

CAHUILLA LODGE #127  
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# Call of the Cahuilla



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## Conclave 2016

In October, Arrowmen from Cahuilla, Wiatava, Puvunga and Tuku' ut Lodges gathered at Camp Tahquitz for Ram Fever Weekend—Conclave 2016. Cahuilla triumphed in the Lodge Ball tournament, but we need to practice Ultimate Frisbee.

Our own Griffin Martois was elected Section First Vice Chief. Congratulations Griffin. And Cahuilla took home some hardware:

- Spirit Award
- 2nd place Newsletters
- 1st place Lodge Plan Book
- 1st place Where to go Camping Guide
- 2nd place Camping Promotion Booth
- 1st place Lodgeball



2016 Conclave  
Lodge Ball  
Champions

A bee, a bee!!!!



# Conclave 2016 (Continued)





## Fall Fellowship



We would all starve without the Stanleys



Service Project: Preparing the site for the new Camp Emerson Chapel.



# Fall Fellowship



The Vigil Honor Class of 2016



# Lodge News

## Elections Results

The Lodge held its election for 2017 officers at Fall Fellowship. The new officers will be installed at the Lodge Banquet on January 7, 2017.

### 2017 Cahuilla Lodge Officers

Lodge Chief	James Vineyard	Adviser	Travis Martois
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Chief	Griffin Martois	Adviser	James Quinn
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Chief	Trenton Fenstermaker	Adviser	Ronny Macias
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice Chief	Justin Ewell	Adviser	Larry Krikorian
Secretary	Jorge Delatorre	Adviser	Anna Delatorre
Treasurer	Jessie Delatorre	Adviser	Ron Price
Staff Adviser			Tucker Adams
Supreme Chief of the Fire			Joseph Daniszewski

## 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.



# Lodge Banquet

## 2017 Cahuilla Lodge Banquet



*Live & Silent Auctions*  
*Your 2017 Dues Can Be Paid At The Door*

Saturday, January 7, 2017  
 Evergreen Masonic Lodge Riverside  
 5801 Chicago Ave, Riverside, CA 92506  
 Gathering at 5:30 PM / Dinner at 7:00 PM  
 Cost: \$30.00 per person, Free for 2016 Golden Arrow Members  
 Registration Deadline is January 3, 2017 - Golden Arrow Members must also register.  
 No Walk-In Registrations Allowed

All proceeds from the Live & Silent Auction will help benefit our youth Arrowmen

Register for Golden Arrow membership and have ALL Lodge Events including CONCLAVE Pre-Paid!

<input type="checkbox"/> \$30 per person	<input type="checkbox"/> Free 2016 Golden Arrow
Pay dues by December 31 <sup>st</sup> and get a \$5 discount	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 per dues paid person

**PLEASE - THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED IN COMPLETELY!**

<b>Name</b> (Last)	(First)	(M.I.)
<b>Phone</b> (Home/Cell)	(email)	Chapter
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<b>Guest 3</b> (Last)	(First)	

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# From the Chief

Hello Cahuilla Lodge!



As we approach the end of 2016, I want to look back and see the impact we have made as a lodge to Scouting. We have inducted 100's of Scouts into our Order and have sealed the ties of Brotherhood for many more. Now as I reflect upon this year's achievements, I can't help but thank you all for your tremendous amount of service you have provided to Cahuilla Lodge, Order of the Arrow, and Scouting in general. I feel that this year will definitely be a historical point in lodge history, but not because we may have earned some pretty awards or we made JTE, but because we have strengthened our sacred ties of Brotherhood as a lodge and have certainly made a friend or two along the way.

I could not have done all of this without the monumental guidance of one super awesome Adviser, Mrs. Blessum. You couldn't even imagine the number of emails that I received from her on a daily basis! This has truly been a life-changing experience and even though there were times when I may have not wanted it as much as other times, I wouldn't have changed it for the world. As we close this year, I want to make certain that I am not going anywhere. I will still remain as involved in Order of the Arrow as I was when I was chief, given the fact that now I have the honor to serve as the Navajo Chapter Secretary, Lodge 1st Vice Chief, and Section W4-S Vice Chief. I wish the best of luck to James Vineyard, 2017 Lodge Chief, and the rest of the Lodge Executive Committee. James, get ready for a lot of emails! I wish you all a Happy Holidays and a wonderful 2017!

WWW,  
Griffin Martois  
2016 Cahuilla Lodge Chief  
R.I.P Harambe

# Adviser's Minute

Arrowmen of Cahuilla,

Although every year brings change and new challenges, 2016 has been a good year for Cahuilla Lodge and as we near the end of 2016 I reflect on the many things for which I am thankful. First and foremost, I have had one of the most memorable years because of the opportunity I had to advise and work alongside an exemplary and extraordinary Lodge Chief, Griffin Martois, his Lodge Executive Committee (LEC) and a group of Associate Advisers, Chapter Advisers and key supporters that are second to none. Last week, the Chief and I were able to share with the Supreme Chief of the Fire the results of everyone's hard work leading to our receiving sufficient points to earn Cahuilla Lodge a Silver rating in Journey to Excellence for 2016. What a great way to transition from 2016 into 2017! This could not have been accomplished by the any one of us alone, but through the Chief's clear goals, focus and execution of those goals for the Lodge and the involvement of every single active Arrowman in Cahuilla this past year. Achievement of the Chief's goals for 2016 was facilitated by the tremendous adult leadership we have to serve our youth and council by serving as Advisers and role models to us all. Many of you who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to assure our youth leaders had the support they needed so that planning for Lodge activities was executed flawlessly be it assuring that food was prepared for activities, financing for supplies was available, coordination of facilities and the many other details that must be attended to in order to put on any Lodge event or activity. Without the best Arrowmen we could not have accomplished our goals. By continually dedicating yourselves to the ideals of the Order of the Arrow you make us who we are and help us all realize our potential. Thank you for continuing to serve our youth in an exemplary way, true to the ideals and values of the Order of the Arrow, every day.

Now, as 2016 draws to a close and with it my term as Cahuilla Lodge Adviser , I step away with very fond memories of exceptional youth, wonderful adults and the satisfaction that we pass on a strong Cahuilla tradition for those that follow us. I wish our 2017 Lodge Chief, James Vineyard and his Adviser, Travis Martois a great year.

I thank you all for everything you have done this past year and will continue to do and wish all of you the warmest wishes for a happy, healthy 2017.

Yours in the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service,  
Cynthia Blessum  
2013-2016 Cahuilla Lodge Adviser





## BSR Camp Emerson Cahuilla Lodge Chapel



*The design of this chapel is meant to enhance the experience when paying reverence to God and to reinforce the founding principles all Scouts live by. The Chapel is void of any specific religious ornamentation. The 12 columns represent the pillars of the Scout Law, joined at the top with a “linking of arms”, creating a strong protective backdrop. The Alter is a simple slab. All pieces of this project were designed so that volunteers can easily and cost-effectively construct this sacred place for our Scouts to connect with their God.*

*Ground breaking for the Chapel was held during Fall Fellowship, November 5, 2016*



***Help support the construction of the chapel by sponsoring a bench, column, alter, or general items required for construction.***

***For more information or to donate please contact 2017 Cahuilla 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chief, Griffin Martois at [1stvice@snakepower.org](mailto:1stvice@snakepower.org) or Cahuilla Chapel Adviser Cynthia Blessum at [chapel@snakepower.org](mailto:chapel@snakepower.org)***



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# Letters From Frank



By Frank Sydow

Greetings my brother and sister arrow people, Your humble brother has yet another bunch of words from out of our great lodge's past. Being one of the more senior extinguished members, many of you have asked some of the many question of what the past was like?

My plan is to shed a little light and humor carefully without attempting to be politically correct. One important not so factual event is "how did our lodge get its name Cahuilla?" Let us turn back the wayback machine to around the fall of 1972 when impending changes were about to occur. The first fact was Arrowhead Area Council which was almost all of San Bernardino County and the home of Camp Helendade and the Famous Wisumahi Lodge, were circling the big Santa Ana Basin drain. Expenses could not be met, and the orders from National Headquarters were merge with Riverside County Council and the world famous Tahquitz Lodge. Alas we were tasked with the impossible.

Many of us pondered this daunting task with Why us, and what did we do to deserve this. Both lodge brothers decided to break down barriers and have a pow wow intent on solving this dilemma. As you might have guessed, arm wrestling was out of the question and this was a very big fish to fry. The gathering chamber was established much like the movie Gladiator, and we eyed our counter parts wondering who would prevail and to what avail would this meeting produce. Many thought that since the unknowing were joining the knowing, the name Tahquitz should be kept with the lower number of 127. The professional staff was soon blasting off to orbit the earth with the belief we were involved with subversive antics to slam our poor brothers. Imagine how wrong I was.

The peace pipe was brought out to which many of us thought is that a weapon, or maybe a cane for a very short Scout. Either way, we were given the directive of a new name which would live on in infamy with the best of both parties. ( Sounds Political huh ) We stood with quaking knees and recited the Scout Oath and Laws, even the oath of our order, then pride and color returned to our faces. Much bantering took place and the final was, ( tom tom roll ), we chose a name of a famous Lake east of the city of Palm Springs called Lake Cahuilla. Imagine how we felt being named after a body of water. Thanks to the electoral process, we were good to go and the name has stuck and all is pleasant in Snake Ville. Now you know the rest of the story. Stay tuned for more nest ish, What happened to A-tsa?

Order of the Arrowly yours:

Frank Sydow

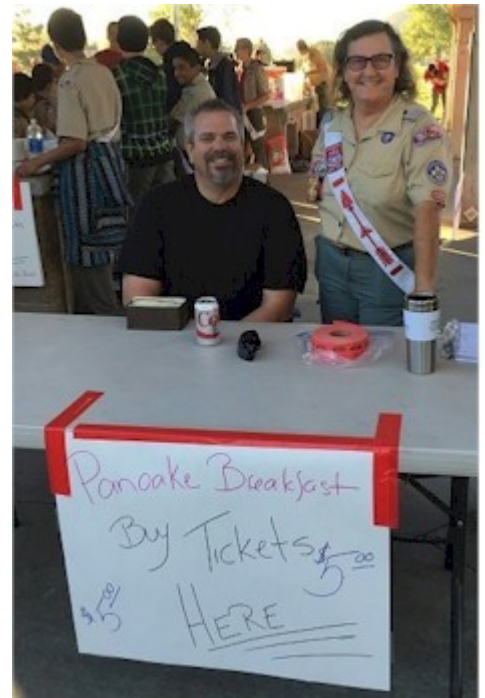


# Adventure Weekend

## Pancake Breakfast



We would all starve....





# Adventure Weekend

## OA Island





# 2017 Lodge Dues



## 2017 Membership Dues Flyer

Cahuilla Lodge #127, Order of the Arrow  
California Inland Empire Council, BSA



### NOTICE:

**BSA & Order of the Arrow Membership is REQUIRED prior to attending any OA event!**  
Your annual dues are good from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017

Register for Golden Arrow membership and have ALL Lodge Events including CONCLAVE Pre-Paid!

<b>Paid by Jan. 7, 2017</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20 Youth / Adult	<input type="checkbox"/> \$135 Golden Arrow
<b>After Jan. 7, 2017</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Youth / Adult	<input type="checkbox"/> \$140 Golden Arrow

**ORDER OF THE ARROW MEMBERSHIP REQUIRES CURRENT BSA REGISTRATION**

**ALL SECTIONS OF THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED IN COMPLETELY!**

<b>Unit Type and #</b>		<b>BSA Membership Number:</b>	
<b>District:</b>		<b>Chapter:</b>	
<b>Name (Last)</b>	<b>(First)</b>	<b>(M.I.)</b>	
<b>Address (Street)</b>	<b>(City)</b>	<b>(State)</b>	<b>(Zip)</b>
<b>Phone (Home)</b>	<b>(Cell)</b>	<b>Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy)</b>	
<b>Email Address:</b> Please provide your email address if you would like to receive Official Cahuilla Lodge electronic communications You can also go to <a href="http://www.snakepower.org">www.snakepower.org</a> to register your email address.			
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Adult Male</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Adult Female</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Youth</b>	

Fill in each Honor with **Month, Day, Year** to the **best of your knowledge** to help the Lodge maintain accurate and complete records.

<b>Order of the Arrow Honor History:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ordeal</b> Date: / /	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Brotherhood</b> Date: / /	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Vigil Honor</b> Date: / /
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## 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 courses available in our region in 2017 are:

Western Region NLS/DYLC - Salt Lake City, UT—May 5-7

Western Region NLS/DYLC—Portland, OR—October 6-8

Western Region NLS — Tokyo, Japan —November 10-12

Or, if you like to travel, you can attend the course in any of the other regions.

Please go to <http://western.oa-bsa.org/program/training/nls> for more information and to register for the sessions that fit your schedule.



# Lodge Calendar

## January 2017

7 Saturday Lodge Banquet @ Evergreen Masonic Center, Riverside  
 21 Saturday LLD Topic – Unit Elections, Lodgemaster, etc. Jack Dembo Council Service Center  
 26 Thursday LEC, Jack Dembo Council Service Center

## February 2017

4 Saturday Council Recognition Dinner  
 23 Thursday LEC, Jack Dembo Council Service Center  
 25 Saturday University of Scouting @ Immanuel Baptist Church, Highland

## March 2017

23 Thursday LEC, Jack Dembo Council Service Center

## April 2017

15 Easter Trail Clean Up @ Mt. Rubidoux, Riverside  
 16 Easter Sunrise Service Trail Lighting @ Mt. Rubidoux, Riverside  
 28 Thursday LEC, Jack Dembo Council Service Center

## May 2017

5-7 Spring Ordeal @ Emerson (Tentative)  
 19-20 Trade-o-ree @ Riverside County Bar Association  
 25 Thursday LEC, Jack Dembo Council Service Center  
 26-28 Weekend OA Council Wide Service to Camp @ Emerson

## June 2017

3 National Trails Day/Lodge 127 Day of Service Location TBD  
 22 Thursday LEC, Jack Dembo Council Service Center

## July 2017

15-29 National Jamboree @ The Summit  
 27 Thursday LEC @ Jack Dembo Council Service Center

## August 2017

11-13 Summer Ordeal at Emerson  
 24 Thursday LEC, Jack Dembo Council Service Center

## September 2017

8-10 Fall Ordeal @ Emerson  
 15-17 Section W4S Conclave @ Outdoor Education Center, Irvine  
 22-24 Adventure Weekend PANCAKE BREAKFAST/ OA Island (Saturday)  
 28 Thursday LEC, Jack Dembo Council Service Center

## October 2017

26 Thursday LEC, Jack Dembo Council Service Center

## November 2017

3-5 Lodge Fellowship and Vigil @ Camp Tahquitz  
 16 Thursday (3rd week) LEC, Jack Dembo Council Service Center in Field Staff Area

## December 2017

2 Lodge Leadership Development Conference @ TBD  
 14 Thursday (2nd week) LEC, Jack Dembo Council Service Center in Field Staff Area

**All dates are subject to change.**