

# **TROOP 266 NEWSLETTER**

**July 2008**

## **PATRICK LOCKARD OF TROOP 266 ACHIEVES EAGLE SCOUT RANK**

On November 20, 2007 Patrick was a part of an historic month for Troop 266 when six scouts achieved the highest rank in Boy Scouts, the rank of Eagle. Patrick accomplished this task after being a member of Troop 266 for almost 7 years. He made First Class 16 months after joining the troop and then advanced to Star in twenty-two months and Life 2 years later in May 2006. Patrick has served the troop as a Junior Assistant Scoutmaster, Senior Patrol Leader and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and has also served the Dragon Patrol as a Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader, and Chaplain's Aide. The highlights of Patrick's scouting activities include attendance at five summer camps (Fife twice, Black Mtn, Fire Mtn, and Meriwether), hiking the mountains of New Mexico as a part of the 2006 Philmont Expedition, and numerous patrol activities. Patrick has participated in five consecutive snow campouts, and assisted in the planning and training for the campout in February 2007, and as an assistant scoutmaster for the 2008 Snow Camp. These outdoor activities along with participation in three Pacific Crest Trail hikes and backpack trips have helped Patrick complete 64 nights of camping and log 123 miles of hiking and backpacking. Patrick became a member of the Order of the Arrow in 2005. He has supported his fellow Scouts by working on six Eagle Service Projects which helped him accumulate 42.3 hours of service. For his Eagle Project, he built raised flower planters at the Mother Joseph Care Center. Patrick is a 2008 graduate of Olympia High School. Patrick has also been a three sport letterman at Olympia HS, worked as a lifeguard for the City of Tenino and Briggs YMCA, and as a volunteer coach at the YMCA for youth sports. Patrick is now attending the United States Military Academy at West Point.

## **OTHER NEWS**

### **TROOP 266 WILD WAVES TRIP**

Our troop has received a prize from the Council for being the top selling troop in popcorn fundraiser last year. To celebrate, we will be going to Wild Waves Park on Thursday, August 28, 2008. All the boys who sold popcorn last year will be treated to a Wild Waves pass and receive a food stipend for the day. Other scouts, as well as siblings, parents and scoutmasters, are also welcome to come along for the group rate of \$15 per person. We need to have payment by next Tuesday, May 27, to reserve tickets at this Early Bird group rate. Please make your check to Troop 266 and be ready to pay next Tuesday. Questions? Contact Mr.Ermelindo Escobedo 273-2496 or Mrs.Layingg Hou 943-7719, [sixteentonine@yahoo.com](mailto:sixteentonine@yahoo.com).

# BOY SCOUT NIGHT AT TACOMA RAINIERS

For a fun patrol activity, why not enjoy baseball with the Tacoma Rainiers. The annual Boy Scout night will be held on Friday, August 15th, starting at 7 pm. You have two choices: Ballgame and dinner for \$11 or Ballgame, dinner, sleepover, breakfast and patch for \$21. Register with Tacoma Rainiers at 3560 Bridgeport Way West Ste 3E, University Place, WA 98466 or fax to 253-752-7135. Registration deadline is August 1, 2008. For questions, Beth Mager at 253-722-1048 or [bmager@tacomarainiers.com](mailto:bmager@tacomarainiers.com).



## ORDER OF THE ARROW REPORT

By Karl Sergiojan, O/A Troop Representative

Our Lodge contingent leaves for the Shasta-Trinity National Forest in northern California on July 11<sup>th</sup> for our 8-day service project called ArrowCorps5, the largest national service project since World War II. The fun will include mountain biking, canoeing, and white water rafting.

Upcoming events include the final Ordeal of the year which will be held at Camp Hahobas August 22-24, 2008; Fall Fellowship at Camp Thunderbird October 24-26, 2008; Lodge Leadership Development is coming up on November 7-8, 2008. And mark your calendars early for the next National Order of the Arrow Conference at Indiana State University August 1-6, 2009.

For more information on these and other exciting Order of the Arrow happenings and opportunities, contact Chapter Chief Erik Luetkehans at [eluetkehans@msn.com](mailto:eluetkehans@msn.com) or Troop Representative / Lodge Chief Karl Sergiojan or Chapter Advisor Jack Sergiojan at [molodyetz@aol.com](mailto:molodyetz@aol.com).

### JULY BIRTHDAYS

The following scouts are celebrating their birthday in July. Please join us in wishing them a happy birthday!

<b>Byron Clark</b>	15
<b>Eric Evans</b>	16
<b>Kyler LaViolette</b>	12
<b>James Icenogle</b>	13
<b>Patrick Stack</b>	15
<b>David Drinkard</b>	12
<b>Brian Hegge</b>	15
<b>Jake Blakeslee</b>	13
<b>Carlos Leger</b>	13

### JULY ADVANCEMENTS

The following scouts advanced at the Board of Review in July. Congratulations!

<b>Ian Culhane</b>	Tenderfoot
<b>James Icenogle</b>	First Class
<b>Bryce Inglin</b>	Star
<b>James Jacobs</b>	First Class
<b>Michael Wertz, Jr.</b>	Tenderfoot

## COMING UP

- 1) July 11-21: Troop Camp at Camp Maluhia, Maui, Hawaii;
- 2) July 12-19: Order of the Arrow ArrowCorps5 National Service Project at Shasta-Trinity National Forest in California;
- 3) July 13-20: Troop Camp at Camp Meriwether, Oregon;
- 4) July 15: Troop Meeting for SEEKERS ONLY;
- 5) July 22: Troop Meeting;
- 6) July 26-August 7: Philmont Expedition;
- 7) July 29: Troop Meeting;
- 8) August 5: PLC / PAC / BOR;
- 9) August 9-16: Bowron Lakes Canoe High Adventure;
- 10) August 10-17: Troop Camp at Camp Meriwether, Oregon;
- 11) August 12: NO TROOP MEETING;
- 12) August 15: Tacoma Rainiers Boy Scout Night;
- 13) August 16: Pet Parade Service Project, Olympia;
- 14) August 19: Troop Meeting with Summer Camp Skits;
- 15) August 20-24: Pacific Crest Trail Backpacking;
- 16) August 22-24: Order of the Arrow Late Summer Ordeal at Camp Hahobas;
- 17) August 26: Troop Meeting;
- 18) August 28: Troop 266 Wild Waves Popcorn Sales Trip.

Please submit your stories, items of interest, and any other contributions for upcoming newsletters to the Newsletter Editor, Jack Sergiojan, at [molodyetz@aol.com](mailto:molodyetz@aol.com).

## TEN PUNS FOR YOU TO PONDER

Here are the 10 first place winners in the International Pun Contest:

1. A vulture boards an airplane, carrying two dead raccoons. The flight attendant looks at him and says, "I'm sorry, sir, only one carrion allowed per passenger."
2. Two fish swim into a concrete wall. The one turns to the other and says, "Dam!"
3. Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly, so they lighted a fire in the craft. It immediately sank, proving once again that you can't have your kayak and heat it too!
4. Two hydrogen atoms meet. One says, "I've lost my electron." The other says, "Are you sure?" The first replies, "Yes, I'm positive."

5. Did you hear about the new-age space cadet who refused Novocain during a root canal? His goal: to transcend dental medication.

6. A group of chess enthusiasts checked into a hotel and were standing in the lobby discussing their recent tournament victories. After about an hour, the manager came out of the office and asked them to disperse. "But why?" they asked as they moved off. "Because," he said, "I can't stand chess-nuts boasting in an open foyer."

7. A woman has identical twins and is forced to give them up for adoption. One of them goes to a family in Egypt and is named "Ahmal." The other goes to a family in Spain; they name him "Juan." Years later, Juan sends a picture of himself to his birth mother. Upon receiving the picture, she tells her husband that she wishes she also had a picture of Ahmal. Her husband responds, "They're identical twins! If you've seen Juan, you've seen Ahmal."

8. A group of friars were behind on their belfry payments, so they opened up a small florist shop to raise funds. Since everyone liked to buy flowers from the men of God, a rival florist across town thought the competition was unfair. He asked the good fathers to close down, but they would not. He went back and begged the friars to close. They ignored him. So, the rival florist hired Hugh MacTaggart, the roughest and most vicious thug in town to "persuade" them to close. Hugh beat up the friars and trashed their store, saying he'd be back if they didn't close up shop. Terrified, they did so, thereby proving that only Hugh can prevent Florist friars.

9. He was a mendicant mystic who walked barefoot most of the time, which produced an impressive set of calluses on his feet. He also ate very little, which made him rather frail and, with his odd diet, he suffered from bad breath. This made him a super calloused fragile mystic hexed by halitosis.

And finally...

10. There was the person who sent ten different puns to friends with the hope that at least one of the puns would make them laugh. No pun in ten did.