

November Lakota Chapter Report
Siwinis Lodge #252
Order of the Arrow

19 November 2008

Brothers,

Since my previous report, Lakota has accomplished a great deal. Lakota held its monthly Chapter Meetings and had its Chapter Elections.

Events

Ordeal: Lakota had four Arrowmen go through their Ordeal at Firestone. Lakota Arrowmen also played a prominent role in leading the ceremonies and work projects.

Fall Cub Encampment: Lakota Arrowman Rick Christeson helped lead the Fall Cub Encampment and several other Lakota Arrowmen served on staff.

Elections: Lakota held its Chapter elections and the results for the elected positions are: Chief- Soren Fulton, Vice Chief- David Dye, Sachem- Morgan McNally, and Treasurer- Brian Major.

Chapter Dinner: On December 19th, Lakota will hold its annual Chapter Dinner. It will start at 7:30 and will be located at the Torrance LDS Stake Center. We will be celebrating the 15 years of Lakota. Arrowmen from across the Lodge are welcome and it is open to friends and family.

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 is currently helping plan our Chapter Dinner and serving on the NOAC committee.

Secretary: Our Sachem, Morgan McNally, has created our 2009 Chapter calendar. Morgan is also working on the re-registration process for the Chapter. Later this month, the fourth and final issue of the year of the Chapter newsletter will go out.

Treasurer: Our Treasurer, Garrett Maldoon, has made the 2009 budget which has been approved.

Immediate Past Chief: Brandon Villalpando has been helping out with various tasks and is dedicating a lot of his time to the ceremony team.

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 19 Lakota conversions for the year. He also ran a Niamat training session at our November Chapter meeting.

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 began training Elangomats for the October Ordeal. He made sure his Deputy, Matt Johnson, was able to cover the Fall Ordeal for him.

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. 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.

Medicine Man: Thomas Lidikay and the ceremony team have done ceremonies at these past few events: A Call-Out at our District Camporee and Pre-Ordeal and Ordeal ceremonies in October.

Trading Post: Our Trading Post Chair, Brian Applegate, has provided the refreshments at our meetings, organized and purchased an inventory that is available for upcoming events, and has been looking into fundraisers.

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

Vigil: Brandon Villalpando recruited a Lakota Chapter Vigil committee and has already met once. They reviewed our roster and are gathering information about those eligible. The committee has already set the dates for their two remaining meetings.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Howard J. Limburg
Lakota Chapter Chief