



HIGH EAGLE

Talako Lodge, Order of the Arrow, Marin Council #35, Boy Scouts of America

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OFFICERS:

Lodge Chief: Andrew Wilson
Vice Chief – Program & Administration: Nick Kodama
Vice Chief – Membership & Ceremonies: Ryan Chan
Lodge Secretary: Alex Philbrook
Lodge Treasurer: Chris Meill
Lodge Adviser: Mr. Glen Calkins

CALENDAR:

Lodge General Meetings:
 Every 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 PM
 1010 Lootens Pl., ~~ace~~
~~Masonic Hall~~, San Rafael

Executive Committee Meets:
 1st Tuesdays at 7:00 PM at
~~Council Office~~
~~downstairs~~Holy Innocents
 Parish Hall in
 Corte Madera.

Section W-3A Meeting:
 Nov. 14th in San Leandro, Jan.
 9, 1:00 PM in Calistoga at
 Napa County Fair Grounds

Next Events:
~~Annual Dinner~~ — January 8th
 Klondike ~~Derby~~ — Derby
 Mar. 11-13
 Conclave Apr. 22-24
 Ordeal May 6 – 8

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New O.A. Award: Leadership in Service

“The heart of the Order of the Arrow is its heritage of service.”
Starting in 2005, there is a new award that can be earned by any Arrowman, youth or adult, in each year 2005, 2006 and 2007.

Requirements for the Award are:

- 8 hours of service in a lodge or council service project benefiting a local council camp. Lodge induction weekends do count. Service may be split over two or more events. And,
- 6 hours of service doing a community service project planned and run by the Lodge.

That’s it, and you have a whole year to get it done! But wait, there’s more; you can earn the award each year in the three years 2005, 2006 and 2007.

If you earn the award a second year, a silver feather is added on the ribbon. For the third time the award is earned, a gold feather is added on the ribbon.

The Leadership in Service Award program will be administered by our Service Committee, chaired by Stefan Lowenstein.



Service & Fun Billiards !Leadership Grads,



Eight of our leaders attended a weekend of training at the

National Leadership School (NLS) in November. Graduating were: Ryan Chan, Willy Coronado Sr., Jack France, Nick Kodama, Chris Meill, Seamus O’Donnell, Ian Underwood and Deanne Wilson. Meanwhile, Keith Coombs and Scott Smith graduated from the National Lodge Adviser Training School! Talako Lodge is proud to announce its second event of the year! This event will have a service portion and an activity portion. We received great feedback from the bowling event held in September. This time it’s Billiards. So here’s the deal. The day will begin at St. Vincent’s to feed the homeless. This will allow the lodge to satisfy its service requirement to be recognized as a

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Quality Lodge. It'll be a great way to serve the community.

Then after we finish at the soup kitchen, we will move the party to Classic Billiards in San Rafael. We get 3 hours to hang out and have a good time in a great family oriented pool hall. Lunch will be served. So at the end of the day we did our part for the community and played pool!

Just to emphasize, this is a great event for **new members** to meet other Arrowmen and also for old members to recommit to service.

Service: 7:00 AM on Nov. 6th Meet in front of Masonic Hall at

Klondike Derby March 12 – 14th

The Klondike Derby is fast approaching! Come join us as we conduct this event as a service to the troops of our Council and have fun in the snow, Talako style! This is an annual event held by Talako Lodge in the powder white snows of Scout Camp Marin Sierra itself. Troops from all over Marin come to camp, build ice sculptures, sled racing, play games, and much more. This is an excellent opportunity to learn more about your

fellow Arrowmen as well. Arrowmen are needed to staff the events, so please join us for this fun snow adventure.

-1010 Lootens Place. We'll walk to St. Vincent's at 820 B Street. And then
Fun: 11:30 AM at Classic Billiards, 1300 4th Street. Cost is \$15 includes food and pool tables for 3 hours. No uniforms

Don't try to skip the service part and just go to the pool hall!! That would be wrong. If there are any questions or circumstances we will address those:
Call Niek Kodama @ 435 7474



18 New Talako Arrowmen

Talako Lodge welcomes 18 new members of Scouting's National Honor Society. Greg Arnheiter (T73), Sam Bassetti (T59), James Dopfel (T59), Jasper Goldberg (T1), Michael Laeuke (T1), Robbie Lechner (T59), Mick Lucas (T48), Preston Schindler (T1), Erik Strand (T15), Andrew Swig (T48), John Talmage (T59), Jeff Tong (T48), Joshua Underwood (T73), Dominic Valentini (T48), Adam Wallace (T1), Brian Wickes (T59), Reese Wilson (T48) and Cody Zochak (T42).

6 More Brotherhood Members



You'll recognize them by the red bars on those clean, white Brotherhood sashes. Congrats to these Arrowmen who have sealed their membership in the O.A.: Jon Del Secco (T1), Richard Hixenbaugh (T73), Trevor Kuchman (T59), Anders Miltner (T59), Zooney Meill (T59) and Billy Talmage (T59).

Lodge Dues Dues are Due

by Chris Meill, Treasurer

An Invoice for dues for 2005 has been mailed to all Arrowmen. Please send in your dues promptly to the Treasurer, Chris Meill. The age-break was extended to age 24 for young Arrowmen paying \$10.00.

- Age under 24 = \$10.00
- Age 24 to 61 = \$25.00
- Age 62 & + = \$10.00

Officer Elections

Elections of Lodge Officers this Spring will be guided by new procedures covering nominations. Nominating Committee: A 5-member Nominating Committee of Arrowmen in good standing has been appointed by the Chief. Their job will be to compile a list of eligible* candidates for each office, including your nominations.

*"Eligible" means that the candidate must be a member of Talako Lodge, have paid his dues for 2005 and be under age 21

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through May, 2006 (the term of office).

If you are interested in running for one or more offices, download the Officer Letter of Intent from our website and send it to one of the Nominating Committee members. To nominate another Arrowman, you must write or email any member of the Nominating Committee, who are:

- Nick Kodama
- Stefan Lowenstein
- Ian Ivins
- Chris Meill
- Andrew Wilson

Notice of Elections: On or before April 26 (at least 14 days prior to the May 10 elections), a list of candidates will be mailed to you for consideration.

Elections: for Officers will be held at the regular Lodge meeting on Tuesday, May 10th. You must be present and be under age 21 to vote. Be sure to be there!

Newly elected officers will be formally installed in office at the Family Event in May.



Brotherhood Candidates

Hey, that's YOU . . . if you became an Ordeal member in May, 2004 or before, you

may be a Brotherhood member this May. You just need to learn a few things and here's a great, interactive web site where you can learn in your own time:

The end of the year is fast approaching and so will begin another season of dues payments. Many people in the Lodge paid their dues this year and it would be great to be able to say that all of us did. Next year, though, I hope to get an early start on things. Dues are really meant to be collected in the beginning of the year. Next year, it would be infinitely appreciated if dues could be handed in early in the year like in January.

Lodge dues are meant to pay for some of the expenses that arise out of the normal activities of the lodge, such as pizza at meetings and postage on mail. If you pay your dues, it covers a whole calendar year: January through December.

Dues (continued)

If to your knowledge you have not paid your dues for the year of 2004, please contact Ann Murphy (388-1258) about payment. Better late than never, as they say. I look forward to having another great year with all of you and starting it off with a little bill collecting. Enjoy the rest of the year.

**Chris Meill
Lodge Treasurer**

Committees and You

In Talako Lodge, the operating committees are how we get things done. Every Arrowman is assigned to a committee, such as Activities, Ceremonies, Service, Membership or Camp Promotion. Your committee needs your help to make the Lodge great. So call up your committee chair and figure out what you can do to be of help. Also, your committee is the place where your ability to work with others gets noticed as a future committee chairman or lodge officer... Not sure what committee you're on? Call me, the Chief, at 924-6807.

Troop Representative



The Order of the Arrow Troop Representative is a youth liaison serving between the OA lodge and his troop, where he serves as a communication and programmatic link to the Arrowman and adult leaders and Scouts who are not members of the O.A. Anyone in the unit who is under the age of 18 can serve as the OA Representative for the unit, provided he is a dues-paid member of the OA. He should be appointed by the S.P.L. and will be a member of the Patrol Leaders' Council. He normally reports to the A.S.P.L. and will have an adult O.A. Adviser.

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There are numerous possibilities for the OA Representative. The beauty is that it's flexible enough to allow your troop to fine-tune the exact responsibilities. However, the primary tasks of the Representative will be to coordinate service opportunities within the unit, to coordinate unit involvement with the lodge (including Unit Elections), Camp Promotions, Inductions, and to request lodge and chapter resources to help meet unit needs. The Order of the Arrow Troop Representative position also meets the leadership position requirements for the Star, Life, and Eagle ranks. Grab the opportunity!

Where Did You Go?

We sometimes need to notify you of the latest news by phone or email. We have experienced, sadly enough, some wrong phone numbers and returned emails. This leaves you out of the loop. So when you change your address, phone number or email address (including internet carrier), please tell the Chief or Secretary!!! (See page 1 for names of Officers.)

Talako Dancing

Doug Sekishiro and Fred Bode demonstrated Native American drumming, singing and taught a few dance steps, providing a spark of interest to a new Dance Team at our last lodge meeting. Dance Team Chairman, Ian Underwood, was pleasantly surprised when the following Arrowmen signed up to be members: Anthony Wilson, Reese Wilson, Chris Meill, Zooey Meill, Billy Talmage, Trevor Kuchman, Jeff Tong, Jasper Goldberg, Martin Malasky and Justin Ai. Ian will be getting the Team organized shortly and some regalia making should follow soon. Anyone interested in participating should contact Ian Underwood at 472-6938. Special thanks to Fred and Doug.

A Quick NLS Reminder!!

Remember, The National Leadership Seminar is rapidly approaching, occurring the weekend of the 19th. Have fun Attendees!

Talako On-Line
Check out Talako's website at www.boy Scouts-marin.org/oa
www.jumpstart. oa-bsa.org

Here's your goal:



Section W3A Conclave
April 22 - 24th

Come one come all to the Section W3A Conclave in the stunning Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga, California. For all you Arrowmen who don't know what a section conclave is, it's a yearly event for all the O.A. lodges in the Bay Area and around Marin to come together for a weekend of fun events and entertainment. The theme for this year's conclave is "Uncork the Fun!" Conclaves are usually huge and always include uniquely fun and diverse activities such as: Native American crafts, Dodge Ball, Indian Handball, Indian Dance, Volleyball, Ceremonies, History, Games, and so much more! The next Section W3A Conclave on the agenda for Talako is April 22 to 24, 2005. Our new Dance Team will get some instruction from other lodges. For more information, see Mr. Willy Coronado or if you would be interested in this great annual event, you can ask a our Lodge officers at monthly meetings or visit the conclave website at www.w3a.org for more info.

Talako Lodge's Annual Diner a Success

Talako Lodge was especially pleased to have had such a successful Annual Diner this past month. For all that didn't get the chance to make it out, what an evening! Besides superb food and Arrowmen awards, there was a

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fantastic magician and the W3A Section Chief ~~of all the local lodges~~ was there as well! Such a successful event could never had been made possible if not for the extended efforts of our own Chuck Fleischer's wonderful cooking and Chris Miell in making reservations and the great entertainment. Thanks to you both again and all the work assistance from others.

It's A Whole New Talako!

Talako Lodge officers would like to announce that our monthly meetings will now be preceded ~~also~~ include a crafts period before every Talako Lodge meeting on the second Tuesday of every month, starting at 6:30 P.M. Such craft times will include everything from regalia making to Native American Dance. For all interested, no need to do ~~anything~~ more than come to our same meetings one half hour earlier. Look to see you there!

Humbled Arrowmen Honored

It gives all officers, advisors and Arrowmen of Talako Lodge great pleasure in congratulating Mr. Glen Calkins and Alex Philbrook

for ~~their achievements in~~ receiving the O.A. Founder's Award, and Chris Miell and Bill Talmage in being named recipients for Arrowmen of the Year! These honors, presented at ~~received to the Arrowmen at Talako's~~ our annual diner, reflect largely the outstanding contribution of these Arrowmen in their on-going efforts to the betterment of our Lodge. Congratulations to all recipients and thank you all ~~for you~~ unprecedented work and dedication.

March Klondike Derby

The Talako Lodge March Klondike Derby is fast approaching! Come join Talako Lodge and other participating Troops the weekend of March 12th - 14th for fun in the snow, Talako style! This is an annual event held by Talako Lodge in the powder white snows of Scout Camp Marin Serria itself. Troops from all over Marin come to camp, build ice sculptures, sled racing, play games, and much more. This is an excellent opportunity to learn more about your fellow Arrowmen as well. Please join us for this fun snow adventure.

The May Ordeal & Fellowship May 6 - 8th

Attention all Arrowmen! Our next Lodge Ordeal weekend is coming up ~~May 6th - 8th~~ and we are expecting a big group of

~~candidates. We Talako needs as many Arrowmen scouts that can make it up to camp Tamarancho to please help out and participate on staff. We especially needed at this next Ordeal are Eelangomats, who act as "friends" of the candidates and are whom are the essential to the smooth-flowing of an Ordeal!~~ these weekends. Do note that Ordeals are the means by which Talako gains new members as well, so understandably it is also very important that you help if at all possible. If you have any questions or comments or would like to help out as an Eelangomats, please ask one of our officers at our monthly meetings for more info.

Family B.B.Q. Galore! May 15th

Hey all you Arrowmen, come to our first Family Talako Lodge's B.B.Q. event ~~lunch~~ set for May 15th. This new event is meant to bring us all together. Arrowmen, parents, brothers and sisters, for some relaxing fun and food in the warm springtime. We plan to have a family sports event, an awesome B.B.Q. lunch, awards presentations and the installation ceremony for the newly elected Lodge Officers. Go and mark ~~What sets this event apart from others is that this is a family event for Talako Arrowmen and their families. Be sure to mark your family's kitchen calendar now for this fun day in the warm sunshine, packed with family sports event, awesome B.B.Q.~~

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lunch, awards, and most especially the installation of new officers to head Talako Lodge! It's- an event you won't want to miss. Justin Ai (advised by Bill Talmage) will be planning this event.

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ScoutReach: First Contact

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Three of our Arrowmen visited Troop 2000 in San Rafael and helped them brush up on their First Aid skills in preparation for the Council First Aid Meet. Their Scoutmaster, Willy Coronado, was pleased with how this service effort went, and a follow-up meeting is being planned as part of our Lodge's commitment to the National O.A.'s service program called "ScoutReach".



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