

THE OTTER SIDE



Service To America

As the sun started to rise on the morning of May 27th, a small contingent of Ohlone Arrowmen entered the hallowed grounds of Golden Gate National Cemetery to start preparing for an invasion.

This invasion was not one of hostility, but one of humility. More than one thousand Scouts from Pacific Skyline Council and adult volunteers descended on this small outpost of military heroes to place an American flag in front of every headstone and marker as a way of saying thank you for giving us the freedoms we enjoy today.

Ohlone members assisted the cemetery personnel in traffic control, flag distribution, cemetery plot assignments, registration sign in, distribution of the



ground pokers, opening ceremonies, food and beverage distribution as well as placing flags in every section of the cemetery.

The grave decoration officially opened about 8:30 AM with the presentation of the colors escorted by personnel representing the various branches of the military. By 11:30 AM, the entire cemetery was fluttering in Red, White and Blue flags and another Memorial Day was about to be ushered in.

Ohlone registered over 3,100 man hours for Service to America and our lodge contributed over 200 hours to this great cause.

There is no better way to say thank you to those who gave so much as to take those few hours on Memorial Day to place a flag on their grave. For all of those Arrowmen who chose to be there, I could feel all of those who we honored saying thank you in return.

Lodge Officer Elections

At the June Lodge meeting, the annual elections of lodge officers was held. During the evening, Michael Maxwell was elected Lodge Chief for the year 2000/2001 program year. Also elected was Michael Duerson as Vice Chief for Administration, the number two leadership position, and Daniel Dickson as Vice Chief of Inductions. Rounding out the officer slate is Matt Karp as Lodge Secretary and Matthew Rudnick as Lodge Treasurer.

During the latter part of the evening, representatives from Salson Village elected Eugene DeVerre as their Chief and Puyson Village elected Andrew Coggiolla as their Chief.

Lodge Website On-Line

We wish to thank Matt Rudnick for the many hours of work he has placed into the lodge website. Since early June Matt has made a particular effort to getting the lodge website up a running. His work may be seen at:

<http://www.ohlone63.com>

Ohlone63.com is your Internet resource for Lodge activities and events. The website may also be used to contact lodge officers, advisers and committee chairs. But work on the website is far from over. Our website is always a work in progress. If any of our youth members have an interest helping Matt with maintaining/creating the lodge website may contact Matt at: webmaster@ohlone63.com. Any questions about lodge membership may be sent to: comm@ohlone63.com

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Chief's Corner

Well, here it is upon us, another year with Ohlone Lodge. While our new chief is out of the office on vacation, it is my job to fill you in on what is going on. As most of you know, Mike Maxwell is our new fearless leader, with myself and Dan Dickson (V.C. of Inductions) are right behind him. Matt Rudnick is continuing to hold his spot in the Treasury, while we introduce Matt Karp



(former chief of Iamsin Village) as the new Lodge Secretary. With this new staff, we are making it our goal to boost lodge involvement and service, which go hand in hand. Also, this is a new shot at us getting National Honor Lodge, so start making those *Brotherhood* conversions. The new staff will be getting together over the rest of the summer to plan the next year and set some goals, so let them know if you have any ideas.

Speaking of a new year, we are kicking it off with an Ordeal in September. This as you know, is our Fall Ordeal, and a great time to boost involvement over the next year. The Lodge Staff has made it their goal to have the flyers out three to four weeks in advance, so let's mark it on the calendar. Staff is still needed in all areas, so contact Dan if you want to help. **Remember, this is the best time to get your Brotherhood!!! (Hint: Send in your letter to the Lodge Secretary now!!!)**

Well, by the time most of you read this, several of us will have braved the trip to NOAC, and will be sitting at home inventorying a few new patches. However, this is not a trip for patch trading alone (even though some think that it is.) The members of the lodge are in Knoxville to learn about the Order, and bring back new knowledge and skills to you. So go ahead and ask anybody who is going what they learned, and what you can do to make *Ohlone* the best lodge it can be (even though we proved that we are the best in the section

with that nice little trophy that we have from the last conclave!!!) So go ahead and see what you can learn and do. This is your lodge, let's make the best of it together.

I also just want to extend my thanks to several people over the past few months. First of all, for those of you who did not know, Matt Rudnick has taken responsibility for our web page. He has acquired a domain name for the Lodge and has addressed the site as:

<http://www.ohlone63.com>.

Check it out, and let him know if you have any comments or questions about it. Next, Mark Matthews Sr. and Ed Slintak who are braving the rough waters and guiding us to Tennessee. These guys stepped in when we needed somebody to help us out, and they are always there for us. Midnight Oil Productions (JP and his trusty Mac) also deserves a hand. Without him, you would not be reading this, that simple. In closing, I would like to extend and written standing ovation to Kelly Veach. Kelly has given more time and energy to the lodge than anybody that I know. I give my personal thanks to him, and all of the time he has given to us. Thanks Kel.

In Brotherhood,

Mike Duerson, V.C. Administration
VCA@ohlone63.com

Congratulations!

We thank the following Arrowmen for making the committment to the Order and sealing their membership as Brotherhood members.

Lansing R Bailey	Troop 27
Christopher Gardini Sr	Troop 101
Eric H Jacobsen	Troop 255
Russell N B Jacobsen	Troop 255
Matt S Karp	Troop 321
David R Oxborrow	Troop 5
Dillon A Oxborrow	Troop 5
Josh W Solera	Troop 37
Hal Taylor	Troop 33

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Trail to Brotherhood

To become an *Ordeal* member in the "Order," you were elected by your fellow Scouts. Then you chose to complete the *Ordeal* for membership and hopefully began a personal journey of discovery. Using the "legend" as example and the ceremonial characters as a guide you began to understand the this group of honored campers is also a service organization. An organization formed to promote camping, give service to the council and its camps, and to provide leadership opportunities in addition to Scouting units.

What makes the *Brotherhood* honor of the "OA" special is that it is a personal choice. The completion of Brotherhood requirements (see Page 4) and the sending of the required letter to the lodge secretary is the personal choice of each member. The completion of the requirements is all that is needed to be eligible for attending the ceremony and the attainment of the Brotherhood honor.

A Commitment To Serve

Attaining the *Brotherhood* honor is also a commitment to serve Ohlone Lodge. To help make it grow. To help it become a better organization in its effort to serve the Pacific Skyline Council and its units. Many members are needed to produce *News From The Otter Side*. Likewise the *Where To Go Camping* booklet needs to be reviewed, researched, and updated. Regalia needs to be made and maintained for ceremonies and the Indian Dance Team. The Dance Team itself needs dancers, singers, and drummers.

Ordeal Weekend

Strangely enough, the next opportunity to complete the attainment of the *Brotherhood* honor is at the next induction of new members. The *Ordeal* weekend in September needs Elangomats to lead the clans of new members into the Order. Also we need participants in the work crews that complete projects to make our camps a better place and ceremonial members and assistants to provide the inspiration and understanding. Please take a moment to complete the enclosed flyer for mailing into the council office.

New Brotherhood Members In 2000

Every December is recharter time. Not just for Scouting units but also for each of the OA lodges. A part of this rechartering is the annual completion of the Lodge Achievement Program (LAP). This program asks that the lodge completes certain requirements for the attainment of Honor Lodge. One of the needs of Ohlone lodge is the conversion of 30% of its Ordeal membership to the Brotherhood Honor. Based on the last rechartering figures that would mean that at least 40 of our brothers is need to make the commitment to *Brotherhood* during the 2000 calendar year. Ohlone Lodge has many needs. On its committees as well as our support of the W3A Section Conclave. Not only do we need Scouts to make the commitment but in order to make the goal of *Brotherhood* conversion we also need many of our adult Scouters.

There will be Brotherhood ceremonies held at each of the Ordeals in during the year, fellowship weekend in November and the W3A Section Conclave in September. We really do need your help, but only you can make the choice to meet the requirements and make the commitment.

Fall Ordeal 2000

The Fall Ordeal will take place between September 22nd and 24th at Cutter Scout Reservation. Be at Cutter at 7:00 PM, and bring \$15.00 for food and lodging. The main purpose of an Ordeal is to induct new members into our lodge. One other purpose of an Ordeal is Brotherhood inductions.

If you are planning to go for your Brotherhood induction at this Ordeal, you need to make sure that you meet the requirements for earning the Brotherhood honor.

The Ordeal is all about inducting brand new members into the Lodge, and as such we will need a lot of help from Elangomats and other experienced Arrowman.

This Ordeal is going to be great fun. You can help the lodge by becoming an Elangomat or by just showing up and helping out with various activities.

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The Challenges of Brotherhood Membership

You must meet five challenges before you can enter the Circle of the Brotherhood. The first of these you should meet now. The next three require steady effort over a period of months. The last challenge you must meet after you are satisfied that you are meeting the first four.

1. *Memorize the signs of Arrow membership.* Memorize the Obligation of the Order, which you received from Allowat Sakima (printed on the back of your membership card and in your handbook). Also, memorize the Order of the Arrow Official Song, the Admonition, the sign of Ordeal membership, and the Arrow handclasp.
2. *Advance in you understanding of the Ordeal.* Gain a thorough understanding of the Ordeal through which you have passed.
3. *Serve your unit.* Retain your registration in Scouting. During a period of at least 10 months, strive to fulfill your Obligation by continuing and expanding your service to your own troop or team.
4. *Plan for service in your lodge.* Retain your registration in your Order of the Arrow lodge and keep your dues paid. Be aware that acceptance of Brotherhood membership involves a pledge of service to the lodge. Develop a concrete idea of how you plan to fulfill this pledge.
5. *Review your progress.* When you earnestly feel that you have met the four challenges above, write a letter to your lodge secretary. In this letter:
 - Explain what you think the Obligation means.
 - Describe how you have been fulfilling this Obligation in your troop or team and in your daily life, and how you have used your understanding of the Ordeal to aid in this service.
 - Describe your specific plans for giving service in the lodge program.

Include with this letter your advance registration application and fees for the next Brotherhood ceremony according to the instruction given by the lodge.

Welcome To Our Newest Members

Benjamin J Archer	Troop 5
John P Bolles	Troop 37
Gary R Bracken	Troop 175
Charles Cogan	Troop 255
Andrew L Coggiola	Troop 30
Michael Coggiola	Troop 30
Eric Crawford	Troop 44
Patrick J Danaher	Troop 50
Erik D Frydenlund	Troop 27
Ben Gammon	Troop 263
Daniel Glassanos	Troop 33
Robert Gregg	Troop 30
Karl Haselbach	Troop 175
Alan Heiple	Troop 64
Jeffrey P Hill	Troop 321
Matthew Hitchcock	Troop 206
Michael Hitchcock	Troop 206
Phillip Hoffman	Troop 33
Nicholas K Jacobsen	Troop 255
Jonathan R Karp	Troop 321
Douglas Kovalich	Troop 149
Alexander P Levin	Troop 42
Ryan Lufkins	Troop 206
Ethan Matthews	Troop 30
Alexander Miller	Troop 33
Andrew Norton	Troop 47
Rex Pechler	Troop 200
Nick Reis	Troop 222
Matthew Sheehan	Troop 27
Andrew Spangler	Troop 5
Scott K Takasuka	Troop 87
Mark Taylor	Troop 33
Joseph Tepe	Troop 30
Shaun Thivierge	Troop 27
Christopher Tillisch	Troop 101
John Tuttle	Troop 33
Gian C Vera	Troop 101
Juby M Vera	Troop 101
Jack Welsh	Troop 30
John D Wise Jr	Troop 149
John D Wise Sr	Troop 149

Village News

Sipliskin Village

Serving Discovery District

Village Chief	Awaiting Election Results	
Village Vice Chief	Awaiting Election Results	
Village Adviser (North)	Paul Custance	(415) 560-6858
Village Adviser (Coast)	Eric Jacobsen	(650) 712-9653
District Executive	Mike Partin	(650) 341-5633



Sipliskin Village

LDS Chapel
at Sharp Park Road

Salson Village

Serving Peninsula District

Village Chief	Eugene DeVere	(650) 349-3113
Village Vice Chief	Awaiting Election Results	
Village Advisor	Andy Coltart	(650) 345-4774
District Executive	Kaysi Whelan	(650) 341-5633



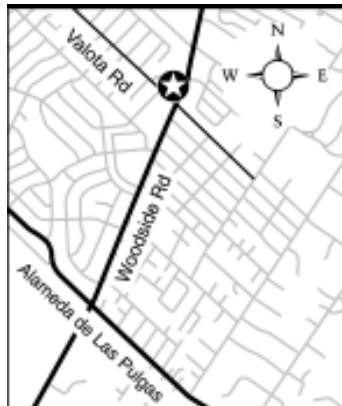
Salson Village

Scout Service Center
in San Mateo

Iamsin Village

Serving Sequoia District

Village Chief	Awaiting Election Results	
Village Vice Chief	Awaiting Election Results	
Village Advisor	Edward Slintak	(650) 364-1036
District Executive	Maricela Guerrero	(650) 327-5900



Iamsin Village

Messiah
Lutheran Church
Valota Road &
Woodside Rd

Puyson Village

Serving Stanford District

Village Chief	Andrew Coggiola	(408) 749-0859
Village Vice Chief	Awaiting Election Results	
Village Advisor	Bob Larsen	(408) 296-5069
District Executive	Jesse Lopez	(650) 327-5900



Puyson Village

LDS Chapel
on Jordan Avenue

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Adviser's Corner



The "Dog Days of Summer" are upon us and the lodge is taking this time to reflect on our last year's accomplishments and to make plans for the 2000/2001 lodge year which starts officially in September.

I want to publicly thank all of the youth officers, youth chairmen and all of the adult

advisers who put forth the numerous man hours necessary to make this lodge run. I believe that many of the youth officers learned from their experiences in office and have a better understanding of the Order and its purpose. It was indeed my honor to work along side all of you and I was privileged to be this Lodge's adviser. Good leaders make good things happen and good things happened all year for *OHLONE*. Great leaders are emerging and so I look forward to a great year as we gear up for what appears to be an exciting period in Ohlone's history.

Congratulations to the new executive board which was voted in this month. The youth of this lodge have spoken and now it is the challenge of the new officers to take their vote of confidence and to "give back," to them, more than they envisioned. The lodge has a strong governing body and a very enthusiastic energy which should carry down to all of the committees, out to the villages and beyond to every unit and every member. This board will be meeting during the summer to discuss next year's strategy and to plan out the events which we all enjoy.

...And now I challenge all of you!!!!

Every *ORDEAL* member who is eligible for *BROTHERHOOD* - make the decision to seal your membership in our Order. Contact the Lodge Secretary by mail, e-mail or phone and let him know that you want to take the *BROTHERHOOD* challenge.

Every *BROTHERHOOD* member who knows an *ORDEAL* member - do what it takes to convince that member to convert this fall at the September ordeal. Take it upon yourself to bring at least one *ORDEAL* member from your troop to this event and help him to take the *BROTHERHOOD* challenge.

Every *VIGIL* member of our Lodge - take the challenge to continue to serve. The lodge needs your experience and we need you to take on the responsibility of making sure that the lodge grows in attendance and that the program is geared for the youth of the Lodge. Take a *BROTHERHOOD* member under your wing and inspire him to "seek the arrow". It will be by your leadership that they will be inspired. With that inspiration, they too, may become a *VIGIL* one day.

As I head off to Tennessee with 14 members of our Lodge to attend this year's NOAC, I go with the knowledge that *OHLONE* is the pride of Pacific Skyline Council and we will be representing the best Arrowmen, from the best Lodge, in the best Section of the Western Region.

Have a safe and fun-filled summer and get ready to kick some "booty" when we come together in September for the *W3 CONCLAVE* at Two Rock near Petaluma. Until then, count every day as a blessing and give thanks.

Yours in Scouting and in the Brotherhood

WWW...Jay "Kelly" Veach (Chupecat Kichkinet)

JayDVeach@aol.com

New National OA Chair.

Courtesy: National Bulletin

Brad Haddock, the 1975/76 National Chief, has been appointed to be the new chairman of the National OA Committee. Haddock will replace **Congressman Ed Pease**, who stepped down June 1st, after seven years at the reigns. Haddock has set a progressive slate of goals as chairman. He is committed to the implementation of the Order's strategic plan. He plans to emphasize the unit representation program and the new training system that is available. He also sees the Order becoming a larger part of Council operations. "It is my desire that the Lodge will be an integral part of the council," he said.

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Lodge Leadership

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Village Leadership

Iamsin Chief	Vacant		
Iamsin Vice Chief	Vacant		
Iamsin Advisor	Edward Slintak	(650) 364-1036	<i>etslintak@aol.com</i>
Puyson Chief	Andrew Coggiolla	(408) 749-0859	
Puyson Vice Chief	Vacant		
Puyson Advisor	Bob Larsen	(408) 296-5069	
Salson Chief	Eugene DeVere	(650) 357-1967	
Salson Vice Chief	Vacant		
Salson Advisor	Andy Coltart	(650) 345-9774	<i>cabruce@netzero.net</i>
Sipliskin Chief	Vacant		
Sipliskin Vice Chief	Vacant		
Sipliskin Advisor	Eric Jacobsen	(650) 712-9653	<i>ehjarcht@pacbell.net</i>

Lodge Committee Chairman

Activities	Vacant		
Camp Promotions	Vacant		
Ceremonies	Mike Duerson	(650) 654-2105	<i>stumpy_9@hotmail.com</i>
Elangomat/Taskmaster	Vacant		
Indian Dance	Vacant		
Lodge Insignia	Vacant		
Publications	Vacant		
Regalia Team	Jay D. Veach	(650) 871-1966	<i>JayDVeach@aol.com</i>
Unit Elections	Vacant		
Website	Matt Rudnick	(650) 571-8140	<i>Webmaster@ohlone63.com</i>

LODGE CALENDAR

July '00

- 4 Independence Day
- 29-Aug 3 National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC)
University of Tennessee at Knoxville

August '00

No Lodge Activities

September '00

- 4 Labor Day
- 6 Iamsin Village Meeting
- 7 Sipliskin, Salson, Puyson Village Meetings
- 14 Lodge Chief's Council
- 15-17 OA W3 Conclave (Two Rock Coast Guard Station)
- 22-24 Fall Ordeal Weekend
- 30 Rosh Hashanah

October '00

- 4 Iamsin Village Meeting
- 5 Sipliskin, Salson, Puyson Village Meetings
- 9 Columbus Day/Yom Kippur
- 12 Lodge Chief's Council
- 20-22 Mountain Man Rendezvous,
Boulder Creek Scout Reservation
- 31 Halloween

November '00

- 1 Iamsin Village Meeting
- 2 Sipliskin, Salson, Puyson Village Meetings
- 3-5 Lodge Fellowship/Section Pow Wow (CSR)
- 9 Lodge Chief's Council
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 23 Thanksgiving Day

December '00

- 6 Iamsin Village Meeting
- 7 Sipliskin, Salson, Puyson Village Meetings
- 14 Lodge Chief's Council
- 25 Christmas

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