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WELCOME TO OUR

Saklan Lodge Newsletter

SUMMER 2025



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Spring Ordeal

May 31st – June 2nd 2025

Camp Hi-Sierra

Saklan Lodge hosted its second of four Ordeals for 2025 at Camp Hi-Sierra over the weekend of May 30th. The Ordeal went smoothly and Saklan Lodge successfully put up a new fence for the climbing wall, in addition to working on getting the new pavilions at the camp ready for the summer season.

Report by: James Peal, Immediate Past Lodge Chief



EVENT RECAP

Summer Lodge Leadership Development

June 14th, 2025

Holy Family Catholic Church

Saklan Lodge hosted its first of two Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) trainings for 2025 at Holy Family Catholic Church on June 14th. This first LLD primarily targeted new Chapter Chiefs. At the training, attendees learned about topics such as Unit Visitations, Chapter operations, membership retention, and good communication. It was well attended with representation from nearly every chapter.

Report by: James Peal, Immediate Past Lodge Chief



EVENT RECAP

Saklan Lodge Annual Banquet

August 17th, 2025

Sunnyvale Elks Lodge

Saklan Lodge held its annual Lodge Banquet at the Sunnyvale Elks Lodge on August 17th. At the event, attendees enjoyed food, fellowship, and fun in a galactic-themed room, with opportunities to participate in a silent auction, get-to-know-you bingo, and enjoyed a slideshow of events that the lodge has done over the previous year. At the event, the lodge elected its leadership for the 2025–2026 term, as well as awarded the Founder's Award to Shreya Rao and Ken Fowler. In addition, the James E. West Fellowship Award was awarded to Dave Hertzberg, the previous Lodge Advisor. At the conclusion of the event, the 2025 Vigil Candidates for Saklan Lodge were called out.

Report by: James Peal, Immediate Past Lodge Chief



***Find more
pictures
from the
event here!***



NEW LODGE CHIEF

2025-2026 Saklan Lodge Chief

Melody Zhang



UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATES!

SEPT 5-7

Fall Ordeal #1

Camp Chesebrough

OCT 10-12

Fall Ordeal #2

Camp Hi Sierra

NOV 1-2

Overnight Fall Fellowship

Mt. Madonna County Park

NOV 21-23

SoCal National Leadership Seminar

Irvine Ranch Outdoor Education Center

DEC 12-13

Vigil Weekend

Camp Chesebrough

DEC 14

Lodge Holiday Party

Sunnyvale Elks Lodge

APR 17-19

Conclave 2026

Coast Guard Island

UPCOMING EVENTS



FALL ORDEALS



Camp Chesebrough
September 5 - 7, 2025

Camp Hi-Sierra
October 10 - 12, 2025

Sign-up Deadline: August 25th at 11:59 pm
Sign-up Deadline: September 29th at 11:59 pm

<https://scoutingevent.com/055-SaklanLodgeOrdeal2025>



OVERNIGHT FALL FELLOWSHIP

November 1 - 2, 2025
Mt. Madonna County Park

program@saklanlodge.org



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA NATIONAL LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

November 21 - 23, 2025
Irvine Ranch Outdoor Education Center

<https://registration.oa-scouting.org/Event/1254>



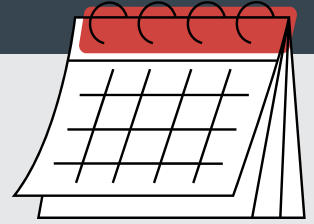
SAKLAN LODGE HOLIDAY PARTY

May 2 - May 4, 2025
Sunnyvale Elks Lodge



UPCOMING EVENTS

South Council Camp-R-All



Reach out to your **Chapter Chief** with any questions or if you're interested in serving on staff!

SANTA LUCIA DISTRICT

October 17-19, 2025

Bolado Park

9000 Airline Hwy,
Tres Pinos, CA 95075

Questions?

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LOMA PRIETA DISTRICT

October 17-19, 2025

Bolado Park

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Tres Pinos, CA 95075

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SAN BENITO DISTRICT

October 17-19, 2025

Bolado Park

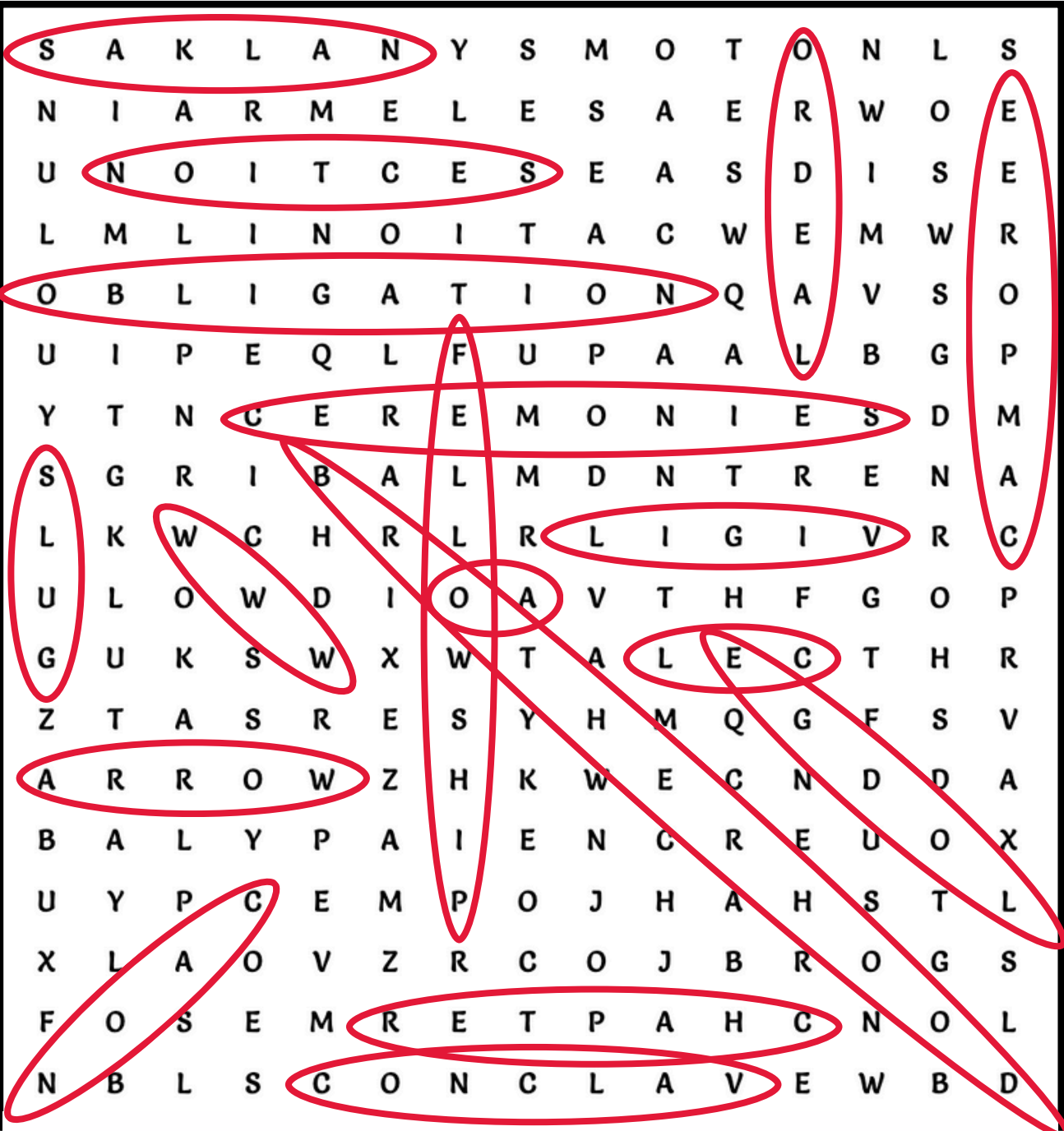
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SAKLAN WORD SEARCH

ANSWER KEY



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| 1. Conclave | 4. LEC | 7. Slug | 10. Lodge | 13. Obligation | 16. OA |
| 2. Ceremonies | 5. Brotherhood | 8. Arrow | 11. Saklan | 14. Section | 17. WWW |
| 3. Vigil | 6. Fellowship | 9. Camporee | 12. Chapter | 15. Ordeal | 18. NOAC |

CHAPTER REPORTS



Yakiski Shanax Chapter

Santa Lucia District

This month, we had a fun fellowship-based meeting, where we did karaoke and played a fun art game. We all had a great time and look forward to doing more fun things as a Chapter!



Quetzacotal Chapter

San Benito District

The Quetzalcoatl Chapter is going to have its first election outside of Troop 455 in many years. Three members are going to be present, and are excited for the election of future arrowmen!

Lowaneu Allanque Chapter

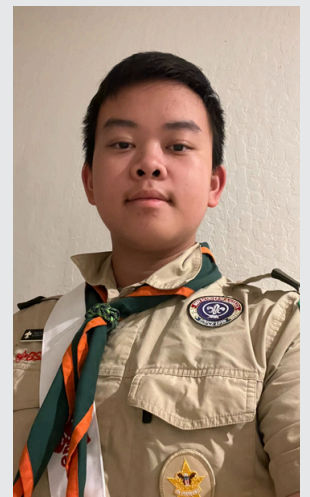
Polaris District

With summer finally over, we expect to see more of our chapter's members at meetings! District planning has continued, and we are really excited for upcoming events like the Lodge Banquet!

Lowaneu Allanque Chapter Spotlight

Oscar Zhong

Hi I'm Oscar Zhong, a star scout and rising junior from Troop T485! My summer was full of fun in the sun. Shifting gears as the school year is starting soon, I am ready to go backpacking on the labor day weekend with my crew and am even more excited to kick off the next year of scouting!



OPEN LODGE POSITIONS

Interested in helping our Lodge?
Here are some options!

Join a comittee!

The Lodge has numerous committees that could use your help, these include committees like:

- Fellowship Committee
- Brotherhood Committee
- Training Committee
- Social Media Committee
- Publications Committee
- and more!

Please reach out to the
Lodge Chief at
chief@saklanlodge.org
for more information



SAKLAN SOCIALS



Join the Saklan Lodge Discord Server!
<https://discord.gg/7txkNMKmEn>