the Ordeal, Brotherhood eligibility and membership, and attainment of the Vigil Honor shall be followed as specified in the current printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook.
- C. There shall be two classes of membership.
1. Active Membership: An active member of the Orca Lodge shall be defined as one whose dues are paid for the current year and who is registered in an active capacity with the Boy Scouts of America.
 2. Inactive Membership: If the annual dues are not paid, a member is considered to be inactive.
- D. All Pre-ordeal, Ordeal, Brotherhood, and Vigil Honor ceremonies shall be followed as printed in the current printing of the Ceremonies Pamphlet for each ceremony.

V. OFFICERS, ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENT

- A. The officers of this Lodge shall be the Lodge Chief, Lodge Vice-Chief, Lodge Secretary, and Lodge Treasurer. All Lodge officers must be under twenty-one (21) years old during their entire term in office.
- B. The term of office shall run from their election to the next election. The officers may be installed at the Lodge Dinner.
- C. Nominations of the Lodge Officers:
1. Nominations shall be taken from the active membership of the Lodge until nominations are closed for the offices during the election procedure. Only Active members present at the meeting may run for office.
 2. Nominations may come from the floor for the candidates of Lodge office at the Lodge meeting prior to the annual Lodge dinner.
 3. Nominations from the floor shall be closed and all the candidates will have a chance to complete their election address.
- D. Election of Lodge Officers
1. The Lodge Chief shall preside over the elections except those offices for which he has been nominated, in which case the order of succession shall dictate which junior officer shall preside over that office's election.
 2. Lodge officers shall be elected at the Lodge Dinner.
 3. Voting will be done using the step-down method, beginning with Lodge Chief then Lodge Vice-Chief, Lodge Secretary, and finally Lodge Treasurer.
 4. Votes shall be cast by secret ballot.
 5. Only active youth members are allowed to vote.

6. The ballots shall be counted immediately after the election by the Lodge Chief (or in the event of his candidacy, his designee,) the Lodge Adviser, and the Lodge Staff Adviser or a responsible adult appointed by the Lodge Adviser.
7. Candidates shall be informed of the results as soon as possible by the Lodge Chief or his designee. Public announcement shall not be made until all candidates are informed as to the results.
- E. All Chapter officers shall be elected in the same procedure.
- F. The Lodge Executive ~~Board-Committee~~ shall be empowered to remove from office with a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote any Lodge Officer who does not carry out his duties and to appoint another person to serve out the remainder of the unexpired term. Only the Lodge Adviser and the Lodge Staff Adviser are empowered to over-rule this vote.
- G. If any Lodge office should be vacated for any reason, the Lodge Executive Committee shall appoint a replacement to serve out the unexpired term.
- H. The Lodge Adviser shall be appointed by the Scout Executive.
- I. The Lodge Adviser shall appoint all Lodge Associate Advisers to the Lodge committees, Chapters, and Clans with the approval of the Scout Executive.

VI. CLANS

- A. The Orca Lodge may establish within each District a Clan to further the purpose of the Order of the Arrow, The Boy Scouts of America, and the Lodge.
- C. There may be no more Clans than Districts in the Council.
- D. If a Clan has more than 50 active members, it may petition to the Lodge to become a Chapter.
- E. Each Clan shall be identified by a name selected by the Clan with the approval of the Lodge Executive Committee.
- F. The officers of each Clan shall be Clan Chief, Clan Vice Chief, and Clan Secretary. These elected Officers shall serve from January 1 to Dec. 31 and shall be under twenty-one (21) during their entire term.
- G. The Clan Adviser shall be appointed annually by the Lodge Adviser with the approval of the Scout Executive, in consultation with the Lodge Chief. ~~The Clan Adviser will serve as a Chapter Associate Adviser. He~~ They will perform all duties described in the Order of the Arrow Handbook as directed by the Lodge Adviser.
- F. Clans shall act as a branch of the Chapter

VII. CHAPTERS

- A. The Lodge shall be organized into two chapters to lessen the strain of distance in the smooth operation of the Lodge.
- B. The Chapters of Orca Lodge shall be the Mow-A-Toc Chapter and the Cabrosha Chapter.
- C. The officers of the chapter shall be Chapter Chief, Chapter Vice-Chief, and Chapter Secretary. The Chapter, however, may decide to invoke a Guard of the Chapter to further the direction and unity of the Chapter.

2. He will, with the approval of the Chapter Executive Committee, appoint chairmen for the Chapter Committees and other activities as needed.
3. He will see that all Clans in his Chapter, if any, are running according to the Order of the Arrow Handbook and the Orca Lodge Rules.
4. He will supply the Lodge Executive Committee with proposed budgets for all Chapter events.
5. He will be an example of leadership and responsibility in his Chapter.
- F. Chapter Vice Chiefs
 1. Shall be directly under the direction of the Chapter Chief.
 2. He will be responsible for the planning of the Chapter ordeals. The Chapter Vice Chief has the power to delegate the ordeals to an ordeal master approved by the Chapter Executive Committee, if he wishes to do so.
- H. Chapter Secretaries
 1. He will have the same responsibilities as the Lodge Secretary on behalf of the Chapter.

IX. LODGE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- A. The Lodge Executive Committee shall consist of the Lodge Officers, immediate past Lodge Chief, Chapter Chiefs, Lodge Adviser, Lodge Staff Adviser, and Lodge Associate Advisers.
- B. In the Executive Committee, all voting members will have one vote, except for the Lodge Chief who only votes in the case of a tie.
- C. Additional or special meetings of the Lodge Executive Committee may be called by the Lodge Chief with the approval of the Lodge Adviser.
- D. A simple majority shall be required of the voting members of the Lodge Executive Committee to pass any motion brought before the Committee, except as specified otherwise in these rules.
- E. The Lodge Quorum shall include the following:
 - Lodge Chief or Lodge Vice-Chief
 - A Chapter Designee from each Chapter
 - One (1) others from the Lodge Executive Committee
 The Lodge Quorum shall have a total of four (4). To hold a Lodge Executive Committee meeting or make any Lodge Executive Committee decision a quorum must be present.

X. LODGE FINANCES

- A. All expenses incurred during the performance of a Lodge duty assigned to a Lodge Officer or Chapter Officer are subject to reimbursement by the Lodge, with the approval of the Executive Committee.
- B. All expenses by the Lodge will be budgeted and pre-approved by the Executive Committee.
- C. All Orca Lodge funds shall be handled by the Council office and shall go through the normal accounting procedures used by the Council.

VIII. DUTIES OF LODGE AND CHAPTER OFFICERS

A. Lodge Chief

1. The Lodge Chief will direct the administration of the Lodge in consultation with the Lodge Adviser and the Lodge Staff Adviser.
2. He will, with the approval of the Lodge Executive Committee, appoint chairmen for the Lodge Committees and other activities as needed.
3. He will see to it that all Chapters are running according to the Order of the Arrow and Orca Lodge Rules.
4. He will be part of the council camping committee.
5. He will attend the Section ~~W3B~~ W3N Meetings.
6. He will encourage Arrowmen to be active in the Lodge and live up to the ideals of Scouting, and will himself be an example of the principles of the Order of the Arrow.

B. Lodge Vice Chief

1. He will be assigned specific Lodge committees to oversee and duties to perform.
2. In case of absence of the Lodge Chief, he will act on Lodge matters with the assistance of the Lodge Adviser. The order of succession shall proceed from the Lodge Vice Chief to the Lodge Secretary to the Lodge Treasurer.
3. In all Lodge matters he will work closely with the Lodge Chief and the Lodge Adviser.

C. Lodge Secretary

1. The Lodge Secretary will take the minutes of all regular and special meetings of the Executive Committee and will be responsible for sending copies to the Executive Committee.
2. He will take care of such correspondence as the Lodge Chief or Lodge Adviser may direct.
3. He will, in conjunction with the Lodge Treasurer issue membership cards.
4. He will be responsible for the production of the Lodge newsletter.

D. Lodge Treasurer

1. The Lodge Treasurer will collect the dues of the Lodge.
2. He will oversee the budget and inform the Executive Committee of the financial status of the Lodge.
3. He will follow the normal accounting procedures of the Council office and will work with the Council office in the handling of the Order of the Arrow funds.
4. He will inventory regularly the Lodge Supplies and oversee the sale of Lodge supplies.

E. Chapter Chiefs

1. The Chapter Chief will direct the administration of the Chapter in consultation with the Chapter Adviser.

- D. The Lodge Executive Committee shall set the annual dues as part of the yearly budget process.
- E. Inactive members may be restored to active status by payment of the current year's dues.
- F. The Chapters will be under the budget of the Lodge and will have a budget set by the Lodge Executive Committee at the beginning of each year.
- G. All expenses by the Chapter will be budgeted and pre-approved by the Lodge Executive Committee.

XI. OPERATING PROCEDURES

- A. The Lodge Executive Committee may establish operating procedures as may be required to conduct activities. Such procedures shall become part of the records of the Lodge.
- B. Each Lodge/Chapter Committee may establish operating procedures as may be required to conduct its activities. Such procedures must be approved by the Lodge Executive Committee and become part of the records of the Lodge.
- C. The Lodge Key Three can make any executive decision in matters pertaining to the Lodge.
- D. All Chapters shall be governed by these Lodge Rules and operating procedures.
- E. Lodge Flaps and other Lodge merchandise may be purchased by dues-paying members of the Orca Lodge only, and will be sold only by a Lodge officer except as otherwise approved by the Lodge Executive Committee.

XII. AMENDMENTS TO THE LODGE RULES

- A. The procedure for amending these rules shall be as follows:
 1. The amendment(s) is first proposed at a Lodge Executive Committee meeting ~~and will receive a majority vote by the Lodge Executive Committee.~~
 2. Such amendment(s) shall be disclosed to all active members of the Lodge by mail ~~or electronically mailed~~ at least thirty (30) days before the next Lodge General Membership Meeting.
 3. The amendment(s) shall be voted on at the Lodge General Membership Meeting and must pass by at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those eligible voting members present.