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Here Comes The 2008 Section W4A Lodge Chiefs

Everything You Need To Know About The New Lodge Chiefs



Malibu Lodge Chief
Chris Doggett



Siwinis Lodge Chief
Charles Pickering

Lodge – Malibu #566

Past OA Positions Held – Chapter Treasurer, Lodge Treasurer, Lodge Vice Chief Of Activities, Lodge Vice Chief of Inductions

Car – I wish

Favorite Book – *Insert Name of Favorite Book Here*

Favorite Movie – Definitely Follow Me Boys!!

Favorite Scouting Memory – The first time i watched Follow Me Boys

Favorite Pizza Topping – Sausage

Favorite Ice Cream – Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough

Most Unusual Scouting Experience – Id say I have had a pretty standard Scouting experience.

Do aliens exist? – ...duh... have you met the editor of the region newsletter... living proof of aliens!!

Outside Groups, Sports, or Clubs – Boy Scouts... yea thats about it.

School – West Ranch High School

Personal Heroes – Carol A Edson

Favorite Song – Whatever the Free Download of the Day is on iTunes.

Most Prized Possession - My Vigil Sash

Favorite Childhood Toy – HotWheels

Worst Car-Related Experience – I Closed the Door of a Car on My Fingers once... it hurt!!

Favorite TV character – Jack Bauer

Last Movie Watched – Troy

Favorite Starbucks Drink – Peppermint Hot Chocolate

If you were a cartoon character... – I wouldn't be filling out this survey.

Place of Birth – a Hospital

Furthest Distance Traveled from Home – Hawaii

Favorite Website – www.aa-bsa.org

Favorite Quotation – "They say that when you're the champs, everybody will try to beat you.

Well, I'm glad we're champs, so bring 'em on, bring 'em all on. If we die, we ain't gonna die running.

It's gonna be a fight." --Joe Greene

Career Aspiration – Something in Congress

Biggest Pet Peeve – Surveys like this.

Number of Sibling(s) – 1 sister

Favorite Soda/Pop – Cherry Coke

Your Computer Operating System – Mac OSX v10.4 Tiger

Lodge: Siwinis #252

Past OA Positions Held: Hopi Chapter Chief, VC Membership,

Car: Don't have one yet

Favorite Book: The Wizard Test by Hilari Bell.

Favorite Movie: The Fox and the Hound

Favorite Scouting Memory: My World Jamboree experience and the week Troop 927 came up to FLSR IN 2007.

Favorite Pizza Topping: Pineapple and Ham

Favorite Ice Cream: Butter Pecan

Most Unusual Scouting Experience: Working on Camp Staff you never know what you are gonna get and every year is different

Do aliens exist?: Why not?

Outside Groups, Sports, or Clubs: Football, Black Student Union and Volleyball

School: Sherman Oaks Center for Enriched Studies

Personal Heroes: Jesus, my mom, my first teacher; Ms Norma and my god brother.

Favorite Song: Anyone who really listens to music there is no such thing as a favorite song unless it is like per album.

Most Prized Possession: Phonebook

Favorite Childhood Toy: 1st Harry Potter Book

Worst Car-Related Experience: Backed into someone

Favorite TV character: Neji Hyuga

Last Movie Watched: AVP-R

Favorite Starbucks Drink: The strawberry cream based thingy(don't really drink starbucks)

If you were a cartoon character...... my show would come on after Family Guy or before South Park .

Place of Birth: Los Angeles, CA

Furthest Distance Traveled: Italy

Favorite Website: www.narutofan.com

Favorite Quotation: "What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us." ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

Career Aspiration: I wanna help people and be able to support my family

Biggest Pet Peeve: I cant stand liars and hypocrites

Number of Sibling(s): 16 siblings - not including friends that are considered family or step children (because I have none) and only 2 are adopted.

Favorite Soda/Pop: Raspberry Iced Tea

Are You Going...





Ta Tanka Lodge Chief *Patrick Renfrew*

Lodge - Tatanka Lodge #488
Past OA Positions Held – Chapter Chief, VC Service, VC ceremonies,
Car – 99 Dodge Dakota
Favorite Book – I don't get to read anything besides school texts...
Favorite Movie – Bad boys II
Favorite Scouting Memory – OATC
Favorite Pizza Topping – Hawaiiin
Favorite Ice Cream – Ben & Jergy's everything but the kitchen sink
Most Unusual Scouting Experience – Getting lost at Arlington Cemetery on Jambo
Do aliens exist? – Life outside of earth? yes
Outside Groups, Sports, or Clubs – Rose Float
School – Cal Poly Pomona
Personal Heroes – Dad
Favorite Song – drifter by Decemberadio
Most Prized Possession - Truck
Favorite Childhood Toy – Legos
Worst Car-Related Experience – Backed into someone in School Parking lot
Favorite TV character – Dr. Cox or House
Last Movie Watched – Bourne Ultimatum
Favorite Starbucks Drink – large green tea, 2 bags, 1/4 cold water 3/4 hot
If you were a cartoon character... – kill Alex a thousand times
Place of Birth – Arcadia, CA
Furthest Distance Traveled from Home – Niagara Falls
Favorite Website – none
Favorite Quotation – "if you think you can or think you can't you will be right."
Career Aspiration – Civil Engineer
Biggest Pet Peeve – People who drive to slow in front of me
Number of Sibling(s) – 2 brothers
Favorite Soda/Pop – DP
Your Computer Operating System – vista



Spe-Le-Yai Lodge Chief *Caleb de Silveira*

Lodge - Spe-Le-Yai #249
Past OA Positions Held Service Vice Chief
Car Im 14
Favorite Book My War
Favorite Movie Superbad
Favorite Scouting Memory Getting my flying fingers
Favorite Pizza Topping Ham and pineapple
Favorite Ice Cream cookie dough
Most Unusual Scouting Experience Going shirtless in regailia
Do aliens exist? DUHHHHHHH. havent you seen ET?
Outside Groups, Sports, or Clubs VHHS Marching band, snowboarding, skateboarding
School Verdugo Hills High School
Personal Heroes Micheal Vacca
Favorite Song ??? i like all music
Most Prized Possession Dirtbike
Favorite Childhood Toy My guns
Worst Car-Related Experience none.....
Favorite TV character Denzel Washington
Last Movie Watched Matrix
Favorite Starbucks Drink Caramel frappachino
If you were a cartoon character... I would be a rock!
Place of Birth Panorama City, CA
Furthest Distance Traveled from Home New England
Favorite Website www.myspace.com
Favorite Quotation "It is better to make a choice, even if it is wrong, than no choice at all."
Career Aspiration Elementary school teacher/ski resort owner
Biggest Pet Peeve laughing with LOL
Number of Sibling(s) 4
Favorite Soda/Pop Mountain dew baja blast
Your Computer Operating System Windows Vista- Business



Topa Topa Lodge Chief *Steven Graham*

Lodge- Topa Topa
Past OA positions held- Section Vice Chief, Lodge Vice Chief of Inductions, 3 Terms as Lodge Secretary
Car- 1991 Ford F-150
Favorite Book- The Blind Side by Michael Lewis
Favorite Movie- The Sandlot
Favorite OA Memory- My first NOAC show
Favorite Pizza Topping- Breakfast Bacon
Favorite Ice Cream- Mint Chip
Most Unusual Scouting Experience- Creating a random movie at 2:00 in the Morning at NOAC
Do Aliens Exist?- (Simple Answer) NO (Complex answer) Somewhere out there, there has to be other life
Other groups outside scouts- Tennis, Track and Field, Football, Various School clubs and a 4x4 club with some friends school- Frosh/Soph year- St. Bonaventure, Current-Santa Paula High School
Personal Heros- Vince Lombardi, My Parents, My Friends
Favorite Song- Never Wanted Nothing More by Kenney Chesney
Most Prized Possession-My Friends and My computer
Favorite Childhood Toy- Skateboard
Worst Car Related Accident- um i was in a car the literally fell over in the riverbed
Favorite TV Character- Stewart Scott, ESPN
Last Movie Watched- The Bourne Ultimatum
Favorite Starbucks Drink- (Tea Leaf Drink) White Chocolate Dream

If I was a Cartoon Character- I would hope i was included in the making of Space Jam!
Place of Birth- Tuscon, AZ
Furthest Distance you Traveled from Home- Rome, Italy
Favorite Website- myspace
Favorite Quotation- "confidence is contagious. So is lack of confidence." -Vince Lombardi
Career Inspiration- CEO of a large corperation (Hopefully something in the agricultural or livestock industry)
Biggest Pet Peeve- "lol"
Siblings- Nope
Computer Operating System- Tiger OSX and Microsoft XP Home Edition



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 Wellman
 2008 National Chief

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Sign Up with your lodge's Arrow Corps 5 Coordinator and get your form into your Council Office by **February 1st** if you are interested in going with a \$100 Deposit. This will be an unforgettable **EXPERIENCE!!!!!!!!!!!!** Each site is \$250 to attend. (This does not include transportation)

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W4A History?...





CONCLAVE 2008!



MANY FIRES, ONE GREAT LIGHT!

CONCLAVE! CONCLAVE! CONCLAVE! Yes, that's right! It's that time again!

Whether you are a seasoned, experienced, or first-year Arrowman,
The 2008 W-4A Conclave will have something for you!

- Awesome Training
- Great Fellowship
- Exciting Shows
- Sports Competitions
- Conclave Fair
- Excellent Food
- Colorful Patch Trading
- Ceremonies and Dance
- Awesome Facilities

The 2007-08 W-4A Section Committee is working hard to make this the best Conclave ever! Bring a friend and come out and see it for yourself!

- When: March 14-16, 2008
Where: Forest Lawn Scout Reservation near Lake Arrowhead, California
Who: Arrowmen of every age!
Why: To meet new people, become trained and have a blast!
Cost: \$40 before February 1, \$50 after or at the door.

This year, registration will be online rather than with paper forms. You can sign up, enter all personal and medical information, and select your training classes online from our secure server at www.sectionw4a.com after December 1, 2007! Once registered online, simply take the confirmation you will be e-mailed with your payment to your nearest Scout Shop! You need to register online and pay before February 1 to get the early-bird patch! Talk to your Lodge Chief for more information or assistance in registering!

Let's make this year's Conclave the best one ever! Come and enjoy a great weekend with your brothers as we celebrate "Many Fires, One Great Light!"

Questions? Go to www.sectionw4a.com for more information!



The Thunderbird Online Event Management System is the tool of the future. It is made so that you can register from conclave straight from your house, office, school or anyplace where you have a computer and internet access. You now can sign up for conclave and classes ahead of time and this will enable you to prepare and know what classes you are taking. The system was designed to be able to keep track of all of the classes, degrees, and colleges you have attended. It also helps out our people by knowing ahead of time how many in a class there will be. This lets you as the trainee able to get more out of the program. This program started its development in mid June of 2007 and was completed on December 1, 2007. The program runs on most browsers with no problems. It uses HTML – the ability to see content and cool graphics, JavaScript – the script that runs on each page as you use it, PHP – the processing script in the background on each page, and MYSQL – database that stores your data. These are all the languages need to run and develop this program. The site was developed by three main people. The head developer John Baczkowski – W4A's webmaster and owner of Web Wise from webwises.com – he was in charge of making the program able to be up and running by December 1, 2007, he wrote most of the scripts for the registration, login, admin pages, and the designer of the logo. The assistant developers Alex Begg – section website adviser and western region webmaster from western.oa-bsa.org, he wrote most of the scripts for the class registration process and Branden Grams – President of OPS Event Management Solutions from bcis.brandin.com, he wrote most of the layout on the registration process and handled fixing scripts that did not work correctly. All the developers took countless hours out of there busy schedule to make this possible. We hope this program works great for many more years in the future. Please register for Conclave today using this easy system by logging onto www.w4aconclave.com

Are You Going?



Pow Wow News



Members of the Order of the Arrow are invited to attend the following Pow Wows. Come out and dance or just visit and watch. This is a great opportunity to have a great time, see some entertainment and learn more about the Native American Culture. If you have any questions, contact Kevin Bryan at kbryan@lausd.net.

Organizations:

California Indian Hobbyist Association (CIHA)

CIHA is dedicated to active participation in Native American lore and to the perpetuation and initiation of the study of the crafts, culture, customs, songs, and dancing of the Native American. The State organization holds two Witayapis during the year, a one day workshop in the Fall (usually October) and a spring encampment Memorial Day Weekend. The organization is divided into 2 chapters, Northern and Southern Chapters. The Southern Chapter has Pow Wows in November, December, January, February and April. Website: <http://www.ciha.net>

California Hethushka

The Hethushka is a warrior's dance society of the Ponca Nation. The California Hethuska was given the dance in 1967 by the Ponca Nation. Originally the organization was composed of the warriors, elders, and leaders of the tribe. These men worked to take care of the veterans, orphans, widowed, and elders. Even today, this is the obligation of the Hethuska member.

Tribe of Tahquitz

The Tribe as it is known, is Long Beach Council's equivalent to the OA and is one of the few councils in the nation that does not use the OA program. It has similar requirements for joining, an induction ceremony and like the OA traces its program to the Native American culture. They have a stronger Indian Lore program than the OA. Website: <http://www.tribeoftahquitz.org/Index.php>

Pow Wow Dates:

Saturday, February 2nd

Southern Chapter CIHA Pow Wow

Doors open at 6:30 PM. Dancing starts at 7 PM. Ending between 9:30 – 10 PM.

Marshall Middle School, Long Beach Unified, 5870 E. Wardlow Road. Long Beach, CA 90808

Saturday, March 1st

California Hethushka

Guests are welcome to come and watch this dance. The dance is open for members only. This is a great opportunity to see traditional dance clothing and hear a Ponca drum from Oklahoma. First dance at 1 PM, second dance at 6:30 PM. South Torrance High School Cafeteria, 4801 Pacific Coast Highway, Torrance, CA 90505

Sunday, March 2nd

California Hethushka

Open Pow Wow, all dancers welcome, visitors are also encouraged to come. The Ponca Singers will be the drum for the Pow Wow. Doors open at Noon, Dancing starts at 2 PM, ending at 5 PM. South Torrance High School Cafeteria, 4801 Pacific Coast Highway, Torrance, CA 90505

Saturday, April 12th

Southern Chapter CIHA Pow Wow

Doors open at 6:30 PM. Dancing starts at 7 PM. Ending between 9:30 – 10 PM.

Marshall Middle School, Long Beach Unified, 5870 E. Wardlow Road. Long Beach, CA 90808

Saturday, April 26th

Tribe of Tahquitz Pow Wow

Will J Reid Scout Reservation, 4747 Daisy Ave., Long Beach, CA 90805. Times to be announced.

Friday, May 23rd – Monday, May 26th CIHA Spring Witayapi

This weekend is dedicated to workshops, crafts, and dancing. The cost is \$10 person, \$35 for a family of four or more. Workshops are held both Saturday and Sunday mornings. Pow Wows are Saturday Afternoon and Saturday and Sunday Evenings. For more information check out the CIHA website.

Happy Dancing