

Squawks

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New Lodge Officers

Congratulations to our 2001 - 2002 Amangi Nacha Lodge Officers.

On November 10th, 2001 at the Lodge Training, aka Takachsin, those in attendance voted for your new lodge officers. Here are the election results:

2001-2002 Lodge Officers

Lodge Chief - JP Jones
VC of Programs - David Ashe
VC of Communications - Michael Mihalyi
VC of Camping - Andy Cater
VC of Induction - Josh Whitcomb
VC of Indian Lore - Donald McCausland

Newsletter Staff

Have you ever wanted to be apart of something fun and exciting? Well then why not join the Squawks Newsletter Staff. We are always looking for hard working and dedicated individuals to help with the production of this newsletter.

There is absolutely no experience needed to be apart of this great program. If you are interested please contact David Ashe, the Editor-in-Chief, (916) 728-2887. Or, you can e-mail him at squawks@gec-bsa.org

Lodge Adviser

Brothers,

The New Year is always exciting. Your youth leadership has set high goals and we have a lot to accomplish this year. We will need every member to help in accomplishing our goals. January through March scouts from every unit will be given the opportunity to select members from their own unit to become members of Scouting's Honor Society "The Order of the Arrow". Let's all make an effort to bring these scouts into our order. Chapters will need your help in organizing election & camp promotion teams to visit units and hold elections. Soon after the elections, these same chapters will be working with the District leadership, organizing the District Camporee, and conducting the public recognitions (Call Out) for these young men and adults. Four Lodge Ordeals will be conducted in the spring,

this is one of the important services we provide to the council. This year the camps have special needs for additional Arrowmen youth and adults as well.

Our Lodge is making an effort to give greater service to Units, Districts, and the Council. Summer Camps are on the top of the list. Each summer camp will have an OA Representative that scouts can go to for help and information about the OA. Most Camps will have an Order of the Arrow Day and members of the OA are encouraged to wear their OA sash. Special programs and promotions will take place with an emphasis on the order and what it does. The campfire on the OA Day will be conducted by Camp Staff who are OA members. After the public campfire

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Arrowmen,

How is everyone doing in the best Lodge of this great Order? I hope you had a great year, but get ready for the best. I feel honored that you have selected me to be your Lodge Chief and I feel I have a great team of Vice Chiefs that will help me lead you into and through this next year. With these new officers, we have come up with some new ideas for the lodge and have created some goals that we would like to see the Lodge complete.

The goals myself and my team of Vice Chiefs have created together are to: 1) Obtain Quality Lodge Award, 2) Promote the Order of the Arrow more in: Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and the summer/day camps in the council, 3) Inspire more chapter involvement in Lodge and Section events, 4) Have the chapters promote the

OA Troop/Team Representative in their Districts, and 5) Win back the Section's Bald Eagle Award. I do not believe that these goals are out of our reach at all, but it will take some time and effort from all members in the Lodge.

A big theme for this year in this Lodge will be OA. It is one of our goals and one we really need to pay attention to. Without us promoting the Order in the many areas in our council, how can we expect to gain new and interested members to lead the Lodge in the future? To do this we plan on having OA representation at most council events. We want to have OA members on the council summer camps that would put on OA days, ceremonies and even campfires. Not only will we be active at Boy Scout summer camps, but also at Cub Scout day camps. Another great opportunity to promote the lodge is in

our own troops. Every troop in our council needs an OA Troop/Team Representative in their PLC. Also, when we go out to conduct the OA elections we need to give a good impression. As representatives of the OA, we should look and speak as outstanding examples of scouting.

I believe we will have a great year, especially with NOAC this summer. I would like to thank the Chapter Chiefs for taking on this great responsibility. Just remember, the Lodge can only be strong if we have strong chapters.

Thank you and good luck!

JP Jones
Lodge Chief



Vice Chief of Camping

The smell of fresh morning dew, the sounds of birds singing as they float through the air. These and many more are the things that people love about camping. This year we are going to push ourselves to the limit, attaining as many nights under the stars as possible. Boys grab your satchel cloths, and lets hit the trails.

The camping advisor and I are working on getting several mini-treks going. These treks will be out of GTSR and would be limited in space. No date has been set for the expeditions but there is a guarantee of having a good time. Look for

more information after the snow melts.

Speaking of snow, now is a great time to hit the slopes. Grab a friend and a long weekend and head to the hilltops. There is no feeling like whizzing down the slopes and blowing snow into the faces of mere amateurs. Although the cost is not cheap, there are discounts out there. Boreal is offering day pass lift ticket for \$34, but a night pass (3:30pm to 9pm) for \$20. Sierra-at-Tahoe is currently advertising a college student discount where you get 6 lift tickets for \$99, for those of you that are not math wizards that works out to be \$16.50 per

ticket. Hope to see you on the slopes.

Every chapter will soon be getting the 'OA Summer Camp Questionnaire'. This form should be passed from the chapter to each unit. Feel free to make as many copies as you need. On this form, the unit will need to answer several questions with regards to their summer camp plans. This information is vital to the improvement of the summer camp program in the council, so please return them in a timely manner.

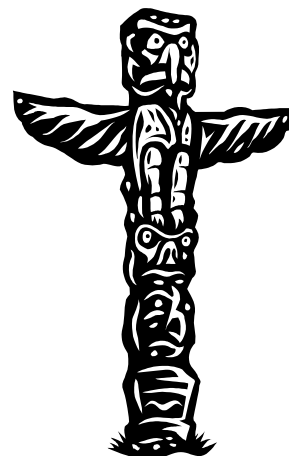
Andy Cater

Vice Chief of Indian Lore

Hello, my name is Donald McCausland. I am the new OA Vice Chief of Indian Lore. I hope to have all of your support this year on many of the things I have planed this year. I hope to get all the ceremony teams together and take the best of the best to NOAC. I would also like to do the same thing with the dance

team for the lodge. So I strongly encourage all dancers to attend NOAC this year. If anyone has any questions please contact me at theduck_7@yahoo.com Thank you very much and I hope this year will be fun but successful.

Donald McCausland



Dieing Cub Scout Pack Revived

At a recent Scout recruitment night, Wintun Chapter Chief John Denton and Inductions Vice Chief Todd Fisher, discussed the importance of a trash can before they began building Boy Scout airplanes. While John and Todd were busy assisting the hopeful young Scouts, answering questions and having fun, adult Wintun Chapter members Bill Booth, Mark Woodward, and Dave Denton addressed the parents. The main purpose of this event was to help revive a Cub Pack that had dwindled down to nothing. With the help of displays from Cub and Boy Scouting resources and lots of pictures, they managed to get a new Cub Master and some new Cub Scouts signed up! The display pictures used

were from Boy Scouting troop activities, Order of the Arrow events and the National Jamboree. The most popular displays were snow camping and Order of the Arrow dancers. This was the second recruitment night for Bill Booth. He and District Executive Chris Doty, also an Arrowman, were successful in signing up a few young recruits. With the hard work of these Arrowmen we have revitalized an old Cub Pack and opened the door of opportunity and adventure to the youth of our community.



College is Fast Approaching Can You Afford the Cost?

With a lot of college applications out the door and on their way to big name colleges, there are a few more obstacles on the horizon. College can be pricey, and without the right preparation, it could be even worse. A college education could have most of us bursting out with popular saying, "Show me the money!" with our future jobs. But for now, the college chancellors are the ones doing the singing. And if the student with college-bound intentions don't stay right on top of things, they could find themselves in an even bigger rut.

Scholarships are the way to go. While college applications are due early in the year, scholarship opportunities are available all year long. You can find them at places anywhere such as your local grocery store, outlet store or even at school.

Once tuition is paid, books, living arrangements, transportation, and miscellaneous expenses all add up as well.

In the past, student housing in dorms have been a reliable and affordable living quarter for the incoming freshman at our state's universities. But

as enrolment has risen - five percent last year - the dorm option and rental opportunities become fewer and more competitive. In fact, 250 people were turned away from on-campus living due to lack of space at Sacramento State University. Even worse, San Jose State has resorted to cramming three people into rooms suited for two.

Once dorms are filled, the only option left is apartment complexes near the campus. But unless you search months before the year begins, chances are the spaces are taken. Housing availability increases the further it is from campus and the cost is likely to be further out of student's budgets as well.

Enrollment in our state's university system is supposed to shoot up by 30 percent through 2010. How can anyone avoid the crush that paying rent imposes on us as student? Well, the CSU housing officials have a few recommendations:

First, DON'T WAIT! Begin applying for on-campus housing as soon as possible. And, if you're looking to live off campus, do the same. Find a place local and affordable as soon as you can, while they last.

Second, don't let roommates slow you down. If you're going to need one, be sure to find them early enough for the group of you to get ahead. Don't get stuck at the last minute searching desperately for someone to cover the other half the rent or for a place cheap enough just for you.

Lastly, budget your spending. Decide what is important to you. Do you really need that \$500 monthly payment on your new car, that \$40 payment on your cell phone, and all those shopping sprees? Money goes fast

Upon Request

Don't like what your reading in the newsletter? What to see something different? Well then send in a request for something you would like to see in the newsletter. The only way we know what you want to read is for you to tell us. So send your ideas to squawks@gec-bsa.org.

David Ashe
Editor-in-Chief

Amangi V / Buena Vista

At our last OA chapter meeting, November 27, 2002, guests scouts from Troop 99 from the Pathfinder District, showed our group Indian dances, drumming, and exhibited traditional Indian regalia. Our members participated in dances and games. Each Scout also had the opportunity to beat on the drums. The activity was a lot of fun. On another note we are welcoming a new chapter chief and his name is Mark Neuburger. Mark is currently an Eagle Scout from Troop 11 in Roseville and has willingly agreed to fulfill this position. As a final note, we encourage all OA members in the chapter to attend the monthly chapter meetings so you do not miss some of the fun things to come.

Kevin Yasmashiro

Meeting Information:

Date: Forth Tuesday

Time: 7:00 - 8:30P.M.

Place: Rocklin Community Center

Address: 5484 5th Street, Rocklin
Building closest to street.

Cha-Pa-Di / El Dorado

We are planning our Spring Camporee (Call out ceremony), which will be April 26-28th, 2002. Also we will be talking about elections in January, putting together a ceremony team, a brotherhood team, our OA Annual retreat at Blodgett Forest, and a goal setting discussion. We will bring our chapter shield to the next COC, January 2002.

Still debating on having two meeting a month that as well we will discuss.

Sean Rich
Chapter Chief

Meeting Information:

Date: Third Tuesday

Time: 7:30 PM

Place: Pacific Bell Office
281 Industrial Drive, Placerville

Directions: Off US 50 at the Missouri Flat Rd. Exit. Go South to Industrial Drive. Were right across from Stove and Stuff.

Curahee / Trailblazer

For our last meeting our chapter elected a new Chapter Chief, Ryan Hedlund. We're organizing future events for our chapter at our next meeting and will be electing new officers to get our chapter going. The next item of business for our chapter is going out for troop elections. We'll be organizing teams and related information at our next chapter meeting on Dec. 20. We will also be creating a new team for Arrow of Light ceremonies in our near future.

Ryan Hedlund

Meeting Information:

Date: Third Thursday

Time: 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Place: LDS Church in Vacaville

Eluwak / Pony Express

Meeting Information:

Date: Second Thursday
except June and July

Time: 7:30 - 8:30 PM

Place: LDS Center

Directions: Fair Oaks Blvd. To
Garfield, 4252 Garfield Ave.

Irekwan / Gold Country

The Irekwan Chapter is still meeting on the third Sunday of every month at the Grass Valley Scout House from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. We have elected new Chapter Officers. Matthew Zobel is the new Chapter Chief. We are currently preparing for the Buttes Area District/Gold Country District Spring Camporee with the Kowaunkamish Chapter. Our Chapter is working on regalia and our ceremony teams. Mr. Dave Richards has resigned as our Chapter Advisor and District has appointed Mr. Pete Hill as his replacement. Mr. Hill's phone # is 530/265-6437.

Matthew Zobel

Meeting Information:

Date: Third Sunday

Time: 1 pm - 4:30 PM

Place: Memorial Park Scout House,
Grass Valley.

<h2>Kendwit Ihum / Golden Bear</h2> <p>How are you all doing? My name is Tony Mastrogiovanni, and I am the new chapter chief for the Kendwit Ihum Chapter down towards Elk Grove. Let me give you a little bit of my background. I am an Eagle Scout out of Troop 288, and a Vigil member from this great lodge. I have held numerous chapter positions, lodge trading post, section sergeant-at-arms, and I am also currently the section vice chief of midway and public safety. I have been in the OA since 1997, and have attended NOAC '98, NLS, and been an ordeal master for four successful ordeals.</p> <p>I have a wonderful administration, and a lot of chapter goals for the next year. We look forward to working at the lodge level with different committees. We have a chapter newsletter floating around that is getting the eye of many people. We are currently working on unit elections and camping promotions. We are also planning the Winton Ordeal, where our chapter will be running the administration. We are also working very hard on our district Camporee coming up in April. Other than that, we are having fun and enjoying the holidays. And I hope that all of you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy Holidays!</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Tony Mastrogiovanni</i> Chapter Chief</p>	<p>Meeting Information:</p> <p>Date: First Thursday</p> <p>Time: 7:00 P.M.</p> <p>Place: LDS Chapel @ the North-East corner of Elk Grove-Florin Road and Vintage Park Drive. The address is 8925 Vintage Park Drive.</p>
<h2>Kowaunkamish / Buttes Area</h2> <p>On Saturday, December 15, Kowaunkamish Chapter held its First Annual Christmas Potluck Dinner. Over 40 people attended Live Oak Scout hall for the celebration. Guests of honor were Mr. Mike Gaffney, Mr. JP Jones, Mr. Larry Frith, and Mr. Chris Iden. The food was wonderful and the Kowaunkamish dancers and drummers provided entertainment. Awards were also distributed for major contributors to the chapter throughout the last two years. New chapter officers were sworn in and Teddy Green officially became Chapter Advisor, replacing Carl Brazee. Ron Cowan, a former Chapter Advisor, was recognized for receiving the Silver Beaver Award, also. The dinner was a great success and will be a tradition for years to come in Kowankamish Chapter.</p>	<p>Meeting Information:</p> <p>Date: Second Saturday</p> <p>Time: 9 - noon</p> <p>Place: Live Oak Scout Hall</p>
<h2>Maidu / Rancho West</h2>	<p>Meeting Information:</p> <p>Date: First Thursday except June and July</p> <p>Time: 7:00 - 8:30 P.M.</p> <p>Place: LDS Center</p> <p>Directions: Traveling North on 99 get off at East Ave. drive approx. 1.5 mile to Alamo St.</p>
<h2>Miwok / Pathfinder</h2>	<p>Meeting Information:</p> <p>Date: First Thursday</p> <p>Time: 7:00 - 8:00 P.M.</p> <p>Place: Stanford Settlement</p> <p>Address: 450 West El Camino Ave</p>

<p>Patwin / Rio Del Oro</p>	<p>Meeting Information: Date: Second Thursday Time: 7:00 - 8:30P.M. Place: LDS Center Directions: Fair Oaks Blvd. To Garfield, 4552 Garfield Ave</p>
<p>Peen Sew / Golden Bear</p>	<p>Meeting Information: Date: Third Thursday Time: 7:30 P.M. Place: LDS Church @ 11th Ave & Franklin Blvd.</p>
<p>Ta Tanka Ska / Amador</p>	<p>Meeting Information: Date: Fourth Monday Time: 6:30 - 8:00P.M. Place: Jackson Scout Hut located in the front of the library off Hyw. 49</p>
<p>Tito-Wa / Yolo</p>	<p>Meeting Information: Date: First Thursday Time: 7:00 - 8:00PM Place: Davis Community Church Address: 214 C Street</p>
<p>Wintun / Shasta-Trinity</p> <p>We at Wintun Chapter had a successful chapter dinner on November 19th where we installed our new officers, watched the new tape from National about the O.A. which showed the parents what this organization is about, and chowed down on lasagna that Garfield would be proud of. Our new Chief is John Denton, our Vice Chief of Inductions Todd Fisher, Vice Chief of Programs is Cris DiNino, Vice Chief of Ceremonies is Michael Randall, and Vice Chief of Communications is Kurt Randall. We have a planning meeting scheduled for December 29th to plan our meetings for next year. We are looking forward to 2002 as being an exciting year hopefully including a campout at Lassen Park where we will hike to the peak of Lassen by the light of a full moon (alright!). Inductions are soon starting and we will be training our induction teams beginning at our meeting on January 21st.</p>	<p>Meeting Information: Date: Third Monday Time: 7:00 P.M. Place: Anderson Scout Hall @ Anderson River Park Address: Dead end of Rupert Rd.</p>

Ordeal to Brotherhood

Have you become a Brotherhood Member yet?

Look below to see what you need to do to seal your membership
in the Order of the Arrow.

After at least 10 months of active service to your unit as an Ordeal member in the Order of the Arrow, you will be eligible to seal your membership through the Brotherhood Ceremony. The Ordeal has introduced you to the Order. Now through your service as an Ordeal member, you have many opportunities to increase your knowledge of the Arrow and to make it work for you. The Order of the Arrow Handbook provides all of the information you will need to understand the Order of the Arrow and the challenges of Brotherhood membership. Your Elangomat, Chapter chief and fellow brothers are also willing to help you with the following requirements.

Brotherhood Requirements

- 1) Memorize the signs of Ordeal Membership. (Memorize the obligation of the Order, the official Song, the admonition, the sign of Ordeal membership, and the Arrow handclasp.)
- 2) Advance in your understanding of the Ordeal. (Gain a thorough understanding of the ordeal through which you have passed.)
- 3) Serve your unit. (Retain your registration in scouting. During the 10 months since your Ordeal, strive to fulfill your obligation by continuing and expanding your service to your troop or team.)
- 4) Plan for service in the Lodge. (Retain your registration in the 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 the pledge.)
- 5) Review your progress. (When you feel that you have met the four challenges listed from above, write a letter to your Lodge Vice Chief of Communications. In this letter explain what you think the obligation means. Describe how you have been fulfilling this obligation in your unit and in your daily life, and how you have used your understanding of the Order to aid in this service. Describe your specific plans for giving service in the Lodge program.)

Join your Brothers, become a Brotherhood Member today!

Ordeal to Brotherhood

<p style="text-align: center;">Obligation</p> <p>I do hereby promise, on my honor as a Scout, that I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the traditions of the Order of Arrow, Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui.</p> <p>I will always regard the ties of brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow as lasting, and will seek to preserve a cheerful spirit, even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, and will endeavor, so far as in my power lies, to be unselfish in service and devotion to the welfare of others.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Song</p> <p>Firm bound in brotherhood, gather the clan that cheerful service brings to fellow man. Circle our council fire, weld tightly every link that binds us in brotherhood, Wimachtendienk.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Definitions of Lodge Events</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ordeals</p> <p>The Lodge holds five ordeals a year. The first is in May at Camp Lassen. The next three ordeals are held in June/July at Camp Winton, Camp Pahatsi, and Glacial Trails Scout Camp. These events help prepare these camps to open on time for the council's summer events. The fifth ordeal is held in the fall at Camp Pollock in Sacramento. All OA members are strongly encouraged to attend.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lodge Annual Dinner</p> <p>Each year the Lodge holds it annual Dinner. It is a time to review the past year, promote the upcoming events. It is a time to renew old friendships. All Arrowmen and their family and friends are welcome to attend.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lodge Fall Fellowship</p> <p>Each year the Lodge holds a Fellowship. This is a time where we can all get together and enjoy the fellowship of our brothers. The fellowship is usually held each October. At this event, we elect our Lodge officers for the next year. The activities usually include training, Chapter competitions in dancing, ceremonies, and sports. All Arrowmen are strongly encouraged to attend. This is a fun filled weekend.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Takachsin</p> <p>Each year the Lodge holds a training weekend that is modeled after the National Leadership Seminar outline. This event trains the new Lodge and Chapter officers and advisors. All Lodge and Chapters officers are expected to attend.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lodge Council of Chiefs</p> <p>The Council of Chiefs is made up of all Lodge officers and Chapter Chiefs with their advisers. At these meetings the youth members create lodge policy, plan lodge events, and control financing. All Arrowmen are welcome at the Council of Chiefs meeting. The Lodge Chief is responsible for this meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chapter Meeting/Events</p> <p>Each Chapter has meetings and other events through out the year. These events include crafts, Indian activities, preparation for upcoming lodge events, also preparation for District events (i.e. Elections, Call-out, and Ceremonies). Contact your Chapter Chief or advisor for more information.</p>	<div data-bbox="829 436 1073 653" data-label="Image"> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">OA Troop Representative Job Description:</p> <p>An Order of the Arrow Troop Representative is a youth liaison serving between the local OA lodge or chapter and his troop. In his troop, he serves as a communication and programmatic link to the Arrowmen and adult leaders and Scouts who are not presently members of the Order. He does this in a fashion that strengthens the mission of the lodge and purpose of the Order. By setting a good example, he enhances the image of the Order as a service arm to his troop.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OA Team Representative Job Description:</p> <p>An Order of the Arrow Team Representative is a youth liaison serving between the local OA lodge or chapter and his Varsity Team. In his team, he serves as a communication and programmatic link to the Arrowmen and adult leaders and Varsity Scouts who are not presently members of the Order. He does this in a fashion that strengthens the mission of the lodge and purpose of the Order. By setting a good example, he enhances the image of the Order as a service arm to his team.</p> <p>This article was taken off of the national website http://www.oa-bsa.org/programs/ttr/ttrintro.htm</p>



Legend of the Lenni Lenape

Long years ago, in the dim ages of the past, the Lenni Lenape Tribe of the Delaware Indians inhabited the Delaware River Valley. Here they pursued the deer, the bear, the wildcat, and the panther. They hunted and fished. Their villages were numerous and powerful; their hunting parties strong. They tilled the fields as well as followed the chase. They were a peaceful people, never warring with other tribes unless first attacked. The smoke arose from their wigwams as they returned from the hunt, and the council fires blazed brightly, as around them they smoked their pipe of peace.

Many moons they lived in this blissful state of happy contentment. Springtime blossomed into summer, matured into autumn, and faded away into winter, in what seemed a never-ending succession of season. But a cloud arose on this peaceful scene. Neighboring tribes and distant enemies began to raid their hunting grounds. Then Chingachgook, the chief of the Lenni Lenape Tribe, made inquire, "Who will go and warn the villages of the Delaware's of the danger which threatens?" But none wished to go. One said, "Let them look to themselves—we are happy here." Another said, "Why should we be concerned as long as we are safe?" But Uncas, his son, said, "My father, here am I; send me. All these villages are of our blood—the Lenni Lenape. What is danger to one is the affair of all. The need is urgent. They are six to our one, and if we are to survive as a nation, we must all stand by each other. Meanwhile let us both urge upon our kindred the necessity of unselfish devotion to each other and the cause in which we are enlisted, and as they get this higher vision, send them forth on their errand of cheerful service."

Then Chingachgook, the chief, and his son, Uncas, set to work. In every village were found some who were willing to give themselves cheerfully in the service of others. Their enemies were compelled to retire to their own borders and, when peace was declared between them, they who first went out cheerfully to serve their kindred were raised to places of high eminence in the tribe by the chief. For, he said, "The servant of all is the greatest of all." And these men became so convinced of the truth of this saying that they besought the chief to perpetuate it in some manner.

So Chingachgook bound them together in a Brotherhood into which only they can be admitted who can forget their own interests and advancement while looking out for those of their brothers. And there must be so considered and recommended for membership by their associates.

So greatly did this Order aid and strengthen the Lenni Lenape that other tribes seeing this besought their help in forming similar lodges in their own tribes. So in the same spirit of service such lodges were formed, which were bound together into a great Brotherhood.

And so we, the followers of the early Indian on this soil, perpetuate to the present day the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service, which being translated into the language of the Delaware Indians, becomes Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui.

Britney Spears

A bit of History

By: David Ashe

Britney began performing at an early age, and when she was 8, she auditioned for the *Mickey Mouse Club*. Although she was too young for the show, a producer helped her secure an agent in New York City where Britney spent the next three years studying dance and music. She also had bit roles in commercials, theatre and films. When she turned 11, Britney was old enough to earn a spot on the *Mickey Mouse Club* and starred on the popular show for two years, relocating with her family to Orlando.

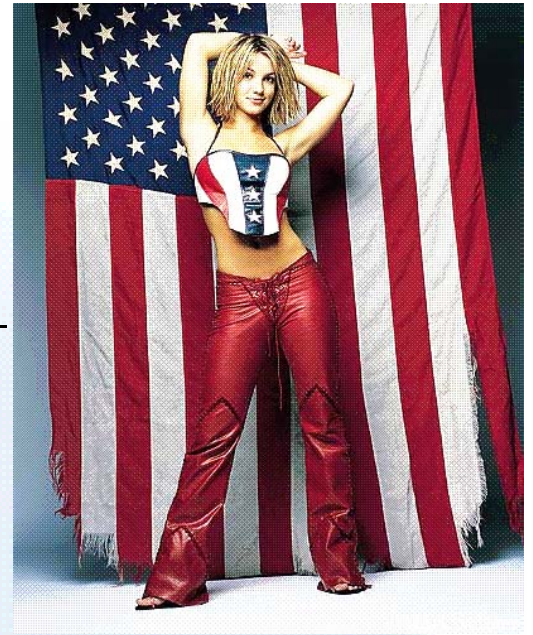
After her stint on TV, Britney returned home but she still had dreams of making it in the music industry. "I've always wanted to be a singer," she declares. Armed with those desires and a powerful voice, Britney went back to New York when she was 15 and began to make the rounds of record labels. She sang accapella for executives at Jive Records who saw and heard right away that in the teenager from Kentwood, LA, there were the makings of a star. Britney was signed soon

after her audition and began work thereafter on what would become "...***Baby One More Time***."

To say that Britney Spears's life has changed over the course of the past two years is somewhat of an understatement. Since the release of her Jive Records debut "...***Baby One More Time***" Britney has gone from being a star in the making to a superstar and the "Queen Of Teen." In 1999 alone she was nominated for two *Grammys*, swept the 1999 *MTV Europe Awards*, brought her explosive live show around the globe and appeared on every major televised award show both here and in Europe.

Perhaps even more importantly than the accolades and the sales figures, Britney has become an icon to millions of fans worldwide and her infectious brand of pop/R&B has become the template for girl pop.

Along with her rigorous schedule and the release of her successful 2X Platinum home video *Time Out With Britney Spears* in late 1999, Britney and her mother have written a book entitled *Heart To Heart*. As if that weren't enough, Britney has also created the *Britney Spears Foundation* in



conjunction with the *Giving Back Fund*. Its first endowment is the formation of a performing arts summer camp for underprivileged kids in Massachusetts. "I'm so happy to be able to give kids the opportunity to learn about amazing world of dance and music that I've have been lucky enough to make such a big part of my own life."

One listen to "***Oops!.. I Did It Again***" and Britney will make a believer out of you - one more time.

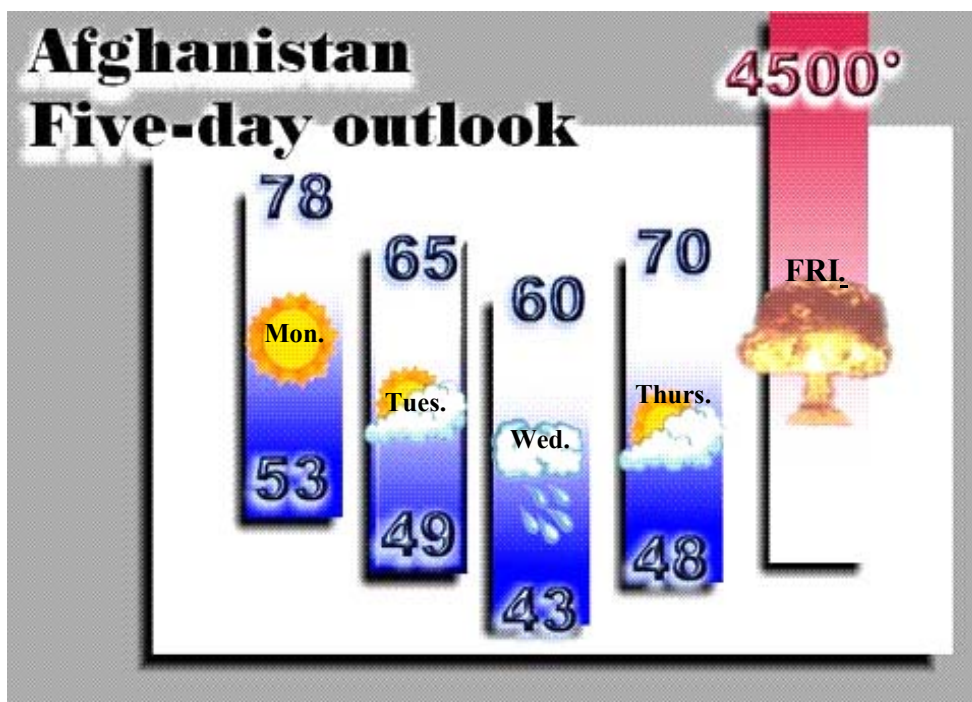
**Look for more on Britney
in upcoming issues of the
Squawks Newsletter**

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when the units have left, we will conduct a Brotherhood Ceremony for Ordeal members who qualify and have past the testing. Council Summer Camps are looking for OA members to be on their staff. Being on summer camp staff is fun and rewarding. Camps are looking for OA members to help with the merit badges such as Indian Lore, Camping and the other outdoors merit badges. If you have special interest in being the OA representative make that note on your application. In this newsletter you will find the Camp Staff Application. Please fill one out and submit it as soon as possible.

Please contact me if you need more information.

Mike Gaffney



Weather Report Submitted by Tony Mastrogiovanni



2001 Lodge Recognition Dinner

The annual Lodge Recognition Dinner, held November 10th at the LDS Church in Elverta, was a smashing success. The full days' activities included the Takachsin training during the day for Lodge Officers and Advisors and the dinner that evening.

The dignitaries attending the Dinner included our Council Executive Doug McDonald and the guest speaker Mr. Charles Wiley. Thanks go to Mark Spitler for arranging such an excellent speaker.

Events of the dinner included the installation of our new Lodge Officers and Lodge Advisor, Vigil Recognition and Call Out and special recognitions, which included the Chief's Awards, Silver Feather Awards and

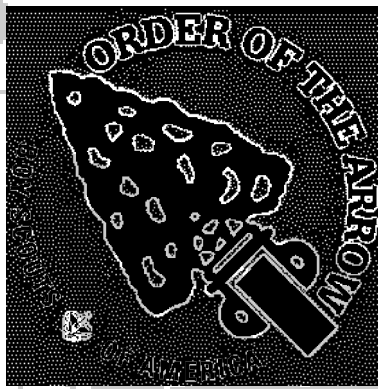
Conclave Awards. A special presentation was given to Larry Frith, our outgoing Lodge Adviser. Larry was clearly taken aback and emotional upon the presentation of a beautiful bronze statue of an exhausted Indian rider on his trusting horse. We are confident this is how Larry felt after two great years as the Lodge Adviser.

The event of the evening though was the guest speaker. Mr. Wiley has been a war correspondent and journalist in many wars and conflicts since World War II. The audience of 90 or so Arrowmen and guests were captivated by his energetic stories and his transitions in to real life issues. He was clear to point out that we each have a responsibility to take information from the media with a degree of

skepticism as the media tends to provide only the information that they want us to hear.....and this coming from a newsman in the field for over 50 years. He further pointed out our responsibilities to our country and equally important our responsibilities to each other.

As the evening concluded many comments were heard that this had been one of the best training and dinner programs we have had. Some expressed concerns that those who were unable to attend missed an outstanding event.

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