

Prairie Winds

...by Miles Powers, Prairie Winds Chapter Chief

Hello fellow brothers,

It's getting to be the holiday season and that means Unit Elections/Camp Promotions, Ceremonies Competitions and Crossovers are just around the corner. Currently we are forming all teams in hopes to make it a little easier on our Vice-Chiefs. If you would like to help with Unit Elections/Camp Promotions, Ceremonies, Crossovers please contact the Vice-Chiefs in that area, or send me an email at prairiewindschief@goldensunlodge.org.

Currently we are working towards the Leadership In Service Award for the 2005 year. Also, we are starting to plan our Spring Fun Event. Date and location are not known at the time. Please check the Golden Sun Lodge website for agendas from our monthly chapter meetings. The OA Prairie Winds Chapter Meetings are held the first Thursday, every month at the Trinity Lutheran Church, 265 Helen, in Cordova, at 7:30 pm. Remember, your BSA Troop needs to have an OA Troop representative to bring back the information that's discussed at the Chapter meetings back to the Troop meetings. It is essential or else the OA Chapter program will not succeed.

The Chapter has decided to spend money in communicating our programs and events in the chapter through newsletters, postcards, and emails. Be on the look out for one of these within the next couple months. Hope you all had a wonderful holiday.

Salt Valley

...by Stephen Lowery, Salt Valley Chapter Chief

Salt Valley Chapter has been working hard these last few months. We sent a few guys down to the NLS in Missouri and they all came back with more experience, better trained and all seemed to have had a great time.

Our chapter has spent a lot of time getting ready for upcoming ceremonies as well.

We held a ceremonies training on December 10 at Hope Community Church and it went really well. We had a great attendance at the event and all those that participated seemed to enjoy the training and time with friends as well as the free pizza to top off the day.

Salt Valley is also working on planning another Cub Scout event. We haven't had one in the last few years and we were asked to help out again. We are still waiting on a place and time but once we know, we will keep you all informed so we can help make this the best event we can.

Our chapter is very close to beginning our crossover season. We have some people helping but the more we get the easier it is on all of us so if you are not yet on a team and would like to be we have ways for you to get onto the team. Contact either myself, the service south vice chief Trenton Meyer or the service north chief Dylan Seaman and we will get you onto a team.

We are also quickly approaching election and promotion season. Again, if you are at all interested in helping out with these in any way contact either myself or check the website to get a hold of the proper vice chief and they will help to get you onto a team for these events.

Coming up this summer is another great opportunity for all arrowmen. The National Order of the Arrow Conference is coming up the dates of July 30-August 6, 2006. This year's conference will be held in East Lansing, Michigan at the campus of Michigan State University and the cost for the trip will be \$900. Contact Rich Lowery if you have any questions.

Also this summer, there are openings to work down at Camp Cornhusker. If you have any interest to work down there this summer contact Seth Bingham and he will get you on the right track to working.