



ARROW POINTS

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Don't Forget!

- Pow Wow—September 16-18
- LLDC—October 28-30
- Christmas Banquet—December 3

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What Happened This Summer?

If you're wondering what Mowogo's been up to this summer, we'd like to tell you about our activity at Camp Rainey Mountain during summer camp. All of the Lodge Chief's spent at least some of their summer working with the youth that came to CRM. Bryce French, Mowogo's Lodge Chief worked on the Waterfront while our VCM Scud served as Scoutskills Director, VCIA Andy Ford was in Life Skills, VCC Kai De Blasio was COPE AD, and VCA Stephen Aaron was Tech Studies Director. If you went to CRM Summer Camp, you probably also remember the OA portion of the Wednesday night camp fire! Those who weren't there all summer went to Virginia to help with OA Summit Corps including your Lodge Chief Bryce French (See page 3).



New Lodge Flap!

Mowogo has recently changed its flap policies in the lodge rules. For those of you who don't know, the official lodge flap is now unrestricted but there are now two new flaps that are only available to those who meet certain requirements!

The Membership Flap and the Service Flap have been added as a small incentive to attend lodge functions and encourage attendance at lodge and chapter service weekends!

Pow Wow's Here!

Wondering what's going on at Pow Wow? Well the agenda's packed with tons of fun activities including OA Training Cells, Chapter Competitions, and elections for the 2012 Lodge Chiefs.

Remember if you're planning on running for any lodge office, you must first submit your letter of intent to the council executive or lodge staff adviser.

Another important note is for all Ordeal members

who had signed up for the Jutaculla Brotherhood Service opportunity at Scoutland. As you know, the weekend was cancelled, but you can still go through your Brotherhood Conversion next weekend at Pow Wow!

Be sure to get a copy of the schedule when you arrive on Friday for all the information regarding training cells, competitions, service opportunities, and more.

On the Web

Some recent changes you'll find on the website include the updates to the lodge rules, planbook, and the expanded online registration. Online adult nomination forms are also available for the upcoming election season! Be sure to make sure that your troop is lined up for an election this fall!

Indian Summer

Indian summer is an Order of the Arrow phenomena occurring on occasion in the late summer. A gathering of like minded arrowmen assemble to share in a week of learning and fellowship based on their love of and desire to gain knowledge of Native American activities within the Order. Mowogo sent a contingent of fourteen to Indian Summer.

Jason Moody came away excited about all he learned regarding songs and dances of Cherokee, as well as the great feedback received from other arrowmen who also personify Meteu in the ceremonies. He also participated in the ceremonial costume contest.

Timothy Pouncey said that his experiences at Indian Summer were incredible, with the coolest activities being the Pow Wows. He was able to get a better picture of how each dance style works.

Brady and Daniel Kumler really enjoyed learning about and doing the crafts. They felt like they learned a lot

which they plan to bring home and teach their fellow lodge brothers.

Kristy Kumler, one of only three adults to attend, feels that the youth who attended came away with a better understanding of why and how things are done in the Order of the Arrow.

Alex Foster walked away with a new fire of ideas on how to lead the lodge and inspire the next generation of dancers and drummers.

Indian Summer was more than ceremonies, dance and crafts. The closing show was an amazing short play on the founding of the Order. In the evenings we gathered in 'tribes' to discuss 'servant leadership' My Brothers, I would encourage each of you to ponder those two very important words. How would you respond if ask, what does it mean to be a servant leader???

-Indian Affairs



Kristy Kumler, Brady Kumler, Alex Foster, Edward Fisher, Jacob Hiltbrand, Jason Moody, Kaeden Carter, Timothy Pouncey, Jarrod Henderson, Brandon Fletcher, Jackson Wiggs, Daniel Kumler, Elaine Foster, Steven Pierce



Cutting of the ribbon at the Arrowhead Trail Dedication.
(Check out the whole crew on page 4.)

Arrowhead Trail Dedication

"Let's ride!" was the rallying cry at the ribbon-cutting of the newly completed Arrowhead Trail system in the New River Gorge National River on Wednesday evening.

After 32,704 hours of labor donated by 1,022 Boy Scouts this July, the 14-mile trail system is now available to hikers, runners and mountain bikers, who showed up en masse to be among the first to make their tracks in the freshly graded earth.

One of the many outdoor enthusiasts present at the opening, ready to ride in full mountain biking gear, was Maura Kistler. She said she has ridden the trails and is impressed with both their scope and quality, calling them "beautifully built."

"We always hear that the Boy Scouts are a game-changer," said Kistler. "Well, here is the first thing we're seeing from them, and if it's a harbinger of things to come

— top notch."

Those speaking for the Boy Scouts were equally complimentary to the community where their work was based this summer.

"You don't complete \$1.6 million worth of trail building without this kind of community," said Jonathan Hillis, national chief of the Order of the Arrow, which is the "honor society" of the BSA that led the trail-building project.

"This project is not just the end of our time here. This stacked loop is not the culmination. It's the commencement of a history between the Boy Scouts and the community, and we will be back," he said before snipping the red ribbon.

Representatives from ICorps along with the current and past National Chiefs and National Adviser were in attendance. And of course MOWOGO was there!

Mowogo Lodge and Summit Corps 2011

As many of you already know, this summer our Lodge completely filled the 18 slots allotted to us for our contingent to SummitCorps in Beckley WV. What you may not know is that in typical Mowogo fashion, we found ways to increase our participation to the point where we sent more members to serve at SummitCorps than any Lodge in the nation! What a great feather in our bonnet.

Out of the 39 Arrowmen selected nationwide to serve on the iCorps (instructor corps) four were from Mowogo. Our Chief Bryce French, Davis Lacey, Hunter Lemming and Josh Nolan lived for seven weeks in West Va. and were often the “go to” crew leaders to get the job done and were often visible in videos, interviews and press releases presented about the project. Mowogo sent thir-

teen other Arrowmen to serve in key staff positions during weeks 2 and 3 including Hudson May who served as the youth Logistics Chief for week 3. When you add the four members from Mowogo that were “adopted” into the Alibamu Lodge Contingent during week 3 our total participation was 39 Arrowmen. This is absolutely outstanding.

Some facts you should know about the project: The project was conducted in the New River Gorge National park in Beckley WV, the home of The Bechtel Family Summit – BSA’s new home for our National Scout Jamboree. The SummitCorps 2011 project was conducted in partnership with the National Park Service and the West Virginia National Guard. The combined efforts of the trail work and the overhead to organize this

event resulted in 78,544 volunteer hours, which has estimated value of more than \$1.6 million. There were a total of 1404 adult and youth participants who together completed more than 12 miles of mountain bike trail at New River Gorge National Park. However, the Scouts did not stop at just giving sweat equity to West Virginia. Each week, they held a patch auction to raise money for local charities and organizations. Trading patches—a time held tradition in Scouting, enabled participants to turn cloth into cash and patches into possibility. In total the Scouts raised \$15,357.50 through weekly patch auctions (of which our own Jason Stribling served as a live auctioneer during week 3). The money raised will support Brian’s Safehouse, Burlington United Methodist Children’s Home, Just For Kids, Mt.



Hope Children’s Health Council, Three Rivers Avian Center (animal shelter for injured and endangered wild birds), the Women’s Resource Center, and the Youth Museum of Southern West Virginia, Inc.. Taking the OA motto of Cheerful Service to the next level they also raised more than \$1000 through a bake sale. Funds from the sale went to a Raleigh County 911 dispatcher who is suffering from cancer and struggling with medical expenses.

Other organizations that benefited from the four-week service project included the Pine Haven Homeless Shelter, located in Beckley, where 5600 pounds of food was donated which provided more than 100 people daily with nutritious meals (each meal provided 1700 calories) throughout

the month of July. Local organizations that provide community meals and food giveaways also received 4200 non-perishable meals valued at more than \$25,000.

One important fact to remember is that the Order took the lead on building relationships with local organizations and individuals that will pave the way for the Summit. I’m sure that at first many locals were hesitant when they heard the scouting hoards were coming. However, through the application of the Admonition, arrowmen have demonstrated through acts of service what true scouting is all about. The values of the Order of the Arrow members, including Mowogo, are reflected in the cheerful service they provided to the communities of Southern

West Virginia. This is just the beginning of an ongoing relationship with the National Park Service, neighboring communities, and the Boy Scouts of America as make their new home at The Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve.

Once again, my chest swells with pride in knowing that I am a member of such a great Lodge, and such a great organization.

Check out the official summit blog for photos and stories surrounding this event, as well as information on the new Summit property development. <http://www.summitblog.org/>

Ed Lacey



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Canantutlaga—Reflecting on the Past

How do you make a future arrow man? Well, when it comes to this, the Canantutlaga Indian Affairs ceremonialists know best. Weather it's from competing at conclave or doing a Cub Scout cross over, we help light the fire in others to continue on the trail.

This is what keeps the core of Indian actors going. In hopes that the young Scouts will look up to them and pay it forward to younger scouts when they take our place.

*From your Canantutlaga CC,
Sterling Pyles*



Arrowhead Trial Crew

Japeechen

This summer, Japeechen Chapter has continued to live up to Etowah District's motto of "Leading the Way". At Pre-Camp we built 15 new sets of double bunks in Monroe Campsite to replace all of the worn out metal ones. A big thank you to Ranger Chuck who made sure all of the material and tools were on-site for this project. We also had 7 new members go through their Ordeal at Pre-Camp and had 5 of the 8 Pre-Camp Ordeal clans led by

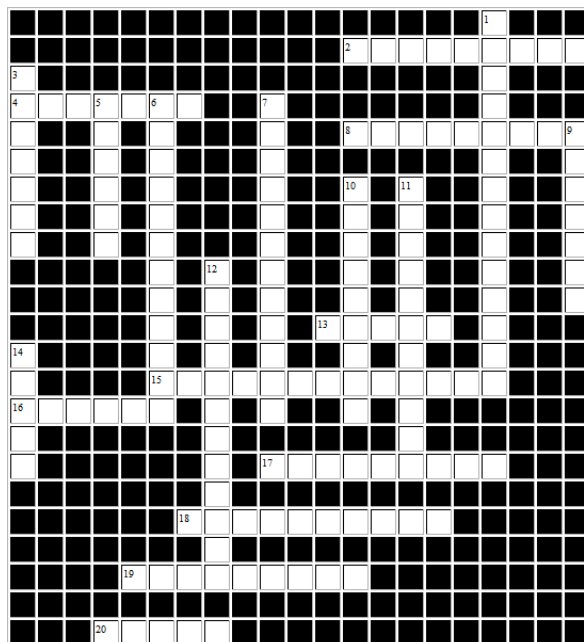
Elangomats from our chapter! We were also extremely well represented within the summer camp staff. Although we do not have chapter numbers yet, nearly 20% of the total staff at Rainey Mountain were from Etowah District and our Chapter Chief served at Scoutland. On the National level we once again made our presence known, with seven of our members attending SummitCorps in West Virginia. Two of them serving on iCorps staff!

Thanks to Tom French, Associate Chapter Adviser, for serving as the Summit-Corps Lodge Contingent Leader. Finally, two of our members attended Indian Summer, an incredible week of Indian Affairs fun and training, in Ashville, North Carolina. Last but not least, on the World level, our Vice Chief of Indian Affairs, Tyler Watson, attended the 22nd World Jamboree in Sweden. Be sure to ask him about his tremendous experience.

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Across

2. Guide
4. Ceremonial Chief
8. Etowah District
13. Medicine Man
15. WWW Cheerful
16. Chattahoochee District
17. What should Ordeal members NOT do?
18. This chapter has 2 dashes in it...
19. Curahoe District
20. Selected from many for a light filled with cheerfulness in service.

Down

1. WWW Brotherhood
3. Mountain District
5. You were elected to go through your ____.
6. This chapter has a dash in it...
7. Mowogo's Namesake
9. Guard
10. WWW Service
11. Those who wish to seal their membership.
12. Apalachee District
14. 2011 Lodge Chief