



The Bigfoot

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DUES NOTICE

Have you paid your 2009 dues yet? Pay your \$15.00 soon so you don't become a broken arrow!
THANKS

Cub Scout Resident Camp "Looking for a few good Scouts"

Interested in getting some camp staff experience? Give some thought to spending a week at Scout A Vista from July 10-18, 2009 to work on the staff at this year's Cub Scout Resident Camp. Can you remember what a blast camping was waaaaaay back when you were a Wolf or Bear? Being on staff is even better. Arrowmen as young as 14 can apply for staff. Contact Frank Villanueva at the Yakima Service Center for more information

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NOAC 2009 "I'm There"

The 2009 National Order of the Arrow Conference will take place at [Indiana University](http://www.indiana.edu). Indiana University has a distinguished history of providing a beautiful campus and tremendous facility to National Conferences. The conference will begin on August 1 and conclude on August 6, 2009.

Since this is a new program for NOAC, the staff of the office of the chairmen is going to great lengths to make the program great. The NOAC program group has developed questions to ask lodges that are the result of collaboration between the region OA chairman/staff advisers and the Order of the Arrow steering committee. These questions will assess the Order's impact on individual lodges as well as solicit feedback by which the national committee can best improve its support for lodges.

In the summer of 2009, Arrowmen from around the country have the unique opportunity to gather together for the National Order of the Arrow Conference commonly referred to as NOAC. NOACs generally have over 7,000 Arrowmen in attendance that are seeking many of the aspects you are looking for: fun, fun and more fun. Each time a conference is held, Arrowmen coming from around the world gather at a major university to share their ideas on lodge leadership, activities, and ceremonies as well as participate in a large variety of competitions. This six day adventure is unlike any other event in Scouting and is unique to just members of the Order of the Arrow. **If you want to attend this summer contact Stephani Kinney at kinneykid@aol.com ASAP!**

Greetings from Far Away Lands

Scott Feltrup Tours Japan with the BSA

Think that Scouting won't really take you anywhere? Tataliya Lodge Vice Chief Scott Feltrup can tell you different. In February he travelled to Japan for 2 weeks as an ambassador for the Boy Scouts of America. Scott was one of 32 scouts from around the United States to make the trip.

The scouts flew into Texas and after a banquet and reception at the National Scout Museum, they were off to Tokyo! The first days were spent at a BSA/SAJ (Scout Association of Japan) youth conference at the National Olympics Memorial Youth Center in Tokyo.

After a few days of sightseeing the group was off to Yokohama. In Yokohama he spent 2 nights with a host family, the Suzuki's. All too soon Scott was on a flight back to Dallas, then to Seattle and finally returned, (28 hours after he left Japan), to Yakima with memories to last a lifetime!

Scott knows first hand that Scouting offers many unbelievable opportunities for personal growth and experiences! Besides Japan, Scott has been on scout excursions that have visited Washington DC, Philadelphia, New York City, Virginia, Minnesota and even a week at Iowa State University while at NOAC in 2004. This summer he is heading out again to serve on an OA Trail Crew at Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico. Opportunities like these await all scouts and Arrowmen who seek adventure and stay involved!

Scott at the Great Buddha in Yokohama



Imperial Temple in Tokyo



Quality Lodge 2009!!!!

We pulled off the hat trick! Tataliya Lodge made Quality Lodge again in 2008! That makes three years in a row! Hats off to all those who worked hard to make it happen, especially those Brothers who sealed their membership by converting to Brotherhood. Can we do it again in 2009? Brothers, with *your* help, we will!

Chiefly Speaking Outgoing Western Region Chief, Mark Hendricks

Every once in a while (usually when there is a choice between a hotel and a tent) I hear an Arrowman say, "it takes 15 nights of camping to get in, not stay in." This is true; there's nothing that says an Arrowman has to love camping. But some of us do. Some of us prefer to spend a week backpacking rather than living on a college campus. Each of us who loves the outdoors loves it for a different reason. Some of us love the adventures and challenges that nature presents. Some love the beauty of the wilderness. Others have a spiritual connection with nature. And for some, the wilderness is where they belong (these are the mountain-man-like guys who seem out of place in society, and I count at least two of my OA high adventure foremen among them).

The OA has spectacular opportunities for those of us who love the outdoors. My two OA Trail Crew trips at Philmont and my Wilderness Voyage at Northern Tier were some of my best experiences with Scouting as well as some of my best trips into the wilderness. And the wilderness wasn't even the highlight of these trips; it was just the setting. Instead, the friendships that I forged matter most to me.



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2009 Tataliya Lodge Calendar

February and March: Unit Elections and Nominations

May 2: Council Awards: Englewood Christian Church Yakima. At noon. We will present our Founders and Wadollowellmi Awards for 2008.

April/May: Several District Camporees with Call-out ceremonies

June 5-6: Fife Ordeal and Brotherhood Ceremony, *Camp Fife*

June 19-20: Bonaparte Ordeal and Brotherhood Ceremony, *Camp Bonaparte*

August 1-6: NOAC, *Indiana State University*

August 14-16 Scout-A-Vista Ordeal and Brotherhood Ceremony
Lodge Encampment, *Scout-A-Vista*

September 25-27: Section Conclave— Our lodge hosts! CAMP FIFE

Nov. 20-22: NLS/NLATS, Portland Or.

National Jamboree 2010

Nestled in the rolling green hills of Virginia, close to our nation's capital, Fort A.P. Hill lies near many historical Civil War landmarks. This 76,000-acre facility has hosted the national Scout jamboree since 1981. The Boy Scouts of America uses approximately 3,000 acres of land to support a city of more than 43,000 Scouts and leaders.

Calling All Arrowmen!!!

Would you like to serve the Lodge, but aren't sure how? Would you like to help participate in ceremonies, but don't know what to do to get started? There are positions for you! Contact your lodge advisor for more information! GET INVOLVED!!

It's Time to Start Thinking About Summer Camp!!!

Believe it or not, it's already summer camp season! The staff of Camp Fife and Camp Bonaparte are already working hard to put on the best summer camp program ever. It's our responsibility to promote camping within our Boy Scout Troops. Remind your scoutmasters to sign up now, and hype our awesome council camps to everyone you see, even if they aren't in your troop. Remember, Fife has a gorgeous new dining hall and a swimming pool! Bonaparte has a new Low COPE course and one of the best high adventure programs around. Call the Yakima Service Center to reserve your spot at two of the northwest's most beautiful summer camps!

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