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Spring 2013

Don't Forget!

- Pow Wow: Sept. 20-22
- LEC: Sept. 22

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"Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui"

The words of the Delaware meaning "Brotherhood, Cheerful, and Service, form the name of the order into which Chingachgook bound the warriors with whom he served, as they fought back the fierce marauders told of in the Ordeal Ceremony.

We now keep this name, as a reminder of what the Order of the Arrow was established to accomplish and to honor: those who work together and continue to serve cheerfully.

Throughout Pre-Camp and as we move into summer camp at Rainey Mountain, these words should be ever on our mind. The Ordeal was established not to test people, but to teach them these virtues, and to prepare them for the loneliness and complexity of leadership.

As we welcome our new members this weekend, remember that you were once in their position. Serve beside them cheerfully, as Kichkinet calls us to do, and welcome them into our Brotherhood. Only together can we find the Arrow.

"He alone is worthy to wear the Arrow who will continue to serve his fellow man."

Chiefly Speaking

We are pushing through the year with leaps and bounds. We have strived for success by bringing more great talent into our lodge, and we have succeeded. I am so glad to welcome our new members who have joined us since Spring Fellowship. There are some necessary things that all our members must remember, from the youngest and newest members to the most experienced lodge member. My best advice to us all is to remember there is so much knowledge to learn, and we must always be striving to make ourselves and, therefore, the lodge better. The best way to gain knowledge is to learn from others who have the necessary skills and experience. There are many members who would be willing to share their stories and skills, but may not willingly give it out without being asked. We can all gain something from taking the time to sit down and listen to a story from one of our brothers. It has very much aided me by being the one to stretch out my hand, introduce myself, and ask for help. I have created great relationships with others with whom I may have never come in contact without starting the conversation. Push yourself to meet someone new every time there is a lodge function, to always be gaining insight and better yourself. Keep your ears open, and possibilities are endless.

Steven Pierce

2013 Mowogo Lodge Chief

Chapter Reports

Canantutlaga

In Canantutlaga, we have been busy planning the Fall Camporee for our district for this October. After being asked by our district to run the event, we have come up with a Night Owl-Zombie Apocalypse Survival theme that focuses on use of Scout knowledge and should be interesting. At Conclave this year, 3 of our 4 ceremonialists made honor team, and our Chapter Chief, Jackson Francis, placed second in the Grass Dance competition. Elections are running smoothly as we have the majority of troops in already. We hope to accomplish more before the end of the year to show that we are the "Brotherhood of Cheerful Service."

Branton Fletcher

2013 Canantutlaga Chapter Vice Chief of Communication

Machque

Machque chapter had 19 members attend conclave. One of our members, Uriah Giet, performed the Flaming Hoop Dance at the Saturday night campfire. We have several members that will be serving on staff in various capacities at the National Jamboree this summer. We are planning one social activity this summer but the details have not yet been worked out as to what that activity will be, or when and where it will take place.

Daniel Kumler 2013 Machque Chapter Chief



Lau-in-nih

Lau-in-hih continues to grow stronger throughout this new year. Thus far this year we have conducted 19 elections, gained 44 new members, have 14 members who have sealed their membership in the Brotherhood; and, 34 members are attending Conclave, a number of them for the first time. The Chapter planned and hosted Sweetwater Camporee featuring the Indian Lore merit badge, and helped 44 Scouts earn the merit badge during the weekend. We are looking forward to May Pre-Camp for the opportunity for service, the Ordeal experience of our new brothers, and the opportunity to bring home the Black Bear at Pow Wow.

Daniel Odom

2013 Lau-in-nih Chapter Chapter Chief

Japeechen

What a great start we have had this year. Our Elections resulted in 43 potential new candidates. Of these, 23 became Ordeal Members at Spring Fellowship and as of May 6th, 12 more have registered for Pre-Camp. Japeechen also had 12 of 15 of our new "Trained Elangomats" attend Spring Fellowship, and we had 26 members who registered to attend Conclave.

This year we began our 2013 Chapter Project list by completing the construction of Adirondack bunks and renovating the Adult Cabin in Jefferson Campsite. We also continued our Scoutland Trading Post Deck Project by building out the deck (See left picture). We plan to build the stairs and handicap ramp prior to the start of the summer season and complete the roof as the summer schedule will allow. We are looking forward to continuing our long standing practice of Chapter ownership of Council Projects by signing up at <u>www.mowogo.org</u> for another set of projects to be completed at Pre-Camp. We encourage all Mowogo chapters to join us as we strive to fulfill our commitment to cheerful service.

> *Andrew Hiltbrand* 2013 Japeechen Chapter Chapter Chief

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OA High Adventure

Check out the OA High Adventure programs at Philmont, Sea Base, and Northern Tier. These programs offer two full weeks of high intensity outdoor adventure, leadership development, and a way to build friendships that will last a lifetime, for as little as \$250. Any Order of the Arrow member between the ages of 16 and 21 is eligible, and spots are still available for the summer of 2013. Get more information at <u>http://adventure.oa-bsa.org/</u>.







Bear Walk: A New Tradition

At Spring Fellowship, our Lodge started a new tradition that will be around for a long time. This tradition is based on the Lodge Displays of Conclave and NOAC. On Sunday mornings, we encourage everyone, especially new Ordeal members, to stick around and learn about all the opportunities that the Order of the Arrow has to offer. There are booths set up to show off Ceremonies, Dance, Drumming, National Events, and our OA Trading Post. Throughout this event we will have a raffle to give away Scouting Memorabilia to new Ordeal members. Also at this event, new members will receive their Lodge Flap. Hang around for this special event Sunday of the OA event weekend.

Following our Bear Walk, we have our Scout's Own Church Service, a truly remarkable experience for us to gather together as brothers in order to give praise to the Scoutmaster of us all. Remember: A Scout is Reverent.

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Indian Affairs

Dear Brothers,

Indian Affairs swept the floor at Conclave with an amazing 7 dancers! Mowogo led the rest of the lodges with a 50 point lead to gain the overall Indian Affairs award!

Indian Affairs plays a big part in every lodge event. If you are interested and willing to join you can contact me or my chairs: Drum- Jackson Francis, Dance- Mac Lacey, and Ceremonies- Christopher Steele.

Jacob Hiltbrand

2013 Mowogo Vice Chief of Indian Affairs





(Above): Jacob Hiltbrand (Vice Chief of Indian Affairs) and Elaine Foster (Indian Affairs Advisor) with the 2013 Eligixin (The Worthy One) Award

Conclave Dance Team (Left): (From Right to Left) Steven Pierce, Jackson Francis, Jacob Hiltbrand, Alex Foster, Daniel Pierce, Manuel DeArmus, Drew Kulp)

Ceremonies

Pre-Ordeal Team: Honor Team– Kichkinet: Jackson Francis, Nutiket: Uriah Giet, Meteu: JJ Wiggs, Allowat Sakima: Alex Carmichael

Ordeal Team: Kichkinet: Jackson Francis, Nutiket: Uriah Giet, Meteu: Jason Moody, Allowat Sakima: Nathan Fleeson



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Conclave Achievements

Grass Dance

Alex Foster: 1st place dance, and 1st place outfit Jackson Francis: 2nd place dance

Traditional Dance

Steven Pierce: Traditional Dance, 1st place dance, and 1st place outfit **Daniel Pierce**: Traditional Dance, 2nd place dance, and 3rd place outfit **Drew Kulp**: Traditional Dance





Old Time Sioux

Jacob Hiltbrand: Old Time Sioux Dance, 1st place dance, and 1st place outfit

Manuel DeArmas: Old Time Sioux Dance, 2nd place dance, and 2nd place outfit





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Lodge Advisor's Minute

Dear Brothers,

What an awesome turnout we had for Conclave at Bert Adams Scout Reservation. As you have most likely already heard, Mowogo came away with the award for Best Overall Indian Affairs. Combined efforts from our ceremony and dance team really paid off. As you can see from the results posted in the Arrowpoints, we had a particularly good showing from our dancers, some of whom were actually relatively new to the Pow Wow arena. Please join me in congratulating them. And speaking of relatively new, we had a huge showing of new Arrowmen from Spring Fellowship in attendance at Conclave as well. What an excellent way for our up and coming brothers to contribute to the Lodge.

As you might have noticed, we began a new tradition on Sunday at our last Spring Fellowship, a spark of a tradition which I truly hope we can fan into a flame as we build upon the fire of cheerfulness. Our Lodge Committees went to great lengths to set up and maintain display booths which were utilized to convey information about the opportunities available to you as Arrowmen. Candidates were encouraged to stay through Saturday evening and into Sunday morning and we hope that our members will continue to support this mission by following suit and celebrating with these new Arrowmen. We gave them their handbooks, lodge flaps, and membership cards on Sunday Morning and all new Arrowmen received tickets for door prizes which were donated by our Trading Post. It was great fun all around.

I would like to take a moment to commend the leadership team that you have elected. They are not satisfied with the status quo and are always taking steps to do new and exciting things. I look very forward to seeing what they will come up with next, and how they will build upon these opportunities. I encourage all of you to stick around for our Scout's Own service and our fellowship on Sunday Morning of Pre-Camp and by all means, pass the word to all you know that the old days of leaving right after your Ordeal ceremony are over. People need to stick around and get plugged in.

I would like to remind you that next year's Conclave will be in Moundville, AL near Tuscaloosa, Alabama. It will be a haul for us to travel, and many of you will use this as an excuse to stay out of Conclave. I have to admit, this was my first blush attitude. Then I started thinking about those folks in Tuscaloosa who have been traveling over here for years for conclave. They will be putting a great deal of effort into being our host lodge, and I would like to think that Mowogo will honor their efforts by attending their conclave.

Again, it is an honor and privilege to be a brother with you in the absolutely best Lodge in the Section, and possibly in the United States. It is all because of your commitment to Unselfish Service, and for that I thank you.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Edward Lacey Lodge Advisor