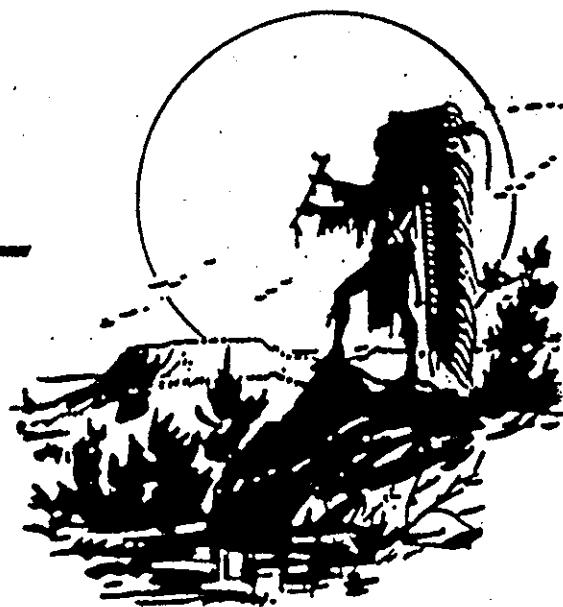




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## **The Big Rock Forum**

Fellow Arrowmen,

We are approaching the Conclave with our heads held high and our voices ready to be lost. Achie is looking at wrapping up its fourth straight Conclave award and its second consecutive Most Indian Lodge Award. I hope to see you there.

Just a week later a new page in Achewon Nimat history will be written. At the Wente Ordeal the lodge will hold its first Elangomat-Nimat Ordeal. This program will help retain new members and help our Lodge to grow. It will also allow members to rededicate themselves to the Order and give service to the Lodge. I hope you all choose to participate in this great program.

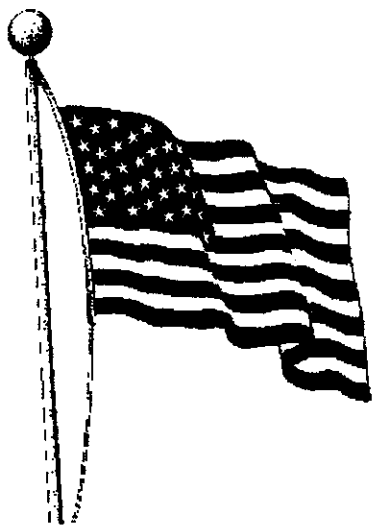
See you at Conclave!

Yours in Brotherhood,

Rocky Fernandez

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## **Lodge mourns a great loss**

On Tuesday, April 15, our Lodge lost one of its most dedicated members. Ray Goodfellow passed away after battling a brain tumor for several months. Ray has been the cook team advisor for several years and is known by all. He has been Scoutmaster of Troops 263 of San Leandro for over 14 years, and saw 14 members of his troop attain the eagle rank. He was a Vigil Honor Member of the Lodge and recently received the Silver Beaver, the Highest Honor given to adult Scouters.

Donations can be made in his memory to the Boy Scouts of America, 8480 Enterprise Way, Oakland.

Ray was truly a great asset to the Lodge and he will be sorely missed.

## **Elangomats Unite!**

At the Wenté Ordeal, a new program will be introduced to Achewon Nimat Ordeals. The Elangomat-Nimat program, which stands for "Friend-Brother", is designed to help ease the transition into the Order and help new Arrowmen find their way around. Here's

how the program works: Dedicated brotherhood and Vigil honor members will work with groups of candidates of up to 5 people and will go through the Ordeal tests with the candidates. After the Ordeal, the Elangomat will keep in touch with his new Arrowmen and keep them active and aware of the village and lodge events. The journey ends when the Elangomat guides his Arrowmen to go through their Brotherhood ceremony. We are looking forward to successfully executing this nationally-sponsored program. If you are interested in participating, contact Elangomat Chairman Orville Hrabe at (510) 862-2398.



## **Food, Fellowship, and Fun!**

On April 4-5, the Lodge held its annual Fellowship at Los Mochos. We got several work projects done. Most importantly, the Lodge held its first ever Elangomat-Nimat training session, training several Arrowmen to start the program. That night, we chowed down on a great meal, with stew and all the fixin's. Later on, we all shared a spectacular view of Comet Hale-Bopp. Overall, it was a very fun weekend and we are looking forward to next year's fellowship.

# **BIG EVENT! CONCLAVE! CONCLAVE! CONCLAVE!**

THE CONCLAVE IS ALMOST HERE! The Section W3A Conclave will be held at Cal State University Monterey Bay on April 25-27. Achie is looking forward to winning its fourth straight Conclave award. However, it will only happen if we get a ton of youth membership there! Don't miss out on the Sumo Wrestling, Lawn Bowling, and Achie's specialty, INDIAN HANDBALL! We also are looking for spirit, so bring noisemakers and those loud voices! If you haven't signed up already, contact your village advisor and pay on site. Do whatever it takes but don't miss the best OA event all year! Go Achie!

## **Own A Piece of Philmont?**

Okay, you can't quite OWN a piece of Philmont, but you can leave your permanent mark on the Boy Scout's high adventure backpacking paradise in New Mexico. The OA trail crew program, which was started in 1995, is the easiest way to enjoy Philmont and its beauty. For a mere \$100, you go to Philmont and help build trails for a week. Then, when you finish that week, you and your crew composed of arrowmen from all around the nation get to choose where you want to hike (anywhere on the Ranch) for week 2! Now, just so you know, a

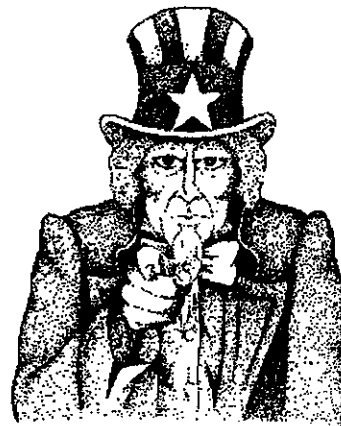
regular Philmont trek costs over \$300 for a 10 day adventure. On top of that, there is a three-year waiting period to go to Philmont for normal treks. With the OA, you can go this year with no messy waiting time! If you are interested in this program, contact Lodge Chief Rocky Fernandez at (510) 581-1743.

## **Lodge Enters the Superhighway**

You can now visit the Achewon Nimat Web Page at <http://L282.home.ml.org>. Surf Away!

## **Amangi Rocks**

Amangi village has developed a village dance team which will expand out to the lodge level. Our dance team advisor, Charles Hoffman, has expressed interest in helping the lodge dance team return to its former glory of the 1970's. For more information call village chief Robert Wong at (510) 278-0402.



## **I Want You**

Uncle Sam wants YOU to be a lodge officer in Achewon Nimat lodge. At the Achiefest we had our lodge

elections and there are still 2 empty offices, lodge secretary and treasurer. The secretary will keep the minutes for the LECMs and will work with the Arrowpoint chairman. The treasurer will help with the lodge budget and run the trading post with Mark. If you want to run for a lodge office, get a letter from your Scoutmaster saying you can run for a lodge office, and you must be Brotherhood. If you're not Brotherhood, then get it and run next year. The lodge elections will be held at Conclave, so GO. Remember, WE WANT YOU!

## Editorial

Hello, Hello, Hello!! Welcome to the wonderful mind of Ed. There is a blue light special on aisle four. How many of you get confused at the L.E.C.M.'s. Yeah me too, but I encourage all of you to please speak up at the meetings. We need all your input to make the decisions in the lodge. And DO NOT let any other lodge members

influence your decision. So at the next L.E.C.M. raise your hand and say "This Sucks!" or "This is a great idea!".

Now for my views on the world around us. First of all what is up with those Heaven's Gate people. Those people would have a better chance following me. The NFL draft is the most boring thing in sports right now. We are also in the midst of the playoff hunt in the NBA. I believe that the bulls will once again win the championship and claim their title as the team of the 90s. In the NHL I think that the Avalanche will repeat their champion performance. The Athletics had a great opening week, but failed once when they left the newly refurbished Coliseum. The Giants, who cares??? And today Rob received incorrect change from the Taco Bell near Rocky's house. I would also like to wish a Happy Birthday to the Lucky's Rewards Card.

If you like to contribute to this wonderful newsletter then please give me a call at (510) 683-9574.

## O.A. Word Search

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## Soccer Field Vandalized!

The Los Mochos soccer field was hit badly by a group of teen-aged Boy Scouts the weekend of April 4-5. The entire fence had been torn away and the posts torn out of the ground. All that was left were the goal posts and several holes where the fence posts once stood. No longer will the children of the world be able to play fenced-in sports at this glorious field. Amazingly, the perpetrators picked up the fence pieces and stacked them neatly on two local trailers to be shipped away. Police were going to arrest suspects of the Achewon Nimat Lodge, but decided not to when it got too dark that night.



## Arrowpoint Committee

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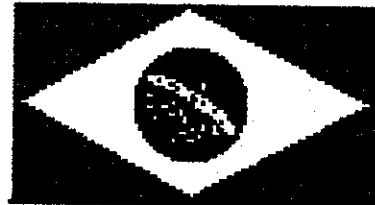
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## Brazil Sacked by Quebec

The citizens of Brazil were shocked when crack-French-Canadian Storm Troopers invaded Rio De Janeiro on April Fool's Day. At first, the Brazilians thought it was a joke, but soon after the Troopers captured the supermarkets and post offices. By then, the Brazilians were laughing so badly that resistance was futile. The UN has identified two possible motives for the invasion, first being the failed secession attempt of Quebec and the second being the loss of the Nordiques Hockey Team to Denver, Colorado. The Quebecians are having trouble making demands to the Brazilians cause of the language barriers. French don't work so well in Brazil. The statue of Christ the Redeemer which stands on Mount Corcovado was destroyed by the Brazilians own friendly fire. The mass war ended in less than twenty-four hours and a total of three hundred fifty four thousand people died in this war

## Deep Thought

I can picture in my mind a world without war, a world without hate. And I can picture us attacking that world, because they'd never expect it.