

**July/August Lakota Chapter Report**  
**Siwinis Lodge #252**  
**Order of the Arrow**

**23 August 2008**

Brothers,

Since my previous report, Lakota has accomplished a great deal. Lakota held its July and August monthly Chapter Meetings and our July CEC Meeting. Our August CEC Meeting is on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Events**

**Soap Box Derby:** Lakota Chapter served Pacifica District at their Soap Box Derby on July 12<sup>th</sup> in El Segundo. Several Lakota Arrowmen performed many tasks including the first aid station and crowd control.

**Chapter Fellowship Day:** Lakota had its second Chapter Fellowship Day of the year at Beach City Rocks in Hawthorne on July 19<sup>th</sup>. The event was planned and led by David Dye and was a success. We climbed for an hour and a half and then ate pizza while discussing possible future Fellowship activities.

**ArrowCorps 5:** Four youth Arrowmen from Lakota were participants in ArrowCorps 5 at either the Utah or Mt. Shasta sites. Several Lakota Arrowmen served on staff. The youth participants from Lakota are Brian Applegate, John Broadhead, Brian Major, & Morgan McNally.

**Inter-Lodge Activity:** Four Arrowmen went to Camp Josepho during the first weekend of August to participate in an outing with a few members of Spe-Le-Yai Lodge.

**Committee Work**

**Vice Chief:** Our Vice Chief, Soren Fulton, has continued to keep the Roster of OA Unit Reps updated. He has spoken with Scoutmasters about the OA Unit Rep system. He represented the Chapter at the monthly Pacifica District Committee Meeting.

**Secretary:** Morgan McNally is working hard at everything and learning the tools of the trade. As of July 17, 2008, our roster totaled 191 members. We are in the process of updating an OA/Lakota section for the District Website. We also have two new Communications Advisers to help Morgan: Rick Christeson & Tim Desmond. They are busy preparing the next issue of our newsletter.

**Treasurer:** Our Treasurer, Garrett Maldoon, has a working 2008 budget in place and is fine tuning as conditions change. He is also updating our Master Inventory. Garrett has started preparing a draft of our 2009 budget.

**Immediate Past Chief:** Brandon Villalpando is taking the lead on the Kodyapi Award for Lakota. He has also taken the lead on Potlatch for Lakota including arranging a charter bus.

**Brotherhood:** Our Niamat Chair, Brian Major, has created and is maintaining a roster of those eligible for Brotherhood in 2008 and has contacted all those who are eligible for Brotherhood. So far,

he has 13 Lakota conversions for the year. He is preparing for the three fall conversion opportunities.

**Camping Promotions:** Our Messenger, Andy Perrine, has been building up camping resources to use for handouts and on our website throughout the month. Also Tim Affa (in his role as District Camping Chair) has been promoting camping opportunities to all the units. Through the actions of both of them, the OA has contacted 100% of the troops within Pacifica District about various camping opportunities and are working on the Cub Scout packs.

**Elangomat:** Our Elangomat Chair, David Dye, is working to strengthen the extended Elangomat program for the 2008 year by working in conjunction with the Elections committee to compose a roster of candidates and their contact information. He will soon begin training Elangomats for the October Ordeal. David also planned and led our July Chapter Fellowship Day.

**Elections:** Our Hunter, Taylor Wood, has led Elections Team training as well as making announcements and distributing information at several Pacifica Roundtables. He has worked hard to bring elections to the many units that wanted them during our election season. He and his committee improved on the previous year's results. So far there have been approximately 80 youth elected and at least 6 adult nominations. All but 10 (of 72) of the eligible units in Pacifica have responded to Taylor and either requested or declined an election. Taylor has already begun planning for next year and is hoping to have information and forms for OA elections to include in the troops re-charter packets. He has also served on summer camp staff at Emerald Bay.

**Medicine Man:** Thomas Lidikay has been confirmed as our new Medicine Man. He was appointed to replace Jason Wiggins who moved to New Mexico with his family. Thomas led a Pre-Ordeal ceremony as our August Chapter meeting program. The purpose was to practice, recruit more members, and to answer questions about the purposes behind the various parts of the ceremony.

**Trading Post:** Our Trading Post Chair, Alexander Popken, has provided the refreshments at our meetings, organized and purchased an inventory that is available for upcoming events, and has been looking into fundraisers. He has served on summer camp staff at Camp Whitsett.

**Tee Shirt/Apparel:** Our Tee Shirt/Apparel Chair, Matt Affa, has continued to sell our current stock, recently reordered shirts to replenish his stock. We have also sold some vintage Chapter hats.

**Vigil:** Chief Howard Limburg and the Chapter Vigil Committee will be working to get those nominated sponsors and to make sure they attend Potlatch.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Howard J. Limburg  
Lakota Chapter Chief