

Chiefly Speaking

Brothers.

Thanks to all those who came out for our annual Lodge Christmas party, we had over 80 members in attendance! I had a great time, and was overjoyed at the high attendance.

We are within reach of gaining National Quality Lodge status; but in order to do this, we must increase the percentage of Brotherhood members in the Lodge. As such, the Lodge Vice-Chiefs and I have resolved to hold numerous, high quality brotherhood ceremonies. The next ceremony will be held on February 25th, the location will be announced as that date draws near.

For those of you who attended Fellowship this past year, you heard all the officers and myself give the pledge that we would see to it that a summer leadership course take place. I say to you now, that the Lodge Leadership Course being developed as you read this, and will come to fruition this summer!

I would hope that you can all join us for upcoming events (as listed below), and we can show candidates, as well as other lodges, what El-Ku-Ta is really made of.

Yours in Wimachtendienk,

Lodge Chief

2011-12





Recent Events/Success Rating*
LECM (August to December)4.5
October Ordeal5
November Brotherhood5
Leadership Course5
Patch Auction5
*Note: Rating System is sashes. E.g. 4.5 out of 5 sashes

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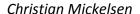
Announcements From The Vice Chiefs

D.J. Powell

D.J. was born Jan 15^{th,} 1994, in Portland, Oregon, but moved to Murray, Utah before his second birthday. He was almost four when his family purchased a home in Tooele. DJ loves golfing with friends, four wheeling, fishing, hunting and welding. He is also gifted to understand how to make mechanical repairs with little experience. He is a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and serves as the first counselor in his priesthood quorum and plans to serve a mission for his church. He is dependable and many in his ward and neighborhood know they can call on him if they need help.

DJ has always loved Scouting. In Cub Scouts, he earned his Arrow of Light and has earned his Eagle Scout rank. DJ was given the opportunity and attended the 2010 National Jamboree. He has served as a Chapter Chief in the Order Of The Arrow. D.J. currently serves as a Lodge Vice Chief in Charge of the trading post and has been having success in this endeavor.

DJ loves the experience, the leadership training and brother hood of The Order Of the Arrow.







Hello, my fellow OA brothers!

My name is Christian Mickelsen. This is my third full year as a member of the Order of the Arrow, and I have learned much from what I have done. Outside of the OA, I am also involved in my school's student government, Academic Decathlon, and numerous leadership camps for the Great Salt Lake Council.

I have been asked to organize and manage all of the Ordeals and Brotherhoods this year... without ceremonies, that is.. Our first two Ordeals and our first Brotherhood were both phenomenal, and I think everyone that was involved in any way was able to learn something. However, we could always use a few more hands. If you are interested in helping in any way, please call me at 801-573-5097(M) or 801-280-6017(H). Thank you very much, and I hope to see you at upcoming Lodge activities!

Yours in Brotherhood,

Christian Mickelsen

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Ron Totman







I am a Lodge Officer for the El-Ku-Ta Lodge and I'm over leadership. We had a very successful leadership course

on the 18-19 of November called LT. We had about 28 youth and 2 adults show up and participate. I am proud to have been over that course and had the opportunity to work with all the amazing youth in our Lodge. We will be having a week long training course, due to the fact that LT was a success. This is my last year in the lodge before I go on my mission. I am still over the leadership course and it is going to be the best that our generation has ever seen!

Yours in Brotherhood, Alex York Hey all! My name is Ron Totman, and I'm your Vice Chief of Ceremonies this year in the El-Ku-Ta Lodge. This is my third year in a Lodge Leadership position, and I plan to make it a good one. I enjoy watching people laugh and enjoy themselves in activities they do, and I love seeing others succeed. I am currently a member of Stansbury High School's Swim Team and Marching Band, as well as Tooele's Water Polo team. Some of my other hobbies include Drumming, Drawing, and Running, along with assortments of other things. The Order of the Arrow is one of those things. It's a great program, and we have a great Lodge to branch it from. I've been given the task of putting together

and leading memorable ordeal ceremonies for this year, and I'm going to try my hardest to make them flow as successfully as possible. If anyone has ever been interested in taking part in some of these ceremonies, which in my opinion are some of the biggest influences on incoming members, as well as an incredible experience to be apart of, feel free to contact me. I'd love to see future ordeals pass with flying colors because of you.

Thanks so much! Can't wait to spend the year with you all.

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My name is Brennan Beecher. I am active in Scouting, and also enjoy robotics, computers, and blacksmithing. I was placed in charge of service and Scout-O-Rama for the lodge. If you have any ideas, please feel free to contact me and let me know.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Brennan Beecher



Nick Montgomery



The Lodge
Adviser's
Minute

I'm having a great time working with you guys in the order of the arrow. We've had a successful year so far and I would just like to thank you guys. For those of you who don't know me, my name is Nick Montgomery and I'm the lodge vice chief over elections and summer fellowship. Also, I am CVC over outdoor activities for section conclave. We have lots of fun games and activities for you guys planned this year at summer fellowship. However, I am in need of a few more members to help me out on the committee. If you are interested in helping out, Email me at: Montgomery94@gmail.com. I'm always looking for men with new ideas and a good attitude.

We are off to a great start this year, and I want to thank everyone for their support in the Lodge so far this year. We have some exciting things planned and want to have as many people involved as possible. I would like to encourage every Ordeal member who has been a member for more than 10 months to please sign up for one of our upcoming Brotherhood Ceremonies and "Seal your membership in the Order of the Arrow." We would really like to see every adult and boy in our Lodge obtain the level of Brotherhood. Thru Cheerful Service even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, we can help develop and instill in the youth we Advise to be better people now and in the future.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Cal Condie

El-Ku-Ta Lodge Executive Committee Meeting Notes December 22, 2011-Tracy Fort

Upcoming Events:

El-Ku-Ta Lodge Banquet

7:00 PM, January 14th-Tracy Lodge
Tickets available online at elkuta.com for \$12.50 per person
The new Chief's sash will be unveiled, and the old sash retired,
Vigil Tapout, Founders Award, plus much, much more!!!

Next Lodge Executive Committee Meeting!

Vital Chapter Information Interactive lessons to help you lead your Chapter Strongly encouraged for all Chapter Leadership Thursday, January 26th at the Tracy Lodge

Brotherhood Ceremony

Open to all 10 month members of the Lodge February 25, 2011 Time and Location TBA

March Ordeal/Brotherhood

Ceremony and Elangomat Staff needed!!! Elangomats contact Christian Mickelsen (801-573-5097) Ceremony volunteers contact Ron Totman (435-850-9819) March 23-24, Tooele Wig-Wam

Section Conclave

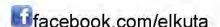
April 20-22 Delta, UT
Come and mingle with members of the Section!
Patch trading, classes, games, and much more!
(Sleeping is optional)

Scout-O-Rama

May 5th, Volunteers needed! Contact DJ Powell (435-241-0121) or Brennan Beecher (801-889-6465) Chapter assignments will be given, so volunteer while you can!

National Order of the Arrow Conference

July 28-August 4, Michigan Contact Jeff Augason (801-403-7038) Deadline for Deposit to secure you place is Jan 31, 2012 \$50 discount for people who pay in full before Jan 31.





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Upcoming Events

January LECM - January 26 @ 7:00 p.m. - Camp Tracy Lodge

February LECM - February 23 @ 7:00 p.m. - Camp Tracy Lodge

Brotherhood Ceremony -February 25 @ 10:00 a.m. - Location TBA

March LECM - March 22 @ 7:00 p.m. - Camp Tracy Fort

Lodge Ordeal - March 23-24 @ 6:00 p.m. Friday-Tooele Wig-Wam

Brotherhood Ceremony - March 24 @ 10:00 a.m.-Tooele Wig-Wam

Section Conclave - April 20-22 @ Intermountain Power Plant Man

Camp, Delta, UT

Scout-O-Rama - May 4 & 5 - Details TBA

