

THE MITIGWA CHIEF

MITIGWA LODGE
MID-IOWA COUNCIL

ORDER OF THE ARROW
BOY SCOUT OF AMERICA

Winter Banquet



The end of the year is quickly approaching and what a year it has been. Each and every chapter has done great things over the past year and now it is time to celebrate those accomplishments. On January 5th, 2008, the lodge will hold its annual recognition event, Winter Banquet. This year's banquet will be at the Marriot Hotel in downtown Des Moines. We will begin our evening with a meal and will then progress into the awards ceremony. Doors open at 5:30PM and dinner at 6:00 PM.

Don't think you have done enough to be recognized? You might want to think again. We will recognize achievements of all shapes and sizes. If you obtained Ordeal, Brotherhood, or Vigil Honor you will be recognized. We will also present the Jim Goodding Arrowman Award, the Arrowman of Achievement, Founders Award, Quality Chapter, and the most sought after award of the evening... Chapter of the Year! There are many chapters in the running for the 2007 award so don't count your chapter out yet.

You may be wondering what happens at Winter Banquet besides eating and getting awards. Well, there is always the lodge trading post. We have expanded our inventory this fall to include new sweatshirts and bandanas. Be sure to bring some extra spending money to make your purchases.

There will be an LECM preceding the banquet. It will begin at 2:00PM. Be sure your chapter is represented.

Registration form can be found on page 11

Dates to Remember:

Winter Banquet
LECM

January 5th, 2008

Chairman: Andy DeBoard

Snowflake Pow-Wow
February 22nd-24th, 2008

Chairman: Nathan Hon

LECM
April 5th, 2008

One Day of Service
April 26th, 2008
Chairman: Zach Irving

News Items

*Snowflake Pow-Wow Articles are due: January 5th

*If you want to receive your *Mitigwa Chief* Online,
return the form on page 11

CHIEFLY SPEAKING



Andy DeBoard
2007 Lodge Chief

It has truly been a busy fall season for our Order. Section Conclave went off without a hitch. The other lodges in our section were impressed with Camp Mitigwa and the service that our Arrowmen provided. I would like to thank all of you who helped. I would also like to thank those of you who helped with the Cub Scout Challenge. There were over 2,000 people in camp that afternoon and our service added to the success of the event. In October we had our Lodge Leadership Development Conference. This year I feel that the chapter leadership got a lot of important information to help make your chapter the best it can be. Now that the year is coming to an end it is time to celebrate the accomplishments you have made over the past year.

On January 5th, the lodge will host its annual Winter Banquet. Be sure to attend to see who receives the coveted awards this year.



Robert J. Trusty
Lodge Adviser

Many service opportunities are available in 2008. We will have our Trail Crew at Camp Mitigwa (registration form available on the web site www.mitigwalodge.org). Camp Staff in both the Cub Camps and the Scout Camps are opportunities for service. Get application form from the Council Office.

The National Programs which are available every summer at Philmont, Boundary Water or the Sea Base are again available this summer. See middle pages of this issue.

In 2008 and probably never again, the Nation Order of the Arrow is hosting Arrow Corps⁵. See the middle pages of this issue. Don't just sit around this summer get involved.



Jeff "Smoky" Davis
Staff Adviser

When you attend a Mitigwa Lodge event you are giving yourself the opportunity to meet with other people with a common goal— provide cheerful service. Not every event is work but every event does offer lots of fellowship. Two of those events are coming up. Winter banquet gives us the chance to say thank you to the many people who planned and gave service to the events as well as to new Ordeal, Brotherhood and Vigil Honor members. Come help us honor those who work behind the scenes.

Snowflake PowWow in February also give us a fellowship opportunity and a place to learn about Native American lore, dance and outfitting. Ceremony competition, the Pow Wow in the evening and lots of fun are highlights of this event. Make plans to be part of the fun.

Greetings Fellow Arrowman! I am happy to say that everything is going great with Membership. We had a very successful year with Brotherhood conversions and event attendance. I hope that this is a trend we can continue on down the road. I hope that everyone enjoyed themselves as much as I did at Section Conclave, I would like to thank everyone who helped me that weekend. To all the new Ordeals, welcome. Your journey is just beginning, and reading the Chief will help you be a successful Arrowmen. It will give you information about up and coming with lodge events. The best thing that you can do is attend your chapter meetings to learn what you need to know, as well as show you new things. I hope to see everyone at Winter Banquet. I will be happy to answer any questions that you may have- where your chapter meeting is, when is the next event, what is Brotherhood and how do I become one, email me at membership@mitigwalodge.org. See you all soon!



David Rogers
V.C. Membership

Howdy everybody!
Ceremonies is off to a pretty good start. We just had our first brotherhood ceremony and everything went fantastic. Please work towards getting your Brotherhood. My ceremonies chairman is Joshua Lowe. He and I will be picking ceremony teams this year and doing a lot of other ceremonies work. Please consider helping out with ceremonies this year. If you would to be an Elangomat, contact me at ceremonies@mitigwalodge.org. Contact your chapter for your ceremony team practices and needs



Mitch MeGee
V.C. Ceremonies

Communications is doing well, I would like to see everyone to attend Winter Banquet. This is a time where the lodge takes time to give out awards and recognize our fellow members for their hard work and dedication to our lodge. If you plan to come, please pre-register! I am looking forward to this new year!



Arron Andrews
V.C. Communications

Email me if you have any questions, comments or suggestions for the *Mitigwa Chief*: communications@mitigwalodge.org

Brothers, It has been an amazing fall. Elections & Promotions are off to a good start. After the training at LLDC we are getting ready for Elections & Promotions season. I hope to see everyone at Winter Banquet, to take part in the camaraderie and see everyone's accomplishments of 2007. This past year was filled with many successes and we hope that 2008 will be an even better and exciting year. Please help out your Vice Chief of E&P this year, every little bit helps. If you ever have any questions about Elections and Promotions, email me electionspromotions@mitigwalodge.org.



Mike Weber
V.C. Elections & Promotions

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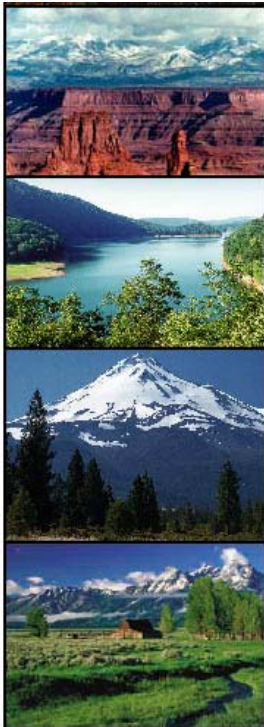
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 TAMAHA
 Wapello

Name: _____ Chapter: _____

Please hand in at the registration desk for a change to win a prize!

ARROWCORPS 5

*Horseback Riding
Fishing
Cedar Tree Removal
Canoeing*



***Manti-La Sal National Forest
June 14 - June 21, 2008***

***George Washington and Jefferson
June 21 - June 28, 2008***

***Shasta - Trinity National Forest
July 12 - July 19, 2008***

***Bridger-Teton National Forest
July 26-August 2, 2008***

June 7-14, 2008

Mark Twain
National Forest

See next page for more information





The Order of the Arrow has had a long-standing interest in coordinating a national service project, utilizing the infrastructure and leadership established over many years of success at the Boy Scouts of America's high adventure bases. Working closely together, the United States Forest Service and the OA have chosen five project sites, spread across America that will be the focus of our combined efforts. *ArrowCorps* will provide a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for each participant to set an example of leadership in service to those who treasure our national forests.

Five thousand physically fit and able volunteers (determined by the "Philmont Height & Weight Limits for Backpacking & Hiking"), made up of youth and adults, will participate.

The National Order of the Arrow Committee and key sponsors will fund these projects. Participants will pay a \$250 fee to help pay for accommodations, meals, and a full day of recreational activities during the projects.

Mitigwa Lodge is promoting the site at Mark Twain. We will help with transportation to Mark Twain. The event is the same as Camp Staff training for Camp Mitigwa. Act now the positions are filling rapidly. Questions to adviser@mitigwalodge.org





Choose Your 2008 High



Who is eligible?

Arrowmen who are of the age 16 by the first day of any program they choose to participate, but not 21 by the conclusion of their chosen program.

How do I register?

Ask your Lodge Chief or Section Chief for a registration form, or download a registration form by visiting:

<http://adventure.oa-bsa.org>

How much does each high adventure program cost?

The National Order of the Arrow Committee subsidizes the cost of participation in all three high adventure programs to minimize the fee paid by all participants. Because of different operational costs, each program has a separate fee.

These fees are:

Voyage - \$125 plus transportation*

Trail Crew - \$150 plus transportation*

Ocean Adventure - \$250 plus transportation*

*Excludes shuttle fee from airport.

How do I get to each high adventure base?

Each program has specific requirements when arranging your travel to and from the high adventure base. For the most accurate information, visit <http://adventure.oa-bsa.org> and click on the "Plan Your Trek" link at the top of the page.

Questions to adviser@mitigwalodge.org



Nate Runyon
Broken Arrow

The Broken Arrow district is trying to get started on the opening / updating / renewing of our web site. You should be able to get it from the lodge web site when it is up.

Sean Morrissey is doing a great job on taking control of the ceremonies team started and getting organized. Broken Arrow will provide great ceremonies.

We are trying to "bring us back to the top of our game," says Doug Stores, the adviser for our chapter. Each Broken Arrow Chapter member is needed to help bring us back to the top. Volunteer to help with Elections and Promotions. If Ceremonies are your thing, volunteer to help as torch bearer or the Arrow of Light Team.

When the next work weekend comes be there to help. Find some way to make a difference.



Chris Ambrose
Bo-Qui

Bo Qui Chapter is off to a great start after Fall Fellowship. Our Meetings are on the second Thursday of the month but we have a new time. It is 7:30 PM.

We had a good turn out for LLDC in October. There are some changes being made in the requirements for Quality Chapter.

There was a good turn out for our work weekend at Camp Collins. We started making new trails, and worked on old trails. Much more work to do.

If your address has an 2007 on it, your 2008 dues are due. Please pay your dues ASAP.

Winter Banquet is Jan. 5, look for more information in this *Chief*.

Our ceremonies team is working hard. We hope to have a good showing at Snowflake Pow-Wow.



Matthew Burndtedt
Golden Eagle

Hello Brothers and Greetings from the Golden Eagle Chapter! This year is off to a great start since our chapter banquet in September. Everything is beginning to come into place and we have ALOT of things planned for the next few meetings. In November we had a very important informational meeting about Election and Promotion Teams, Ceremony Teams and Arrow Corp. 5. In December, we will begin training for both Election Teams and Ceremony Teams! If you've ever wanted to participate in either, or want a great way to get involved in the chapter, please attend the chapter meetings! If you are a Troop OA Rep this is where you get the information to share. If you know someone who has not up to date with dues, have him contact us so we can help get him back on track. Hope to see everyone at the next few meetings; they are going be a BLAST!

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Hello all!

I am excited to be the new V.C. of Communications for Hawkeye! Be sure to go to Winter Banquet on January 5th, and then our Chapter Meeting on January 8th. Be sure to bring your sled! Meet at the Untied Methodist Church at 7 p.m. Strive to get your brotherhood!

Hawkeye Chapter would like to increase attendance at chapter meetings and lodge events so come along and bring a friend.



Alex Mitchell
Hawk Eye

Welcome, my brothers, to another year with the Mitigwa Lodge. This year at Fall Fellowship, several important and fun things happen. They cannot be ranked by importance, so I will just list them. We had fun, elected new officers, had more of our brothers seal their membership and gain new ones. I want to invite everyone to the upcoming Winter Banquet. Pictures, awards, and everything else an arrowman could want will be there. I would also like to invite you to RRV's Holiday Party. Come and join us for a night of video games, dodge ball and lots of fun. Like last year, any scout is welcome, not just arrowmen. Stay tuned to the Arrowhead for more information.



Mitch Myers
Raccoon River Valley

Fellow Arrowmen,

We had a great time at Fall Fellowship. Chapter elections were held. We had a beautiful day for our chapter work weekend at Camp Mitigwa. We completed several tasks; after workday we went out to eat and watched a movie.

We are looking forward to another great year in the Tamaha chapter. We have a great year planned, I will be emailing updates about the Chapter activities. If you wish to be added to the email list send an email to:

DCSKIngram@msn.com

Mark your calendar to attend the Winter Banquet January 5, 2008.

See you at Chapter meetings. Contact me for dates and times.



Ian Ingram
TAMAHA

LLDC LECM Minutes
Oct 28th, 2007

1. Opening– Obligation
2. Lodge Officer Roll Call
 - Chief–Present Ceremonies– Present
 - E & P– Present Communications– Present
 - Membership– Present Immediate Past– N/A
3. Chapter Chief and Adviser Roll Call
 - Broken Arrow– Present RRV–Present
 - Hawkeye– Present Golden Eagle– Present
 - Tamaha– Present Bo Qui– Present
4. Lodge Officer Reports
 - Ceremonies– good so far, Brotherhood ceremony at 1:30 p.m. today.
 - Membership– Great start, Brotherhood letters sent out, pushing Troop Reps this year, Chair is Isaac Campbell.
 - Communications– Articles due this Tuesday. Any questions or comments email me.
 - E & P– Training 1st weekend in December
 - Chief– everything is going well, we had lodge officer training to get the lodge officers ready.
5. Chapter Reports
 - Broken Arrow– ceremony team tryouts next meeting, working on chapter website.
 - Bo Qui– Had chapter work weekend, build new trail and cleared a wood pile, E & P training coming up.
 - Hawkeye– 2nd Tuesday of November, Next Weekend Workday, building an Arrow of Light Team.
 - RRV– Strong Leaders, Ceremony team is picked out, and working on Arrow of Light Team.
 - Tamaha– Planning meeting last chapter meeting, chapter banquet coming up.
 - Golden Eagle–goals set, had chapter banquet, will have a campfire at the next meeting.
6. Approval of Minutes- **With Noted Change** Motion by RRV 2nd by BA– Passed
7. Old Business
 - Brotherhood Percentages– 41.9%
 - Dan Beard Day– Activities , Poor attendance, need better promotion.
 - Cub Scout Program– 2,000 Cub Scouts and Parents, Thanks for help, had a Dan Beard Trail Program.
8. New Business
 - Patch Design– Approval Motioned by Broken Arrow 2nd by Tamaha– Passed
 - Chairmen List– Approval Motioned by RRV 2nd by Broken Arrow– Passed
 - Winter Banquet– at Marriott in Des Moines
 - Budget– Approval Motioned by RRV 2nd by Tamaha—Passed
 - Quality Chapter– Req. # 1,2,3,5, and 9, Approved by Broken Arrow, 2nd by Bo Qui
 - Req # 4– Anytime district has 8-10 going through their ordeal, there must a trained elangomat Ap-
proved by Broken Arrow 2nd by Bo Qui, passed
 - Req # 10– 10 youth and 2 adults at the 2 chapter workdays Approved by Golden Eagle 2nd by RRV,
Passed.
 - Cooks Bob Moss and Shirley thanked for cooking at LLDC.
 - Added create or revise a Where to go Camping Booklet. Approved by RRV, 2nd by Golden Eagle, Passed
 - Approved last 10 requirements of quality lodge Approved by Golden Eagle 2nd by RRV Motion Passed
 - Calendar Approved by Broken Arrow 2nd by Bo Qui Motion Passed
 - Advisor Minute– Thanks to Andy and the lodge officer , Quality chapter sheets are due. Good work weekend
9. Closing– Song

**2008 Winter Banquet
January 5th, 2008**

Name: _____ Adult Youth
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Zip _____
Number attending: _____
List names of all attending: stating Y or A

Registration due by December 27, 2007
\$20.00 per person _____
\$3.00 2007 Activity Patch #4 _____
After 12/28/2007 add \$5.00/person and notify
adviser@mitigwalodge.org (no guarantees)

Total enclosed: _____

Please Mail to:
Clayman Service Center
Mid-Iowa Council

2008 Membership Registration

Name: _____ Adult Youth
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Zip _____ Chapter: _____
Membership: V B O

Boy Scout Registration (How are you registered in Scouting): _____
Please specify unit where appropriate:

Dues \$12.00
Dues \$14.00 after Dec 31.

Please Mail to:
Clayman Service Center
Mid-Iowa Council
P.O. Box 3009
Des Moines, IA 50316-0009

If your label reads 2007, send your dues now.

Mitigwa Chief

Name: _____
Address: _____
___ YES, I will receive my Mitigwa Chief
online starting in 2008
Required email address: (print clearly)

To:
communications@mitigwalodge.org

OR

Please Mail to:
Clayman Service Center
Mid-Iowa Council
P.O. Box 3009
Des Moines, IA 50316-0009

Mitigwa Chief

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We don't have to print it or pay postage for you to get it.

Get it on line, read and print what you need. You get it in color on the web.

We will notify you by email, when it is on the web site and when events are about to happen. We must have your email address.



Dan Beard Statue carved by Bob Bernhard

Bob Bernhard 1926-2007

Bob Bernhard served as Walnut Creek Chapter Adviser in the 1970s. He also served as Assistant and Associate Adviser for the Mitigwa Lodge. Bob became a Vigil Honor member in the Mitigwa Lodge in 1970. He received the Arrowman of Achievement in 1989 and the Founders' Award in 1993. An ardent wood carver, he provided neckerchief slides for the Mitigwa Lodge at the 1998 National Order of the Arrow Conference. Bob's carvings and woodworking can be seen all about Camp Mitigwa. Bob carved a life size image of Dan Beard for the Dan Beard Trail at Camp Mitigwa. Shown on the right is a miniature he made to guide him in the making of the life size statue.

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2007 Lodge Leader Development Conference

Bear Creek Lodge
Camp Mitigwa



Dave Rogers discusses the Webelos Program



Andy DeBoard discusses Quality



Who knows the answer?



Great attendance!