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LODGE 282

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CONCLAVE'S A-COMIN'!

The annual Section Conclave will be held at Camp Parks in Pleasanton April 26-28. The Conclave is the biggest event in the OA calendar (other than the National Conference), and is a gathering of the eight lodges in our section for learning, competition, and fun! Modest as we are, we feel we must mention (purely for matters of historic record) that our lodge won the last two Conclaves -- so the question is, can we "Threepeat"?

Some of the planned events include a parachuting demonstration, seminars in Native Americans and improving your lodge, and competitions in modern sports such as volleyball and Native American sports such as Indian Handball, Tepee Raising and Dance.

This will also be one of the least expensive Conclaves ever: \$10 for youth, with \$5 refunded by our lodge to youth at the Conclave. So register today!

Once again, our lodge has been recognized by the national office of the B.S.A. as an Honor Lodge. This recognition, which is given annually along with the lodge charter, requires that a lodge fulfill several goals set by the national O.A. committee. These include having a high percentage of members become Brotherhood, producing a "Where to Go Camping" Book, producing a lodge newsletter, and making a gift to the council's camping program. Congratulations to all, and let's earn it again next year!

THREE MEMBERS RECEIVE SILVER BEAVER



Silver Beaver

Three members of our lodge received the Silver Beaver for 1995. The Silver Beaver is the highest award a council can give a volunteer Scouter. They are: Jerry Abad, a dedicated brother who unfortunately passed
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LODGE OFFICERS



ADVISORS

Chief Rocky Fernandez
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Vice Chief, Activities Graeme Rich
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Secretary Joey Golden
Netami Lekhiket
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Netami Mawachpo

Mr. Len Zavertnik
Mr. Ken Pedersen
Mr. Doug Krutilek
Mr. Ron Goodman & Mr Doug Krutilek
Mr. Mark Clevenger

Some Words from the Chief Fellow Arrowmen,

We are coming off a great Achifest at Camp Royaneh that was held in February. All the classes got taught, and the mud actually enhanced our competitions. A big thanks to Lionel Crear, Achifest Chairman, and Peter Zavertnik and Jim Carpenter, Achifest Advisors. The carnival was restructured and a great time was had by all.

The Los Mochos Fellowship will have also passed by the time you read this. Lots of work will be done there.

The BIG, HUGE event coming up April 26 - 28 is the Section W3A conclave. It's only \$10 for youth, and if you preregister, the Lodge will refund you \$5 on site. Where else can you get a \$5 Conclave? (Most cost \$15 - 25.) There are tons of classes and competitions lined up for all. Also, there will be huge shows and a new feature, the Midway. We are well on our way to a Most Indian Lodge Award, and we are searching for our 3rd straight Conclave Award. We are shooting for at least 150 Arrowmen for Achie, so register today!

Also, there is a Philmont OA trek lined up for this summer for \$100. I hope to be there, and I'd like to see some of you all too. Lastly, NOAC is less than 5 months away. Don't miss it!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Rocky Fernandez

SILVER BEAVERS (con't)

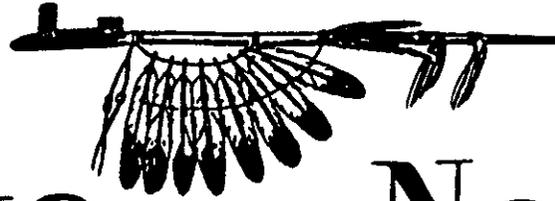
away in late 1995; A. Sabree Abdul-Mussawir, lodge banquet advisor and Golden Gate District Commissioner, and Jack Wynton, Tulpe Village Advisor.



Sketch by E.T. Seton (1902)

ACHIEFEST A SUCCESS

Lionel Crear, Chair for Achifest 1996, advises that the event was a success with 200 Arrowmen present. Although it rained, the competition was intense: Ohlone Village won, but they were only 3.5 points ahead of 2nd Place Tulpe. Lionel thanks adviser Peter Zavertnik, the adults who accomplished so much work, and the youth for a great time.



Village News

Village Officers	
Chief	<i>Wojauwe</i>
Vice Chief	<i>Nicheneyit Wojauwe</i>
Secretary	<i>Lekhiket</i>
Treasurer	<i>Mawachpo</i>

Amangi Nechóchwén (Tres Ranchos District)

Chief	Wes Lopachuk	510/351-8910
Vice Chief, Activities	Darwin Operario	
Vice Chief, Ceremonies	Mike Krause	
Vice Chief, Elections	Ryan Goodfellow	
Secretary	Eddie Gardner	
Advisor	Mr. Bill Parker	

Village Chief Wes Lopachuk advises that the Village is planning on sending many members to the Section Conclave, and will also have a large contingent of members going to NOAC. As of this writing, the Village is also looking forward to its annual Village Fellowship.

Meeting: 3rd Thursday every month, Faith Lutheran Church in Castro Valley at 7:30 pm.

Ohlone (Mission Peak District)

Chief	Joe Esmond, Jr.	510/790-1188
Vice Chief	Brian Simon	
Vice Chief	Ed Smith	
Advisor	Mr. John Alexy	

The Village chief congratulates all members of Ohlone Village on winning Achievest! Upcom-

ing events include working on making Indian chokers at meetings, hosting the Spring District Camporee, and village officer elections.

Meeting: 1st Thursday of every month at the Scout House on Fremont Blvd, 7:30 pm

Royaneñ (Golden Gate District)

Chief	Scott Campbell	415/922-5312
Vice Chief, Ceremonies	Troy Lionberger	
Vice Chief, Activities	Alex McHuron	
Secretary	Travis Chan	
Treasurer	Matt Perricone	
Advisor	Mr. Jim Smith	

Village Secretary Travis Chan and Chief Scott Campbell inform us that the village recently had an outing to Mission Cliffs where the members did rock climbing in place of a regular meeting. A successful Indian regalia meeting was held at the Lionberger home, with plans to make items at meetings and possibly sell them at the District Camporee at Camp Cutter, which the village will be hosting. Mr. Dewey McNeil has provided much help with the regalia.

Meeting: 1st Monday of each month at 7:30 at Lincoln Park Presbyterian Church, SF.

Suonen Pachsegink (Twin Valley District)

Chief Clay Huycke-Hall 510/447-7317
 Vice Chief, Ceremonies Ian Hutchinson
 Vice Chief, Ordeals Jonathon Emrich
 Secretary Jeff Greene
 Advisor Mr. Jim Freeman

Advisor Mr. Jim Freeman notes that the village has been making chokers at meetings, and will soon begin carving wooden slides at meetings. The village will be hosting the Camporee, and Marty Loomis (510/426-1863) is coordinating unit elections. Thanks are extended to Clay Hall for his fine work as Chief.

Meeting: 3rd Thursday of the month at Camp Parks in Livermore at 7:15 pm.

LODGE BANQUET

The 1995 Lodge Banquet, held at the Pacific Bell corporate center in downtown San Francisco, was a success with 300 Arrowmen and family in attendance. Chair A. Sabree Abdul-Mussawir did a fine job, and he extends his thanks to his son Mushin for his assistance in the banquet, and thanks to Ben Jones-Bey for the great work in creating the slides and graphics. Sabree also notes that Mr. Craig Leighty stepped in at the last moment to give a presentation on our Lodge's history, which was to have been handled by our deceased brother Jerry Abad.

Next year, Sabree hopes that a banquet committee can start earlier, with one member from each Village.

Awards presented included the Founder's Award for outstanding service to the Lodge, given to youth Jeremy Davis and Mr. Charlie Gilliam, and the Lodge Advisor's

Tippe (Peralta District)

Chief Cory Dixon 510/339-9490
 Vice Chief Lionel Crear
 Vice Chief Ling Chin Kelley
 Vice Chief Mike Fabrizio
 Advisor Mr. Jack Wynnton

Vice Chief Lionel Crear advises that the Village is preparing to host the District Camporee. Work is currently underway to design a patch based on the theme "Living for Adventure." Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the month at Leuna Lodge in Oakland.

Award, presented to Ryan Goodfellow, Chair of Winter Awareness, Mr. Ron Goodman, previous Lodge Advisor and present advisor on many Lodge activities, and Mr Ray Goodfellow, Cook team advisor and chef extraordinaire.



From the 1945 Handbook for Boys

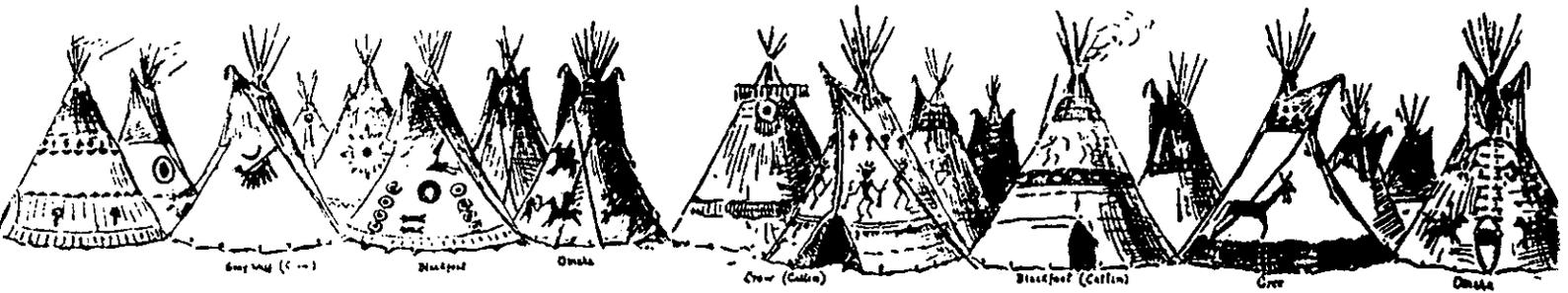
ARROWPOINT STAFF

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Members are welcome to submit news about our Lodge; submissions should first go through the village secretary and then to the Lodge Secretary or directly to the Arrowpoint Advisor. We may have to edit for space. Deadline for next issue: October 5, 1996.

INDIAN / NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE & CRAFTS

"We pick up the lore and traditions of the American Indian and honor them today." E. Umer Goodman, OA Founder



Sketch by E. T. Seton (1902)

1. Culture

In the last *Arrowpoint*, we discussed Ernest Thompson Seton, who was one of the founders of the Boy Scouts of America and who had inspired OA co-founder Carrol Edson with his use of Indian ceremonies. Seton, who was also the major author of the first Boy Scout Handbook, lived with several Indian tribes in the 1890s and early part of this century, and so had a unique opportunity to document a vanishing way of life. In this and other issues we will continue to feature his art and prose about the Native Americans.

Seton found that the native tribes traditionally followed the virtues he sought to teach to boys and young men. He contended that the contempt with which many whites of his day held the Indian was due to the white-made evils of the reservation system and, particularly, liquor.

Among the virtues Seton discovered among the native tribes was what would become the tenth point of the Scout law: bravery. Seton wrote in *The Book of Woodcraft* (1912) that "there was no braver man on earth" than the Indian. Seton quoted Jonathan Carver, who lived with the Sioux for three years:

An Indian meets death, when it approaches him in his hut, with the same resolution he has often faced him in the field. His indifference relative to this important article, which is the source of so many apprehensions to almost every other nation, is truly admirable. When his fate is pronounced by the physician, and it remains no longer uncertain, he harangues those about him with the greatest composure.

These savages ... bear every species of misfortune with a degree of fortitude which has not been outdone by any of the ancient heroes either of Greece or of Rome.

Carver, *Travels Among the Sioux* (1766-9).

Seton also quoted J.D. Hunter's book *Captivity* (1816): "The greatest insult that can be offered to an Indian, is to doubt his courage."

Finally, Seton noted many of the military feats of the Red Man: Chief Joseph in 1877 repeatedly defeated American soldiers with half their number, Dull Knife in 1878 held off 2000 American

troops with 69 warriors for four months.

2. Crafts

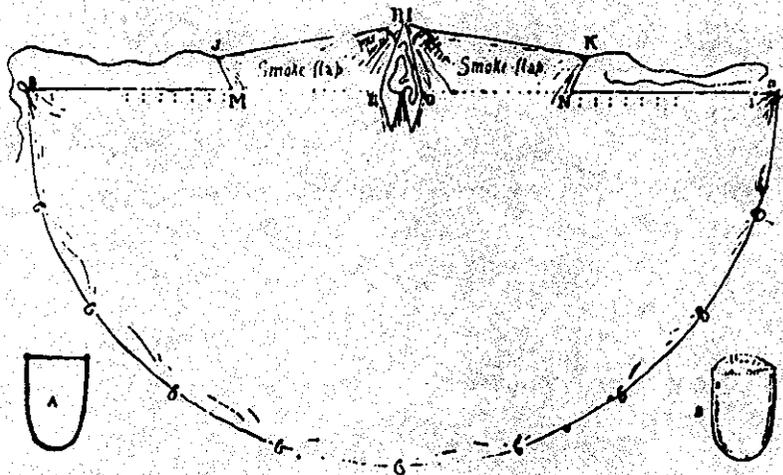
Below are reproduced portions of Seton's book *Two Little Savages* (1903). The directions of constructing a teepee, which Seton called perhaps the best movable home ever invented, are given in the voice of one of the characters in his book. The upper sketches deal with creating the teepee cover, the last three sketches illustrated how to erect the framework. It should be noted that these sketches are drawn from Seton's actual observations of Plains Indians, a century ago.

"First they sewed the skins together. No, first thar was a lot o' prayin'; ye kin suit yerselves 'bout that—then they sewed the skins together an' pegged it down flat on the prairie (B D H I, Cut No. 1). Then put in a peg at the middle of one side (A).

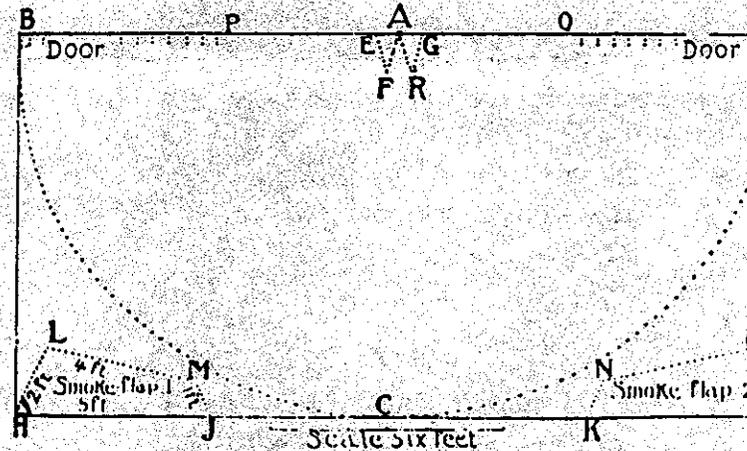
Then with a burnt stick an' a coord—yes, there must 'a' been a coord—they drew a half circle—so (B C D). Then they cut that off, an' out o' the pieces they make two flaps like that (H L M J and K N O I), an' sews 'em on to P E and G Q. Them's smoke-flaps to make the smoke draw. Thar's a upside down pocket in the top side corner o' each smoke-flap—so—for the top of each pole; and there is rows o' holes down—so (M B and N D, Cut No. 2)—on each side fur the lacin' pins. Then at the top of that pint (A, Cut 1) ye fasten a short lash-rop.

--J.D.H.

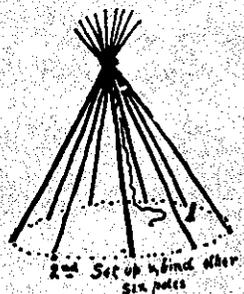
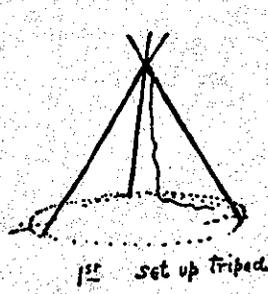
Le's see, now. I reckon thar's about ten poles for a ten-foot lodge, with two more for the smoke-flaps. Now, when ye set her up ye tie three poles together—so—an' set 'em up first, then lean the other poles around, except one, an' lash them by carrying the rope around a few times. Now tie the top o' the cover to the top o' the last pole by the short lash-rop, hist the pole into place—that hist's the cover, too, ye see—an' ye swing it round with the smoke-poles an' fasten the two edges together with the wooden pins. The two long poles put in the smoke-flap pockets works the vent to suit the wind."

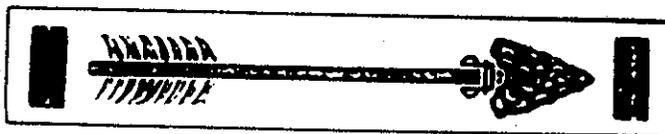


CUT II.—THE COMPLETE TEEPEE COVER - UNORNAMENTED
A—Frame for door B—Door completed



CUT I.—PATTERN FOR A SIMPLE 10-FOOT TEEPEE
Scale Six Feet





LODGE ADVISOR'S CORNER

by Mr. Len Zavertnik

NOAC UPDATE

Youth Chair Ken Morton and advisor Mr. Bill Parker advise that our Lodge will be sending 16 youth and 5 adults to the National Order of the Arrow Conference in Indiana this summer. This is a contingent larger than we had originally been allocated by the national office! The group has begun to have meetings to plan the trip across the country and take in as many sights as possible -- the idea is to make the trip there as interesting as the event itself.

SECTION NEWS

The biggest annual event for the Section is the Conclave in April. We note that Arrowmen in our Lodge have prominent positions at the Section: Jeremy Davis is Program Vice-Chief, Mr. Jim Carpenter is Section Advisor, and Mr. Craig Leighty is Associate Advisor.

Once a year the Section gives the Most Indian Lodge Award, which is based on factors such as Lodge Officer Training, and participation in Section activities and NOAC. Our Lodge is presently in first place!



Penobscot warbow.



Omaha bow, bowcase and quiver.

Sketch by E. T. Seton (1902)

All Lodge members should remember that, although we do work in the Council's camps, it is still a privilege for us to be permitted to use the camps. Therefore, we must also leave the camps in good condition. Unfortunately, that was not done after Achieifest.

We need everyone to go to the Conclave to help us win the Conclave Award again, and hopefully to win Most Indian Lodge as well. Points are awarded on the number of members who attend, so all who attend will help us.

ORDEAL NEWS

Vice Chief for Ordeals Ken Morton reminds us that the Wente Ordeal in May and the Royaneh Ordeal in June are the last two Ordeals for these camps before they begin summer camp. "So, it is important that they be well attended so that they can prepare for summer camp."

NATIONAL

NEWS



The *National Order of the Arrow Bulliten* reports that 85 Indian Camperships were awarded last year. The OA national committee administers the fund, which provides funds to American Indian scouts for summer camp. The program is

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NATIONAL NEWS (con't)

supported solely by donations from Lodges, Sections, and individuals.

The National Committee continues to provide matching funds with Lodges for Council projects assisting camping. In 1995, \$60,000 was presented; in 1996, \$30,000 will be available to Lodges across the country.

THE LAW OF LIFE

The tree that never had to fight
For sun and sky and air and light,
That stood out in the open plain
And always got its share of rain,
Never became a forest king,
But lived and died a scrubby thing.

The man who never had to toil
Who never had to win his share
Of sun, sky and light and air,
Never became a manly man,
But lived and died as he began.

Good timber does not grow in ease.
The stronger wind, the tougher trees,
The farther sky, the greater length,
The more the storm, the more the strength,
By sun and cold, by rain and snows,
In tree or man, good timber grows.

Douglas Malloch

From the 1965 OA Handbook

1996 LODGE CALENDAR ACHEWON NIMAT #282

April 26 - 28

May 3 - 5

June 1

June 7 - 9

mid-August

August 24

Section Conclave

Ordeal - Wente

Scout O Rama

Ordeal - Royaneh

NOAC

Lodge Officer's BBQ



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