

Squawks

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Fall Fellowship

Another year in our memory books and what a way to finish it off with a great weekend indoors at Camp Lassen. No, it didn't rain nor was it foggy inside, but getting there for many was quite an experience. It was foggy for some, windy and rainy for others. One of our members enjoyed an extra experience changing a tire before he went home. Glad he and his crew have plenty of outdoor experience so a 42 degree rain wasn't really that bad Sunday morning.

Check those pictures out! We had everything at the Ordeal, several serious games that required intense concentration with Monopoly, Uno, all sorts of cards, Battleship, some kind of funny game that made people look like crabs playing indoor soccer, and of course our Program Vice Chief demonstrating how to perform a Russian Cossack dance and the Chicken Dance..

Our aging Ordeal members also had a chance to earn their Brotherhood sash. The AIA Ceremonies Team is always prepared and ventured out to conduct the special Brotherhood Ceremony to make it a memorable experience for our new Brotherhood members. As usual, our Cooking staff came through with plenty of warm food and kept everything comfortable for us. It was nice, entertaining, and relaxing weekend of fellowship. Join us next year for another one!



Lassen Indoor Soccer Arena



Intense Monopoly



Indoor Crab Soccer

Lodge Activities & Chapter Reports

Upcoming Events

- 1/7 - Lodge Exec Council Meeting
- 1/8 - Council of Chiefs Meeting
- 1/22 - University of Scouting
- 2/12 - Council of Chiefs Meeting
- 2/12 - Council Recognition Dinner
- 3/12 - Council of Chiefs Meeting

Chief's Message

Fellow Arrowmen,

I first of all want to introduce myself. My name is Taylor LaRue and I will be serving as your Lodge Chief for the upcoming year. In the upcoming months we have two events where we need people to sign up and help. University of Scouting will be on January 22nd and we need a few people to sign up and help with the snack bar.

Then on February 12th we need people to help with the Golden Empire Council Recognition Dinner and clean up. So if you can help please come out and help us. I look forward to a year of service with the Lodge and all of the chapters. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Taylor LaRue

Adviser's Message

Fun Leadership Service

The Order of the Arrow is the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. I quote the following from the Ordeal ceremony. *"In a great and honored Order, into which can be admitted only those who unselfishly desire to serve others, there must be a lofty purpose. You were selected for membership in the Order because your fellow Scouts saw your sincerity*

and acceptance of the high ideals of the Scout Oath and Law." Cheerful service is a key purpose of the Order of the Arrow. Sometimes we provide service reluctantly. As leaders we need to take into consideration the group's ability and willingness to provide service. The needs of groups must be considered when assigning service projects. As adult and youth leaders, we need to set the example. A positive attitude of cheerful service can be catching; service can be fun.

Fun is the reason that most Scouts join and stay in Scouting. This is true of the OA and the units to which Scouts belong. While having fun, Scouting teaches leadership and the importance of service while the Scouts are having fun.

Camping is fun. The Order of the Arrow is the Honor Camping Society. Camping is the venue in which units put the aims of Scouting which are building character, citizenship, and fitness into affect. Leadership skills are a part of the purpose. By promoting camping the OA encourages leadership development while the units are having fun. Fun is not only key to programs in Scouting units but also in Lodge and Chapter programs.

Cheerful service, fun, needs of the group, Scouting Aims, character, citizenship, fitness, setting the example, positive attitude are all concepts that need to be taken into consideration when developing programs for the Lodge and Chapters.

Wil Conner
Lodge Adviser

VC of Program

My name is Clinton Freed and I am going to be your 2011 Vice Chief of Program. I have already started to come up with some things to do at the COC so that they are fun, and have some good ideas for Fall Fellowship this year. I hope to see all of you at the many events that will be going on this year.

Clinton

Editor's Notes

Just a reminder that you too can have your article appear in our Amangi Nacha Lodge newsletter. It's easy, just send me your article or give it to me at a monthly CoC meeting. All of you are active out there so lets see, with pictures, and a brief article of what you have been doing!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Matthew Van Gent

Chapter Meeting Dates/Locations

Call ahead to visit a local Chapter

<p>Amangi V</p> <p>Iron Horse - Sierra Gateway Districts</p> <p>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)</p>	<p>Kendwit Ihum</p> <p>Soaring Eagle District</p> <p>Meets on the Second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the LDS Chapel.</p> <p>Corner of Elk Grove-Florin Road and Vintage Park Drive.</p>	<p>Amangi Mayi</p> <p>Capital City District</p> <p>Meets on the second Thursday of each month from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the LDS Church on Wissemann Drive, Sacramento. The New Chapter is a result of the merger of the Patwin and Peen Sew Chapters.</p>
<p>Cha-Pi-Di</p> <p>El Dorado District</p> <p>Meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the LDS Church, Hacienda Road in Cameron Park.</p>	<p>Kowaunkamish</p> <p>Buttes Area District</p> <p>Meets on the Second Sunday of each month between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. at the District Office, Yuba City.</p>	<p>Ta Tanka Ska</p> <p>Amador District</p> <p>Meets on the Third Tuesday at 6:30 at the LDS Church on Ridge Road, Sutter Hill.</p>
<p>Curahee</p> <p>Trailblazer District</p> <p>Meets on the First Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the LDS Church, 480 Wrentham, Vacaville.</p>	<p>Maidu</p> <p>Ranchero West District</p> <p>Meets on the Last Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Chico Elks Lodge 423 downstairs.</p>	<p>Tito Wa</p> <p>Yolo District</p> <p>Meets on the First Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Woodland LDS Church, Cottonwood Street, Woodland.</p>
<p>Eluwak</p> <p>Pony Express District</p> <p>Meets on the Second Thursday of each month between 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. at the LDS Center. Garfield and Locust.</p>	<p>Miwok</p> <p>Pioneer-District</p> <p>Meets on the First Thursday of each month between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. at LDS Church, 8583 Watt Ave, Antelope 95843.</p>	<p>Wintun</p> <p>Northern Rivers District</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>Irekwan</p> <p>Gold Country District</p> <p>Meets on the First Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Sierra Pines United Methodist Church, in Auburn.</p>		



Lassen BR (Before Rain)



Lassen DR (During Rain)
(Told you it was flat)



Brent keeping his eye on the ball as the cameraman gets hit by it.



Serious class on hand gestures



Indoor water sports!



I got it!

OA Dancers and Other Stuff



Chicken Dance Demo



Greg Demonstrating Russian Cossack Dancing



Hoop Tangle Class with the Hoopers



Line Dancing



Dear Mom, it's raining outside, I don't have my iPod, there's no Wi-Fi for me and I have to do something with all of these beads.....



Uno!

Chapter Reports

2010 Lodge Officers

Lodge Chief

Taylor LaRue

VC of Programs

Clinton Freed

VC of Inductions

Kristopher Moen-Chinn

VC of Communications

Matthew Van Gent

VC of Finance/Administration

Kyle Jenks

VC of Camping

Brent Clark

VC of AIA Ceremonies

Josh Gibson

VC of AIA Dance and Drum

Brycen Weshing

VC of Training

Amangi V

This month Amangi V has been very active. We have completed several Arrow of Light ceremonies. At our last meeting we had our chapter elections and congrats to all who got positions.

Curahee Chapter

During the months of November and December, the Curahee Chapter participated in many chapter activities. The first activity that we participated in was the annual Chapter Recognition Dinner. At this dinner, we had 15 scouts and 12 scouters attend and it gave us an opportunity to recognize exception service to the chapter.

MAIDU Chapter

Hi, my name is Bryce Zubiante, I am the new Chapter Chief of the Maidu. The chapter has a full roster of new Vice Chiefs and several new Arrowmen working to revive our chapter. The chapter almost fizzled last year. It wasn't doing anything worth people's time to come. To make matters worse, somewhere along the line, most of our regalia was lost, (or misplaced) and morale was low. I was elected at the end of July, when our last chief and our Advisor stepped down due to other commitments. My first goal was to make the meetings worth coming to. So, for the last several months, we've been planning a more interesting and interactive calendar, identifying and training members for ceremony teams, and making new regalia.

Since July, we've gone to the Section Conclave, held a BBQ, got together with actual Maidu Tribal members for a Regalia making day, and have worked on our calendar, budget, the upcoming Troop elections and Webelos Crossovers, and we are planning the District Camporee. Our biggest challenge is how to get past members to get active again. We are getting there little by little. Each meeting we get one or two more and they keep coming. Another huge challenge is tracking down our old regalia, but we are determined. Our core group participated in both the Eternal Flame at Camp Pollock and a Veteran's Day flag retirement ceremony at the Chico Elk's Lodge. We also were a visible presence at the Chico Air Show where Scouts were in charge of the parking lots. The Maidu were contacted by promoters of the Snow Goose Festival in Chico and we are enlisting the help of other area Scouts to help us with that. Unfortunately we missed both Fall Fellowship and Takachsin due to driver and weather issues but hopefully you will see the Maidu at more events in the future.

Vice Chief Reports Continued

VC of Dance and Drum

The Order of the Arrow is a group devoted to spreading knowledge of the American Indian culture. I, Brycen Wershing, will be your Vice Chief of Dance and Drum. I am a Life Scout with Troop 66 in Davis, I am the Vice Chief of camping in the Tito Wa Chapter, and I hope to pull from my previous experiences to help the lodge to grow. This upcoming year I am working on founding a lodge dance team. I know we have many dancers in the lodge who would love to further their skills and knowledge in Indian dance. I hope this year to make drum CDs for everyone so we can practice dance.

VC of Ceremonies

Hi! My name is Josh, and I am your incoming VC of Ceremonies. This year, my main goal is to improve the lodge's ceremonies. To do this, I plan to establish lodge ceremony teams, communicate with the chapter VCs of AIA, establish and maintain a section on the lodge's website containing resources and information, create a lodge inventory of ceremony equipment, and promote the Lodge AIA Award.

VC of Communications

My name is Matthew Van Gent, I am the new VC of communications for the 2010/2011 year. I am going to be doing these newsletters and dealing with most emails that go out to all of you. I hope to see all of you get me some great articles so I can make the newsletter really awesome!

Letter from Outgoing Chief

Dear Amangi Nacha Lodge,

I am sorry I could not be at the past couple of events of this year. All accounts that I have heard were very positive; I am so glad to hear that all of our planning earlier in the year paid off! I appreciate all of you being so accommodating to the last minute change to this location; unfortunately circumstances put us here, but I hope that didn't hurt the mood at all.

Serving you the past two years as Chief has been a blessing and a pleasure. I have had some of the best times of my life working with each and every one of you; we have shared so much. There have been some ups and downs, but at the end of the day we had a great time. Here are some of the highlights from the 2 years:

We hosted Fall Fellowship at a unique location at Camp Augusta and had one of the best campfire programs I have seen.

- ◆ We attained quality lodge in 2008 and 2009
- ◆ With your help, we elected over 700 new members, many of which are here today and provided thousands of service hours to our council camps
- ◆ We traveled around the state for our new Section W3N conclaves- and we came in force! We had by far the largest contingent and even got some of our own lodge members elected to the Section COC
- ◆ We created a truly amazing American Indian Affairs team who has done so much to create fun events for the lodge
- ◆ Together, we took a contingent of youth and adults to the National Order of the Arrow Conference in Indiana. We ate more than our fill of pizza, attended training classes, and got a chance to have the time of our lives!

All of this could not have been possible without the help of each and every one of you. I thank you all so much for your help and support. Please find the time to personally thank the outgoing leadership, youth and adults, for the amazing job they have done this past year, and please welcome the new leadership with open arms; they are amazing and will lead the lodge to even greater successes

I hope to see all of you soon! I will be back over the summer from college and I hope to attend as many events as I can.

Thank you for helping the lodge become what it is today. You are the best people I have worked with, and I am so grateful to have had the opportunity.

Finally, thank you so much for helping me create some of the best memories of my life. I will carry them with me forever.

As always, yours in Brotherhood,

Connor Shinn
Outgoing Lodge Chief



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