



## Volume 6, Issue II

### Don't Forget!

- **Pre-Camp**  
May 18-20, 2012
- **Pow-Wow**  
September 21-23, 2012
- **NOAC**  
July 30-August 4, 2012

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# ARROW POINTS

The Quarterly Newsletter of Mowogo Lodge

Spring 2012

## From Nutiket

As Guardian of the circle, I must demand of you several things before I allow you to enter our circle tonight. When we first met, I told you that you were just beginning a long journey that would be filled with challenges and toils. With this I advised you to look at the cheerful fire that is in your heart. Your friends noticed this when they elected you to our order. But I would like to know how you are progressing in this quest. Have you fed that spark and turned it into a fire? Have you continued to live and act in service to others that entitles you to continue to be worthy of admittance to our circle?

The Ordeal may be over, but that was just the first step of your journey where you found which direction your path should take. Have you experienced the joys of the cheerful heart dedicated to the higher purpose of serving others? Remember that Allowat Sakima, the Mighty Chief, directed after your Ordeal that membership was not granted for what you have done, but for the path that lies ahead and how you travel in the future.

We realize you will face new tests and encourage you to heed the example of Uncas in devoting yourself to cheerful service. If you are new to the Order, you may find further encouragement and understanding by sealing your membership by dedicating yourself to the obligations of the Brotherhood membership. Always remember these words from the chief: **"He alone is worthy to wear the Arrow who will continue faithfully to serve his fellow-man."**

So stoke those cheerful fires and come join me in the circle.

Yours in Cheerful Service,

*Nutiket*



## Chiefly Speaking

I heard a story during this past conclave that I want to share with everyone. On the northern plains, there was a dancer who was crippled and could not stand all the way up when he danced. He had a crouch stance to his body. One day, a song was played. The song started off as a click on the side of the drum, and he still was crouching as he danced. As the song got louder he noticed he could stand up more and more. After a few pushes up, he was dancing like everyone else. Others said that it was one of the best dances they had ever seen. The song went back to clicking, and he slowly began crouching again. By song's end he was completely back to his crouch stance. He fell to his knees, and thanked the creator for that one dance.

This story we tell to dancers. If you will get one dance in your life, don't let it go past you. It could help heal someone who is sick, or help to turn someone back down the right path. Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do, than by the ones you did do.

To quote Mark Twain, "Don't let that dance go past you".

*Alex Foster*

2012 Mowogo Lodge Chief

## Captain Abearica!!!

Brothers,

Last month was Conclave, which was held at Camp Benjamin Hawkins in Byron, GA. Mowogo was well represented, bringing over 120 Arrow men. Aside from the successful training cells, Mowogo did very well during the events. The Lodge Placed 1st in Planbook, 1st in Grass and Old Time Dance, 1st in Grass and Old Time Outfit, and 2nd in Traditional Dance.

We also had a Ceremony honor team, and we took 3rd place in 2 quest events. I would like to add a congratulations to Nikko Llana for receiving a scholarship from the section for the 2013 National Scout Jamboree, to serve on Project 2013 Staff. Thanks to everyone who came out to Conclave, and I hope you will be back next year.

*Ben Llana*

Vice Chief Of Membership 2012



## Up Next, Pow Wow!!!

If you liked what happened at Conclave, be sure to attend our lodge Pow-Wow on September 16-18! There you will find all kinds of activities, from Indian Affairs to Chapter competitions. If you're a new Arrowman, this is also a great opportunity to learn what all is available for you in the lodge!

Be prepared to learn more about all that the Order of the Arrow has to offer its new members. Become aware of the new experiences that only the Order gives its brothers. Meet the brothers that are apart of your lodge and be prepared to make great new friendships.

## Mowogo Lodge Conclave Successes

### AIA Events

Grass Dance Costume: 1st Place Alex Foster  
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Old Style Sioux Costume: 1st place Mac Lacey, 2nd Place Jacob Hiltbrand  
Old Style Sioux Dance: 1st Place Jacob Hiltbrand, 2nd Place Mac Lacey

Northern Traditional Dance: 2nd Place Steven Pierce

Dancing but not placing: Daniel Kumler, Fancy Dance  
Jackson Francis, Grass Dance  
Jarred Francis—Straight Dance

Administrative Events: Lodge Display 3rd Place  
Planbook: 1st Place

Quest: Tug Of War 3rd Place  
Volleyball 3rd place

## Chapter Reports

### Lau-in-nih

Hello Brothers,

In Lau-ih-nih, we have been busy working towards a better functioning chapter and a greater membership. We are playing games at chapter meetings, and working on getting a dance team and costuming made. At our pre-camp preparation meeting we will be having our annual cookout. This year we are incorporating Food, Fun, and Formulation as we eat, play Frisbee and Native American games, and formulate or make some chapter costuming.

In the beginning of April our chapter ran the Sweetwater District's Spring Camporee after months of planning. We had over 120 Scouts playing roles as "Scout Gladiators" using their chariots in a "Klondike Race." Many members came out to help and made this a great weekend of fun and service. At Spring Fellowship we gained 30 new members and are planning ways of member retention. We are pushing for more Ordeal members at pre-camp and for more Brotherhood conversions. We are also pushing for new NOAC members and a greater chapter involvement on the lodge level.

*Nate Kurth*

2012 Lau-ih-nih Chapter Chief

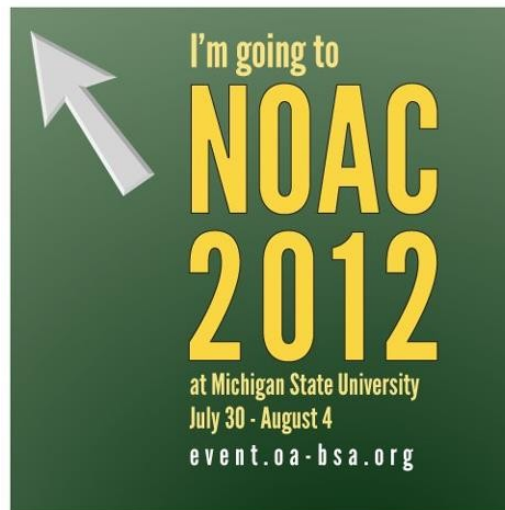


## National Order of the Arrow Conference 2012

The 2012 National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) will be one of your most memorable Scouting experiences. NOAC 2012 will be held at Michigan State University from July 30 through August 4, 2012 and is projected to be one of the largest in the Order's history with more than 8,000 Arrowmen in attendance.

NOAC will feature a number of unique events, including national competitions for ceremonies, drum, and dance; evening shows; the OA history museum; and awesome recreation competitions such as soccer, basketball, and ultimate frisbee. Highlights such as the Founder's Day festivities including the Founder's Day Parade and the Inter-Region dodge ball battle are some of the exciting events at NOAC.

Arrowmen can participate in service projects, high adventure opportunities, leadership training, American Indian Activities training, and much more. While enjoying the various activities, Scouts will have a great time meeting new brothers and sharing their experiences with people from around the nation.



*Drew Hickey*

2012 Vice Chief of Administration





## Vice Chief Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs did really well at Conclave this year, with several of our dancers placing in both dance and regalia. Our lodge Chief took First in Grass Dance and Regalia, Mac Lacey and Jacob Hiltbrand played swap for the first and second places of Old Style Dance and Regalia, each getting a first and second place. Our ceremony team walked away with a lot of helpful information about how to approach the ceremony's to better prepare for our candidates. Just the weekend before Conclave, we helped out at the Scout Show, running an Indian village with games, dance, and the opportunity to earn the Indian Lore merit badge. Our ceremony team is growing slowly but gradually, and we are preparing for our up-coming National Order of the Arrow Conference.

*Jarred Francis*

2012 Vice Chief of Indian Affairs

## Mike Smith: Head Coach of the Atlanta Falcons



Vice Chiefs Steven Pierce and Ben Llena, as well as Lau-in-nih Chapter Chief, Nate Kurth, had the opportunity of a lifetime at the American Values dinner in early March. The three had the opportunity to meet and converse with the head coach of the Atlanta Falcons—Mike Smith.

This event is one of the largest fundraisers for North East Georgia Council. The fund-raising took place in Gwinnett County with a variety of speakers. Mike Smith was the head speaker for the evening, and he was willing to chat with plenty of young Scouts who were there to carry in the colors.

## Recipe Alert—Fry Bread

### Ingredients

3 cups all-purpose flour  
1 tablespoon baking powder  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cups warm water  
Oil, for frying

### Directions

Put flour, baking powder, and salt in a large bowl. Mix well, add warm water and stir until dough begins to ball up. On a lightly floured surface knead dough. Do not over-work the dough. After working dough, place in a bowl and refrigerate for 1/2 to 1 hour.

Heat oil to 350 degrees in a frying pan or kettle. Lightly flour surface, then pat and roll out baseball size pieces of dough to 1/4-inch thickness. Cut a hole in middle with a knife (so the dough will fry flat), and place in oil. Cook until one side is golden brown and flip over and cook opposite side until same golden brown. Dough is done in about 3 minutes, depending on oil temperature and thickness of dough.

After fry bread is done, top with a favorite topping. If you top with chile and cheese, then cover with lettuce and tomatoes, onions, olives, and green chile, you have an "Indian Taco".

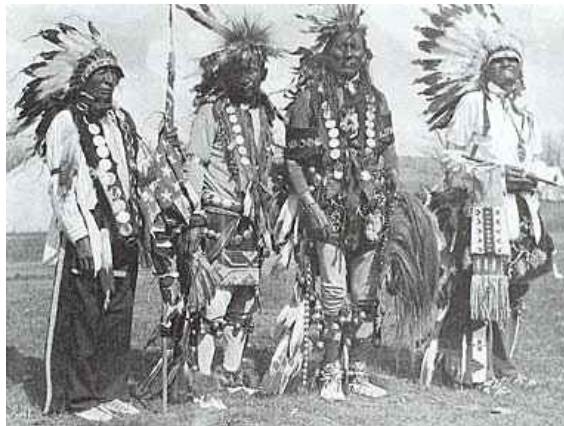


## Overview of the Dances: Part 2

### Old Time Sioux

Old Time Sioux is an old warrior society dance of the northern plains tribe. The dance is from the 1880s to 1900s. As the dancers dance, they look as if they tell stories of hunting, and they are also said to be re-enacting the movement of a warrior searching for the enemy.

Old Time Sioux dancers wear a messy bustle while the modern dancers have a wider swing bustle. This is one of the oldest forms of Native American dancing, and most modern dances have evolved from these roots.



### Chicken Dance



The Old Style Chicken Dance is one of the oldest forms of dancing. The Men's Chicken Dance style originates amongst the Blackfoot people.

Long ago there was a young Blackfoot man hunting to get food for his family. He heard a noise in the distance. It sounded like something was thumping on the ground. He got very curious and followed this sound. As he approached the sound he saw prairie chickens dancing in the tall grass.

He took his bow and arrow and shot and killed one of the birds. He brought the carcass back to his tipi and his wife prepared it for the evening feast. As the man's family was done eating their dinner, they went to lay their heads down for the night.

When this man was sleeping, he had a dream that this prairie chicken spirit came to him and asked him "Why did you kill me? My people were doing a sacred dance of my people." The man replied that he needed to feed his family.

The prairie chicken honored this and told this man that he was going to teach him the sacred dance of his people.

He was to go out there and teach every man this dance and if he did not do as he was told this prairie chicken was going to come back and take this man's life.

This is how the Prairie Chicken Society and Men's Chicken Dance came to the Blackfoot people.

"We are happy that you are an Arrowman. We are even happier when you are an Arrowman in good standing with the lodge — meaning that your dues are paid for the current year. Just think what your Scout shirt will look like if you have to remove the Mowogo lodge flap because your dues aren't paid. :( Instant bummer, man. Visit Mowogo.org to get things handled"

**"He who  
serves his  
fellows, is of  
all his  
fellows  
greatest"**

**Chief  
Chingach-  
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### New Member Login

Username: 243Mowogo  
Password: Winchester12

The old login information  
will be disabled on May 20,  
after PreCamp weekend.

## Lodge Adviser's Minute

### HEALTH ADVISORY

Edward Lacey PhD\*

#### Sash-ologist

This is a public health advisory and warning from your ever helpful Lodge Adviser.

Every year we see unfortunate Scouts and leaders become afflicted with a most terrible disease. This condition, commonly referred to as **"Sash and Dash"** or **"Flap and Flee"**, may not seem like much at first, but it is a real affliction that has dire consequences for the Scout, the lodge, and most unfortunately, to the unit. The disease is most commonly noticed in new youth and adult Ordeal members of the Order of the Arrow, but it is also noticeable in adult unit volunteers.

Early warning signs are:

1. Leaving the Ordeal weekend never to be seen again at an OA event.
2. Unwillingness to exhibit any "cheerful service".
3. Acting important and telling all their buddies that they "got into the OA", but immediately zoning out with "zombie face" when told "Those that chose you need you".
4. Desire to be seen with a sash or flap publicly but not at OA events.
5. Clean, crisp sash showing no signs of having ever gotten dirty in service to others.

If left untreated, **"Sash and Dash Syndrome"** can lead to a lifetime of lack of understanding of the purpose of the Order of the Arrow, and an unwillingness to know, understand, and live by the Admonition.

Infected members often are heard to make statements like, "I earned my OA"; "I have other things to do"; and "The OA takes away from the unit". In its more advanced stages, Ordeal members may express a lack of appetite, after ten months of membership, to complete the Ordeal and achieve the "Brotherhood" membership. In the most advanced stages, having never participated in any OA activity, having become totally uninvolved, the patient will simply do nothing and never pay their dues after the first year. When left unchecked for 20 years or more it results in an adult volunteer wearing an old flap but having a total lack of knowledge of the Order. These often are heard saying, "The OA is nothing like it was when I went through" but they can't tell you when the last OR the next OA event was / is.

**"Sash and Dash"** is easy to avoid and is readily treatable. First, members should take a healthy attitude and get involved early. Even occasional exposure to lodge or chapter activities can boost the immune system, and reduce the chances of this disease occurring. An early warning sign is the statement, "Nobody asked me to get involved or to help. Nobody called me." When this occurs, the best course is to show up at the next meeting or event, and take the initiative to get involved. In many cases, we have confirmed reports of sufferers being quickly cured just by having a buddy or an adult mentor ask them to come with them to the next lodge event or chapter meeting.

If you notice any Scouts or adults with the above described symptoms, quick and decisive action is most important. Encourage your active Arrowmen and adult volunteers to help mentor young men through the principles of the Order. Even something as simple as paying one's OA dues once a year will help to keep this disease at bay. If you see someone wearing a flap and you don't recognize their face, it's a good indicator that they *may* be a **"Sash and Dasher"**. To eradicate this most dreaded disease, you must commit to immediately engage them in conversation and investigate their condition.

Fun is the best prevention technique we've discovered.

Avoid **"Sash and Dash"**. Get out and have some fun. Get involved with the Order...and get your "Dirty Sash" on!

Edward Lacey

\*About the Author: Dr. Lacey holds a PhD (piled higher and deeper) degree in Sash-ology from the E. Umer Goodman Institute of Hard Knocks. He is available for speaking engagements across the entire council – if you can get him when he's not Scouting – which is just about every weekend. Don't miss his next Sash-ology article entitled, "Dirty Sash Syndrome: Blessing or Curse".