

## Welcome New Ordeal Members



Ordeal Candidates Provide a Valuable Service

With the conclusion of the GTSR Ordeal, held the weekend of July 9-11, the lodge completes the primary ordeal season. The last opportunity for the 2004 Ordeal Candidates to become members will be the makeup ordeal held in the fall.

The lodge would like to welcome all the new members to the Order, and it hopes that they attend some of the fast approaching events that are truly fun and exciting.

The Fall Fellowship and W3B Conclave are events that are very different than the typical scouting events that regular scouts participate in. Each new member owes it to themselves to check out these events to see just how FUN "Fellowship" can be. Welcome to the Order!

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Jul 29 NOAC BBO

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## **Lodge Chief**

Congratulations new member on completing the ordeal and attaining membership to order of the arrow. What you do to become active is what you put into it. I highly suggest picking up a position, there are many to choose from at the chapter level. Don't sit around and wait this is an honor society where you have to make the ball roll. One thing to always remember is to have fun in whatever you do. Some important events that you might want

Vice Chief of Programs

First of all, I would like to thank the youth that helped out at the Scout-a-Rama. Second, I would like to say welcome to our new brothers and introduce myself. I am Stephen Whitcomb A.K.A. Bear, the Lodge Vice Chief of Programs. I hope you enjoyed your ordeal experience and if not, do not worry, the events only get much better from here on out.

We have fellowship coming up, which is a really fun lodge event.

to contact your chapter chief about are the fall fellowship, and Conclave. Fall fellowship is put on by the lodge and will be held at Camp Winton where fellow arrow men gather to have fun at events. The conclave is and event that is put on by the section and is a gathering of lodges in the area to compete for the bald eagle award. I plan on meeting you at these events and remember what you do to become active is what you put into it.

Alex Zakrzewski Lodge Chief

We will be having a fun time and you will have chances to win prizes, so please come! We also have the conclave coming up which will be really fun and if you come, you will have a really fun time. New members remember attend your chapter meetings and get involved!

Yours in Brotherhood,

Stephen Whitcomb Vice Chief of Programs

## Vice Chief of Communications

First of all, I would like to congratulate our lodge chief on his willingness to use *pimpolicious* in his article. More importantly, I would like to remind all chapters to send in their chapter articles every month before the 15th. This will save you time at the COC and will also keep me from throwing it at your chapter officers if you are absent at the

COC. Chapter Chiefs do not have to write these articles, they may delegate them to someone else. In fact, it would fall under the responsibility of the Vice Chief of Communications. The Chief only needs to make sure that it is done. Thank you and good luck!

Yours in Brotherhood,

## Lodge Advisers Corner

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## 2004 Lodge Officers

Lodge Chief Alex Zakrzewski

VC of Administration Joshua Orsborn

> VC of Camping Anthony Lavy

VC of Communications Chris Geissler

> VC of Indian Lore Joshua Green

VC of Induction Michael Randall

VC of Programs Stephen Whitcomb



## Vice Chief of Admin.

Well, we are already half-way through another great year. I want to congratulate all of you who turned in your budgets in a timely manner. Also, I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our lodge events and NOAC.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Joshua Orsborn Vice Chief of Administration

## The Chapter Corner

See what your chapter and neighboring chapters have been up to and how you can get involved.





## Amangi V / Buena Vista

Contact your troop / team representative or a chapter officer for information on current activities.

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: Fourth Tuesday
Time: 7:00 - 8:30 P.M.
Place: Rocklin Community Center
5484 5th Street, Rocklin
(Building closest to street)

#### Cha-Pa-Di / El Dorado

Contact your troop / team representative or a chapter officer for information on current activities.

# Meeting Information Date: Second Thursday

Time: 7:30 P.M.

Place: Pacific Bell Office

281 Industrial Dr., Placerville
(Missouri Flat Rd. Exit off US 50. Go
South to Industrial Dr.. Across from

"Stove and Stuff")

## Curahee / Trailblazer

Contact your troop / team representative or a chapter officer for information on current activities.

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: Third Thursday
Time: 7:00 - 8:30 P.M.
Place: LDS Church
311 Alamo Dr., Vacaville

## Eluwak / Pony Express

Contact your troop / team representative or a chapter officer for information on current activities

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: Second Thursday (Except June and July) Time: 7:00 - 8:15 P.M. Place: LDS Center Garfield and Locust

#### **Chapter Contact Info:**

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## Philmont Trivia

The following comes from "Philmont: Where Spirits Soar" published by the Boy Scouts of America in 1989 in cooperation with Phillips Petroleum as part of the duel 50th anniversary of Waite Phillips' gift and the anniversary of the first participants to visit Philmont Scout Ranch. As such, many of the numbers have increased drastically since Philmont's 50th anniversary.

- Philmont is the largest organized camping area in the world.
- ♦ It's believed only the U.S. Army uses more trail food than Philmont.
- ♦ The first scouts went through Philmont in the summer of 1939.
- ♦ 526,000 Scouts have gone through Philmont in 50 years.
- ♦ A record 19,293 Scouts went through Philmont in 1968.
- ♦ Some 14,572 Scouts went through Philmont in 1989.
- The average Scout carries a 35pound pack and hikes 75 miles in 12 days.
- ♦ 14,572 Scouts at Philmont hiked a total of 1,050,000 miles in 1989 carrying a total of 42,000 pounds of gear on their backs. This is equal to 42 trips around the world.
- ♦ Total number of miles hiked by all Scouts who have gone through Philmont in its (first) 50-year history: 38,400,000. This is equal to 160 trips to the moon.
- ♦ In 1989, Scouts contributed 42,000 hours to conservation.
- ♦ Philmont comprises 214 square miles or 137,493 acres.



HOmE is just one name for Philmont by those that who have experienced its majestic beauty, hiked its rugged mountains, crossed its cool mountain streams and have wonderful memories of a land in northern New Mexico.



Philmont Arrowhead Tooth of Time Ridge

When these lucky Scouts and Scouters return to Philmont they feel a warmth growing inside them as they see the turnoff sign for Philmont in downtown Cimarron which continues to grow as they see the Arrowhead rock formation on the backside of Tooth Ridge with the buffalo heard in the foreground, on past the Villa Philmonte and finally to the entrance sign with a view of the front side of the Tooth of Time. By the time they step off the bus or out of their vehicle they come to feel that they are finally home.

Many of the returning staff feel this way and choose careers that keep their summers open or decided that just one college degree is just not enough. They feel this uncontrollable desire to return HOmE for another summer and see those fellow staff members that are like family.

But HOmE does not just stand for being around family and friends, but is an acronym that stands for "H" (Heaven) "O" (On) "m" "E"(Earth). The Philmont hymn refers to Philmont as "Scouting's Paradise" and "God's Country." Philmont is truly a magical place that holds that heart of many that have walked her trails.

Although over 20,000 scouts have the chance to participate in the program each summer at Philmont, many others do not get the chance. Reservations for backpacking treks are typically taken two years in advance and fill up very quickly. Backpacking treks however, are not the only way to get to Philmont.

The Cavalcade Trek, Rayado Trek, ROCS, Ranch Hands and OA Trail Crew Programs are some of the less known programs offered at Philmont Scout Ranch. Cavalcade Trek programs are for units like the backpacking treks, however the Rayado Treks, ROCS, Ranch Hands and OA Trail Crew are individual programs for individual Scouts that come from all over and form their crews once they arrive at Philmont.



Flags at Base Camp

A **Cavalcade Trek** is one that the participants go camp to camp on horseback. Participants spend time learning how to care for and getting acquainted with the horses. Partici-

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pants then take to the trail with two of Philmont's finest ranch hands, going from camp to camp, participating in programs like the backpacking trek participants. Cavalcade Treks typically do not fill up as quickly, since the program is not as widely known about. It is a great opportunity for those units that missed out on a backpacking trek.

Older individual Scouts more experienced with backpacking have the opportunity to participate in a **Rayado Trek**. This program stresses self reliance while developing team work. Participants have a difficult and long hike

ahead of them, but also have memories that will last a lifetime.

Ranch Hands, ROCS (Roving Outdoor Conservation School) and OA Trail Crew are all similar programs where individuals work for the first half of their time on service to Philmont and spend the second half of their time on a trek. Ranch Hands works with the horse department

and then participates in a Cavalcade. ROCS participants spend their time with the conservation department in Philmont's backcountry learning about the environment and conservation projects.

OA Trail Crew has been discussed in the newsletter before and has been included as part of the Jumpstart indoctrination program for new members. It is a wonderful program

only open to Order of the Arrow members. The Arrowmen spend the first week building trails and perform other conservation projects and then spend their last half hiking Philmont's trails and participating in the



aka Tooth of Time

programs.

All of Philmont's programs are a wonderful opportunity if one ever has a chance to participate, however OA Trail Crew is very special opportunity. "You need seek no rocky summit: These high places are within you," but that does not mean you might not want to.

## Programs at Philmont

Philmont has many different great programs that they offer to the participants. The following is a list of some of the programs offered at Philmont.

- ♦ Archaeology
- Black Powder
- ♦ Blacksmithing
- ♦ Burro Packing
- ♦ Burro Racing
- ♦ Cantina
- ♦ Conservation
- Continental Tie and Lumber Company
- ♦ Environmental Awareness
- Fly Tying and Fishing
- ♦ Geology
- Gold Mining and Panning

- Homesteading
- Jicarilla Apache Life
- ♦ Mountain Biking
- ♦ Mountain Livin'
- ♦ Mountaineering
- ♦ No Trace Camping
- Philmont Campfires
- ♦ Rendezvous
- ♦ Ring Ranch
- ♦ Rock Climbing
- Rocky Mountain Fur Company
- Ropes and Challenges
- .30-06 Rifle Shooting
- ♦ 12 Gauge Shotgun Shooting
- ♦ Western Lore
- Horse Rides
- Wilderness Medicine/Search and Rescue/GPS Technology

# Philmont Trivia Continued

- ◆ The value of Philmont (in 1989) is \$54 million.
- ♦ The shortest itinerary trek is 50 miles.
- ♦ At Philmont, ground squirrels are called "minibears" and fruit drink is called "bug juice."
- ♦ More than 700,000 meals are served in three months of operation.
- ♦ The average Scout loses between on to three gallons of fluid a day hiking the trails at Philmont.
- ◆ In 1988, Scouts Consumed: 190,500 cups of cocoa 119,300 beef jerky strips 93,000 beef sticks 84,000 cans of peaches 80,000 boxes of crackers 43,072 cans of "spreadables" 42,192 tubes of squeeze cheese 112,848 cans of pop 800 pounds of popcorn 80,000 ice cream cones
- Scouts mailed 81,589 postcards in 1988 and bought 14,385 tshirts.
- Philmont employs over 600 (currently over 900) seasonal staff members each summer.
- Philmont has 1,972 tents, 684 backpacks, and 1,035 bear bags.
- ♦ The elevation at Philmont ranges from 6,500 feet to 12,441 feet.
- On any given day at Base Camp during the summer season, there are 600 scouts—300 arriving; 300 leaving.

## Irekwan / Gold Country

Our chapter is continuing to strengthen. We are making great strides in our leadership and attendance. Our ceremony teams are itching to perform the Ordeal Ceremony at the GTSR Ordeal in July and our dance team is just waiting for an event to dance at. We are very proud of our progress.

- Joey Goodknight

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: First Thursday
Time: 7:00 P.M.
Place: LDS Center

1255 Bell Road, Auburn

## Kendwit Ihum / Soaring Eagle

Our June Barbecue was a hit. It was on June 10<sup>th</sup> at Rotary Grove inside Elk Grove Park. We had a candidate meeting where we 30 of our candidates show up. I discussed with them what I was allowed to say about the ordeal, and cleared up all the myths that have been floating around our troops. We played some baseball and kickball. We served hot dogs, chips, cookies, watermelon and drinks. We made it \$1 for candidates and parents, \$3 for members. Stephen Whitcomb did a dance with Mr. Whitcomb drumming. Chris Geissler read the legend for them. It was a lot of fun. By doing this I think we will be getting more members to stay active.

The Kendwit Ihum Chapter has been very busy since the last article. We were at the Winton Ordeal. Our Ordeal team and brotherhood teams were a great success. Our chapter brought in 22 new ordeal members and converted 4 members to brotherhood membership. We also provided 5 of the 7 Elangomats. Overall the Ordeal was very fun and productive.

We had 3 youth and 2 adults attend the Distinguished Citizens Banquet on June 24. We did an amazing flag ceremony with the same flags that we used at the Council Dinner!

We provided many hours of help to the Cub Scouts with their twilight camp. We ran the Cub Scout game section and the Webelos game section a few nights. We ran such events as hoop and spear, volleyball, ultimate, and an archeological dig. It was great fun for both the staff and the cubs.

This isn't the end of Kendwit Ihum's streak of service, there is much more service to come such as the Pollock Ordeal. We will never seize having fun!

- Stephen Arndt, Chapter Chief

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: Second Thursday
Time: 7:00 P.M.
Place: LDS Chapel

Corner of Seasons Drive and Laguna

Park Drive

## Kowaunkamish / Buttes Area

The chapter had a meeting on 5/22/04 at the car wash NOAC fundraiser. On 6/5/04 we will hold a chapter meeting at noon, a new candidate BBQ frrom 2-5, and District dinner from 6-8. Three Kowaunkamish arrowmen have completed their Eagle this year-Jeff Barnes-Allan, Jarod Read, and Ben Whitely. Their are also 13 members going to NOAC: 8 youth and 5 adults.

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: Second Saturday
Time: 9:00 A.M. to Noon
Place: Live Oak Scout Hall

## Maidu / Rancho West

Contact your troop / team representative or a chapter officer for information on current activities

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: Second Wednesday
Time: 6:30 - 8:00 P.M.
Place: Scout Office
561 East Linda, Chico

#### Miwok / Pioneer

The Miwok chapter had its joint camporee with Eluwak not too long ago. Even though some people got sun-stricken, we still had an awesome time. We called out a bunch of scouts, and many of those were at our BBQ on the 3rd of June. We were introduced all around and hopefully that'll get the candidates to attend out ordeal, which is the 25-27 of June. Hope to see you all there!

- Jamesson Kaupanger, Chapter Chief

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: First Thursday
Time: 7:00 - 8:00 P.M.
Place: Camp Pollock
467 Del Paso Blvd.,
Sacramento

#### Patwin / Rio Del Oro

We would like to introduce our new Chapter Adviser Joe Demate from troop 237. We talked about fund-raisers. In June for the chapter meeting we will have root beer floats and in July we have hot dogs, chips, and soda.

- Robert Koeller, Chapter Chief

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: Second Thursday
Time: 7:00 - 8:00 P.M.
Place: LDS Center
2400 Cordova Lane

## Peen Sew / River City

Contact your troop / team representative or a chapter officer for information on current activities

## **Meeting Information**

Date: Third Thursday
Time: 7:30 - 8:30 P.M.
Place: LDS Church
11th Ave & Franklin Blvd.

#### Ta Tanka Ska / Amador

Contact your troop / team representative or a chapter officer for information on current activities.

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: First Monday
Time: 6:30 - 8:00 P.M.
Place: Jackson Scout Hut
Located in the front of the library off
Hwy. 49

## Tito Wa / Yolo

Contact your troop / team representative or a chapter officer for information on current activities

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: First Thursday
Time: 7:00 - 8:00 P.M.
Place: Davis Community Church
412 C Street, Davis

#### Wintun / Northern Rivers

Contact your troop / team representative or a chapter officer for information on current activities

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: Third Monday (Except July and December) Time: 7:00 P.M.

Place: Anderson Scout Hall at Anderson River Park Dead end of Rupert Rd.



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