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ORCA LODGE DINNER

The 13th annual Lodge Dinner is rapidly approaching. It will be hosted by Mow-a-Toc Chapter on November 11 in the Scotia Fire House in Scotia. The cost is just \$30 for arrowmen (if emailed newsletter); this includes both dinner and dues for 2007. For non-members, the cost is a reasonable \$20, for youth under 10 just \$9, and 4



and under are Free. This event is open to families as well as arrowmen. While all Arrowmen are encouraged to attend, this is not an exclusive lodge event. Feel free to bring family and friends.

The dinner will begin at 5pm, with a social hour and fellowship. Dinner will be served at 6pm and will feature your choice of Tri-Tip, Chicken Cordon Blue,

and Vegetarian Lasagna. Of course there will be a salad bar and dessert to round out your meal.

Lodge elections will be held at the dinner. All arrowmen under the age of 20 are eligible to run for office. The positions are Chief, Vice-Chief, Secretary, and Treasurer.



If you are interested in running, contact a lodge or chapter officer. Nominations open at the Lodge Executive Committee meeting preceding the dinner.

Tap-outs for the Vigil Honor occur at the Lodge Dinner, along with the presentation of the Founder's Award. Also awarded at the Lodge Dinner are the coveted Orca Lodge Silver Flukes and the prestigious James E. West Award.

This year the lodge will hold a fund raising memorabilia auction at the dinner. Anyone willing to donate patches to the cause is welcome, comma check your sock drawer for that old patch. The dinner should last until about 8:30 p.m. Be sure to fill out the registration form and return it to the Eureka Council Office no later than November 3rd. Hope to see everyone there.



-----Lodge Dinner Registration Form--Cut and Mail Today-----

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code _____

No. Members _____ No. Non-Members _____ No. 9 & Under _____ No. 4 & Under _____

Chapter: _____ Honor: _____ Total amount enclosed _____

Mail this form with your check payable to Orca Lodge #194/BSA, and marked "Lodge Dinner"

Orca Lodge #194/Lodge Dinner
Boy Scouts of America
1007 Wood Street
Eureka, CA 95503

Costs are as follows:

Arrowmen (includes 2007 dues & snail news): \$35.00

Arrowmen (includes 2007 dues & email news): \$30.00

Non-Members: \$20.00

Ages 10 and under: \$ 9.00

4 and under: Free

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NOAC 2006 WAS HOT!!!

The 2006 National Order of the Arrow Conference was held at Michigan State University in East Lansing Michigan. Orca Lodge sent a 21 member contingent to NOAC, our largest contingent ever to go. Before NOAC we got to visit the Gerald R. Ford Museum which was very inspiring. Inside was great; they had a recreation of the oval office which depicted a day in the life of the President. They had also preserved President Ford's Eagle badge and merit badge sash which I thought was really cool. We also got to visit the Dutch Village in Holland.....Michigan. That



of our brothers, including the Lodge Chief, perform a simple dance, if only I had a video camera. The pre-trip was great but we were ready to get going start our week of fellowship with Arrowmen from around the Nation.

NOAC was great from day one. We were not even there long and already people were asking to trade patches. The dorm rooms were great; we got private rooms this time. The weather though was HOT!!! And HUMID!!! But we still were having fun. Over the course of the week our Lodge competed in Lodgeball and had our ceremonies team evaluated as well as attending awesome training classes and evening shows. I had the chance to attend a class on how to make shows for Lodge events and I came back with some great ideas. One night we got to spend with our

brothers from Section W3B and all of Area 3 which was awesome. We showed off our spirit to the all who passed by so they could see that the West is truly the Best. We also had a Western Region gathering and got to meet brothers from our portion of the United States. We got to meet Kieran Thompson, the Western Region Chief, who inspired us all and led us in many "WEST IS BEST" chants. At the Region Gathering we watched all the Lodge Chiefs compete in a pizza eating contest, a good time was had by all. The closing

show was very inspiring as well as funny, it closed the conference appropriately. As we left MSU we were already talking about ArrowCorps5 and NOAC 2009. Orca is looking at taking a road trip to the 2009

NOAC and wants to take even more members than this time, so start planning for 2009 for the greatest experience ever.



was a great experience, many Orca members decided to get weighed to see if they were witches. We also got to see a traditional Dutch dance performed and then got to see some



IMPORTANT INFORMATION CEREMONY TEAMS WANT YOU



Ceremony teams are always in need of as many members as possible. The ordeal ceremony is the first introduction to the Order of the Arrow. If it is done right, our members will grow in numbers. It's all up to us. If you're interested in ceremonies please contact either Jason Kracht or Daniel Washburn.

BROTHERHOOD CONVERSION

Attention all Ordeal members. If you are eligible for Brotherhood here is your chance. The fall Ordeals are here. You should have already begun studying the principles of the Order of the Arrow in the handbook or online at www.jumpstart.aa-bsa.org/. When you receive your Brotherhood you not only prove yourself in cheerful service, but you help our lodge in our Brotherhood attainment. The Brotherhood honor is a part of the Quality Lodge Award requirements. Hope to see you at the next brotherhood ceremony.



Order of the Arrow
ORCA LODGE #194
 2007 Annual Registration Form

Date _____

Clan _____

Unit No. _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ Phone _____ BusPhone _____

Fax _____ E-Mail _____

Honor & Dates:

Ordeal _____ Brotherhood _____ Vigil _____

Vigil Name _____ English Translation _____

Offices, Awards and Notes _____

Dues Collected By _____ *At:* _____

Important - Make and keep a copy for yourself, before returning

Due-ty Calls...

***** THIS IS IMPORTANT--PLEASE READ *****

Arrowmen, dues for the 2007 year are being collected. Dues for this year are only \$10.00 if you want to have newsletters *emailed* to you. If you want newsletters mailed via snail mail, your dues are \$15.00 (to cover printing, postage and handling). Both fees include at least 4 issues of Orca Spouts throughout the year (either via email or snail mail depending on amount of dues paid), as well as a shiny, new membership card. Please note, you do not have to pay back dues if you haven't paid in several years. It also entitles you to participate in all lodge activities this year. If you have not paid your dues, fill out the attached form, with your check, and mail it to the Eureka council office (if you attended the lodge dinner, you have already paid dues for 2006). Arrowmen who have not paid their dues by March 1, 2007 will be dropped from the list of active members. Because of the costs involved with creating, printing and mailing the newsletter, coupled with the costs that the lodge pays to recharter inactive members, Orca Lodge can no longer afford to keep inactive members on the mailing list. If you wish to continue receiving the newsletter, and retain your membership, it is imperative that the attached form be completed and sent to the council office with a check.

Mail the dues form and check payable to Orca Lodge #194/BSA, marked "2006 Dues" to:

Orca Lodge Treasurer
 c/o Redwood Empire Council, Inc.
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 1007 Wood Street
 Eureka, CA 95503

Thanks!!

THE 2006 W-3B CONCLAVE

THE CIRCLE WIDENS

On September 15-17, over 40 members of Orca Lodge descended on Dixon Fairgrounds for a weekend of fellowship, training and just plain fun. The weather was perfect. Just warm enough, but not too, with over 400 arrowmen in attendance. Joining us this year was Kieran Thompson, Western Region Chief, as well as the Ed Chun, Section Adviser from W3C, Hawaii (anyone want to go to Hawaii in February).

In the morning many trainings took place, ranging from GPS courses, to Indian dancing, to wilderness medicine. In the afternoon, a CHP chopper arrived as well as many other midway attractions...and many spirited inter lodge competitions.

Elections were held and the 2007 Section Chief is AJ Meyers of Tah-Heetch Lodge, Vice-Chief is Jake Knudsen of Tannu Lodge and Secretary is Joey Goodknight from Amangi-Nacha Lodge.

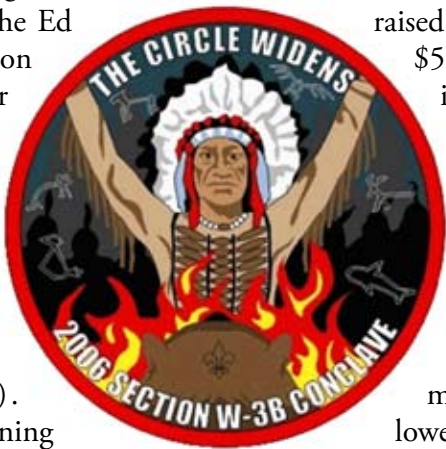
In a new twist, the Vigil Dinner consisted of all the Vigils serving all other members dinner... complete with waiters towels. Wow!

The show that night was quite an affair as we formally welcomed Chumash Lodge of Santa Barbara into our section. Of course that was followed with ice cream for everyone and the annual fund raising memorabilia auction. While most items were more affordable, a few went for \$400-\$500.

In total the auction raised over \$5,000. It is through these efforts the section has been able to maintain a lower fee for the conclave.

On Sunday morning, during the closing show, a very moving Broken Arrow ceremony took place to honor John Mattern the 2006 Section Chief from Orca Lodge. John and his girlfriend, Sheri French, were tragically killed in an auto accident last February. Playing a moving role in the ceremony was our own Patrick O'Neill and in attendance and speaking to the conclave were John's and Sheri French's parents.

Conclave 2006 was all in all, a super event that really showed the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service in action.



LODGE CHIEFS CORNER

Brothers,

What an interesting year it had been. In August our lodge sent a contingent of 21 members the National Order of the Arrow Conference, Orca's biggest contingent ever sent. At the conference, Orca had members compete in Lodgeball and participate in a Ceremony Team evaluation. The shows were spectacular and very inspiring to all. All and all the National Conference again was a success. At NOAC, the National Committee started the promotion for Arrow Corps 5 in 2008, which will be 5 weeks of service at 5 locations around the country with 5 thousand Arrowmen in attendance at each one. One of these service projects will be in Section W3B at Shasta Trinity. So start gearing up for the Highest Adventure the Order will ever have. In September Section W3B had its annual Conclave. Orca was well represented and took awards in Website, OA Jeparody, 5k run, OA Poker All Stars, and others. Congratulations and a big thank you to all who participated.

It has been a real honor and privilege to have been you Chief. This has been a memorable year for me and one of the most my most enjoyable since my induction into the Order. I thank you, my brothers for giving me this fine privilege, but the year is not over yet. In the coming months we will be having our final Ordeals of the year and our rapidly approaching annual Lodge Banquet in Scotia. I hope to see you at these events. Once again my brothers it has been an honor to serve you in this position.

Wimaktendienk, Wingolousik, Witahemue

Patrick O'Neill

2006 Orca Lodge Chief

2006 Section W3B Vice Chief



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The Orca Spouts welcomes (okay, pleads for) submissions, both articles as well as photographs. Sending articles and digital photos via e-mail is highly encouraged. All photos welcomed (aren't you getting tired of ours)? The deadline for submissions to the next edition is Sunday, July 2nd. Send articles and photos to:

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Dates to Remember...

Oct 20-22 Cabrosha Chapter Fall Ordeal/Camp Masonite Navarro	
Oct 17 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office	7:30
Oct 27-28 Spook-A-Ree/Camp Riggs	
Oct 24 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Police Station	7:00
Nov 3-5 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Fall Ordeal/Elk River Scout Camp	
Nov 11 Annual Lodge Dinner & Exec Board Meeting/Mow-A-Toc	5:00
Nov 17-19 NLS Area 3 – Camp Bothin, Fairfax, Ca	
Nov 21 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/ Eureka Scout Office	
Nov 28 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Police Station	7:00
Dec 9-10 Vigil Dinner & Ceremonies/Camp Masonite Navarro	
Dec 19 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office	7:30
Dec 26 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Police Station	7:00
Jan. 5-7 Section W-3B Retreat/Site TBA	
Jan. 13 Lodge Exec. Brd, Mtg/Presbyterian Church, Ukiah	1:00
Jan. 16 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office	7:30
Jan. 23 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Police Station	7:00
Feb. 13 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office	7:30
Feb. 20 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Police Station	7:00
Mar. 10 Section W-3B Meeting	
Mar. 16-18 Lodge Fellowship & Meeting / Camp Riggs - Tentative	
Mar. 20 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office	7:30
Mar. 27 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Police Station	7:00
May 12 Section W-3B Meeting	
Jun. 1-3 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Spring Ordeal/Camp Riggs	
Jun. 15-17 Cabrosha Chpt Spring Ordeal/Camp Masonite Navarro	

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