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# IT IS TIME



A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

# The importance of outreach

As scouts, the season of giving should never end

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You've probably never seen me at any Miwok meeting in the past few months. Sadly, you won't see me at Conclave either this coming April. The three hour time difference widens the gap between my frozen Bostonian existence and my brothers back in California even more, and it always messes with Ryan and me when he calls me at midnight eastern time to get to work on our posters and newsletters.

Yet despite being thousands of miles away from it all, I feel just as connected as any Section W-3S arrowman should be. Between my day-to-day activities in college, at work, and my

service for the section, I always feel a constant link with the section, save for Ryan's friendly reminders for me to stay on top of my marketing duties.

I kid our section chief, but part of this unity is a result of his outreach to me, assisting me with my duties as a Conclave Vice-Chief. Little things like that go a long way.

I am currently interning at Boston University's hockey arena as a marketing intern, and I had the opportunity to work with the Boston Minuteman Council as a part of our arena's advertising campaign to bring local units to BU Terrier Men's Hockey games. This is where outreach comes in — as a scout working with other scouters, I was able to donate

some tickets to an inner-city unit and bring the joy of sports to one of many units left with no activities during these cold winter months.

And if you've ever been to the Northeast in the winter, you'll know that nobody wants to go outside.

I urge you to continue to reach out to those in need unconditionally in the name of unity, as it is only possible to obtain that with the cheerful spirit in all of us arrowmen. Spread the word of the Legion of Service throughout your units and with your help we can be united as a section at next month's Conclave.

## THE CALL OF SERVICE

Section W-3S's official newsletter

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# Above and beyond the influence

When life tempts you,  
how will you live by the  
morals of Scouting?

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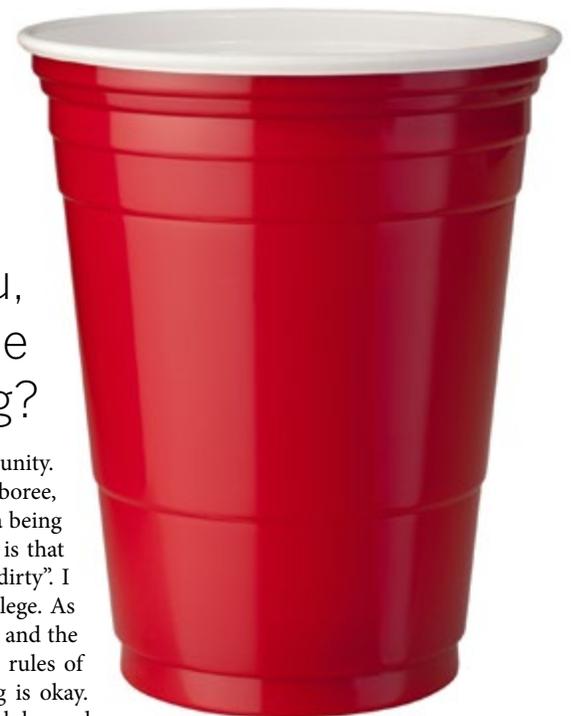
Alcohol, drugs and partying are the most common aspects of a college scene straight from the theaters. But how difficult is it to live by the principles of Scouting and the Order of the Arrow and still have a social life in college?

Since becoming a freshman at CSU Monterey Bay, I have had several friends notice the Eagle plaque hanging in my room and tell me congratulations; two of the friends were scouts but never made it to Eagle. The young men were obviously very touched by their personal scouting experiences. They remember the part of the Scout Law that states: A Scout is Clean. They and I set an example by keeping clean and don't join the many students that have picked up smoking cigarettes or hookah and drinking

since joining the CSUMB community.

If you went to the 2010 National Jamboree, you may recall Mike Rowe's talk about a being a clean scout. If not, a quick summary is that "a Scout is clean, but not afraid to get dirty". I think Rowe's idea can be applied to college. As long as one follows the laws of the state and the nation, as well as the expectations and rules of the college or university, then drinking is okay.

My advice is to join on-campus clubs and organizations and avoid peer pressure until the age of 21. The scouting community has been a great influence on my ability of decision-making and on my choice of friends, and I hope that when the time comes for other scouts to embark to college, they will do the same.



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# The Chief's Address

By **RYAN JONES**  
Section Chief

**A**rrowmen, I cannot seem to fathom the incredible opportunity that I have had, and that we all share in this Section. We have an incredible and unique opportunity to be the pioneers for the future of this Section, and to have complete control over the planning and execution of the biggest scouting event in the Bay Area and Central Valley. There truly is no other program in the country like the Order of the Arrow, where the youth control the process and the creation of the Conclave. We know what we want, and we have the ability to take charge of making it happen with leadership skills unmatched by any person our age outside of scouting.

In just a few short weeks Arrowmen from all over

the Bay Area and Central Valley will gather for this year's Conclave. We've been working hard to create this event, and make it the best it can be. Cutter Scout Reservation will play host to the great leaders of the 21st century and it's so important that you are all a part of that. I cannot wait until we gather to make new friends, engage in fellowship, watch fantastic shows, and party like only Arrowmen can.

This year you'll see many people dressing up in superhero costumes to help deliver our message to you: Join the Legion of Service. We are all super heroes of our Lodge and the scouts that look up to us. We will deliver the leadership they deserve as we showcase the Fellowship of Superheroes.

## United: the 2012-13 term in retrospect

By **DYLAN LAW**  
Section Vice-Chief

**A**t NOAC 2012, the theme of the week was "United, We Leave A Legacy." As our Section Conclave comes closer, our terms of office will end. So we should reflect on what we've done this past year. As a section in our 2012-2013 term, our Council of Chiefs have worked hard to make an impact, and this year our section has accomplished some amazing feats.

We put out our first Leadership Guidebook which will serve as a key tool to our future Officers and Advisers to explain their role in the Section. We had lots of Arrowmen get trained at the NLS and NLATS training

and hopefully they will leave legacies in their respective Lodges, if not the Section. All around in our section, every Lodge Chief, Lodge Adviser, CVC, Section Adviser, Section Officer, and have gone above and beyond to make Conclave 2013 great. Everyone has done their best and united, we left a legacy.

I know Section W-3S will continue to be prosperous and our legacy will become even greater. We hope that you too, will join us and contribute to our greatness.

## Conclave Sneak Peek

### SHOWS

By **ANGUS STORM**  
CVC of Shows

Arrowmen, be sure to expect great shows at this year's Conclave! We are looking at multiple events such as pie eating contests, potato sack races, and many other superhero-themed activities. Saturday night, we will be showing a short film about the Order of the Arrow, our Section, and the duties we all have as Arrowmen. Our keynote speaker this year is Joe Barton, the past region chief. These shows are going to be interesting, engaging, and all around fun! I am looking forward to seeing it all come together, and be sure to be there to witness the making!

### TRAINING

By **DAMIAN GERLING**  
CVC of Training

Training at Conclave 2013 will be designed for all, encompassing all subjects for youth and adults alike. There will be classes covering the basics of the OA for our new members, and there will also be recreational classes like cooking with dutch ovens for those who just want to kick back and enjoy the great outdoors. We will also be running classes for adults to help improve future OA activities back home. Be sure to bring your boots, as these classes will be scattered all throughout the beautiful forests of Cutter Scout Reservation. Expect lots of fun from the training classes, as these are designed to keep you involved! We will see you at Conclave.

# Conclave Sneak Peek

## AI AFFAIRS

By **NATHAN MONTGOMERY**  
CVC of American Indian Affairs

It will be an exciting Conclave for us at American Indian Affairs. We will be having a pow-wow, a Brotherhood ceremony on Friday night, and a pre-Ordeal and Ordeal ceremonies team evaluations. We will also have Native American drumming, singing, and dancing.

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