

# Squawks

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## Se-Kaw-Ke

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### 2012 W3N Section Conclave Planning

Planning is well underway for the 2012 Section W3N Conclave. Chief Taylor LaRue, kicked off planning for the Section W3N Conclave right after the September Council of Chiefs meeting. Amangi Nacha is the host Lodge for the September 2012 Conclave being held at Camp Marin Sierra.

The camp is up Interstate 80, near Truckee. The camp setting is just right for Arrowmen coming from anywhere in the Section. It's just a couple of miles North of the Interstate 80 off ramp so it should make it easy for

any of our long distance travelers to make our Friday's crackerbarrel on time.

Joining Taylor with the preliminary tour was Section Adviser Larry Firth, Lodge Adviser Wil Conner, and several Associate Advisers. The planning team walked through the entire camp and made preliminary recommendations for designating activity areas.

You may see some of the traditional Conclave AIA activities but stand by for some high

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### Lodge Activities

#### Upcoming Events

- 12/02 - 04 Lodge Officer Retreat
- 12/10 - Council of Chiefs Meeting, Camp Pollock
- 01/06 - LEC, Camp Pollock
- 01/07 - COC, Camp Pollock
- 01/21 - University of Scouting, Edward Harris Middle School, Elk Grove
- 07/29 - 8/4 - NOAC, Michigan State University

energy activities being developed.



## Chief's Report

Fellow Brothers,

I have enjoyed being your Chief this year and I couldn't have done it without your great support. I am very pleased with our accomplishments and hope to finish up tallying up our statistics and see if we achieved all of our goals. One thing that we did accomplish was having fun at our events. We did this at every event, University of Scouting, Council Dinner, camporees, most meetings, Ordeal Weekends, Conclave and Fall Fellowship.

I learned a lot, traveled a little bit more than usual, and gained invaluable experience as a member of the Order of the Arrow.

We have welcomed our new 2012 leadership team and we wish them great success as they work toward meeting their goals. Keep in mind, that we need every member to make a commitment to their unit and to the Lodge to provide quality service and help everyone succeed in their fun and challenging assignments. Ordeals, NOAC, Conclave, are all exciting activities on the calendar and will require everyone's help. Sign up early, take a lead role, and make 2012 one of the best years for the Lodge. 2011 was great, but lets make 2012 even better!

Taylor LaRue

Amangi Nacha Lodge Chief

## Editor's Report

Keep your articles, pictures, chapter reports, etc., coming. Can't produce a newsletter without your input. Thanks for the interesting things you have shared with us this year.

Matthew Van Gent

## Lodge Adviser's Report

As 2011 comes to a close, we continue with our quest to do even better next year. Our new leadership was inducted at our Lodge Dinner. We all reflected on the great, fun, and exciting things we accomplished this past year, and during Takachsin, discussed our goals with our chapter members and lodge leadership.

Our December Lodge Retreat will focus on teamwork and planning for the next year. Besides our busy schedule, we are once again participating in the Council's Scout Expo next October, but immediately preceding that, we are hosting the Section W3N Conclave. The Conclave is only about six weeks after NOAC so we really have to prepare good calendars and stay in touch to meet our milestones.

I wish to thank Taylor for his outstanding leadership this past year, and express my sincere thanks to his vice chiefs, associate advisers, and entire Lodge membership who helped enjoy another productive year.

Wil Conner

## 2012 Lodge Leadership

Do you ever wonder how the Lodge Youth leadership is selected? Yes, there is a formal description in the Lodge Bylaws that you can view on our Web site, but it's really quite simple! The Lodge Chief and Vice Chief of Program, are elected by the youth membership at the Fall Fellowship. The Lodge Chief, after consultation with the Lodge Adviser, appoints the other vice chiefs based on their qualifications to assume the roles for the other positions.

However, there is quite a bit that goes on to determine who will be on the ballot at the Fall Fellowship and who is ready to assume a leadership role at the Lodge level. Those who are good leaders at the chapter level, who actively participate in Ordeals, ceremony teams, plan and attend Conclaves, attend Takachsin, etc. get noticed by their peers. Those that have experience, a good reputation, the endorsement of their Chapter Advisers, get considered for leadership positions. Those that want to become Lodge Chief, must submit a letter of interest to the Lodge Adviser to be considered for the Fall Fellowship ballot

All leadership positions, whether it's at the unit level, chapter level or lodge level are great experiences that will offer plenty of challenges, opportunities for meeting a lot of people away from your immediate community, and great opportunities to experiment and succeed with your leadership skills.

### Takachsin and Lodge Dinner Update

Takachsin was GREAT!! With over 130 members in attendance, most of the Amangi Nacha Lodge chapters were well represented. Those that attended enjoyed the opportunity to see other members in similar roles and exchange ideas on what it takes to have fun at the chapter level and what it takes to perform successfully in their new roles. Everyone got a preview of what's in store for the new year. The day's training ended with a Brotherhood ceremony.

Following a great day of training, our outgoing leadership was recognized and our new 2012 leadership was sworn in during the formal lodge dinner. The silent auction brought out some unique patches and scouting memorabilia that made many of our collectors very happy with their new additions.

#### 2012 Lodge Officers

##### Lodge Chief

Kris Moen-Chinn

##### First Vice Chief/Programs

Patrick Ganaway

##### VC Administration - Minutes

Matthew Van Gent

##### VC - AIA - Ceremony

Andrew Shipley

##### VC - AIA - Dance

Brycen Wershig

##### VC Camping

##### VC Inductions

Matthew Blackburn

##### VC Training

Dustin Hedrick/Kyle Jenks

##### VC Vigil Honors

Taylor LaRue/Josh Gibson

##### Past Lodge Chief

Taylor LaRue

# Chapter Meeting Dates/Locations

Call ahead to visit a local Chapter



<b>Amangi V</b> <b>Iron Horse - Sierra Gateway Districts</b> Meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month between 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. at the Rocklin Community Center, 5484 5th Street, Rocklin . (Building closest to the street)	<b>Kendwit Ihum</b> <b>Soaring Eagle District</b> Meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the LDS Chapel. Corner of Elk Grove-Florin Road and Vintage Park Drive.	<b>Amangi Mayi</b> <b>Capital City District</b> Meets on the second Thursday of each month from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the LDS Church on Wissemann Drive, Sacramento.
<b>Cha-Pi-Di</b> <b>El Dorado District</b> Meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the LDS Church, 3431 Hacienda Road in Cameron Park.	<b>Kowaunkamish</b> <b>Buttes Area District</b> Meets on the second Sunday of each month between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. at the Live Oak Scout Hall, Live Oak, CA.	<b>Ta Tanka Ska</b> <b>Amador District</b> Meets on the third Tuesday at 6:30 at the LDS Church on Ridge Road, Sutter Hill.
<b>Curahee</b> <b>Trailblazer District</b> Meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the LDS Church, 480 Wrentham, Vacaville.	<b>Maidu</b> <b>Ranchero West District</b> Meets on the last Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Chico Elks Lodge 423 downstairs.	<b>Tito Wa</b> <b>Yolo District</b> Meets on the third Thursday of each month at 7-8 PM, Fellowship Hall at Davis Community Church, 412 C St., in Davis.
<b>Eluwak</b> <b>Pony Express District</b> Meets on the second Thursday of each month between 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. at the LDS Center. Garfield and Locust.	<b>Miwok</b> <b>Pioneer District</b> Meets on the third Thursday of each month between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. at the Rio Tierra LDS building, 751 Rio Tierra Ave near Northgate, Sacramento; and, first Thursday of the month, at the LDS Building, 3621 Elverta Rd, Antelope, Ca. 95843	<b>Wintun</b> <b>Northern Rivers District</b> Meets on the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Anderson Scout Hall at Anderson River Park. Clan meeting, 2nd Tuesday at the Lariat Bowl, Red Bluff at 6:00 p.m.
<b>Irekwan</b> <b>Gold Country District</b> Meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Sierra Pines United Methodist Church, in Auburn.		



## Michigan State 2012

**Amangi Nacha Lodge Invites You to Join Us for  
This National Order of the Arrow Event**

**July 29–August 4, 2012**

**Come join in the fun, adventure, and fellowship with over 9,000  
Arrowmen from around the United States**

**Estimated cost to Amangi Nacha Lodge members is \$1,400. This  
includes transportation, event fee, and other costs.**

**If you wish to be added to the Lodge contingent list or for more  
information please contact: Mark Woodward at  
[markwoodward@charter.net](mailto:markwoodward@charter.net) or 530-722-2248.**

**You will be contacted with more information to include payment  
schedule.**