

THE MITIGWA CHIEF

MITIGWA LODGE
MID-IOWA COUNCIL

ORDER OF THE ARROW
BOY SCOUT OF AMERICA

Snowflake Pow-Wow



Snowflake Pow-Wow is right around the corner. Snowflake will be held the weekend of February 22nd-24th at Camp Dodge in Johnston, IA. Snowflake Pow-Wow is our annual event dedicated to training and Native American Events. The schedule for the weekend contains many fun filled events. There will be Buck Skinner displays and people available to help you make new outfitting, a Lodge history presentation, classes, and many other fun events. Don't forget about the actual Pow-Wow featuring the Mitigwa Dancers. This will be a night with lots of drumming, singing, and dancing. If you have outfitting or make some during the weekend, you are welcome and encouraged to wear it to the pow-wow. You will not need to bring a tent for this event as we will be staying in the barracks at Camp Dodge. Registration will begin at 5:30 P.M. Please remember to pre-register.

If you are interested in Native American drumming and dancing, you may want to consider joining the Mitigwa Dancers. Be sure to talk to one of the dancers at the pow-wow for more information.

Registration form for Snowflake Pow-Wow can be found on page 11

Dates to Remember:

Snowflake Pow-Wow
February 22nd-24th, 2008
Chairman: Nathan Hon

LECM
April 5th, 2008

One Day of Service
April 26th, 2008
Chairman: Zach Irving

Ring Blitz
May 3rd, 2008

Spring Conclave
May 15th-16th, 2008

News Items

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CHIEFLY SPEAKING



Andy DeBoard
Lodge Chief

Winter Banquet went very well. There were over 200 people in attendance to help celebrate our members' accomplishments over the past year. I would like to thank everyone who came and congratulate all those who received awards. Congratulations to Bo- Qui for winning Chapter of the Year again this year. Our next lodge event is Snowflake Pow-Wow. Once again it will be held at Camp Dodge. Come prepared for some amazing learning as well as the powwow (hopefully the weather will cooperate and we can have it this year.) I look forward to seeing many of you there. I also want to remind everyone that election season is just around the corner. Please make sure that your troop is scheduled for an election and promotion. Be sure to look over the important dates so you can add these events to your calendar so we can enjoy fun and fellowship together. I know that I am looking forward to another exciting year and I hope you are too.



Jeff "Smoky" Davis
Staff Adviser

The summer camping season is coming sooner than we expect. It's time to think about scheduling your chapter work weekends to help get camp ready for the Boy Scout and Cub Scout camping seasons. Call me at camp with your requested dates. Reserve buildings at the Council Service center.

Everyone who has been Ordeal for at least 10 months needs a work weekend to complete their score card for Brotherhood. Put Spring Conclave on your calendar as well. This is our big push to get as much done as possible before camp staff arrives. This is a work weekend for your Brotherhood.

If you already have your score card completed, you can become a Brotherhood member at Spring Conclave. See you "on the hills above the river".

Greeting's Brothers. I hope that everyone enjoyed Winter Banquet and was able to make new friends and strengthen ties with old ones. With the election season starting it is very important that all Arrowmen live the Obligation. This can be done by assisting with your troop, attending chapter and lodge functions, and most importantly, getting your Brotherhood. This is the simplest thing that you can do, and will set the greatest example. Taking the next step is not hard and there are people that will take it with you. If you need any information on how to take that step, your chapter adviser will be happy to assist you. You can also always contact me at membership@mitigwalodge.org. I hope to see everyone at Snowflake Pow-Wow, (don't forget to pre-register).



David Rogers
V.C. Membership

Hello everybody!!

It was nice seeing most of you at Winter Banquet. Snowflake Pow-Wow is coming up and I hope you all can make it. As most know at Snowflake the chapter ceremony teams will be competing. Please come and watch your team compete!



Mitch MeGee
V.C. Ceremonies

Hope to see you there!

I hope everyone had a good time at Winter Banquet and plan to attend Snowflake Pow-Wow at Camp Dodge!

I encourage our Ordeal members to get their Brotherhood! Reminder, you can now receive your *Mitigwa Chief* online! Please complete the information sheet on page 11 to let us know we no longer need to mail it to you.

Email me if you have any questions, comments or suggestions for the *Mitigwa Chief*: communications@mitigwalodge.org



Arron Andrews
V.C. Communications

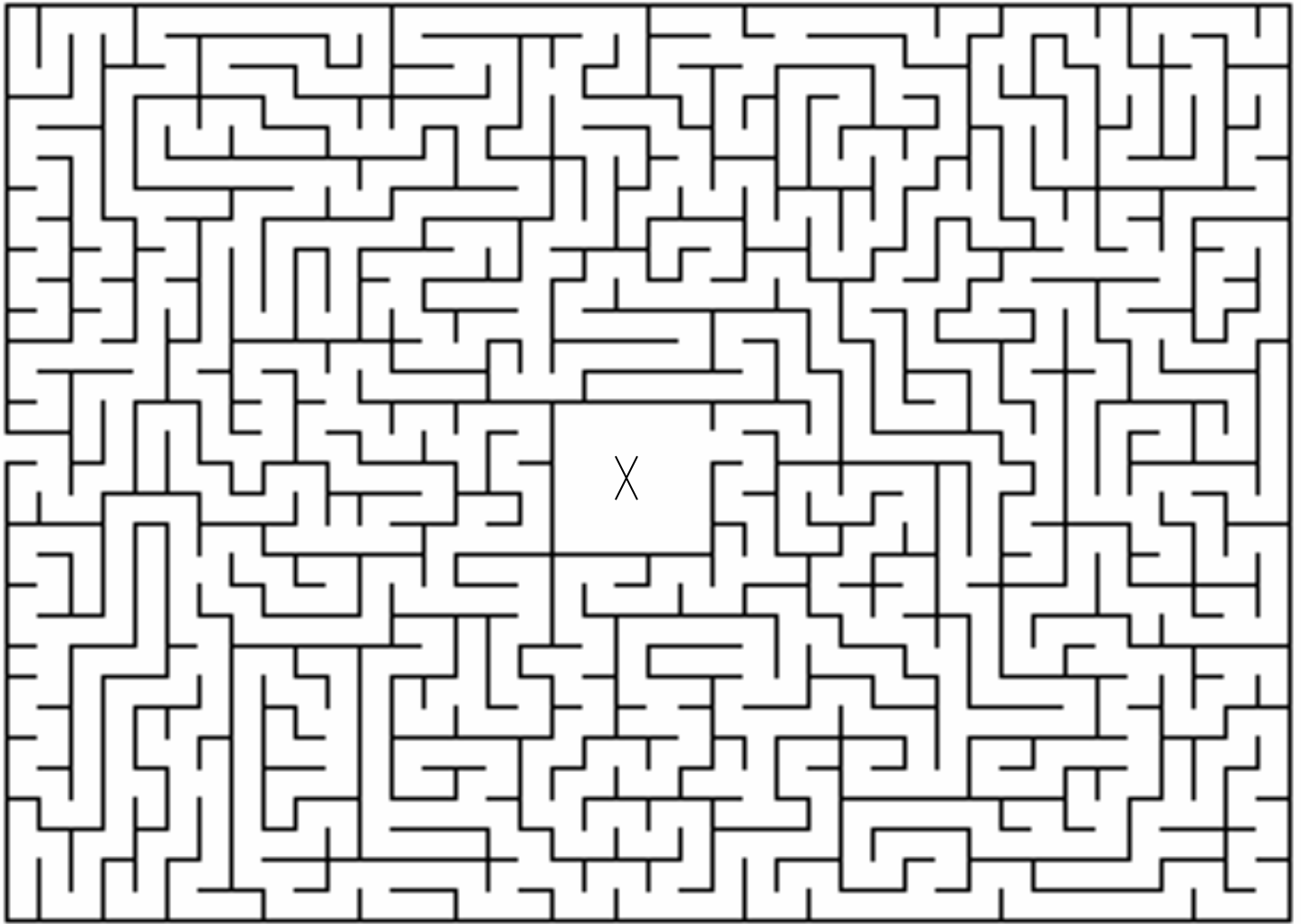
Happy New Year Everyone!

E&P is getting ready for a wonderful season. We held our training on December 15. All of the chapters received their packets on the day of Winter Banquet. I hope to hear from my VC's that they have tons of help with conducting their elections and promotions. If you can only help with one or two let your Vice Chief know, I'm sure they can use the help. Just think, you are assisting in the election of your future fellow Arrowmen. If you have any problems, concerns, or questions please email me at electionspromotions@mitigwalodge.org. I challenge everyone to help out with at least one election in their chapter, if you don't know who to contact in your chapter to help out, shoot me an email and I will get you their information.



Mike Weber
V.C. Elections &
Promotions

The OA is A“maze”ing



Directions:

Start from the “X” in the middle and try to find your way out!

Name: _____ Chapter: _____

Please hand in at the registration table for a chance to win a prize!

Congratulations to everyone who received an award at Winter Banquet

Vigil Honor Class of 2007

Arron Andrews	Steve Petterson
Thomas Bakke	Jane Jones
Susan Berst	Josh Lowe
Chris DeRefnier	Mitchell McGee
Don Duncun	Mike Patten
Mariann Edris	Steve Peterson
Zach Emmerson	Jay Pointer
Randy Gerke	David Rogers
David Ingram	Adam Schoene
Zach Irving	Caroline Wollums

Jim Goodding Arrorman Award

Name	Troop
Austin Dillinger	121
Brandon Harper	127
Levi Keech	101
William Lindholm	310
Josh Lowe	2
Scott Maras	98
Jason Now	128
Natthew Rinardson	149
Grant Rodgers	11
Stephen Schmidt	202
Hunter Schmitt	116

Chapter of the Year Bo Qui

Founders' Award

Harvey Blaisdell
Jay Cook
Jim Shumaker

Quality Chapter Bo Qui

Arrowmen of Achievement

Joe Danks
Andy DeBoard
Randy Gerke
Matt Ingram
Troy Rutter

Brotherhood Conversion

Lodge 44%
Golden Eagle 60%
Bo Qui 64%
Hawkeye 26%
Raccoon River Valley 49%
TAMAHA 43%
Broken Arrow

Lodge Executive Committee Meeting JANUARY 5, 2008



Lodge Officers prepare for LECM



RRV Chapter meets at LECM



TAMAHA prepares for discussion



Broken Arrow planning for LECM



Chapter Chiefs at LECM



Registration time

WINTER BANQUET



Vigil Honor members 2007



Chapter of the Year 2007—Bo Qui Officers and Advisers



Arrowman of Achievement
L-R
Joe Danks, Troy Rutter, Randy Gerhke, Matt Ingram, Andy DeBoard



FOUNDER'S AWARD

Jim Shumaker Harvey Blaisdell, Jay Cook



The bonnets are passed!



Nate Runyon
Broken Arrow

Snowflake Pow-Wow is coming up and we would like to see you all there. It is good time to learn about native american traditions, crafts and dance.

We will be having some fun times within our Chapter. Come to the chapter meetings for fun and fellowship.

Winter Banquet was good food and fun. It was nice to see Broken Arrow Arrowmen awarded.



Chris Ambrose
Bo-Qui

Hello Brothers,

Bo Qui has been working hard these past couple months. At our December meeting we talked about Winter Banquet and Snowflake Pow-Wow. Then we had pizza from Godfathers.

Our Ceremony team has been working hard; they plan on performing an Arrow of Light Ceremony later in the year.



Matthew Burndtedt
Golden Eagle

Hello Brothers! Hope everyone enjoyed themselves at Winter Banquet. We have a lot happening in the Golden Eagle Chapter so make sure you attend the chapter meetings so you can get involved. Ceremonies are organized and underway, but there are still plenty of openings for almost every part and especially for our Arrow of Light Teams. If you've been interested in ceremonies, now is your chance to join. Election and Promotions is getting organized as well. If you would like to help out with a troop election we encourage you to join our election teams. Check the Lodge calendar as well because the next event is Snow Flake Pow-Wow! If you've never attended it is a ton of fun; come and support the Golden Eagle Ceremony team at contest as well!. Contact a chapter vice chief for more information.

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Fellow Arrowmen,

Although 2007 has passed, we can look back and see all the fun we had; Brotherhood ceremonies, new Ordeals, summer camps, LLDC, and of course, chapter meetings and I'm sure we'll have just as much fun in the next year. Our next chapter meeting will be March 11 in the Methodist Church in Altoona. All who can come should do so!

Remember to get your Brotherhood ASAP!!



Alex Mitchell
Hawk Eye

My Brothers,

Thank you so much for attending the Winter Banquet. Andy DeBoard was awarded Arrowmen of Achievement, Jim Shumaker and Harvey Blaisdell were awarded the Founders' Award and James Sevenich was awarded the Elangomat Award. Thank you also for attending our Holiday Party. For those of you who missed it, it was a great time.

I would like to invite you all to Snowflake Pow-Wow, which is February 22-24. It's a great opportunity to learn more about the Order's traditions while you learn how to better help your fellow scouts. Come and join us. My final invitation is for our up and coming Fun and Service Weekend. Join us for our one day of work, and later, for our night of fun. And always, stay tuned to the Arrowhead for even more information.



Mitch Myers
Raccoon River Valley

Hello Arrowmen,

In November, we had our Chapter Banquet and installed our new chapter officers. Our Winter Party was cancelled due to bad weather. We look forward to the new year and events it brings along with it.

Our Ceremony team has been working hard to make improvements on the ceremonies. Tamaha would like to improve attendance so mark your calendars and come join us at Snowflake Pow-wow February 22-24. If you wish to be added to the email list, send me an email to: DCSKIngram@msn.com. See you at Chapter meetings. Contact me for dates and times.



Ian Ingram
TAMAHA

Winter Banquet LECM Minutes
Jan. 5, 2008

1. Opening– Obligation
2. Lodge Officer Roll Call
Chief–Present Ceremonies– Present
E & P– Present Communications– Present
Membership– Present Immediate Past– N/A
3. Chapter Chief and Adviser Roll Call
Broken Arrow– Present RRV–Present
Hawkeye– Present Golden Eagle– Present
Tamaha– Present Bo Qui– Present
4. Lodge Officer Reports
-Ceremonies– Lodge Ceremony team try-outs will be held at Snowflake Pow-Wow .
-Membership– We achieved 40+% Brotherhood, good job to all of you.
-Communications– Articles due today. Any questions or comments email me.
-E & P– Packets can be picked up after the LECM. There is be some more training at Snowflake.
-Chief– The Banquet is ready to go, Good job to all of the chapters.
5. Chapter Reports
-Broken Arrow– Last meeting was canceled, looking forward to a new year.
-Bo Qui– Ceremony team is ready for snowflake.
-Hawkeye– Next meeting we will be sledding, Communications and E and P are going well..
-RRV– Cold weather training, Had banquet and our December Meeting.
-Tamaha– good start, Nov. meeting we had our banquet, the December meeting was canceled.
-Golden Eagle–Nov. was our Fall Festival, Dec. meeting had low attendance, Ceremony and E and P teams ready.
6. Approval of Minutes- Motion by RRV 2nd by GE– Passed
7. Old Business
-Brotherhood Percentages– in Program at the Banquet
-Quality Chapter– Wait for the increase in Membership till our lodge letter gets sent out.
Motion by: BQ 2nd by: RRV– Passed
8. New Business
-January COC– 18 & 19 in Denver, Iowa
-Snowflake– Good, Mark Weber is cook, Classes and teachers are all setup, plan for an LECM that weekend
-Arrow Corp5– deadline Feb. 1st Staff and Participants.
-Summer Camp– Discuss changes to summer camp. No longer allowed to offer full Ordeal during camp. Council did not consult with lodge leaders on this. Distributed packet for evaluation
Recessed for 15 mins for chapters to discuss their thoughts on issue
Group brought back for discussion. Motion to take the packet of thoughts to the council. Motion by: RRV 2nd by: BQ– Passed
-Plans for if Ordeal isn't in camp: Weekends for Ceremonies, Indian Villages at both camps, Count as chapter work days if they met the number requirements.
Motion by BA 2nd by: BQ– Passes.
-Adviser Minute– Thanks for coming, see you all at the Banquet.
9. Closing– Song

**2008 Snowflake Pow-Wow
January 5th, 2008**

Name: _____ Adult Youth
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Zip _____
Number attending: _____
List names of all attending: stating Y or A

Registration due by
\$20.00 per person _____
\$3.00 2008 Activity Patch #1 _____
After add \$5.00/person _____
Total enclosed: _____

Please Mail to:
Clayman Service Center
Mid-Iowa Council
P.O. Box 3009
Des Moines, IA 50316-0009

2008 Membership Registration

Name: _____ Adult Youth
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Zip _____ Chapter: _____
Membership: V B O

Boy Scout Registration (How are you registered in Scouting): _____
Please specify unit where appropriate:

Dues \$12.00
Dues \$14.00 after Dec 31.

Please Mail to:
Clayman Service Center
Mid-Iowa Council
P.O. Box 3009
Des Moines, IA 50316-0009

If your label reads 2007, send your dues now.

Mitigwa Chief

Name: _____
Address: _____
___ YES, I will receive my Mitigwa Chief
online starting in 2008
Required email address: (print clearly)

To:
communications@mitigwalodge.org

OR

Please Mail to:
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<u>2007 Membership</u>	2007 Ordeal	322
Youth 778 Adults 500	2007 Brotherhood	161
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