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TALAKO LODGE MARIN COUNCIL, BSA SINCE 1958 "Things of the spirit are what count: Brotherhood – in a day when there is too much hatred at home and abroad; Cheerfulness – in a day when the pessimists have the floor and cynics are popular; Service – in a day when millions are interested in getting or grasping, rather than giving." - Dr. E. Urner Goodman, Founder of the Order of the Arrow





#### TALAKO LODGE ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY

Saturday, December 4, 2021 5:30pm



#### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

We welcome all lodge members, their families, and other guests.

**ELECTION of 2022 OFFICERS** We will be electing our 2022 officers.

**YEAR IN REVIEW** Reflect on the accomplishments of the year.

**LODGE RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS** Honor those who have made 2021 possible.

**INDUCTION OF 2022 OFFICERS AND ADVISERS** Induct the 2022 Lodge Executive Committee.

**CLOSING AND SONG** Thank you for coming tonight!!

> HAVE A GREAT END OF 2021 -SEE YOU IN 2022!



# YEAR IN REVIEW

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#### **18** New Ordeal Members Inducted

We inducted 18 new Arrowmen at our Spring and Fall Induction weekends.

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#### New Vigil Members for 2019 and 2020

We had 5 Arrowmen receive the Vigil Honor. They were called out in 2019 and 2020, but we weren't able to host ceremonies until this year due to Covid. We held one in May and one in November.

#### **13** Arrowmen attended the 2021 National Leadership Seminar

We had 13 Arrowmen attend the 2021 NLS in November 2021, which was held in Saratoga California.

#### New Brotherhood Members

We had 5 Ordeal members seal their membership in the Order by becoming Brotherhood members.

32

#### Arrowmen attended the 2021 Area 3 Conclave

32 members attended the 2021 Area 3 Conclave in September held at Coast Guard Island in Alameda.

87

# Arrowmen registered with Talako Lodge

87 Arrowmen were registered with Talako throughout 2021, despite being in a pandemic.

#### Congratulations to our new Brotherhood members:

Desmond Kim **Gabriel Choi** Aiden Filley-Brown Colin Judson Dr. Natalie Lee Amelia Lee **Helen Perry Rupert Atkins Ryder Lariviere Daniel Siedel** Addison Everage **Nichole Everage** William Abela **Nick Hartung Cade Peterson Ryan Herbst** Skye Manley John Morris

#### Congratulations to our new Brotherhood members:

Jenna Spector Eli Barajas Mason Chiu Finn Diringer Garret Farber

#### Congratulations to our new Vigil members:

**2019** Connor Chambers Cole Fehring Zachary Farnkopf

**2020** Bryce Hanson Joshua Holzer



#### **FINAL CHIEF REPORT**

During my term as the 2021 Talako Lodge Chief, I not only enhanced my capabilities as a leader, but also as an Arrowman.

Over the summer, I attended the National Council of Chiefs at the Philmont Training Center in New Mexico. There I met lodge chiefs from across America and learned how they and their lodges operate. In September, I went to Conclave as a member of the COC and familiarized myself more with how the OA functions on the section level. These two events were among my favorites mainly because of the fellowship I felt at each event. Everyone inducted into the OA has a certain set of values, meaning as a member of the OA, I feel perfectly comfortable meeting new Arrowmen with the assurance we will get along well.

With my term beginning in the midst of a pandemic, getting our lodge back in person was a big goal for me. A few small in-person gatherings eventually culminated in last weekend's Elks Decorating, our first event that did not fully require masks since the start of the pandemic.

The best advice I can offer to the next Chief is to always stay organized: create a schedule for LEC meetings, set the event calendar, and be proactive with event planning in order to avoid last minute scrambles.

I am proud to have had the opportunity to serve as your 2021 Talako Lodge Chief, and wish for the success of the next Chief and their LEC.

- Alex Perry, 2021 Chief



### FINAL VICE CHIEF OF PROGRAM REPORTS

Talako had several noteworthy achievements this year including our two in person induction weekends, and several in person events. That said, it was not as facil as our incredible team of officers and advisers may have made it seem. It is easy to become disheartened or disengaged while unable to partake in the things that we love about Scouting, but members of the Order of the Arrow, specifically Talako Lodge, persevered and persisted through an irksome start of the year, and that perpetual excitement for Scouting in each and every Arrowman is what made this past year extraordinary, and is also what continues to excite me about our organization. I look forward to seeing what this Lodge will accomplish in the next year and how we will continue to perform. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your Vice Chief, and I am eager to see the opportunities your membership in the brotherhood of cheerful service has waiting for you.

-Jamey Schnasse, 2021 Vice Chief of Program



#### FINAL VICE CHIEF OF MEMBERSHIP AND CEREMONIES REPORTS

Being on the LEC as the first female member was an interesting transition. The few times I was able to attend the meetings there wasn't too much support to help my uneasy introduction into leadership in the OA. That being said, the leaders such as Alex Perry, Mr. Moynihan, and Mr. Farnkopf really helped where there was confusion and help needed. I enjoyed my time on the LEC and my only regret is not being able to fully involve myself due to a lot of other commitments in my life. Conclave 2021 was a highlight because I got to experience that due to my role in the ceremonies team. I hope that as time goes on, I can experience more events like that.

- Corinne Hunt, 2021 Vice Chief of Membership Starting halfway through summer in a position that did not yet exist was a lot. The veil of Covid had yet to leave us, college was fast approaching, and our ceremony team needed to be recruited with less time than any of us would like to have. Today, there is no doubt that we still have work to do, and my plate is not empty! We have trained ceremonialists for the Ordeal. We are high and dry for a Brotherhood ceremony, and Mr. Coronado is dreaming for a drum and dance team! Someone go pester Eli, where there's a will, there's a way after all! To whoever sits in this seat at the end of the banquet, get crackin! To the rest of ya: Please join ceremonies. We need a motley crew, not a skeleton one!

> - Tanner Spence, 2021 Vice Chief of Ceremonies



#### FINAL TREASURER AND SECRETARY REPORTS

Over my term as Treasurer of our lodge, we overcame many challenges as a LEC and as a lodge. We continued to adapt to the challenges set forth by the pandemic through virtual events at the beginning of the year, to now more in-person events. We have been one of the most active groups in council this year with our meetings, and now events. We were able to bring an amazing group of people to conclave this year including 2 CVCs, I being one, which is outstanding for such a small lodge to do so much. We've inducted an amazing set of new Arrowmen that will keep Talako going for many more years. I hope to help Talako more over the next few years however I can.

> - Jack Hagerman, 2021 Treasurer

The LEC has been a great experience for me in this last year. I have been able to continue to send out emails while also being able to document our most wonderful events like the conclave and the Spring Ordeal. I have been fortunate to see the lodge working at its highest capacity. I'm glad to have been able to be apart of this wonderful LEC, and I hope to be able to help this new secretary position in this upcoming year.

> - Zachary Holzer, 2021 Secretary



#### **ADVISER REFLECTION**

Thank you Talako for another resilient year in the face of Covid; flexible in the face of ever-changing routines while remaining creative and positive during our quest to deliver cheerful service in 2021.

We were able to transition from an almost exclusively Zoom form of Arrowman Scouting in 2020 and early 2021 into a safe and masked in-person version late spring this year. We held a mobile Pinewood Derby Workshop at the Elks Club in February for almost 80 Cub Scouts. We were able to hold 2 inperson Inductions, assist Council with Summer Camp at Marin Sierra and Cub Camp at Tamarancho, as well as serving at Family Fiesta in the Fall. In just the past 3 months we co-managed a 10 Lodge 400+ person Area-Clave on Coast Guard Island, Alameda, and were able to hold Unit elections and host our second Induction with 15 new members. Then we collected 35,500 pounds of food for the SF/Marin Food Bank and sent 13 members to NLS/DYLC in Saratoga. On November 28th another 20+ Arrowmen helped to extensively decorate our host's facility, the Elks Lodge in San Rafael, for the coming holidays.

Your Chief Alex Perry, Associate Adviser Willy Coronado and myself also attended the National Council of Chiefs, a week long seminar at the Philmont Training Center in Cimmaron, NM in August. At this event we were privy to and Alex was asked to vote on many changes to the Order of the Arrow which we should all see implemented in the next few months as we prepare to convene at the National Order of the Arrow Conference at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville in late July 2022; the first NOAC in 4 years as well as the first NOAC in Tennessee during my tenure as Lodge Adviser. NOAC will be an amazing opportunity for any and all Talako Arrowmen and you will hear more over the next few months as we prepare to make our journey out to this tremendously exciting and rewarding event next summer.

In closing I am so proud of our LEC, our Advisers and Marin Council for managing and providing as complete a program as admissible to all of our Lodge Members. I am also indebted to our Lodge members who rise up and tirelessly serve our local community with heart and soul. Finally, I am exceptionally excited by the addition of so many inspiring and invigorated new Lodge members both youth and adult, male and female. This is the new face of Scouting and the OA. We are poised to truly take advantage of this new Scouting movement and grow in 2022. I cannot be more pleased by the seeds that we hold for the future of Talako Lodge and The Order of the Arrow.

Talako Lodge is not a Place it is Us whenever we meet in Fellowship or Service. We are the OA and we are all Equal as we Journey together through Cheerful Service. WWW-- Kenn Moynihan Lodge Adviser Thank you all for attending this evening and supporting the lodge throughout 2021. We are excited to see you in 2022!

#### WE THANK THE 2021 LODGE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

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Alex Perry, Chief Jamey Schnasse, Vice Chief of Program Sam Silvestri, Corrine Hunt, Tanner Spence, Vice Chiefs of Membership & Ceremony Jack Hagerman, Treasurer Zachary Holzer, Secretary Joshua Holzer, Immediate Past Chief

Kenn Moynihan, Adviser Mark Otavka, Program Adviser Ned Farnkopf, Membership Adviser Nestor Schnasse, Finance Adviser Marc Holzer, Administration Adviser Michael Swalberg, Administration Adviser Michael "MJ" Andrews, Staff Adviser Michael Dybeck, Chief of the Fire





## 2022 LODGE CALENDAR

#### JANUARY

JANUARY		
<ul><li>1/11/2022</li></ul>	Lodge Meeting	Elk's Lodge
<ul><li>1/29/2022</li></ul>	Code Red	Location TBD
FEBRUARY		
<ul><li>2/8/2022</li></ul>	Lodge Meeting	Elk's Lodge
<ul><li>2/12/2022</li></ul>	Pinewood Derby Workshop	Camp Tamarancho
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MARCH		
<ul><li>3/8/2022</li></ul>	Lodge Meeting	Elk's Lodge
<ul><li>3/11-13/2022</li></ul>	• •	Camp Marin Sierra
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APRIL		
<ul><li>4/12/2022</li></ul>	Lodge Meeting	Elk's Lodge
<ul><li>4/15-17/2021</li></ul>	Spring Induction	Camp Tamarancho
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MAY		
<ul><li>5/10/2022</li></ul>	Lodge Meeting	Elk's Lodge
∘ TBD	Family Fiesta	Camp Tamarancho
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JUNE/JULY		
<ul><li>6/14/2022</li></ul>	Summer BBQ & Pool Party	Elk's Lodge
<ul><li>6/29-7/3/2022</li></ul>	Ice Cream Service Project	Marin County Fair
<ul><li>7/25-30/2022</li></ul>	NOAC	Knoxville, TN
SEPTEMBER		
<ul><li>9/13/2022</li></ul>	Lodge Meeting	Elks' Lodge
<ul><li>9/16-18/2022</li></ul>	Conclave	Location TBD
OCTOBER		
<ul><li>10/11/2022</li></ul>	Lodge Meeting	Elk's Lodge
<ul><li>10/14-16/2022</li></ul>		Camp Tamarancho
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NOVEMBER		
<ul><li>11/8/2022</li></ul>	Lodge Meeting	Elk's Lodge
• TBD	Scouting For Food	Marin Food Bank
• TBD	Elk Lodge Decorating	San Rafael Elks Lodge
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#### DECEMBER

• 12/3/2022 Annual Lodge Banquet Location TBD

\*All events are TBD based on Covid-19 restrictions

"Friends, the ones who chose you, need you. Who among you now is ready? Who will go upon this journey?" - Allowat Sakima, The Mighty Chief



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