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Year End Summary

At the end of each year the Lodge submits to National a brief write up of all the accomplishments for the year. This is to qualify for the various awards that are available. Here is a summary of what the Lodge has done this last year.

What is the largest challenge your lodge identified this year?

The largest and most meaningful service project for council was actually a series of projects resulting from the effects the 2019 Valentine's Day Storm damage to camp. Projects to clean up debris and repair damage caused by the storm were



initiated in addition to the planned projects in preparation for the CE 100 Anniversary Celebration, some of which had to be redone. Arrowmen from all areas of the lodge went to camp weekly to help with anything they could to get camp back up and running for summer programs and the June Ordeal Induction Weekend was key to ensuring camp was ready for campers and especially the August centennial celebration. Arrowmen, Scouting volunteers and community volunteers mobilized to help clean up storm debris in camp and complete much needed repairs and camp improvement. The walking bridge over the creek to the campsites that was washed away was rebuilt, damage to the shooting range was repaired, cabins were cleaned and updated, and tile floors were installed.

Other Service Projects

- University of Scouting
- Mt Rubidoux Trail Cleanup & Lighting
- National Trails Day
- Service at Ordeals
- Camp Emerson 100th
- Adventure Weekend
- Mojave Trails



Full write up on snakepower.org



2019 Vigil Class

Vigil with its very meaning from Anglo-French origins dating back to the 13th century meaning an occasion for devotional watching or observance.

Used for centuries to represent a personal observance and watchfulness with emphasis on a personal spiritual purpose, 10 Cahuilla Lodge Vigil Candidates, under the guidance of personal sponsors and witnessed by existing Lodge Vigil Honor Members, took to our Camp Emerson late Saturday evening to seal their Vigil Honor.

The Vigil Honor is the highest honor that the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon its members for service to lodge, council, and Scouting. It is an honor by which the OA member cannot self determine, rather they are selected by their peers for their exceptional service, personal effort and unselfish interest exemplifying the qualities of brotherhood and commitment to service have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position.

Congratulations to 2019 Cahuilla Lodge Vigil Honor Members:

Gavin Christian - Ana DeLaTorre - Jesse DeLaTorre

Matt Flanagan - David Lesyna - John Lesyna

Matthew Ornelaz-Perez - Nicholas Ornelaz-Perez - Daniel Roberts



Section W-4S Conclave

Conclave came back to Camp Emerson after a long hiatus and the camp couldn't have looked better. Many volunteers put in long hours to get the camp ready for the 100th anniversary and we were able to take advantage of it. Fort Brotherhood got off to a great start and everyone had a lot of fun. There were plenty of classes, games, Indian Affairs activities and the shooting range was open! Our VIP guest was the 2019 National Chief, Matt Parsons. Congratulations to Cahuilla Lodge for 1st Place in the Administrative events, and winning the Niganet and Spirit Awards.

Congratulations to our 2020 Section Officers: Chief Adrian Castenada, Vice-Chief John-Aaron Bozanic and our very own Jesse Jones for Section Secretary.



Fall Fellowship

Our Dungeons and Dragons Fall Fellowship went very well and we had lots of fun events, from sand painting, beading and shooting sports to dragon slaying. It was a great time shared by all who were there from both Cahuilla and Puvunga Lodges.



Congratulations to our newly elected Lodge officers

Lodge Chief - Jesse De La Torre / 1st Vice - Victor Vargas III / 2nd Vice - Atticus Leveck
3rd Vice - Zach Paquett / Secretary - Dulin Dickerson / Treasurer - Julian De La Torre

Tahquitz Chapter

The Tahquitz chapter has participated in numerous events over the past 3 months. We enjoyed Concave earlier this year as well as Fall Fellowship, where we won the gagaball tournament, tug-of-war tournament, and the sand painting contest. We also held our Thanksgiving food drive for the Bridge Church in Murrieta. We amassed a truckload of donated foodstuffs and pleased the Church. In addition to our monthly meetings (taco party and other fun activities), we elected a brand new set of officers. By the end of the year, I will pass the torch off to Chase Ramos as the new Chapter Chief, along with his cabinet."

Tahquitz Chapter Chief –Jake Hosking

Navajo Chapter

I had the privilege of being a part of something amazing in November. As a teen you go through your day like nothing and everything is given to you by your family that you forget about what some people are going through. Just before Thanksgiving I took the time to go help out at a food bank to assembly Thanksgiving dinner food donations. When I got there I was expecting to only be putting together a few bags here and there, but that was not the case. About a group of 70 people were there to help put together 100's of food bags. While walking back and forth every time I refilled my bag for another set it just amazed me with all those who were taking time out of their day to help and at how many meals we were making. You have to stop and think about those that you are helping that can't afford a Thanksgiving meal for their families and how lucky we are and how great it felt to help. This was my first time helping with this kind of volunteering and I would love to go back and help again. I felt really good about what I had just done after I left. I am so glad I got the chance to experience this with some of my Navajo Chapter members.

Navajo Chapter Chief -Anthony Freeland

National OA Training

Did you miss any of the National Leadership Seminars or Developing Youth Leadership Conferences last year?

There are more opportunities to attend in 2020.
April is in our own backyard. Don't miss out!

More information and registration at:
<https://western.oa-bsa.org/program/training/>

Not A Problem



NLS

The National Leadership Seminar is a weekend training program focusing on leadership development. Run by the Region Chief and his Advisers, it provides an in-depth look at leadership skills and techniques.



DYLC

The Developing Youth Leadership Conference focuses on the tools every adult needs to mentor and develop our outstanding youth leaders.

APRIL 3-5, 2020 – ORANGE, CA

- NLS (max capacity 96) & DYLC (max capacity 36)
- Price: \$235

MAY 29-31, 2020 – ALBUQUERQUE, NM

- NLS (max capacity 96) & DYLC (max capacity 36)
- Price: \$195

NOVEMBER 20-22, 2020 – TAHOE CITY, CA

- NLS (max capacity 96) & DYLC (max capacity 36)
- Price: \$300

First Year Arrowman

At the Leadership LLD in December the youth decided to adjust the requirements for the First Year Arrowman Award.

The new required objectives are:

1. Attend at least one Lodge or Chapter event within 6 months following your Ordeal.
2. Attain Brotherhood at the first opportunity.
3. Participate actively in your Unit
4. Take part in conducting a unit election (you cannot conduct your own unit's election)

The Electives are: (must complete 3)

1. Attend at least two (2) Chapter meetings.
2. Attend at least two (2) Lodge Executive Council (LEC) meetings.
3. Join a committee and participate in at least one activity for that committee.
4. Take part in a Lodge Service Weekend.
5. Be a member of the Elangomat team.
6. Take part in a camp promotions presentation.
7. Join a Ceremony Team – Pre-Ordeal or Ordeal as a Principle.

These changes were made to more align with the new PMP objectives of National. You can work on the new or the old form for the Ordeal members of 2019.

Old requirements:

1. Attend at least one Lodge or Chapter function in the year following your Ordeal.
2. Attain Brotherhood at the first opportunity.
3. Participate actively in your Troop / Team.
4. Be an Elangomat

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