

THE ARROW POINT APRIL 2008



Achewon Nimat 282

San Francisco Bay Area Council - Section W3A

April 25-27

W3A Conclave

Coast Guard Island

May 16-18

Royaneh Spring Ordeal

Vigil Elections

June 6-8

Wente Spring Ordeal

Your 2008-2009 Lodge Officers

Congratulations to the new officers. They were elected on March 29, 2008 at Achiefest. They will be sworn in after the LECM at the Wente Ordeal in June. Their first event will be the Lodge Officers BBQ in August.

Lodge Chief - Chris Coon

Lodge Vice Chief of Activities - Jason Bryson

Lodge Vice Chief of Ordeals - Jason Costa

Lodge Treasurer/Secretary - Indy Nelson



CHAIRMEN NEEDED

WE ARE IN NEED OF A FEW GOOD ARROWMEN TO BE MORE ACTIVE. THERE ARE SEVERAL IMPORTANT POSITIONS OPEN FOR YOU. YOU WILL HAVE AN ADVISER TO HELP YOU WHEN YOU NEED IT THE MOST. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN FINDING THAT SPECIAL SPOT IN THE GREATEST LODGE EVER YOU WILL NEED TO CONTACT THE LODGE CHIEF OF ATTEND AN EVENT. SEE YOU SOON!

CONCLAVE 2008 APRIL 25-27, 2008

Are you ready to go to the *COOLEST* event of the year! Conclave will be held at Coast Guard Island on April 25-27. For most Arrowmen its only 15 minutes away. That's right Coast Gaud Island is in Alameda. Register NOW at the Section website (www.w3a.org). Registration is \$50 at the door but if you register before April 22 you will only have to pay \$40 AND if you are a new Arrowmen under 21 yrs old you will get an additional \$10 off your registration. Look for information about Conclave at the Section website

(www.w3a.org). I can't wait to see you all there.

Here is our latest conclave registrations. 7 adults and 1 youth so far! Let's get more youth and new members to signup! Our lodge counts for only 5% of the 109 registered for conclave. Once Achie use to bring more people to Conclave then the host lodge themselves!!! Lets out number all the other lodges once again and add another Conclave Award to the wall in the Council office!!! ONE MORE IMPORTANT THING...THIS IS WHERE THE GREATEST DANCE TEAM WON THE ENORMOUS DANCE AWARD... KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK GUYS!!!



ACHEWON TULPE

Our meeting is on the second Wednesday of the month at Leona Loge in Oakland at 7:30 pm.

Sam Ward, Chief

ROYANEH

Our meeting is on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 pm at Zion Lutheran Church on 9th and Anza.

Derick Dragon-Village Chief

OHLONE

Our meeting is on the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Fremont Scout House on Central and Fremont.

Our Village had two new brotherhood members at Achiefest. We are working on cleaning up the scout house where we meet and visiting troops to give presentations. We are getting ready for conclave this month and continuing to get ready for our camporee in May. And to help bring more members to our meetings, we are planning a fun event for the summer.

Stephen Hopkins
Ohlone Village Chief

BROTHERHOOD

Congratulations to the two newest Brotherhood members.

Michael Cole, T 143-Ohlone
David Hapiuk, T 379-Ohlone

This is a great start but we need several more members to get Brotherhood by the end of the year. Remember at each event we have a Brotherhood ceremony so there is no reason not to achieve this honor.

AMANGI NECHOCHWEN

Our meeting is on the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm at Faith Lutheran Church. Located across from the Castro Valley Library on Redwood Rd.

Amangi Village is going strong with 5 new Arrowmen that went through the Achiefest Ordeal which was at Camp Royaneh on March 28-30, 08. The new Arrowmen are Scott Santos and Aaron Marr from Troop 702, Charles Mortimer, Dakotoa Davis and Ryan Davis from Troop 722. Let's give the 5 new Arrowmen a round of applause.

Also at Achiefest the annually Lodge Election for the 2008-2009 Lodge Officers were held. 3 of the 4 officers are from Amangi Village they are, Chris Coon--Lodge Chief, Jason Bryson--Vice Chief of Activates, and Indy Nelson--Secretary/Treasurer.

Amangi Village also won the Axe for the fifth year in a row making us 5 ½ time winners since 2001 that. The ½ was when we tied with one of the other Villages. (look at the Axe article somewhere in the Arrow Point for more about the axe).

We are expecting to have a successful Camporee planned for April 12-14, 08 at Camp Royaneh and we hope we will get a good turnout. Also there are a couple of Scout Troops that volunteered to run a couple Camporee Events.

Also for the Camporee Scouts will have a chance to finish requirements for their next rank during the weekend. There maybe a Rifle Range, Tomahawk Range, or Archery Range open.

For the last couple of months the Village has done 2 Arrow of Light Ceremonies with the re-birth of Amangi Village Ceremonies Team. The Village has done many Troop Elections in the 2008 calendar year and we hope to get some new Arrowmen at the next ordeal along with new Brotherhood members.

I will leave it at that. I hope to see you all on Coast Guard Island for Conclave.

Indy Nelson, Amangi Village Chief

MISSING AXE

Reward for its safe return, No questions asked. A description of the axe: about 90 cm tall x 30 cm wide, wooden, double sided. It has on the back 4 ½ time winner Amangi Village. The Axe was last seen in the Chiefs' Room at Royaneh on Friday March 28th 2008. If you have seen this Axe or have any leads on its location then please contact Indy Nelson Amangi Village Chief.

SEUNEN PASCHENGINK

Our meeting is on the 2nd Thursday of the month from 7-8:30 P.M. at the Sheriff's Training Center in Dublin the same place as the Scout Leader Roundtables.

Seunen Arrowmen has been very busy this winter performing 18 Arrow of Light Ceremonies for the Tri-Valley District. The ceremony team worked hard and did a great job this year. Thanks to VC Alex for getting the service done with a smile. We are now beginning our Election season and are pleased to announce that VC Maurice A. has stepped up lead our election team. There will be 12 elections this year.

For the February OA Roundtable everyone brought their fast food so we ate dinner while we ran our meeting.

At our March OA Roundtable meeting we had a Bring Your Own Pizza Fest and everyone pigged out on pizza.

We will be busy planning the TV Spring Camporee and sharing Root-beer Floats!

We had a great time at Achiefest. If you didn't go you missed a good time. Congratulations to Paul, Alex, Kevin, Kyle, Anton & Thomas for making us all proud at Achiefest 08! We look forward to seeing you all at Conclave and we will bring the hand bands that say it all. "Achie 4 Life!"

Chief: JT Donaldson

VC Ceremonies: Alex Simmons

VC Elections: Christian D.

VC Communications: Kevin Walton

VC Activities: Paul Estella

VC Protector of the Lodge Flap Sign:
Lou Russ

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Aug 08 — June 09

August 22-23, 2008
 Achie Retreat LLD training

September 26-28, 2008
 Royaneh Fall Ordeal

October 10-12, 2008
 Wente Fall Ordeal

October 17-19, 2008
 Lodge Camporee

November 7-8, 2008
 Vigil Ordeal @ Los Mochos

December 6, 2008
 Winter Camp Awareness

December 13, 2008
 Lodge Banquet

January 22, 2009
 Chief's Meeting at YLTC

February 20-22, 2009
 Los Mochos Winter Ordeal

February 27-March 1, 2009
 Klondike Derby

March 27-29, 2009
 Achiefest & Lodge Elections

April 17-19, 2009
 Royaneh Spring Ordeal

April 24-26, 2009
 Host Section W3A Conclave

June 5-7, 2009
 Wente Spring Ordeal

ACHIE'S DANCE & DRUM TEAM



We meet the 2nd Saturday of each month at Epiphany Lutheran Church, 16248 Carolyn St, San Leandro, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm for fellowship, dancing, and singing. You can see more at our website <http://achewonnimat.org/htm/DrumAndDance.htm>. Our next performance will be at the University of Scouting, Jan 26th, 2008. The practices are open to all Arrowmen of Achewon Nimat lodge. Learn to sing, dance, build regalia, or just hang out and have fun. There is an awesome deli near the church where we go for lunch...Its really great. We also sing at Ordeals to support the Ceremony Team and assist in bringing fellowship to new Arrowmen.

2008	Friendship Fire	Fest Menu	Helping Ceremony Team	Cleaning: Shower Houses	Cleaning: Kitchen/ Dinning
Royaneh Spring	Royaneh	Seunen	Tulpe	Amangi	Ohlone
Wente Spring	Seunen	Tulpe	Amangi	Ohlone	Royaneh

Trading Post... You want it... We got it...

Attention, All Achie members, where is the only place you can buy authentic Achewon Nimat items...at events. That's right you can only get those cool shirts, awesome flaps, and crazy stickers at any lodge event. So come to an event and get those hot new items or some of the rare flaps. To the right you will find a list of all items for sale with prices. If you have any questions come to an event.

Arrow Point Articles I Need & Want Them

The Arrow Point is for all members either to read or put articles in. If you would like to put an article in the next Arrow Point let me know. Also I am still looking for a Chairman. Its not a hard job just takes some commitment and a few hours.

TRADING POST ITEMS

Item Description	COST
Patch - Red	3.50
WCA Patches	1.00
Klondike Derby	2.00
Achiefest Patches	2.00
Region Chief Flap	2.00
2002 Conclave Host	2.00
2004 NOAC	5.00
Sash - Vigil	15.00
Sash Long - Vigil	15.00
Arrow Ribbon	3.50
Bolo tie	12.00
Decal OA - Small	.25
OA Sticker Silver	.75
Patch - OA Back patch	6.00
Hat Pin - Vigil	3.50
Sash - Ordeal	15.00
Sash Long - Ordeal	15.00
Sash - Brotherhood	15.00
Sash Long - Brother	15.00
OA Hand Book	3.00
Neckerchief - Working	6.50
Neckerchief - 1/Life	10.00
T-Shirt - M White	11.00
T-Shirt - L White	11.00
T-Shirt - XL White	11.00
W3A Sticker	.10
T-Shirt - M Black	11.00
T-Shirt - L Black	11.00
T-Shirt - XL Black	11.00
T-Shirt - XXL Black	12.00
T-Shirt - XXXL Black	13.00

VIGIL ELECTIONS

Vigil is the highest honor you can achieve in the Order. These Arrowmen (list to the right) have been registered in the BSA and the Order of the Arrow for the required minimum of 731 days (2 years) since receiving their Brotherhood honor. The list is based on the available information as of 3/30/2008.

All vigil members are encouraged to attend the election. **ALSO WE NEED TWO NON-ELIGIBLE ACTIVE YOUTH FROM EACH VILLAGE TO ATTEND THE ELECTION AS WELL.** To nominate a person for vigil you will need to write a letter stating why you think they deserve the Vigil Honor. You can send all letters to Bill Parker @ 19071 Mayberry Dr. Castro Valley, CA 94546.

All letters are anonymous and only the vigil chairman, vigil adviser, and lodge adviser will know who wrote the letters. All letters are due by lunch at the Royaneh Ordeal.



2008 Vigil List

Youth

Carey, Joshua
Coon, Chris
Costa, Jason
Deeds, Ryan
Ely, Scott
Hamilton, Gus
Mahoney, Tom
Masuda, Derek
Walton, Kevin

Adults

Aufderheide, Maurice
Boileau, Elizabeth
Brandon, Nathan
Brewer, James
Buchenauer, Dean
Byard, Lance
Chin, Ken
Dragon, James
Ely, Gary
Furney, Gary
Gibbins, John
Groat, Albert
Hellewell, Nicolas
Hourihan, John D.
Huntington, William
Loomis, Adam
Loomis, Martin
Malone, Lisa
Malone, Thomas
McColm, Keith
Nakao, Paul
Nygren, Merlin G.
Orosco, Ruben
Otani, Gary
Otani, Travis
Parker, Richard
Phair, James
Pon, Richard
Reuther, Ken
Richardson, Jed
Rodriguez, Stephen
Seymour, Larry
Smith, Richard
Tortorelli, Ron
Veatch, C.J.
Veatch, Wayne
Walton, John
Welch, Steven
Willson, Larry
Wright, Randy

CEREMONIES TEAM

We are continuing to perform ceremonies at Ordeals and other lodge events as well as Bridging and Arrow of Light Ceremonies. We would like to thank Seunen for their help in setting up and breaking down ceremonies sites at Achievest. It was nice to have the help. We are preparing for the conclave competition coming up.

We are looking for more members of the Ceremonies team. If you are wondering what kind of commitment it would involve it is not much more than active arrowmen already give. We perform the Pre-Ordeal, Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies at all Ordeal Weekends as well as compete at Conclave and perform brotherhood ceremonies at

special Lodge functions. We are looking for arrowmen who are not only willing to learn the lines and perform the ceremony but also willing to set-up the sites and clean the areas around the ceremonies site, break down the site and help with the loading and unloading and general upkeep of the ceremony regalia and props.

We generally meet once a month during the week, since our weekends are very busy, and there is always fun, food and fellowship as the main objectives of the meetings. If you are interested please send an email to entrygrlkc@yahoo.com and include your contact information.



NEW MEMBERS

Congratulations to the eight newest members in the greatest lodge ever. Lets all make them feel welcomed. This is a great start for the new year. Lets make the next two ordeals a success with twice as many candidates.

I encourage each new member to keep attending events. There are so many opportunities within the OA and you should take full advantage of them.

Kyle Bachand T 916

David Leung T 201

Jon Wu T 201

Scott Santos T 702

Aaron Marr T 702

Charles Mortimer T 722

Dakotoa Davis T 722

Ryan Davis T 722

KLONDIKE DERBY 2008

WOW!!! and WOW!!!, again and one more, WOW!!!!!! That sums up the 2008 Klondike Derby. Every condition, every activity, every Arrowman's contribution was as near perfect as ever could have been hoped for.

To give you some numbers as a summation of what went on at the Snowflower Park, we had:

12 feet of snow. In all of the shelter construction that the participants got into, no one was able to dig all of the way down to the ground. The snow condition was so good that for the first time, true igloos were being built. One troop built an igloo that held 22 scouts.

Bright and sunny day. Saturday's temperature rose to the mid-40's, the sky was clear and the sun was bright. It wasn't quite "T-shirt" weather, but it was pretty darn close. Granted that the temperature dropped on Saturday night below freezing, but everyone that stayed was comfortable and warm in their snow shelters or their tents.

479 Attendees. This is now the largest Klondike Derby attendance in the 9 years of Achewon Nimat putting on Klondike Derbies. The largest attendance up to this year was at 468 atten-

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Around \$1000.00 will be going into the National OA Activities fund. We don't have all of the costs in yet, but it looks like a sizeable chunk of change will still be going into the fund that will help our Arrowmen attend any of the National OA activities.

Jacob Hillar and Ben Mabie performed wonderfully as Co-Chairman of this year's events. They designed all new competitive events for the scouts to participate in and made sure that all of the Klondike's activities ran smoothly and on time. All members definitely need to thank Jacob and Ben for putting on the Best Klondike ever.

We also need to thank: Bruce Chan and the scouts of Troop 110 for presenting the Biathlon event. They

also presented two other competitive events. They did a magnificent job with these events. Troop 110 has already agreed to present these same events for the 2009 Klondike Derby.

The "Phil's" (Abreu, of course) for parking all of the attendee cars on Saturday. Due to the popularity of Snowflower

with the general public, attendee parking is of major importance to Snowflower and our continued friendship with them.

Jesse Louthain for his extreme patience and early wake-up for greeting Klondike attendees at the main Snowflower gate. (I have no clue as to when Jesse sleeps.)

ALL OF THE ARROWMEN who volunteered to help us staff and run the 2008 Klondike Derby. For the first time ever, more than enough Arrowmen were at Snowflower to help Jacob and Ben run the Klondike Derby. Without your help, the 2008 Klondike Derby would not have been near the success that it was.

We are already starting the planning for the 2009 Klondike Derby. For those scouts that may not be aware, this will be the 10th year that Achewon Nimat has successfully presented the Klondike Derby to the San Francisco Bay Area Council and other surrounding councils. We are planning on presenting a very special event this year in recognition of this occasion. Paul Estella has already volunteered to serve as the Chairman for this year. Paul is preparing for an even bigger and better event for 2009.



ACHEWON NIMAT – 2006 CONCLAVE CHAMPIONS!

