

The Arrow Head



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THE OFFICERS

Hello fellow Arrow men! Welcome to another year in the Order of the Arrow. The officers and I have an exciting year planned for you guys. We can't wait to get together in our chapter meetings. These meetings are going to be better than ever!!! Everybody should come to the RRV work weekend, it will be a blast. If you are an Ordeal member, you need to work a weekend with us, so you can get your Brotherhood.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Nate Hon
Chapter Chief

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Elections and Promotions News

O.A. elections aren't far away, but there is still time get your troop signed up. Election training will be at the January Chapter Meeting, and Ordeal elections run from late January to early May. To get your troop signed up, or if you have any questions, call one of the Vice Chiefs of Elections and Promotions listed to the right under officers.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Ian O'Hagan, V.C. of E&P

**Chapter Week-ends are fun—
Nov 9-10 at
Camp Mitigwa!!**

Membership News

Do you need to pay your dues? Look quickly at your label. If your label says 2008 on it, then you have your dues paid. If your label says 2007 then you still need to pay your dues for 2008. For all of you Ordeal members, get your brotherhood. Go to your work weekends. Chapter meetings, and Lodge events. Check the website www.mitigwalodge.org for updates.

OLD ADVISOR'S RANDOM FIRING OF SYNAPSES

I want to thank all of you for the great six years I had as RRV Chapter Advisor. I'm not going away, but will be spending more of my time with my grandson. You'll still see me at most events. I encourage all of you to take advantage of the opportunities presented to you by the Scouting program and the Order of the Arrow.

Jim Shumaker
Allagogan Clamichpin

ADVISOR'S MINUTE

Hi, my name is Tim Baldon and I am your new Chapter Adviser. The Chapter elected a great group of officers at Fall Fellowship and will be guided by their adult advisers. The officers and advisers are all looking forward to the Lodge Leader Development Conference at Camp Mitigwa. I would like to welcome all of our new Ordeal members to the Chapter. If you have not received your handbook and patch I invite you to come to the Chapter Meeting Nov.8 at the LDS Church in Waukee. Does everyone like great food? Then come to our work weekend at Camp Mitigwa Nov. 10, you will need this to achieve your Brotherhood. New Ordeals, Brotherhood and Vigil members if you have not paid your dues for 2008 please do so before December 31. Don't forget the Chapter Banquet Dec. 2. This is a good time for fellowship and recognition of our members. I hope to see you all there.

WWW Tim Baldon
Majawat Mechalaman

Chapter Weekend—An Opportunity for Cheerful Service

Have you ever worked on a new trail or done maintenance around camp that you can show your friends what you did? These and many other service projects will hopefully be available for you November 10 when RRV once again takes Camp Mitigwa by storm and completes mass quantities of work, consumes mass quantities of food, and has more fun than should be allowed. See the information at the right for the details. The officers and advisors will be the chefs for the weekend and are planning deep fried turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, green bean casserole, dessert, and drinks, so come help. Fun and fellowship take place Friday night, but on Saturday, the gloves go on and we get down and dirty!!!!

NO PRE-REGISTRATION IS NEEDED—JUST SHOW UP!!!!

IMPORTANT DATES

November 8, 2007	RRV Chapter Meeting
November 9-10	RRV Work Weekend
December 2	RRV Chapter Banquet
December 13	RRV Chapter Meeting
January 5, 2008	Lodge Winter Banquet
January 10	RRV Chapter Meeting
February 1-2	RRV Holiday Party
February 14	RRV Chapter Meeting

Chapter Weekend Information

Begins:	Friday, Nov. 9—7:00 pm
Work Starts:	Saturday, Nov 10—8:00 am
Work Ends:	Saturday, Nov 10—3:00 pm
Feast:	3:00—4:00 pm
Location:	Camp Mitigwa Mort Miles Lodge
Cost:	\$8.00 per person