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Call of the Cahuilla



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August Ordeal



A new group of eager Arrowmen...

On August 12 through 14, at Camp Emerson, Cahuilla Lodge welcomed and inducted 62 new Arrowmen as they completed their ordeal, and several members sealed their ties of Brotherhood.



...after a long day.



August Ordeal (Continued)



A happy Elangomat



Lodge leadership



Snake Power!



Scrape, scrape scrape....



Chief Griffin got an ouchie

August Ordeal (Continued)



Even Antelopes scrape



Lift, lift, lift...



Stack, stack, stack...



A happy, proud new Arrowman



Scrape, scrape, scrape...



Frank the Engraver hard at work



Carry, carry, carry...

Lodge News

Elections and Ordeals

Our induction season is well underway with two Ordeal Induction weekends completed and our last one scheduled for September 9-11 at Camp Wrightwood. 299 candidates were elected and 122 have already taken their first step to becoming Arrowmen of Cahuilla Lodge by completing their Ordeal. By doing so, they along with others in the Brotherhood of Cheerful service completed over 2000 hours of service to Camp Emerson. Congratulations to all new Ordeal members of Cahuilla Lodge.

Seal Your Ties of Brotherhood

The journey has just begun. There are many reasons to seal your ties of Brotherhood, not the least of which is an understanding of the Order of the Arrow and what you can give to both the Order and your own unit. When you are ready to take the next step, ask your Chapter Adviser or a chosen mentor to guide you through the steps to Brotherhood. Congratulations to those who have completed their Brotherhood this year.

Our New Staff Adviser

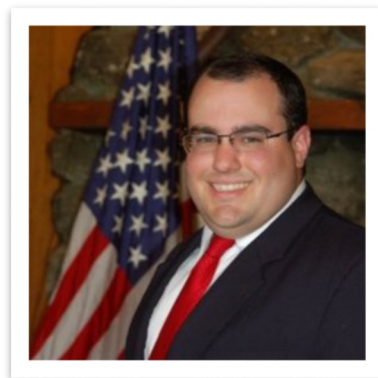
Hello Fellow OA Members!

My name is Tucker Adams and I am the new Staff Adviser for the Order of the Arrow. I am an Ordeal Member of the Order and was raised at the Maddockawanda Lodge in Maine. I come from a state full of cold and secluded to a state of hot and bustling, and am very excited to be here! My hobbies include rock climbing, hiking and especially fishing. (Hint hint a large OA gathering on a Charter Boat would be great Brotherhood Bonding Time!) I look forward to seeing you all at LEC's, Conclaves and Chapter Meetings. If you have any questions please feel free to email me at

Tucker.Adams@Scouting.org. Under the leadership of the Lodge Chief and the Lodge Adviser I know Cahuilla is in good hands, and I look forward to support everyone in their quest to have a strong Lodge.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Tucker Adams



OA Induction Cards

Permanent induction cards are available for purchase. Proceeds benefit the Order of the Arrow Endowment. If you would like to purchase one please bring \$6.00 to a chapter or lodge meeting and provide your name and the year of your Ordeal induction. Order forms will also be available at lodge events through 2016. This is also a great way to recognize newly inducted members. If you would like your original lodge listed on your card, please indicate that when reserving your card.



Lodge News

New Tents in Cahuilla Flats

Earlier this year, members of Cahuilla Lodge donated several thousand dollars to purchase tents from Philmont Scout Ranch to be used at Camp Emerson. Thanks to those donations, the lodge was able to purchase and donate 20 “like new” tents. All the wood to build the new platforms was graciously donated by Reliable Wholesale Lumber, Huntington Beach. Thank you Randy Richards!!!

With the help of donated materials, volunteers build new platforms for the new tents and the tents were set up in a new camp site—Cahuilla Flats.



Cahuilla Flats

Well done Arrowmen!

If you would like to help purchase the next set of tents, please contact Lodge Adviser, Cynthia Blessum.



Emerson's new "Philmont" tents

SNAKE POWER!!!



The 2016 national event, NEXT: A New Century was attended by youth leaders and key adults from across the nation. Attendees gathered at Indiana University in Bloomington, IN from July 30th through August 3rd, 2016 to learn, grow and be inspired to be the driving force behind the Order's second century.

The conference was hands-on, high-energy event that focused on membership, program and innovation at the local level, with a goal of empowering delegates to return home and be

Each lodge was able to send three youth, its lodge chief, another lodge officer and one additional youth member, the lodge adviser and one associate adviser. Cahuilla attendees were Lodge Chief, Griffin Martois, Lodge Secretary, Jorge De La Torre, Serrano Chapter Vice Chief, Ethan Blackwood, Lodge Adviser, Cynthia Blessum and Associate Lodge Adviser, Travis Martois. Our Lodge 1st Vice Chief, Hayden Martois had the opportunity to be on staff. We were all placed in different groups to work with Arrowmen from across the country, providing us a unique opportunity to network and discuss lodge operations. Each of the four days at NEXT was focused on a different key topic: brotherhood, program, membership and innovation.

Environmental sustainability was a notable aspect of NEXT, focusing on how simple, novel changes can make an enormous difference. Together, we came home empowered to help shape the next century of the Order of the Arrow and Cahuilla Lodge.

Cynthia Blessum
Cahuilla Lodge Adviser



SNAKE POWER!!!

Eight Arrowmen from each Lodge were invited to attend a special Summit Experience at the Summit Bechtel Reserve (SBR) this summer, where the original ceremony grounds were moved from Treasure Island and recreated in their entirety at a new Summit Circle.



The Cahuilla contingent traveled to SBR for an adventure that culminated on the same grounds where the Order was founded. Prism was a four-day experience at the SBR where both youth and adults had access to all of the adventures in the Scott Summit Center: BMX, mountain biking, skateboarding, zip line and more. We also had the opportunity to work on completion of the Summit Circle site, a service project allowing us to leave our mark on Scouting for generations to come.

The Summit Circle at the BSR is the original ceremony circle from Treasure Island. In 2015, the site of the Order's founding was transported piece-by-piece to the Summit, and was combined with the rocks donated by lodges, past and present, to create a timeless experience that presents the Order across its 100-year history. Prism's defining experience was a personal experience at the Summit Circle, the OA's new national ceremony grounds where we participated in an inaugural rededication ceremony and reflected on the Order on our final night at the BSR. We were among the first Arrowmen to experience the new national ceremonies grounds. It was truly a unique and moving experience.



Cahuilla Lodge's PRISM Contingent

SNAKE POWER!!!



Summit Circle Entrance



Looking for history



Tahquitz 127



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OA PRISM – Frank Sydow

As I sit here tongue in cheek and reflect on the recent trip to the new national facility used for Jamborees and presumably many other programs, what an amazing place.

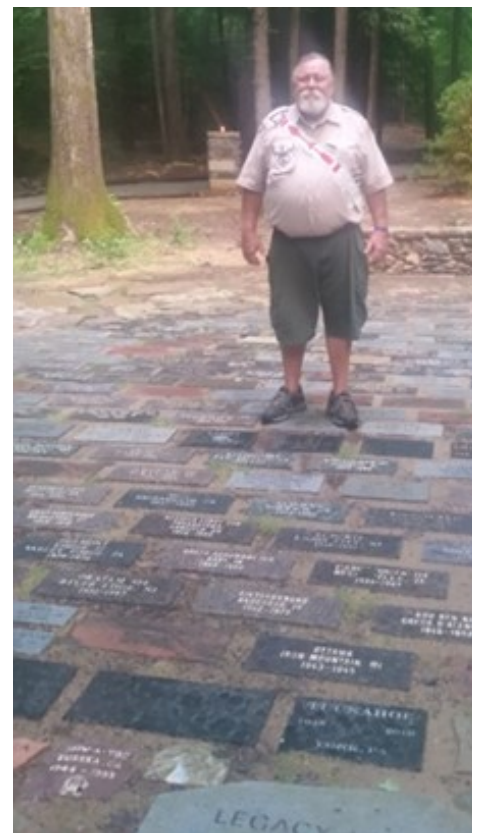
I started out like the rest of the Cahuilla contingent, having dry and comfortable feet. Alas this was short lived. The heavens had a different idea for those of us used to rather arid or drought like conditions, and opened up quite regular on all of us. I feel I can speak for my Cahuilla brothers and sister Cynthia that as much rain as we saw and experienced in such a short time, we are all certified web footed rat-tlers.

The food was good from my vantage and plenty of it. Making our own lunch and packing it with us was another special endeavor to travel to and from the various sites of interest. The special program called a service project was a slam dunk, no pun intended, and the hydraulic help from the water aided our pushing and dragging rocks to a final resting site.

Without a doubt from my older than dirt eyes, The Order of the Arrow ceremony, held at the brand spanking new site we helped build, with all the lodges from across the country providing boxed debris from each lodge camp throughout the country. Believe me when I tell you that the ceremony was very touching and I have seen many. To be part of something like we were, borders on an unforgettable scouting event I shall never forget.

Did I forget to mention my feet dried out on the flight back home and terra firma was waiting for us in ole So Cal, and to see the sight of cracked dry earth, no water, and lots of smoke in the air, brought a dry tear to my eyes. Back in Paradise. You all missed it.

Ba Bye. Ole Frank the engraver.



Trading Post News

Lodge Members can now **Order the Support Our Troops Army Flap** (Last in the Series) by Ordering and PAYING at the Lodge LEC on September 22nd or October 27th... They are \$10 Each with profit going to the Army Charity...

If you can not make it to one of the LEC's Send CASH or a CHECK with someone attending the meeting..NO CREDIT CARDS will be taken... If your payment is not received by October 27th your patches will Not Be Ordered and you will miss out on this once in a lifetime opportunity to Support Our Troops and their Families.. Feel free to order as many Flaps as you would like...Each Flap will be Numbered... Patches will be handed out at the December LEC...



CAMP EMERSON 97th ANNIVERSARY SET

We are down to our Last 23 Sets which includes a Lodge Flap and a CSP... Each design is slightly different...The Set has matching numbers on both pieces with Only 100 Sets Made..... The Price is \$20 for the set with Profits being donated by the Lodge for a Camp Project the Youth Officers pledge it to.... Don't miss out on this opportunity to support Camp Emerson... The 98th Anniversary for Camp Emerson will be next year with another set and new design in the works by our Lodge Historian, Larry Kirkorian...

Your Treasury Team
Jarod Quinn and Ron Price

Chapter News

A-tsa Chapter

On June 18, 2016 the Eagle Scout project of Jarod Quinn, A-tsa Chapter, was dedicated at the VFW Post 2266. There was a simple ceremony dedicating the POW/MIA memorial in which VFW officers at the local and state levels were in attendance. Also, in attendance was Scott Miller, Mayor Pro-Temp of the city of San Jacinto.

The POW/MIA memorial was part of the Eagle Project that was completed earlier that month. The purpose of the memorial was to honor all those who have served, are serving and those who will serve; especially to



Chapter News

Navajo Chapter

Navajo Chapter has been keeping up their busy schedule. They've been hard at work training their ceremony teams all year and have performed one Brotherhood ceremony and 4 Pre-Ordeal and 4 Ordeal ceremonies at the ordeals. June and July were especially tough months for Navajo chapter due to key figures in our ceremony teams staffing at Camp Emerson. However, they made both Lodge and the Chapter shine with all of their hard work and their performances both at the Camp and during the Camp Emerson's Campfire Program.

But even with busy schedules all of our Chapter meetings have been successful. We even had a Crafts night, where the Chapter made Chokers.

The newest part to Navajo's activities is the addition of a drum and dance team. Meeting on the same nights of ceremony team practice, the drum and dance team has been hard at work learning the different drum rhythms and songs as well as the steps for traditional and round dances. They have already put on their first two performances at two Cub Scout events and were concluded as a big success.

In Addition to the Song and Dance Teams, myself and Justin Ewell have also been learning traditional stories several of which we have told during the two Cub Scout Performances. Both appear to have been very successful as evidenced by the fact not a young Cuby made a sound during the telling.

Well that's Navajo Chapter in a nutshell, the next six months promise to be just as busy. Both the ceremony team and the drum and dance team are still practicing for other upcoming events and will continue more in the future. In addition we hope to learn American Indian Sign Language, which we hope will better augment our ceremonies.

Justin French

Navajo Chapter Story Teller



Chapter meeting making chokers



Chapter News

Wanakik Chapter

Wanakik went bowling in July.

Wanakik Chapter members gathered at Arlington Lanes in Riverside for fun fellowship and bowling for its July chapter meeting.



Chapter News

Aca Chapter

Indian Affairs Day

Arrowmen from Cahuilla joined a class hosted by ACA Chapter on how to make native American style hand drums in Palm Springs.



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OA Campfire at Boseker Scout Reservation

Every Wednesday in July members of Aca traveled to Boseker Scout Reservation in Idyllwild to put on the weekly OA campfire during BSA summer camp. This is a service that Aca has performed for many years and is much appreciated by the staff and participants of Camp Emerson.



Conclave 2016

Section W4S Conclave Ram Fever!

Our Section Conclave will be held at Camp Tahquitz, 41631 CA-38, Angelus Oaks, CA 92305 this year.

This is the one event you don't want to miss. The new Tuku'ut Lodge formed by the merger of Tatonka and Siwinis Lodges will be joining us before moving to their new section.



Come and join your fellow Arrowmen from around the W4S Section as you get some excellent training, compete against the other Lodges in various activities, and have a great time. There will also be a patch auction at Conclave this year.

All registration will be done through the Orange County Camp Master website: <https://orangecounty.camp-master.com/default.aspx?s=conclave>

You can also access the link from our lodge website: www.snakepower.org

**Check out the Cahuilla Conclave Promo Video and
“Like” it so we receive enough votes to win an ice
cream social at Conclave!**

<https://youtu.be/yEX-QryREaQ>

Come join Cahuilla Lodge and Show Cahuilla Spirit!

National Leadership Seminar

Cynthia Blessum, 2016 Cahuilla Lodge Adviser

The National Leadership Seminar (NLS) is a leadership program organized by the Order of the Arrow and led by the Region Chief and his staff. Offered periodically in different areas, NLS provides an in-depth look at leadership skills and techniques, and how these skills can be applied in our role in the OA and in other aspects of our life.



The National Leadership Seminar is a weekend conference on the skills and attributes of leadership. It is intended primarily to enhance the leadership skills of the Order of the Arrow's key youth and adult members as they seek to improve their services to the Boy Scouts of America and the greater community. Over the weekend, NLS trainers will provide Arrowmen with unique opportunities to learn a variety of leadership and communication skills that will not only benefit them as Arrowmen, but also as a person.

Our Chapters and Lodge will benefit from their enhanced leadership and communication skills as they share what was learned and apply these skills to better improve our program. The weekend is also a great opportunity to build upon the Brotherhood since its participation includes Arrowmen from different lodges and sections all across the Region.

The next courses available in our region are:

Western Region NLS/NLATS - Philmont Training Center, Cimarron, NM October 7-9
Western Region NLS/DYLC Granlibakken Resort, Lake Tahoe, CA November 18-20

Nomination Deadlines

Vigil Honor and Founders Award Nominations were due at the August LEC.

All other awards are due at the September LEC. All the forms can be found on *Snakepower.org*.

Lodge Calendar

September 2016

- 9-11 Ordeal #3 @ Camp Wrightwood
17 Adventure Weekend—Pancake Breakfast, Adventure Island, Camping Promotion
22 Thursday LEC @ Jack Dembo Council Service Center
23-24 Work Weekend at Camp Helendade

October 2016

- 7-9 Conclave @ Camp Tahquitz
27 Thursday LEC @ Jack Dembo Council Service Center

November 2016

- 4-6 Fall Fellowship/Vigil @ Camp Emerson (With Puvunga)
18-20 NLS @ Lake Tahoe
17 Thursday LEC @ Jack Dembo Council Service Center

December 2016

- 2-4 Lodge Leadership Retreat

2016 Lodge Dues

We're 3/4 of the way through 2016, but Cahuilla Lodge still needs members to pay their 2016 Lodge dues. Payment of dues is an important part of our lodge's Journey to Excellence rating, and an important part of being a member of the Order of the Arrow.

The dues form can be downloaded from the Lodge website:

<http://www.snakepower.org/resources/flyers/2016/2016%20Membership%20Dues%20Flyer.pdf>

Online payment link can also be accessed from the lodge website.

Submissions for the Call

We need articles and pictures from your Chapter events, Lodge events and service projects. The more you submit, the more we can publish.

Please send your submissions to James Vineyard:
jamesw.vineyard@gmail.com.

Don't wait until we are getting ready to publish. Send your photos and articles as soon after your event as possible.

