

CHANCO COURIER

March Newsletter

Chanco Lodge #483

From the Chief

Dear Brothers,

I would first like to reiterate some very important dates. In March, on the 18, 19, and 20, Chanco will be holding its Spring Fellowship. On April 22, 23, and 24, SE 08 will hold its Conclave at Camp Pipsico. Please check these dates against your calendar to avoid any conflicts. And lastly -AND PLEASE NOTE- the Fall Fellowship is going to be moved. The Executive Board decided to move the Fall Fellowship from August 5, 6, and 7 to August 19, 20, and 21.



Please mark your calendars. The reason for the change is because of the Philmont crew. They would have missed the original date of the Fall Fellowship. I hope that this change will allow for more participation.

The executive board recently passed into our operating rules what I call the Brotherhood Program. I did not come up with the idea, but I had heard about it earlier from somewhere in the section (Nawakwa maybe). I asked the executive board to place it in our operating rules and it was unanimously passed. Just what is the program? - - - The Brotherhood Program is like a big brother program. It is an Ordeal Member paired up with a Brotherhood or Vigil Member to help him advance to Brotherhood status. I felt that Chanco needed this because our Brotherhood percentage on our recharter was only 35%. That's not a very good figure for a lodge of our size. We should be well over 50%. This program will start at the upcoming Spring Fellowship. Please plan to take part in this program of much potential.



One last thought! Our council has stabilized, but our summer camp has not. There are still many campsite vacancies. As Order of the Arrow members, one of our obligations is to

our summer camp - and - our summer camp is Siouan. There has been a lot of talk about what to do to get camp back on its feet. I know two things that are vital: **TEAMWORK AND SACRIFICE**. Maybe this year our slogan ought to be "camp is not an option, but an obligation." Remember the rebuild of Chrysler? It was teamwork and sacrifice. Teamwork - all of the members of this council working towards a better camp and the sacrifice coming from all of the troops in this council pouring into camp this summer.

The success of camp depends on us and the success of the council depends on the success of Siouan. I trust that we will all do our part. Thanks for all that you do and we will talk later.

Yours in WWW,
Chris Gagner

The Spring Fellowship will be on March 18, 19, and 20. The Conclave will be on April 22, 23, and 24. And the FALL FELLOWSHIP will be on August 19, 20, and 21.



Chanco has two new members. They are Brian Siegle and Mr. Gary Hampton. Brian is a transfer from Amangamek-Wipit Lodge and Mr. Hampton is a transfer from the Greater Atlanta Council. Please give them a warm welcome.

If you are unsure about your dues then please call Chaco Edwards at 562-4709. If you have not paid your dues, then please pay them as soon as possible. We need this in order to get our membership lists corrected.

Executive Board Members

Chris Gagner-Chief 562-5285
Joe Belmonte-West. V-Chief 634-5317
Richard Thomas-Cent. V-Chief 562-7879
Hunter March-East. V-Chief 451-1113
Chad Edwards-Secretary 562-4709

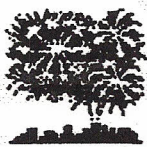


Jeff Ward-Treasurer 238-2263
Billy Allmond-Camp Promo. 562-2972
Robert Wade-Inductions 562-4646
Johnathon Bell-Ceremonies 562-5567
Rob Darden-Membership 653-2508

ADVISORS

P.C. "Ney" Austin - Lay Advisor
Mike Magee - Ceremonies Advisor
Les Ward - Treasurer Advisor
Kendley Davenport - East. V-Chief Advisor
Terry Newsom - West. V-Chief Advisor
Russell Darden - Membership Advisor

Chanco's '87 EAGLES



Allen Turner, Troop 28; Eric Powell, Troop 28; Lee John Updike, Troop 21; Alan Billings, Troop 125; Charles Vargo, Troop 17; Jeff Ward, Troop 4; Bernard Rook, Jr., Troop 21; Chip Talley, Troop 21; Anthony Powell, Troop 396; Troy Harris, Troop 212; Doug Falls, Troop 125; Johnathon Bell, Troop 17; Dean Whitehurst, Troop 17; Chad Edwards, Troop 17; and Tripp Parker, Troop 28.

CONGRATULATIONS!

New Operating Rule

THE BROTHERHOOD PROGRAM

Purpose: To help Ordeal members obtain their Brotherhood rank. Also to help the Ordeal members understand the history of Chanco Lodge.

OPERATING RULE: For every Ordeal member, there will be a Brotherhood or Vigil member assigned to him. The Brotherhood or Vigil member will help the Ordeal member prepare for his Brotherhood test. The Brotherhood or Vigil member will call the Ordeal member well before the fellowship at which time the Ordeal member will be eligible to earn his

Brotherhood rank. They will go over the Brotherhood requirements and the history of Chanco Lodge.

Committee Reports

Dear Fellow Arrowman,

I would like to thank those troops who showed up for the O.A. workday at Siouan on January 23, 1988. Those troops were Troop 30, Troop 302, and other representatives of the Eastern District. In order to get camp back up to standards, we must pitch in and work together as a team.

All troops interested in having O.A. tag outs at the Spring Camporee should start planning their elections. Call Billy Allmond at 562-2972 for Unit Elections.

If you have any questions concerning the Eastern District or the upcoming camporee then please don't hesitate to call me; My phone number is 451-1113.

Yours in Cheerful Service,
Hunter March

The Annual Christmas Banquet was held on December the 13, at the Franklin Baptist Church. There were about 120 people in attendance.

The invocation was given by the Reverend Joseph Slane. He is pastor at the Franklin Presbyterian Church.

Our guest speaker was Harry M. Doggett. He spoke on the importance of scouting to young men. Mr. Doggett was formerly an anchorman for Channel 13 news and is currently a radio announcer.

There were several awards given. Jeff Ward received the Scout of the Year Award and Mr. Keane received the Scout of the Year Award. Mr. Keane also received a special award for his dedication and service to Chanco Lodge.

The Ceremonial Team performed a rededication ceremony. They did an excellent job of reminding the arrowmen present of their commitment to the principles of Scouting and the Order of the Arrow.

The banquet went off very well. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed the food fellowship, and the thought our guest speaker had to offer.

Yours in WWW,
Richard Thomas