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Spring Ordeal May 1st-3rd

In 2009 there is only one Spring Ordeal and we are expecting a lot of candidates. Each Chapter needs to provide trained Elangomats and the Lodge in general needs to help with the cook crew, ceremonies, work projects, and many other tasks.

Ordeals are a great opportunity to do meaningful work, serve the candidates, go through Brotherhood conversion, and work with Arrowmen from all parts of the Lodge.

If you have never served as an Elangomat **then you don't really understand the Ordeal.** Only be selflessly helping others can you fully grasp the Ordeal.

If you are interested in serving on staff please contact Soren Fulton at "jp_soren@yahoo.com."

Lakota Arrowmen Win High Honors

By Brian Major

The Silver Beaver Award is the highest award an adult volunteer in Scouting can earn at the council level. Three Lakota Arrowmen: Leonard Pagarigan, Gary Sisson, & Michael Villalpando were selected for this rare competitive award. All three have served for years and currently serve in multiple roles. Len is our District Commissioner, Gary has taken a lead position in the new Council Venturing Officers Association, and Mike has just become the Council Advancement Chair.

Another Lakota Arrowman was selected for the District Award of Merit. William Althoff currently serves in several roles and is our Lakota Chapter Adviser.



Chief's Corner

My Brothers,

This is the beginning of an exciting new year. You can all take a more active leadership role than you might be able to at your Unit level. Whatever your interests there is a place for you on one of our committees. You will make friends and learn new skills. I also encourage you to attend the Spring Ordeal, Camporee, & Potlatch. In different ways, each of these events is an opportunity to learn about Lakota, Siwinis, & the OA.

You have already experienced Camporees & an Ordeal and possibly Potlatch. At Potlatch, you will be able to make new friends from different Chapters within the Lodge, and you will also get to observe how other Chapters from within the Siwinis Lodge operate differently from Lakota.

I encourage you to join me not only at Potlatch, but also at the Spring Camporee and Ordeal. Camporee as an Arrowman is very different from attending with your Troop. You will have the privilege to serve as staff, allowing you to give back to the Units in our District, **as well as have more fun at a Camporee than you've had in a while.**

Finally, I hope that you will decide to serve as an Elangomat at our Spring Ordeal. An **Arrowman doesn't truly understand the Ordeal until they have gone through it a second time as an Elangomat.** In order to serve as an Elangomat, you must attend training, which we will have at our April Chapter Meeting on April 21st.

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Committee Notes:



Vice Chief

David Dye has been working on contacting the Scout Troops & Varsity Teams and asking them to appoint OA Unit Representatives. He is half-way through, so contact him if your Troop needs an O Rep! Every Troop & Team should have one.

Vice Chief: David Dye **Adviser:** Tim Affa



Sachem

Morgan is working to get his preparation skills ready for the release of the next newsletter, and also working to get minutes out sooner. He is still recruiting for his committee so if you are interested in the internet, newsletters, or communications, contact him today!

Sachem: Morgan McNally **Deputy:** Open

Adviser: Rick Christeson and John Keller
Committee size: 4

Treasurer



Brian has been working hard to keep our books in order. He recently worked with his Adviser and our past Treasurer—Garrett Maldoon—to work with the Lodge and solve a minor problem. Brian is also the Chair of the Pacifica District Spring Camporee (see separate article on pp ??) and is very busy.

Treasurer: Brian Major **Deputy:** Roman Ventura
Adviser: Mike Villalpando and Vaughn Wendelstadt
Committee size: 3

Trading Post/T-Shirts and Apparel

Brian Applegate has continued in this key role. Lately he has been providing refreshments at the Chapter meetings and preparing to staff the Trading Post at the upcoming Camporee. If you would like to join his committee, or just want to staff the TP at Camporee, contact him today!

Chair: Brian Applegate **Deputy:** None
Adviser: Tim Desmond **/Committee size:** 2-4



Elangomat

Matt Affa is coordinating with elections for a list for the upcoming Ordeal. He will also be holding a training session at the next Chapter Meeting.

Chair: Matt Affa **/Deputy:** Matt Johnson

Adviser: Brian Wilder **/Committee size:** 3



Messenger

Ryan Glymph has just finished contacting all of the Units, and is now ready to accept requests for a visit.

Chair: Ryan Glymph **/Deputy:** Jimmy Peirce

Adviser: Len Pagarigan **/Committee size:** 3

Medicine Man

Brandon & his team have been holding practices, working Arrow of Light ceremonies, and preparing for Camporee, Ordeal, & Potlatch.

Medicine Man: Brandon Villalpando

Deputy: Ryan Fuhrman

Advisers: Kathie Wood, Terry Glymph & Dennis Fuhrman



Hunter

Taylor is continuing in this crucial job for a second year and had already accomplished a big percentage of the work. We all need to support his efforts and ensure great elections.

Chair: Taylor Wood **/Deputy:** Jordan Burke

Adviser: Bob Applegate **/Committee size:** 135



Vigil Honor

Brandon submitted great nominations. He and Noble then represented Lakota at the Lodge Vigil meeting. Come to Potlatch to find out who from Lakota was selected!

Chair: Brandon Villalpando **Deputy:** Steven Gunderson

Adviser: Noble Smith **/Committee size:** 6



Niamat

Richard has been working to contact those eligible for Brotherhood in 2009. He intends to beat the 2009 numbers and continue to improve this important service. He will be training Niamats soon as well.

Chair: Richard Faherty **/Deputy:** Open

Adviser: Jeff Perrine **/Committee size:** 4



Eagle Scout Projects

One of the primary ways Lakota Chapter serves Pacifica District is by providing volunteers for Eagle Scout Projects. If you are planning your Eagle Project we encourage you to come to one of our Chapter Meetings or contact us to ask for volunteers.

Bob Sleeper

By William Roseland

Bob Sleeper, an Eagle Scout and Vigil Honor Arrowman, was active in Scouts for over 40 years.

When he was 11 he joined a troop dedicated to helping Scouts with physical disabilities. At that time there was no flexibility in rank advancement for those with disabilities. Despite this, Bob earned his Eagle Scout rank—one of the few in his troop. He was also elected to the OA in 1971 in the Shoshone Chapter of Siwinis. He later sealed his membership in Brotherhood and was selected for the Vigil Honor as an adult.

Bob remained active with his troop and worked to make Scouting more accessible to those with disabilities. Eventually Bob became the Scoutmaster. For many years he has been a leader in Disabilities Awareness in LAAC, Siwinis, and Scouting generally.

As Scoutmaster, Bob continued a longstanding tradition of his troop by taking the boys to Lake Arrowhead for a week of summer camp.

Most Siwinis Arrowman know Bob through his tireless efforts in support of numerous Lodge and Section events. He has attended all of the National Order of the Arrow Conferences (NOACs) for the past thirty years and had already signed up for 2009.

For the last few years, Bob has been very active on the Trade-o-Ree Committee of the Lodge which worked to raise funds for Siwinis Arrowmen to attend NOAC, the OA National Leadership Seminar (NLS), and other major events.

At Bob's funeral, Siwinis Lodge Chief Victor De La O performed the Broken Arrow ceremony at the request of Bob's family. Bob was laid to rest in full uniform.

Our Brother Bob will be greatly missed.



Calendar

April 2009

17-19th—District Camporee
21st—Chapter Meeting
22nd - LEC Meeting
25th—Pacifica Pinewood Derby
28th - CEC Meeting

May 2009

1-3rd—Spring Ordeal
15-17th—Potlatch
19th—Chapter Meeting
22nd—CEC Meeting
27th—LEC Meeting

June 2009

6th—Chapter Fellowship Day
16th - Chapter Meeting
23rd - CEC Meeting
24th—LEC Meeting

July 2009

11th - Pacifica Soap Box Derby
21st—Chapter Meeting
28th - CEC Meeting
31st-6 Aug—NOAC

Web Links

Lakota Chapter Yahoo Group

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/LakotaChapterSiwinisLodge252/>

Pacifica District—Lakota Chapter Section

<http://www.pacificabsa.org/>

Siwinis Lodge Website

<http://www.siwinis.org/>

OA Website

<http://www.main.oa-bsa.org/>

Jumpstart (for new Arrowmen)

<http://www.jumpstart.oa-bsa.org/>

NOAC Website

<http://event.oa-bsa.org/events/n2009/>

Upcoming Events

- 1. District Camporee– April 17-19:** The bi-annual District Camporee, except this year **it's run by us! The theme is "On Target"** and we have horseshoes, knives, rifles, tomahawks, archery, catapults, and more!
- 2. Pinewood Derby - 25 April:** Lakota helps the Cubs run this fun event every year.
- 3. Spring Ordeal–May 1-3:** The first Ordeal of the year, always with a big turnout. Elangomats are needed, so be sure to go to the April Chapter Meeting and take advantage of the Elangomat Training Session!
- 4. Potlatch–May 15-17:** Our annual Lodge Fellowship Weekend is always a high point of the year. Every Lakota Arrowman should attend.
- 5. Chapter Fellowship Day–6 June:** We will have a Chapter Fellowship activity open to Arrowmen, family, and friends.

CEC Retreat

By Howard Limburg

The Retreat was an awesome experience. It began on Friday night with an intro from Chapter Chief Soren Fulton. Then we had team building & classes. Then we had fellowship (cards, board games, etc) before retiring for the night. Early in the morning we were cruelly forced out of our sleeping bags to have breakfast and then more classes & team building. At 3 we set up for the Torrance Scout House's Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser. Everyone enjoyed a great dinner together as we supported the Torrance Scout House.

Despite my prior experience I learned a lot about the various jobs & how they operate. The classes ran from the 1st year program to Officers & Advisers.

The best part was the fellowship and team building which will result in friendships and a stronger Chapter.



Adviser's Corner

Recently I was able to watch as the space shuttle Discovery was launched from the Kennedy Space Center near Orlando, Florida. As I stood there watching Discovery break free of the Earth I thought about the enormous number of parts and the whole army of people required to make for a successful launch. No job or part is unimportant and no one can accomplish the mission on their own.

In my experience, the same is true in Lakota Chapter and in life generally. I hope you will remain (or become) active with us. There are so many ways to continue and to improve our program.

William Althoff, Lakota Chapter Adviser

Firestone Work Project

After the recent fire and heavy rain Firestone Scout Reservation was in great need of repairs. Five Lakota Arrowmen were among the nearly 100 volunteers from Siwinis Lodge and Wiatava Lodge. The various work groups pulled together and accomplished every one of the tasks on the rangers wish list.

The project was funded entirely by Siwinis Lodge and was done as a service to LAAC.

The Lakota work crew were given the job of replacing large signs commemorating three Scouts who had been killed in action in Afghanistan or Iraq. All service is meaningful but we were mindful of the importance of our task.

Below: Matt Johnson, Vaughn Wendelstadt, Garrett Maldoon, Will Althoff, & Taylor Wood pose at the end of a long day of work at Firestone.



Cub Rocket Academies—27-29 Mar & 3-5 Apr

Lakota Chapter was the lead Chapter for the first of the Rocket Academies and provided support of the second one as well. Brian Wilder led our cook crew while Vice Chief David Dye led our program staff. Just over 1000 Cubs, Scouts, & Scouters attended the first weekend. The other Chapters all pitched in and Lakota returned the favor at the second weekend.



Above: Lakota Arrowmen Kathie Wood & Brian Wilder. Left: A small part of the tent city



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Potlatch!

May 15-17

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