

# THE ARROW

January 2014



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## Upcoming Events

- Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> thru Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> - Unit Elections
- Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> - February Fellowship & Webelos Cross Over Weekend
- Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Summer Camp Staff Interviews
- April 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> - Council Camporee
- April 5<sup>th</sup> - Calling Out Ceremony
- May 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> - Ordeal and Work Weekend
- July 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> - SR2-3S Conclave (Texas State University)

## February Fellowship and Webelos Crossover Weekend

The February Fellowship and Webelos Crossover Weekend will be held February 21 - 23, 2014 at Camp Karankawa. The fee for the event will be \$15 provided your registration and fees are received in the Council Office no later than Monday, February 17th. A \$10 late fee will be assessed if you do not register early and pay by the early registration deadline. If you are unable to stay for the entire weekend, a \$10 day rate will apply provided your registration and payment is received at the Council Office by the early registration deadline; otherwise, a \$10 late fee will apply at the door.

The Fellowship will get underway Friday evening with registration in the Dining Hall beginning at 6:30 p.m., Chapter Dancing & Singing Competition will be held at the Carter Campfire Circle from 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. A cracker Barrel and Broth-

erhood Induction Ceremony will follow the competitions at the Dining Hall.



A Webelos Crossover Ceremony will be held on Saturday afternoon at the Carter Campfire Circle. As part of the crossover program, we will offer Scout Rank Jump Start and New Parent Introduction to Scouting specifically for Webelos crossing over into Boy Scouts.

Saturday will be filled with a full day of Native American related classes for the young and old. A few highlights of the planned ses-

sions include:

- Bead Working
- Dance Styles
- Singing & Drumming
- Bell Construction
- Clothing Styles
- Bustle Construction
- Fry Bread Making
- Ceremony Team Building

Saturday night will culminate with an Inter-Lodge Pow Wow led by Eagle Point of Austin. Individual Dance Competitions will be conducted throughout the Pow Wow and will be open to participants and guests that have registered for the weekend.

All Arrowmen are encouraged to stay for the entire weekend. A religious service and short Business meeting with award presentation will be held on Sunday morning. The weekends events will conclude at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday.

## Lodge Chief Display Case Dedicated

Your Lodge funds went quickly to work to fund the Lodge Chief display cabinet in the H.E.B. Scouting Heritage Center. A \$1,000.00 contribution was gifted to the Heritage Center at the August Summer Lodge Business Meeting by the Lodge to fund the cabinet. The display was quickly manufactured by a local wood shop and dedicated to the Heritage Center on January 11th. Lodge Chief Jonathan Luna was present to perform the unveiling. Seven former and past Lodge Chiefs were present. Lodge Chiefs included Robert Blackman, Calvin Meyer, Frank Funke, Jr. Jonathan Luna, Lou Carter Jr., Mark Elwonger and Doug Manheimer.



## **Other Top News**

### **Karankawa Lodge Vigil Honor Class of 2013**

Karankawa Lodge proudly conferred the Vigil Honor upon six Brothers during the December Fellowship and Vigil Weekend. The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position or office to one or more of the following: their Lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or their Scout Camp. Under no circumstances is tenure in Scouting or the Order of the Arrow considered as reason enough for a Vigil Honor recommendation.

The Vigil Honor is the highest honor that the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon its members for service to their Lodge, Council, and Scouting. It dates from the year 1915, when founder E. Urner Goodman became the first Vigil Honor member.

Vigil Honor members have an honorable tradition to uphold. They must at all times conduct themselves in accordance with the ideals of Scouting, the Order of the Arrow, and the Vigil Honor. Membership cannot be won by a person's conscious endeavor. It comes as a recognition of unselfish leadership in service. This fact is given in careful consideration in the selection of candidates for membership. Members of the Order can be inducted into the Vigil Honor only with the written approval of the National Order of the Arrow Committee.

As part of the Vigil induction process, candidates are bestowed with a Vigil name. The name represents a characteristic of the individual that has made themselves well known to others. The name is given in the language of the Lenape.

Those honored, including Vigil name and translation, include:

**Burton Breaux**

[Pemhakamixit Nihillatschi Alloqaga](#)

*Man of Selfless Service*

**Alex Call**

[Papesu Anatschiton](#)

*Patient Caring One*

**Matthew Catherman**

[Witschindin Nachk](#)

*The Helping Hand*

**Austin Holthouser**

[Klamachpin Mikemossin](#)

*Quite Worker*

**Richard Luna**

[Papesa Wtschitschank](#)

*Patient Spirit*

**Donnie Tegeler**

[Nochnutemtemaliuwet Metschitschank](#)

*Keeper of the Spirit*

### **New Supreme Chief Introduces Himself**

Brothers,

It is with great excitement that I write this introduction letter to all the members of the great Karankawa Lodge. My name is Manuel "Manny" Ramos. Since June 1, I have served as the Scout Executive of the South Texas Council. I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself and thank you all for your dedicated leadership and service to the South Texas Council.

I was born and raised in Irving, TX and participated in many youth activities of which one of my favorites was Scouts. I joined the Cub Scouts as a second grader and achieved the Arrow of Light award. Following the Cub Scouts, I became an active member of Troop 773 and served in many roles in my Troop including Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader and Junior Assistant Scoutmaster. I achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in 1992. I must admit that I completed my Eagle Packet only 3 days before my 18th birthday.

I have been an active member of the Order of the Arrow since I was a youth. I am currently a Brotherhood member. Throughout High School and College, I

worked as a summer camp staff member at the Clements Scout Ranch in Athens, Texas. I graduated from the University of Louisiana at Monroe with a degree in government and history.

My professional Scouting career began in 1998 as District Executive in the Circle Ten Council, headquartered in Dallas. After serving two districts in Dallas, I joined the Denver Area Council in Denver, Colorado as a District Director. Following my time in Denver, I became Assistant Scout Executive of the Nevada Area Council in Reno, Nevada. While in Reno I served as the Staff Advisor to the Tannu Lodge 346. Prior to my move to the South Texas Council, I served as the Director of Field Service of the Chief Seattle Council in Seattle, Washington. I am currently serving as the Tiger Cub Den Leader for my son's Tiger Den at Pack 162. It has been a great time experiencing the Scouting program as Dad and Den Leader.

I look forward to working with each of you to continue the great success of the Karankawa Lodge. If there is anything I can do to help your Troops or Chapters, please let me know.



**Supreme Chief of the Fire  
Manuel "Manny" Ramos**

See you around the fire,

Manny

## 2013 Karankawa Lodge Founder's Award Recipient's

During the December Fellowship Lodge and Vigil Honor Recognition Dinner, Lodge Chief Johnathan Luna, presented the Founder's Award to Alex Call and JJ Cabrera. Lodge Staff Advisor James Rangel Presented the Founder's Award to Assistant Scout Executive Marty Sepulveda.

Introduced at the 1981 National Order of the Arrow Conference, the Founder's Award was created to honor and recognize those Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to their Lodge. The award is reserved for those Arrowmen who memorialize their everyday life, the spirit of achievement as described by founder E. Urner Goodman.

Alex, JJ, and Marty were presented a certificate, Founder's Award recognition ribbon, and a bronze medallion bearing the images of founder E. Urner Goodman and cofounder Carroll A. Edson. The reverse of the medallion is inscribed, "For he who serves his fellows, is of all his fellows, greatest," which was Goodman's primary purpose in founding the Order of the Arrow.



### JJ Cabrera

JJ Cabrera is an Eagle Scout of Troop 361 and a Vigil Honor member of Karankawa Lodge. He has been involved in Scouting for ten years taking on many challenges, leadership opportunities and responsibilities. JJ served two terms as Lodge Secretary after previously serving as a Chapter Chief and on various LEC committees. He eventually became involved on the Section level. JJ has participated at the Section SR2-3S Lonestar Fellowship as well as serving on various committees within the Section. In 2012, JJ competed at the National Order of the Arrow Conference as a member of the Pre-Ordeal Ceremony Team which was chosen to be of the top ten ceremony teams in the nation. Aside from the Order of the Arrow, JJ has spent a countless hours staffing many events across the South Texas Council. He has participated on NYLT staff for



Alex Call with his Vigil Certificate, Alex and JJ Cabrera with their Founders Award Certificate.

four years, serving as the youth course director in 2013, and was also given an opportunity to participate as part of the Southern Region Course Directors Conference at Austin this past October. Outside of Scouting, JJ enjoys serving his high school marching band as Head Drum Major, as well as devoting service to his community as part of his school's chapter of the National Honor Society. JJ is a senior in high school and will be graduating in June of 2014. He plans to study business at Baylor University and believes everything that he has experienced in Scouting and the Order of the Arrow will prepare him to work alongside many great leaders.



Marty Sepulveda shakes hands with JC Lugo after being presented the Founders Award by James Rangel.

### Martin Sepulveda

Eagle Scout Martin Sepulveda was elected and completed his Ordeal in of 1982. Four years later he kept the Vigil in September of 1986. Being an active member of the Lodge, Mr. Sepulveda served as Lodge Chief as a youth and was one of the inaugural members of the 1<sup>st</sup> NAOC contingencies. He is a member of the 1992 National Order of the Arrow Team Dance Team as well as being a Top 10 finalist as an individual dancer.

Mr. Sepulveda has served as the Karankawa Lodge Advisor as well as the SR2-3S Section Advisor. Through his support and guidance, membership grew as well as attendance at fellowships. Now serving as the South Texas Council Assistant Scout Executive his partnership and leadership with the Order of the Arrow has helped improve summer camp attendance to double what it was four years ago. His leadership and guidance has inspired thousands of hours of service at camp. Mr. Sepulveda's quiet leadership and unselfish devotion to the Order of the arrow have made him a more than worthy candidate for the Founders award. On behalf of the Karankawa Lodge, Thank You for all you do to support the Order of the Arrow.

See **FOUNDERS AWARD** Page 5

# Chiefly Speaking



## From the Lodge Chief

Dear Arrowmen,

As part of our vision to improve the communication within the Lodge, the Lodge Executive Committee has approved the restart of the Lodge Newsletter. I highly encourage all to take the time of reading these newsletters.

Apart from the newsletters, the Lodge has also worked very hard to spread communications into social media such as Facebook, utilized emails and phones, as well as approved the restart of the Lodge website. The website once created will be released to all for your convenience.

Another effort the LEC has been working hard towards the improvement of attendance at all of our Lodge events. I highly encourage all to attend these events because not only will they be a fun experience, but they will also offer very useful skills to help you.

I would like to thank you all for taking the time to look at THE ARROW and wish you all a happy New Year.

Yours in Service

Karankawa Lodge 307

Lodge Chief

Jonathan Luna



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## Lodge Officers Get Lost

AJ Valverde, Andres Gonzales, and Patrick Hebert spent the weekend between EL Rancho Cima and Texas State University November 22nd-24th for **Lodge Operation Seminar and Training** for the Lodge. During LOST they had the opportunity to talk with the nine other Lodges in our Section about the different problem all the Lodges are having and how they can fix them. They also attended various training sessions such as Tools of the Trade and Build it and they will Come. For a little recreation, we ate dinner at Grins then Attended Texas State vs. WKU Football game. All three officers had a very exciting weekend and would like to thank Alex Call for helping to put on this training by our Section.



## LEC Scheduled

A Lodge Executive Committee Meeting is being called on April 5, 2014 at the Council Camporee. The meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. and should last approximately two hours.

All Lodge Officers and Advisers, Chapter Officers and Advisers, and Lodge Committee Chairmen and Advisers need to attend this very important planning meeting.

The agenda for this meeting will include:

- Call Out ceremony
- May Ordeal and Brotherhood Induction Weekend
- Service Projects
- Summer Camp
- Other necessary business as required.

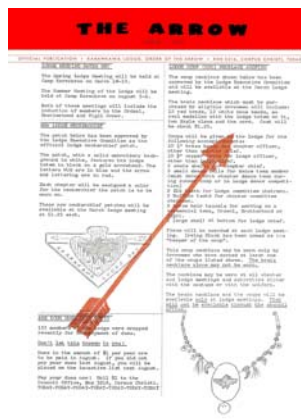
Please notify Lodge Chief if cannot attend .



## THE ARROW is BACK!

The Lodge Leadership and Communication Committee presents THE ARROW—last published in 2008. We hope to bring the latest news to you and upcoming events for you to share with your fellow OA Troop members. We hope you also enjoy this newsletter and help bring the latest news in your Chapter that you could share in your Chapter meetings..

Submissions to THE ARROW should be submitted to AJ Valverde via email at [ajvalverde@outlook.com](mailto:ajvalverde@outlook.com).



# Lodge Committee's Chairmen Page

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### FOUNDERS AWARD from Page 3

## Alex Call

Alex Call was named as a Founders Award recipient in 2011, but due to unforeseen circumstances was not able to have it presented until this past December. As his Vigil name vindicates, Alex has patiently waited and Karankawa Lodge was finally able to properly bestow the honor of naming him as a Founders Award recipient.

Alex is an Eagle Scout from Troop 255. He served as the Karankawa Lodge Chief in 2010 and is currently serving as the Section SR2-3 South Chief. His travels with the Order of the Arrow have taken him to the two National Order of the Arrow Conferences, two National Jamborees, the 2013 Georgian National Jamboree in The Republic of Georgia, and countless National Leadership Seminars.

He is currently a Freshman at University of Texas Austin majoring in Business and is an inspiring Arrowman who has been asked to speak at various OA venues throughout the Nation on the need of OA in Scouting and what it has meant to him. Alex is well recognized by his peers for his devotion to Scouting and the Order of the Arrow. He delivered a very inspirational speech at our December Lodge Banquet which left our fellow Arrowmen motivated to improve our Lodge and the desire to follow in his footsteps.

We are fortunate to have had Alex as a member of the Karankawa Lodge and as a national representative of OA. Congrats to Alex for exemplifying the reason the Founders Award was established. We look forward to his continued service to Scouting.



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**Registration Opens**

**February 1<sup>st</sup>**

## Lodge Advisor's Page

### From the Staff Advisor

Several times this year when promoting Order of the Arrow to leaders, I have been asked a simple question "Why would I want to be in OA?" I don't believe the answer is so simple but I will try to explain it.

When one begins a story with the phrase "I remember one time....." the rest of the story usually has to do with Scouting and sometimes the Order of the Arrow. The Order of the Arrow was founded upon the principles of Brotherhood, ceremony and unselfish service. Arrowmen wear their sash with pride and as a symbol of those who are willing to serve. Those that are elected are considered the best campers and display their skills through leadership and their willingness to always jump in and help when needed.

The Order of the Arrow has always had a mystique about it that creates memories and provides Scouts and Scouters with a different experience, but also the opportunity to grow spiritually and emotionally. Much of what is presented in the OA is an internal examination and reflection of one's own being. What you choose to take from it is up to you. Some zombie through the Ordeal, endure the ceremony, gather their patch

and sash, and disappear—never to be seen again. Others take to heart what is being challenged by the great Allowat Sekema, and move forward to contribute to the greater good of the Scouting movement and world in which we live. Just because we are not wearing our uniform and sash, doesn't mean we aren't acting like Scouts. The OA is one of those experiences that changes who we are for the better. Ask an older member of the OA and their explanation might be similar to the one above, but most importantly it's about the folks involved in the OA. They help create the brotherhood and experience that keeps the fire glowing bright within us to serve as a beacon of light to guide in this sometimes dark world.

I don't know if this answers the question, but hopefully it sheds some light on some folks experience. I say come out and find out for yourself, not just once or twice but be active for a year and get your unit active. You just might be surprised at what you discover.

Yours in Scouting,  
James Rangel  
Lodge Staff Advisor



### All Adults in the Order of the Arrow are Advisors

All adults within the Order of the Arrow are advisors. Whether they have a title, or wear a patch, or not, every adult advises the youth of the Order of the Arrow through his or her actions, attitudes, and words. It is important to remember that everything we do as adults in the Order is seen by the youth whether we know are not. Remember this very important piece of wisdom by Frank Outlaw:

"Watch your thoughts; they become words.

Watch your words; they become actions.

Watch your actions; they become habits.

Watch your habits; they become character.

Watch your character; it becomes your destiny."

*Above context taken from LLD—Session 41 Role of the Adult*

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## National and Section News

### 2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference Plans Announced



The National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) is the premier event of the Order of the Arrow, and is Scouting's second-largest national event. Over 10,000 Arrowmen from across our nation gather for an inspirational and unforgettable experience full of fellowship, training, adventure, and fun!

During NOAC, Arrowmen will participate in a six-day conference which includes top notch training sessions, cool recreational opportunities, evening shows full of theatrics and special effects, and exciting programs.

The 2015 NOAC will be held from August 3-8, 2015 at Michi-

gan State University in East Lansing, Michigan, and will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Order of the Arrow. Arrowmen can travel to NOAC with a contingent from their Lodge, or as a staff member supporting the thousands of Arrowmen attending in the conference.

In the coming months you will find everything you need to know about NOAC 2015: how to go, what exciting opportunities await you, and the plans for the conference. [Follow us on Facebook](#) to stay up to date with information and announcements.

Arrowmen attending the 2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference will get a once in a

lifetime souvenir, a [special edition red sash](#). These sashes will differ from those currently worn in that the colors will be reversed, with a white arrow emblazoned on a red sash. The rarity of the sash is noteworthy, as only those present at NOAC 2015 will receive them. Any extras produced will not be sold.

Don't miss out on NOAC in 2015, because the next one won't be until 2018! To reserve your spot in your Lodge contingent, talk to your Lodge Chief, Lodge Adviser, or Lodge Staff Adviser today.

**Get Ready, Get Set,  
NOAC 2015!**

### From the SR2-3S Chief

Brothers,

Those who know me can tell you that sports aren't my forte. I was lucky to have Associate Adviser Jason Riley act as my translator at the Texas State vs. Western Kentucky football game, our recreation activity during the Section's first Lodge Operations Seminar & Training (LOST) just before Thanksgiving. Beyond just spectating, those who know me can also tell you that I shouldn't be your first pick during any organized sporting activity – or really any activity that requires coordinated athletic ability. (Just ask my middle school basketball team.)

As you can imagine, when 2013 Southern Region Chief Brad Torpey challenged me to an inflatable sparring

match at Colonneh Lodge's Pow-Wow in early November, my mind quickly told me to say, "absolutely not!"

But, ten minutes later, I stepped onto the pedestal, outfitted with a vinyl Sumo wig/safety helmet and a large padded baton, face to face with Brad. According to the game rules, the first opponent to knock down the other three times is declared the victor. Trying to swing the baton proved almost hopeless, and within just a few seconds, I was knocked off the pedestal.

Sitting on the air filled floor of the ring, I considered making a run for the exit. I knew I would lose - it was like trying to watch a movie after reading the spoiler report. Two things stopped me: the Sumo wig that made it impossible to

run and more importantly, the lessons in perseverance and humility I learned growing up in Scouting.

This New Year will play host to numerous opportunities – and numerous challenges, too. Numerous situations where each of us will be knocked down. Numerous chances to walk away and give up. However, our choice to persevere during these difficult moments will define us as leaders more than our brightest and most successful ones.

When translated to English, the famous Latin proverb "*Audentes fortuna iuuat, Fortes fortuna adiuvat*" reads "*Fortune favors the brave, Fortune helps the brave.*"

As I've found, fortune does indeed favor those brave enough to stand face-to-face with failure and those willing get back up again. Although I certainly didn't win that sparring match, I found fortune's favor in the memories made and the lessons reminded.

I sincerely hope that if you find yourself falling this year, you'll choose to get back up again.

In Service,  
Alex Call  
Section SR2-3S Chief



## Brotherhood Page

### Brotherhood's Ten Most Wanted



<u>Ten Most Wanted</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Ordeal Since</u>
1. Van E. Westervelt	Walihan	1968
2. Steven T. Webb	Yapewi	1980
3. David Lopez	Yapewi	1980
4. Scott Cook	Quahadi	1982
5. Robert Loflin	Quahadi	1983
6. Matthew L. Kimmel	Walihan	1984
7. Denver D. Eichler, Jr.	Quahadi	1986
8. Richard W. Piwetz	Quahadi	1987
9. Richard L. McBrayer	Quahadi	1987
10. Weston D. Wade	Yapewi	1988

### December Brotherhood Inductees

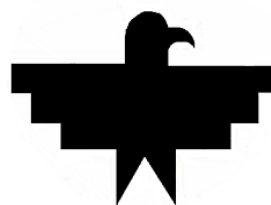
Congratulations goes out to the four Lodge members who undertook the Brotherhood Challenge during the December Fellowship Meeting. We look forward to many years of cheerful service from the following honored individuals:

Hunter Gomez

Toby Frerich

Tristan Frerich

David Hebert



### Attention All Registered Ordeal Members!

**Attention all registered Ordeal Members!** You may now seal your membership in the Order if you have continued faithfully to serve and have completed the following requirements:

- Completed ten months of unit service as an Ordeal member;
- Maintained your registered membership in Scouting;
- Maintained your registered membership in the Order of the Arrow;
- Memorized the Obligation, the Order of the Arrow Official Song, the Admonition, the sign of Ordeal Membership, and the Arrow handclasp;
- Gained a through understanding of the Ordeal through which you have passed (See "The Customs and Traditions of the Ordeal" in the Order of the Arrow Handbook.)

It is important that you not only meet the above requirements, but that you feel that you are prepared for the Brotherhood. Write a letter to the Lodge Secretary expressing you feelings.

In your 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 your service; and
- Describe your specific plans for giving future service to the Lodge program.

Your next opportunity to become a Brotherhood member is at the Karankawa Lodge Fellowship and Webelos Crossover Weekend during the weekend of February 21st-23rd at Camp Karankawa. You must pass the Brotherhood requirements prior to undertaking the Brotherhood. This may be accomplished by either being pre-tested by your local Chapter Adviser prior to this opportunity, or by the Brotherhood Committee at the event.

If you prefer to be tested at the Karankawa Lodge Webelos crossover and Brotherhood Induction Weekend, you must be in Camp no later than 7:30 p.m. on February 21st for testing. All letters to the Lodge Secretary are also due at this time whether you have been tested by your Chapter Advisor or not.



## Chapter News

### Lliok Chapter

Camp Huisache Workday is scheduled for February 8th from 8am to 5pm lunch provided. Come out and help get camp ready for Cub Family Weekend! Bring mowers and weed eaters!

We are having our next meeting on Thursday, February 13th at 6:30 p.m. at Jet Bowl! Bowling and OA! Come out and have some fellowship! Drinks and pizza will be provided, bowling fees are on the responsibility of each Arrowman.

We are forming ceremony teams now, come out and give it a try!

### Walihan Chapter

We will meet February 9, 2014 at Troop 18 Scout Hut at 3:00 p.m., located on Allison Road in Corpus Christi. The Scout Hut is located across the street from the Tejas Archery Range. We will be finalizing our Drumming & Singing Team and a Dance Team for the February Lodge Meeting. We continue to practice on a ceremony team for the May Lodge Meeting.

### Quahadi Chapter



### Yapewi Chapter

We meet every 2nd Sunday of the Month at First Christian Church 3401 Santa Fe at 3:00pm our February Chapter meeting will be February 9th. See you there!

Currently, we are working on teams for Pre-Ordeal, Ordeal, and Brotherhood ceremonies for the next two Lodge meetings.

The Chapter also holds dance, drumming, and singing practice every Wednesday night in Portland.

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## Camper's Corner

### Did you attend Winter Camp?

The question is did you attend Winter Camp 2013? If were unable to attend, you missed out on a weeks worth of freezing weather and winter events such as the ever so popular Polar Bear Plunge.

Besides the cold weather all 232 Scouts took advantage of the eighteen merit badges that were taught such as; Basketry, Scouting Heritage, Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, and many other popular merit badges.

After dinner each evening, all 22 Troops were split into three groups. The different groups participated in one of three unique activities each night. Activities included campfires in the Carter Campfire Circle, Honor Trail, and Line Dancing. All activities were led by the amazing staff members that

volunteered their time to make Winter Camp — 2013 a huge success..

Sadly, everything had to come to an end at the closing campfire which was led by the Master of Ceremonies — James Bangert. During the campfire, participants saw some great skits. On in particular was called "Pencil".

By the end of the week, campers made some great new friends in their Troop and in their Scouting community.



### Camp Karankawa Summer Camp Staff Forming

Camp Karankawa needs your help! Applications are available and are now being accepted for Summer Camp Staff 2014 at the Council office,

An outstanding staff is being assembled to help provide a super experience for our Scouts at Camp Karankawa this summer. Being a member of Camp Staff is an excellent opportunity to serve Scouting, have a truly unique summer, and earn some money. Several openings are still available.

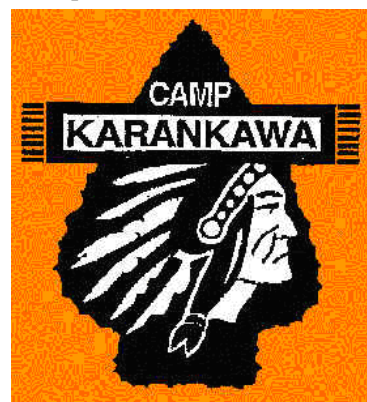
**COUNSELORS-IN-TRAINING (C.I.T.)** should be 14-15 years of age. Paid staff positions should be Scouts at least 16-years or older.

**STAFF MEMBERS:** Older Scouts and college students make ideal staffers. Unit leaders should encourage

their members to apply.

Several adult retired Scouters had the time of their life as Camp Staff members last summer. Don't miss this opportunity. Apply to join Summer Camp Staff this summer.

Call the Council office today for an application. Interviews will be held February 22nd during our Fellowship in the Camp Office.



2014

CAMP KARANKAWA

Campsite reservations at Camp Karankawa for 2014 are shown below and space available as indicated. If your Troop does not have a reservation, now is the time to make it while there is still a choice of campsites and dates available. Make your reservation through the South Texas Council Office today!

Week	Campsite Assignment															
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	13	14	15	16	
June 15-21	SH 1294		226		SH 1944	615		84	87	CA 271				188		
June 22-28	SH 1294		52				162	255			3					
June 29-July 5				LDS												

SH: Sam Houston Council (T1294 has taken ALL Kayak trip spaces for first two weeks).  
CA: Capitol Area Council

## Has Your Troop Signed Up for Summer Camp?



**KARANKAWA LODGE #307**  
**FEBRUARY FELLOWSHIP & WEBELOS CROSSOVER**  
**February 21 - 23, 2014, Camp Karankawa**



The February Fellowship and Webelos Crossover Weekend will be held over the weekend of February 21-23, 2014 at Camp Karankawa. Registration starts at 6:30 p.m. at the Dining Hall. Team dance and singing competitions will be held on Friday evening beginning at 8:00 p.m.. The highlight of the weekend will culminate Saturday night with an Inter-Lodge Pow Wow led by Eagle Point of Austin. Individual Dance Competitions will be held throughout the Powwow.

**ALL MEMBERS:** There will be a \$15 charge for meals and registration. If you plan on attending for Saturday only, a \$10 day fee will apply. If your dues are not paid for the 2014 calendar year, add \$10 to cover your yearly membership dues. The event fee includes a cracker-barrel on Friday, three meals and a cracker-barrel on Saturday and a light breakfast on Sunday. All participants need to bring their own tents. Don't forget to bring a drinking cup as well. All members will be free to leave camp around 10:00 a.m. on Sunday morning.

**Remember all participants MUST Pre-register and pay the Scout Office by Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. There will be a \$10 late fee for those who didn't pre-register and pay at the door. Please make early reservations since the Lodge must make arrangements to purchase food in advance. All participants must complete the registration form below.**

**\*IF YOUR O.A. DUES WERE PAID WHEN YOUR UNIT WAS RE-CHARTERED THIS YEAR, THEN YOU DON'T HAVE TO PAY DUES AGAIN UNTIL 2015 WHEN YOUR UNIT RE-CHARTERS AGAIN FOR THE YEAR. Check your O.A. membership card to find out when you need to pay again or call Mary Garcia at 814-4300 Ext. 113.**

**REFUND POLICY:** Refunds are NOT made after the deadline, except for serious reasons; illness, death in the family, etc., and with the approval of the Lodge Advisor. Refunds are subject to a \$10 non-refundable portion to cover pre-paid expenses. No payments are transferable to forthcoming OA or Council events.

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**REGISTRATION FORM – February Fellowship & Webelos Crossover Weekend - February 21-23, 2014**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Unit # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (B) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One: Ordeal - Brotherhood - Vigil

Paying \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 dues only (Covers 2014)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 Full Fellowship Fee  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 Saturday Day Fee  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$30 Brotherhood Candidate Fee (Includes Weekend, Sash and Flap)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 Late Registration Fee (Applies after February 17th)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Total

**Avoid Late Fees  
and  
Pre-Register**

**Remember all participants MUST Pre-register with the Scout Office (361)-814-4300 (Ext. 113). There will be a \$10 late fee for those who do not pre-register and pay by the deadline date to the Council Office.**

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Boy Scouts of America. Mail registration form and check to:  
 South Texas Council, BSA, 700 Everhart Terrace, Bldg. A , Corpus Christi, TX 78411-1939  
 Registration and Payment by credit card may also be made by Facsimile to (361) 814-5798

Charge my credit card: MC / Visa/ Disc/ Am Exp (Circle One) No.: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
 Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**An ANNUAL HEALTH and MEDICAL RECORD FORM MUST BE COMPLETED FOR EACH PERSON ATTENDING. Go to our website: <http://southtexasbsa.org/2012/08/07/bsa-health-forms/> for a copy. Be sure to keep a copy for your files as this form may be used throughout the year.**



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