



Cahuilla Lodge #127 - Order of the Arrow

California Inland Empire Council #45

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Lodge Plan Book

2007

“All Honorable Men
Belong To the Same
Tribe”





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2007 Goals

Short Term:

1. Create a cohesive team of leaders to preside over Cahuilla Lodge #127
2. Improve communication throughout the lodge by way of phone, e-mail, and US postal service
3. Publish and send no less than 4 "Call of the Cahuilla" newsletters
4. Have multiple effective LLD Conferences and other training sessions
5. Hold 4 quarterly planning meetings that include review of prior events and planning of upcoming events
6. Promote and jumpstart ceremony team participation and excellence using pre-set Ceremony Excellence materials.
7. Implement the Extended Elangomat program for the 2007 ordeals, using www.elangomat.org as an online resource
8. Provide 4 well run ordeals by restructuring registration, providing meaningful tasks and implementing the Niamat program.



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9. Initiate and promote intensive recruitment of new ordeal members to improve chapter and lodge participation
10. Initiate a program in order to connect our new entering ordeal members through to achieving the brotherhood honor.
11. Meet with chapters in order to strengthen the lodge chapter bonds, and help to reformat chapters who are less active.

Long Term:

1. Inspire leadership and participation in Cahuilla Lodge youth by setting proper examples and increasing communication in 2007
2. Create a firm foundation for 2008, including:
 - a. Well organized processes and paperwork
 - b. Functional chapters
 - c. Increased communication
 - d. Continuing assistance after end of term, 2007
3. Meet all quality lodge requirements to attain quality lodge for 2007
4. Increase Cahuilla Lodge #127 membership and participation



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Chief's Expectation of Officers

First and Foremost, you were selected by your peers to represent them in our Lodge. Because of this I expect every officer this year to exemplify the Scout Oath and Law at all times. Setting the example is the one leadership quality that can never be “turned off;” at all times you will be looked upon as the “example.”

Brotherhood

Each and every one of us was elected into the Order of the Arrow by our peers. If it was not apparent to you then, it was apparent to them that you had the right qualities to wear the sash of our Order. We are an organization involved in the community, yes, but what keeps us going is our brotherhood to each other. I expect every officer, and every member, to treat each other as a brother in the spirit of the Order.

Cheerfulness

Cheerfulness and a positive attitude are what maintain the connection between our brotherhood and service. I expect my officers to always have a positive outlook and to never doubt their abilities in accomplishing realistic goals.

Service

One of the main parts of our Order is unselfish servitude to others. Everyone has taken the oath of the Order of the Arrow, in which you pledged to “endeavor, so far as in [your] power lies, to be unselfish in service and devotion to the welfare of others.” Unselfish service to others, above all else, is what makes our society the Scouting’s “National Honor Society.”

Get Involved

The only way our Lodge can grow is for its members to become involved. This means to consistently show up to Lodge and Chapter meetings and to be concerned with the events that our Lodge is doing. I expect every Lodge officer to not only attend every LEC, but to continue to attend his Chapter meetings to encourage the development of new leaders. Furthermore I encourage all chapter officers to attend every LEC and get their chapter involved in every even Cahuilla offers.

Set Goals

The biggest part of being an officer is getting the job done, while at the same time keeping the group together. There are two types of goals concerned with getting the job done: goals of the position and personal goals. I expect everyone to fulfill the requirements of their position. I encourage everyone to set goals that go beyond his initial position’s requirement.



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Brothers,

We are entering a new year a time for excellence with new challenges and new experiences. We must face these challenges with great enthusiasm and energy. Keeping with the foundation of our past, inspire ideals for our future. We must except our rolls as a service organization and serve our brothers. I pledge you this year to be aware of your brothers if one is struggling offer a helping hand. Don't let this ideal only exist within the order however extend it to everyone especially to those at the troop, venture, varsity level for they may later be the one offering a helping hand to you. It always seems that service is a trickle effect, it is started by one small token and soon it escalates. I ask you to consider the holiday season mood and continue it through the 2007 year. Offer cheer to everyone and become the cheerful scout that is in the minds of all who think of the Boy Scout. We perceive the story of the lone scout as something distant a good story told around the fire. However we must look at this story as the essence of our order. Let it remind us every day to serve our fellowman.

We have much work to do this year and no single person can accomplish it alone. I ask for your help this year in order to make this a year to remember. We shall provide a light for others to follow accomplishing task's so others can follow our example. We shall blaze a path less followed leaving the ordinary and mundane and pledge to excellence. I desire your help and there is much work to accomplish but then the fun comes.

We will bring back the fun this year. Although we will continue to work hard we will play harder remember that the order is not a competition it is a fellowship. Come together this year strengthen the ties between one another and get to know each other, but don't forget to have fun!

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~ Aaron Jones

Lodge Chief