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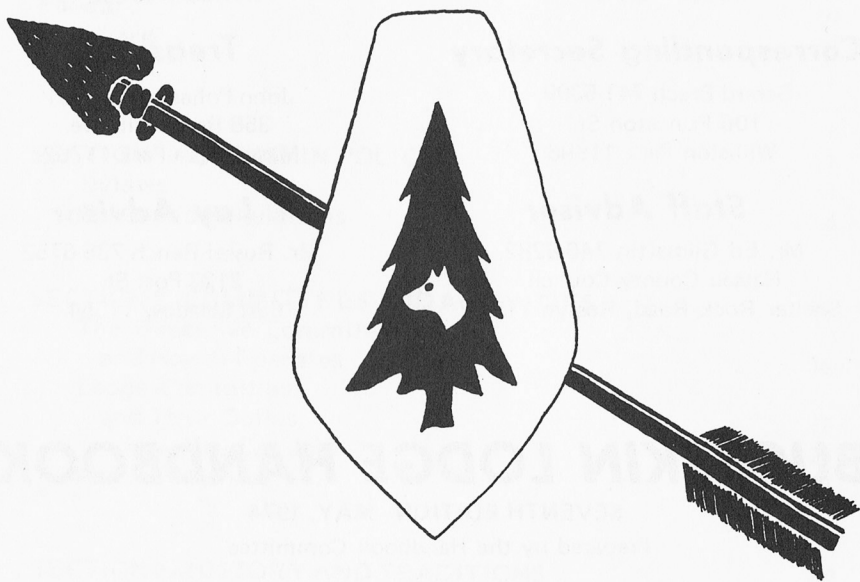


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BUCKSKIN LODGE NUMBER 412
ORDER OF THE ARROW, W.W.W.

NASSAU COUNTY COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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Personal Service and

My name is _____

Address _____

I became an ORDEAL member on _____ date _____ in the

_____ name and number _____ Lodge at _____ place _____

I became a BROTHERHOOD member on _____ date _____ in the

_____ name and number _____ Lodge at _____ place _____

I was called to the VIGIL HONOR on _____ date _____ in the

_____ name and number _____ Lodge at _____ place _____

My Vigil name is _____

which means _____

(If transfered) I transfered to Buckskin Lodge on _____ date _____

* * *

I have attended these service weekends:

DATES

PLACE

_____ to _____	_____
_____ to _____	_____
_____ to _____	_____
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Membership Record

I have attended the following other Lodge Activities:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
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I have served on these committees or held these offices in the Lodge:

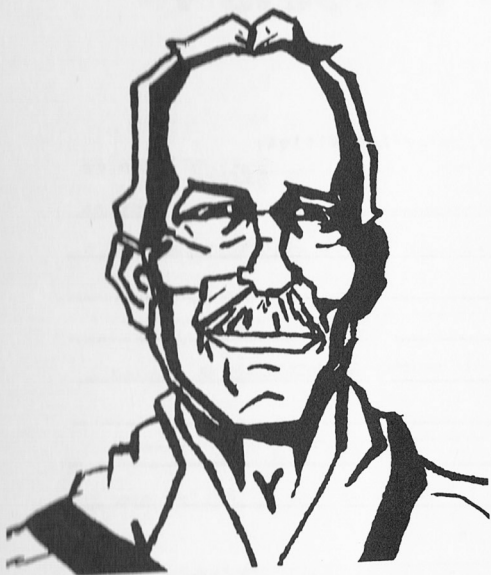
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I have attended these area conclaves and national conferences:

<u>DATES</u>	<u>EVENT AND LOCATION</u>
_____ to _____	_____
_____ to _____	_____
_____ to _____	_____

FORWARD



Buckskin Lodge No. 412 has been under my observation for many years. I have been reading of the activities and service projects with much interest.

So I am happy to have this opportunity to commend your lodge as one that is truly a Brotherhood of Cheerful Service.

May all who use this Handbook do their best to carry on the high traditions of our order.

Dr. E. Urner Goodman
Co-Founder of the Order
of the Arrow



IT IS PLEDGED THAT THIS HANDBOOK SHALL BE
S A F E G U A R D E D

The Order of the Arrow, recognizing the attractiveness of the unknown utilizes the form of mystery. The information contained in Section 4 of this **Handbook** is to be seen only by members of the Order of the Arrow, W. W. W.

SECTION 1- BUCKSKIN POLICY

The Policy that governs Buckskin Lodge is contained in Section 1. The "Bylaws" include the basic rules and the "Rules and Regulations" are an extension of the "Bylaws."
(Corrected through June, 1971)

Bylaws

OF THE BUCKSKIN LODGE NO. 412, ORDER OF THE ARROW,
W.W.W., NASSAU COUNTY COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF
AMERICA

ARTICLE I - NAME AND AFFILIATION OF LODGE

The name of this Lodge shall be the Buckskin Lodge No. 412, Order of the Arrow, W.W.W., and shall be affiliated with Nassau County Council, Boy Scouts of America, and under the supervision of the council camping and activities committee and the administration authority of its Scout Executive.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of the Buckskin Lodge, Order of the Arrow, shall be:

SECTION 1 - To recognize those campers (Scouts, Explorers, and Scouters) who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law their daily lives, and by such recognition cause others to conduct themselves in such a manner as to warrant similar recognition.

SECTION 2 - To maintain the traditions and spirit of Nassau County Council camping.

SECTION 3 - To promote and encourage Scout camping as a part of troop and post programs.

SECTION 4 - To crystalize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in the cheerful service of others.

ARTICLE III - INSIGNIA

The insignia of the Buckskin Lodge, Order of the Arrow, shall be:

SECTION 1 - The Buckskin Tab. It consists of a white leather tab upon which is drawn a pine tree whose three points represent the qualities of Trustworthiness, Service, and Self-Reliance. Upon the pine tree is superimposed the profile of a wolf's head, standing for Self-Reliance. The Tab is to be worn on the right pocket of the Scout shirt. **IT IS NEVER TO BE TRADED.**

SECTION 2 - The Squaw Feather. It consists of a head band with a white feather centered at the back of the head. It represents Ser-

vice. The Squaw Feather is to be worn at official Lodge functions, at the discretion of the Lodge Chief. **IT IS NEVER TO BE TRADED.**
SECTION 3 - The Lodge Neckerchief. It consists of a royal blue neckerchief, the blue standing for loyalty, with a white striped vertically down the back, standing for the Squaw Feather of Service worn by the Buckskin Sons of Wauwepex. Across the white ribbon shall be superimposed a five inch red arrow. **ITS IS NEVER TO BE TRADED** and is worn at all Lodge and Order of the Arrow functions only.

SECTION 4 - The Arrow Sashes, the Universal Arrow Pin, and the Civilian Pins are to be worn as prescribed by the National Executive Committee of the Order.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Order of the Arrow is composed of Ordeal members, Brotherhood members, and Vigil Honor members.

SECTION 1 - Ordeal Membership. To be eligible for membership in the Buckskin Lodge of the Order of the Arrow, a Scout or Scouter must meet the requirements listed in the "Rules and Regulations" section of the **Buckskin Lodge Handbook**.

SECTION 2 - Brotherhood Membership. Once a year all Ordeal members of the Buckskin Lodge shall have an opportunity of sealing their membership in the Order of the Arrow by being offered the chance to become a Brotherhood Member. Each Ordeal member shall be given the chance to determine his own eligibility for Brotherhood on the basis of the requirements listed in the "Rules and Regulations" section of the **Buckskin Lodge Handbook**.

SECTION 3 - Vigil Honor. Candidates for the Vigil Honor shall be selected by the Vigil Honor Committee of the Lodge.

SECTION 4 - A member in good standing of the Buckskin Lodge must be registered in the Boy Scouts of America and be current in payment of his Lodge dues. A member in good standing is considered an active member. Only members in good standing, under twenty-one (21) years of age, shall be eligible to vote in all Lodge elections and hold office. Adult members (21 years of age or over), in good standing, shall be eligible to serve on committees and in other capacities as non-voting members.

ARTICLE V - ELECTIONS

SECTION 1 - Buckskin Lodge, Order of the Arrow, shall afford every eligible Scouting unit in Nassau County the opportunity to elect worthy members into the Order.

SECTION 2 - A Home Troop Elections Committee shall be established to set up and conduct home troop elections in accordance with the procedure outlined in the "Rules and Regulations" section of the **Buckskin Lodge Handbook**.

ARTICLE VI - ELECTIONS OF LODGE OFFICERS

SECTION 1 - The election for officers of the Lodge shall begin on or about April 1 and shall conclude on or before May 15.

SECTION 2 - Elected Lodge Officers shall be:

- A. Lodge Chief, Netami Sakima
- B. Two Little Lodge Chiefs, Sakimas
- C. Lodge Recording Secretary, Netami Lekhiket
- D. Lodge Corresponding Secretary, Netami Lekhiket
- E. Lodge Treasurer, Netami Mawachpo

SECTION 3 - The officers shall be elected for a term of one year by mail-in ballot. The ballots and notice of the deadline date of receipt of the ballots shall be sent to all eligible voting members of the Lodge no later than four weeks prior to the deadline date of the receipt of the ballots.

SECTION 4 - Due to the large area covered by the Lodge, a nominating committee shall be formed to present to the Lodge members a prospective ballot of officers. This committee shall be composed of two members from each district of the Nassau County Council. Further details are listed in the "Rules and Regulations" section of the **Buckskin Lodge Handbook**.

SECTION 5 - A candidate for office other than those chosen by the Nominating Committee must submit a petition showing support of his candidacy by a date set by the Nominating Committee. This petition must be signed by at least twenty-five members eligible to vote in the election.

SECTION 6 - A plurality vote of the members voting shall be necessary for the election of candidates to office. If no candidate for office receives a plurality vote, a revote shall be taken at the next regular meeting of the Buckskin Lodge. Notice of the meeting shall be sent to all members of the Lodge two weeks prior to the date of the meeting.

SECTION 7 - The officers elected will officially take office on September 1 following the election and will be ceremoniously installed on the Lodge's first Fall Fellowship Weekend after September 1, or at a time and place to be selected.

ARTICLE VII - DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS

SECTION 1 - Lodge Chief. The Lodge Chief shall preside at all meetings of the Lodge and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

SECTION 2 - Little Lodge Chiefs. A Little Lodge Chief shall assume all duties of the Lodge Chief in the event of his absence. They specifically shall be responsible for checking on the organization and activities of all permanent and temporary committees of the Lodge.

SECTION 3 - Recording Secretary. The Recording Secretary shall be chairman of the Membership Committee and responsible for all membership records of the Buckskin Lodge. He shall take minutes of all Lodge events and keep them in the Lodge records. He shall submit to the Historian a copy of the minutes of all Lodge events on a monthly basis. He shall be responsible for publishing annually a list of all members of the Lodge. On publication, he shall submit a copy of the membership list to the Historian.

SECTION 4 - Corresponding Secretary. The Corresponding Secretary shall be responsible for keeping a complete, up-to-date mailing list of all Lodge members. He shall also be responsible for sending out all Lodge publications, questionnaires, and notices.

SECTION 5 - Treasurer. The duties of the Treasurer shall be those customary to the office of treasurer. He shall collect dues, fees, etc., keeping a strict account of same. He shall render necessary reports at official meetings and make payments of accounts as authorized following the article in the "Rules and Regulations" entitled "Finance."

SECTION 6 - Past Lodge Chief. The immediate Past Lodge Chief shall be a member of the administration immediately following his own. He will act in an advisory position to the present Chief.

SECTION 7 - In the event that the Lodge Chief becomes unable to perform his duties a vote of the Executive Committee will decide as to which of the two Little Lodge Chiefs will assume Lodge leadership.

ARTICLE VIII - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1 - The Executive Committee shall be composed of the elected officers and their appointed advisors the immediate Past Lodge Chief, appointed officers and their advisors, and any other Lodge members appointed by the Lodge Chief in consultation with the Lodge Advisors

SECTION 2 - The Executive Committee shall be responsible for conduct of all affairs of the Lodge. It shall meet monthly with the exception of July and August, and at any other times where deemed necessary by the Lodge Chief, at such an hour and at such a place as may be designated by the Lodge Chief.

SECTION 3 - The council executive shall appoint a Lodge Advisor in consultation with the Camping and Activities Committee chairman of the Council.

ARTICLE IX - COMMITTEES

Chairmen of Lodge Committees shall be appointed annually and shall complete their appointed terms prior to reaching the age of twenty-one.

SECTION 1 - The Lodge Chief, with the approval of the Lodge Ad-

visor, shall appoint such committees as are deemed necessary to the functioning of the Lodge and its activities.

SECTION 2 - Advisors to committees shall be at least twenty-one years of age and shall be appointed annually by the Lodge Chief in consultation with the Lodge Advisor.

ARTICLE X - PARLIAMENTARIAN

The Parliamentarian, appointed by the Lodge Chief, shall be the chairman of the Policy Committee. The adult advisor to the Policy Committee shall also act as the advisor to the Parliamentarian.

ARTICLE XI - RULES OF ORDER

SECTION 1 - Lodge Rules.

A. The "Bylaws" shall contain the basic policies and essentials of organization of Buckskin Lodge in accordance with National Policy, and shall at all times supercede the "Rules and Regulations."

B. The "Rules and Regulations" shall govern all activities of the Buckskin Lodge in accordance with the "Bylaws," and shall at all times supercede general lodge policy.

SECTION 2 - Except as otherwise provided for, **Robert's Revised Rules of Order** shall be followed at all meetings of the Buckskin Lodge.

ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1 - The "Bylaws" may be amended in the following manner:

A. The proposed amendment must first be submitted to the chairman of the Policy Committee.

B. Any proposed changes or additions to the "Bylaws" must be presented at the Executive Committee meeting prior to the one that the measure is to be voted on.

C. The amendment must be presented at an Executive Committee meeting at which at least three-quarters of the committees are present. The amendment must receive a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee members present.

D. The amendment is then presented at a business meeting of the Lodge and must receive the vote of at least three-quarters of the members present at the meeting to be added to the "Bylaws."

SECTION 2 - The "Rules and Regulations" may be amended in the following manner:

A. The proposed amendment is submitted to the chairman of the Policy Committee.

B. Any proposed changes or additions to the "Rules and Regulations" must be presented at the Executive Committee

meeting prior to the month's Executive Committee meeting that the measure is to be voted on.

C. A majority vote in a regular Executive Committee meeting is necessary for the amendment to take effect.

SECTION 3 - Finance Policy -- Notice of the proposed changes or additions to dues policy, as well as all appropriation motions, must be sent to all Executive Committee members at least ten days prior to the meeting they are to be voted on.

Rules and Regulations

OF THE BUCKSKIN LODGE NO. 412, ORDER OF THE ARROW,
W.W.W.,
NASSAU COUNTY COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

ARTICLE I

This section of the **Buckskin Lodge Handbook** shall contain the "Rules and Regulations" of the Buckskin Lodge, in accordance with the recommendations expressed in the "Bylaws" of the Buckskin Lodge.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

These "Rules and Regulations" shall govern all activities of the Buckskin Lodge.

ARTICLE III - FINANCES

SECTION 1 - Every newly inducted member shall be required to pay an induction fee to cover expenses and other necessities of the induction.

SECTION 2 - Every member of the Lodge shall be required to pay in advance a fee as dues, which shall be for one calendar year. Such dues are to cover the regular expenses of the Lodge, plus any additional expenses deemed necessary by the Executive Committee. Weekend food expenses, etc., will be additional. The dues of a newly inducted member will start January 1st following his induction.

SECTION 3 - Notification that dues are due and payable shall be sent to all members prior to the last Fall service weekend; dues must be paid prior to January 1st of the year following. Failure to pay said dues by January 1st shall result in forfeiture of membership. Reinstatement may be obtained by written application forwarded to the treasurer with a reinstatement fee of one dollar, plus the dues for the current year.

SECTION 4 - Monies of the Lodge shall be maintained in a bank

selected by the council office and shall go through all normal accounting procedures used by the council. Vouchers drawn thereon must carry two signatures: that of the Lodge Chief or of the Lodge Treasurer, and that of the Lodge Advisor or of his Assistant.

SECTION 5 - Expenditures of the Lodge must be approved either at an Executive Committee meeting or at a full Lodge meeting. A favorable vote of a plurality of those present is necessary for approval.

SECTION 6 - All monies donated, bequeathed, or collected as a result of Order of the Arrow activities shall be forwarded to Nassau County Council, B.S.A., for deposit in the Lodge account. The person making the deposit must then send the receipt for the deposit to the Lodge Treasurer. All expenses incurred by established accounting procedures by the Lodge Treasurer.

SECTION 7 - The amount that will be paid as dues will be fixed by the Executive Committee of each administration.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1 - Ordeal -- The requirements for eligibility for induction as an Ordeal member of the Order of the Arrow are:

1. The candidate must be an actively registered member of the Boy Scouts of America.

2. Camping requirement -- To be eligible for election, a Scout, Explorer, or Scouter must have had at least 15 days and nights of camping under the auspices and standards of the Boy Scouts of America. The camping must have been within the 2 years prior to his Order of the Arrow election. The 15 days and nights must include one long-term camp. The balance of the 15 days and nights must be made up of short-term camps. (Long-term camp is defined as 6 consecutive days and nights for Boy Scouts and 5 days and nights for Explorers.)

3. Rank Requirement -- A Scout must have attained the rank of First Class to be eligible for election. There is no rank requirement for Explorers, but they must have been registered active male members of an Explorer Post or Ship for at least six months prior to the election.

4. Time from Election to Induction -- After election, a Scout, Explorer, or Scouter remains a candidate until he takes his Ordeal. If this period of candidacy exceeds one year, his name is dropped and he is no longer a candidate. To become a candidate again, he must be reelected. The Executive Committee may extend the period between election and induction if a candidate is ill or there are other unusual circumstances. The date of all elections will be considered to be July 1 of the calendar year of election.

SECTION 2 - Brotherhood -- Each Ordeal member of the Lodge shall be given the opportunity to determine his own eligibility for

Brotherhood on the following basis:

1. He must have been an active Ordeal member of the Order of the Arrow for 10 or more months.
2. He must be actively registered in Scouting and be mindful of the fact that service to the unit is of utmost importance to Brotherhood membership.
3. He must be an actively registered member of the Buckskin Lodge.
4. He is required to memorize the Obligation and the Order of the Arrow song "Firm Bound in Brotherhood." He must be able to answer all questions in the Brotherhood Questionnaire satisfactorily.
5. He must submit a written statement regarding his rededication to the principles of cheerful service to his fellow man.
6. A Brotherhood Committee, chosen by the Brotherhood Chairman who has been chosen by the Lodge Chief, shall determine the procedure to be followed for the notification and induction of all new Brotherhood members.

SECTION 3 - No person is to be inducted for Ordeal or Brotherhood membership at summer camp who is not attending camp for that period.

SECTION 4 - Vigil Honor -- Selections for the Vigil Honor shall be made on the following basis:

1. Requirements:

(a) He must have been a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow for at least 2 years, during which time he has continued service (defined as service above and beyond that which is normally expected of a member of the Order of the Arrow) to one or more of the following: the Lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, the church, or the community.

(b) He must be an actively registered member of the Boy Scouts of America.

(c) The service record for each candidate must be complete before they are chosen for the Vigil Honor. Under no circumstances may final decisions be made before the information is gathered.

2. Letters recommending an Order of the Arrow member to the Vigil Honor may be sent to the Vigil Chairman, for consideration by the Vigil Committee. However, the authorship of such letters shall remain unknown until a decision is made concerning the worthiness of the candidate for the Vigil Honor.

3. Each Lodge may nominate 2 per cent of its total registered membership at the time of its charter renewal for the Vigil Honor. At least one-half of those selected must be under 21 years of age. Professional Scouters, district and council camping and activities committee chairmen, and council officers do not count against the quota.

ARTICLE V - UNIT ELECTIONS and OA INDUCTIONS

SECTION 1 - Election of Boy Scouts and Explorers:

1. Each Scout Troop and Explorer Post of Nassau County Council may hold only one annual election of candidates for membership in the Buckskin Lodge, Order of the Arrow. These elections are to be held during the months of February, March, and April or at an official Spring Camporee, or during one of the sessions of Nassau County Council's summer camps.
2. Each Troop and Post shall receive notification and description of the home Troop Election procedure. The unit leader is to determine whether the Unit is eligible for an election and if so, will notify the Chairman of the Home Troop Election Committee as to the time and place of the election.
3. Unit Leader Certification -- The unit leader must certify as to the Scouting spirit, adherence to the Scout oath and Laws, and participation in unit activities of each eligible Scout or Explorer for election. He must also certify that the eligible Scouts or Explorers meet all specified requirements. Such certification must be made before the election is conducted.
4. The maximum number of names a voter may list on his ballot is determined by the table below. (The number of names on the ballot is not necessarily the number of boys elected.) The unit leader determines the number of actively registered boys in the unit and he determines the number of eligible boys according to the requirements for an Ordeal candidate.

**TABLE TO DETERMINE THE MAXIMUM NUMBER
OF NAMES ON BALLOT**

No. of Eligible Boys	No. of Actively Reg. Boys in the Unit	Maximum Names on Ballot
1 - 2	2 and up	1
3 - 4	4 - 14	1
	Over 14	2
5 - 6	6 - 24	2
	Over 24	3
7 - 18	8 - 18	2
	19 - 34	3
	Over 34	4
9 - 10	10 - 30	3
	31 - 44	4
	Over 44	5
11 - 12	12 - 20	3
	21 - 41	4
	42 - 54	5
	Over 54	6

13 - 14	14 - 33	4
	34 - 52	5
	53 - 64	6
	Over 64	7
15 - 18+	16 - 21	4
	22 - 45	5
	46 - 62	6
	63 - 74	7
	Over 74	8

+ - For each additional 4 Eligible boys add 1 maximum on ballot.

5. Who May Vote and Age of Voters and Candidates -- In Troops, every registered active member of the Troop, under 18 at the time of election is eligible to vote and those voting members who are otherwise qualified may be considered as candidates. In Explorer Units, every registered active male member of the unit under age 21 at the time of election (except for associate post advisors) is eligible to vote and those voting members who are otherwise qualified may be considered as candidates.

6. Method of Election -- To hold an election fifty per cent of the actively registered membership of the unit must be present. The election shall be held in the following manner: The names of the eligible boys are listed alphabetically. Ballots are distributed to the boys present and they are instructed of the maximum number of names to appear on the ballot but that they can vote for fewer if they feel fewer are eligible. Then the ballots are collected. (If a boy does not want to take part in the election -- he may be new in the unit and does not feel eligible to vote -- he does not have to turn in his ballot.) The election team then determines the number of votes a boy must receive to be elected by taking the number of ballots turned in, dividing it by 2, and dropping any fraction. The votes are counted to determine who has been elected. All votes count equally. If at least one boy has been elected, this result is final. If no one is elected, the team announces this fact and states that the unit will now be given the opportunity to vote again. Time is allowed for questions. (No information about the votes received by candidates is to be revealed at any time.) The second election is then held immediately and, if the unit still elects no one, this is the final result for the year's election.

7. Assigned members from units other than the home unit will, as members of the Order of the Arrow, conduct the election.

8. Announcement of Results -- The unit leader may use his own discretion regarding announcement of the election results immediately after the election. The Order of the Arrow members holding the elections will forward the names and addresses of the newly-elected candidates to the Home Troop Elections Chairman. The candidates will be called out or tapped out at a time to be set by the Lodge Chief and Lodge Advisor.

SECTION 2 - Adult Elections -- A unit holding an election for boy members may select one of their male leaders provided he meets

the Ordeal camping requirement. Scouters 18 or over in Troops and male Scouters 21 or over (as well as male associate advisors under 21) in Explorer units may vote in the adult election and may be considered as candidates if they are otherwise qualified.

SECTION 3 - Unit, district, and council Scouters may be invited by the Lodge Executive Committee to be candidates for induction to membership in the Order of the Arrow. Such Scouters must be approved by the Lodge Advisor.

SECTION 4 - The Lodge Executive Committee may waive the camping requirements for Scouters, who shall otherwise have the same qualifications as boys to be eligible for membership.

SECTION 5 - To be inducted into the Order of the Arrow, candidates must participate in the Ordeal and Ordeal Ceremony.

ARTICLE VI - ELECTION OF LODGE OFFICERS

Lodge officers shall be under twenty-one years of age for their entire term of office.

SECTION 1 - Nominating Committee -- The Nominating Committee shall consist of:

1. A Nominating Committee Chairman.
2. An adult advisor to the Nominating Committee
3. The present Lodge Chief.
4. Two representatives of each district in Nassau County Council.
5. A representative of the Ordeal members of the Lodge.
6. A representative of the Brotherhood members of the Lodge.
7. A representative of the Vigil Honor members of the Lodge.
8. Any other Lodge member whom the chairman of the Nominating Committee deems advisable.

ARTICLE VII - DUTIES OF LODGE OFFICERS

SECTION 1 - Elected Officers:

1. Lodge Chief. The Lodge Chief is to serve in an administration capacity and as such, it is not mandatory that he be present in attendance at any of the several camps operated by the Nassau County Council, for the full summer. It shall be the duty of the Lodge Chief, however, to appoint, with the approval of the Camp Director, one representative to assume full responsibility for the operation of the Order of the Arrow at each camp. The Lodge Chief shall coordinate the activities between these several camps to insure that equal opportunities exist.

2. The Lodge Treasurer shall operate under the supervision of an adult, appointed by the Lodge Chief, to act as advisor and auditor. The treasurer shall submit, monthly, a written report to the Executive Committee accounting for all monies of the Lodge.

Not later than May 1, the Lodge Treasurer shall call a meeting of the Finance Committee to prepare a proposed budget for the next

administration. The Treasurer shall act as chairman, and not less than one-third of said committee shall be composed of adults. The budget shall be presented to the Executive Committee at the May meeting of the committee.

He shall maintain records to show the balances of all accounts, including the listing of all bills received and paid or payable as well as any projected expenses. In addition, he shall be able to provide a breakdown, by committee, of money spent since the beginning of the fiscal year and the total remaining in their budgets, and shall provide the information to any Lodge member on request.

At the close of the Treasurer's term, the Treasurer and advisor will make records, receipts, and other material pertaining to the office available to an auditing committee of three, appointed by the Lodge Chief or Lodge Advisor with the approval of the Executive Committee before turning such records and funds over to their successors.

3. Recording Secretary. He shall be responsible for recording the names of all new members in the appropriate places, and for the distribution of membership cards, with the help of the Corresponding Secretary.

4. Corresponding Secretary. He shall be responsible to keep an up-to-date list of all collegians in the lodge and shall be responsible for keeping said collegians informed of all principal functions of the Lodge.

SECTION 2 - Appointed Officers:

1. Quartermaster -- He shall serve under the direction of, and be accountable to the Treasurer. He shall be appointed by the Lodge Chief.

a) The Quartermaster shall have complete charge of the Lodge O.A. supplies, placing orders only after the approval of the Lodge Chief or the Lodge Advisor, and accounting to the Treasurer for all sales of said supplies.

b) He shall make specially designed Lodge patches available from time to time for trading purposes.

2. Past Lodge Chief -- In the event that the immediate Past Lodge Chief is unable to fulfill his position, as an advisor to the present Lodge Chief, on the Executive Committee, the present Lodge Chief may appoint any of the past Lodge Chiefs to fulfill this position.

3. Parliamentarian-A.) He shall be the official advisor to the Lodge Chief as to the interpretation of the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of the Buckskin Lodge. B.) Shall act as a check on all lodge functions to be sure they conform with the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations and shall inform the Lodge Chief as to his considered opinions on matters of interpretation.

4. Historian -- He shall compile a history of the Buckskin Lodge. He shall be a member of the Executive Committee and he shall have an adult advisor to work with him. Once a year, preferably at the Buckskin banquet, he shall be prepared to deliver a history of the Lodge's activities during the past year.

SECTION 3 - Ceremonial Officers:

1. The Lodge Chief of the Buckskin Lodge shall appoint those ceremonial team members necessary for the various ceremonies of the Lodge.
2. It shall be the obligation of each of the ceremonial team members to commit to memory that part of the ceremony assigned to him.

ARTICLE VIII - OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS

SECTION 1 - The **Buckskin Tab**, an official publication of the Buckskin Lodge, shall be sent to all active members of the Lodge. This publication shall contain all official Lodge notices and committee reports of the Lodge. It shall be published regularly during the Lodge year.

SECTION 2 - The **Buckskin Lodge Handbook** shall be the official publication of the Orientation Committee. Among other items it shall contain the "Rules and Regulations" which shall govern the activities of Buckskin Lodge.

ARTICLE IX - COMMITTEES

SECTION 1 - The Lodge Chief shall appoint the following committees as deemed necessary:

1. Activities Committee - to plan all Lodge social activities, and working with the Service and Ceremonial Committees, formulate the programs for the work weekends.
2. Banquet committee - to organize and execute the annual Buckskin Banquet held in December. Following the Banquet the committee shall begin preparations for the next year's Banquet including but not limited to contracting a Hall and securing a Guest Speaker.
3. Brotherhood Committee - to carry out the induction of Ordeal members into the Brotherhood.
4. **Buckskin Tab** Committee - to publish the **Buckskin Tab**, the Lodge's official newspaper.
5. Camp Promotions Committee - to promote unit attendance at any of the various camps operated by the Nassau County Council, both for summer camp and for year-round camping.
6. Ceremonial Committee - maintains the Lodge's council rings at the three camps. It is responsible for maintaining the totems and decorations in the rings and also maintaining the ceremonial costumes and bonnets of the Lodge, making sure that all ceremonies have the equipment needed for the conducting of an expressive and meaningful ritual.
7. Computer Files Committee - to maintain accurate, up-to-date records of the membership of the Lodge.
8. Dance Committee - to provide Indian dancing demonstrations as requested by any unit or district.

- 9 . Finance Committee - to draw up a yearly budget to be presented to the Buckskin Lodge.
10. Help Committee - to assist in the mailing of all Lodge publications.
11. Historical Committee - to maintain a complete and up-to-date history of Buckskin Lodge.
12. Lodge Relations - to intensify personal relations between the Lodge and its members and to discover and promote what the Lodge can do on a personal level to assist all Scouts, Explorers, and Scouters in Nassau County Council.
13. Nominating Committee - to select a ballot of officers to be presented to Buckskin Lodge.
14. Orientation Committee - to instruct new Lodge members in the procedures of the Lodge.
15. Section and National Relations Committee - to coordinate the relations and activities between Buckskin Lodge and the Area and National O.A. Lodges and Committees.
16. Service Committee - to be in charge of all district and council service activities, and co-ordinate service projects on work weekends.
17. Trunk Committee - to sell and stock all O.A. and Lodge materials approved by the Lodge Chief or the Lodge Advisor.
18. Unit Elections Committee - to establish and carry out elections in all eligible units in Nassau County Council.
19. Vigil Honor Committee - to select candidates for the Vigil Honor.

SECTION 2 - The Lodge Chief shall appoint a chairman and advisor of each of the Districts of Nassau County Council to coordinate the activities of the Lodge within his district and to provide membership for other committees as needed.

1. The District Representative will work directly with the Inter-Relations Chairman, performing the duties of the Inter-Relations Committee on a district level.
2. He will attend the Roundtable meetings of his particular district. At these meetings, he will answer any questions pertaining to the Order of the Arrow that may arise. He will make himself known to the professional Scouters and Scoutmasters so that they can easily call on him.
3. He will submit the activities of his district to the **Tab** Editor for printing in a special column of District activities. Any district activities announced (such as a neighborhood service projects) can be attended by any member of the Lodge.
4. He will serve as the Order of Arrow representative for all the troops in his district, answering questions and directing inquiries through the proper channels. In order to facilitate his responsibilities, an Order of the Arrow representative in each home troop would be responsible to the District representative. The troop

representative will promote the Order of the Arrow in his own troop.
SECTION 3 - The Lodge Chief shall appoint such other committees as are deemed necessary for the Buckskin Lodge.

ARTICLE X - RECORDS

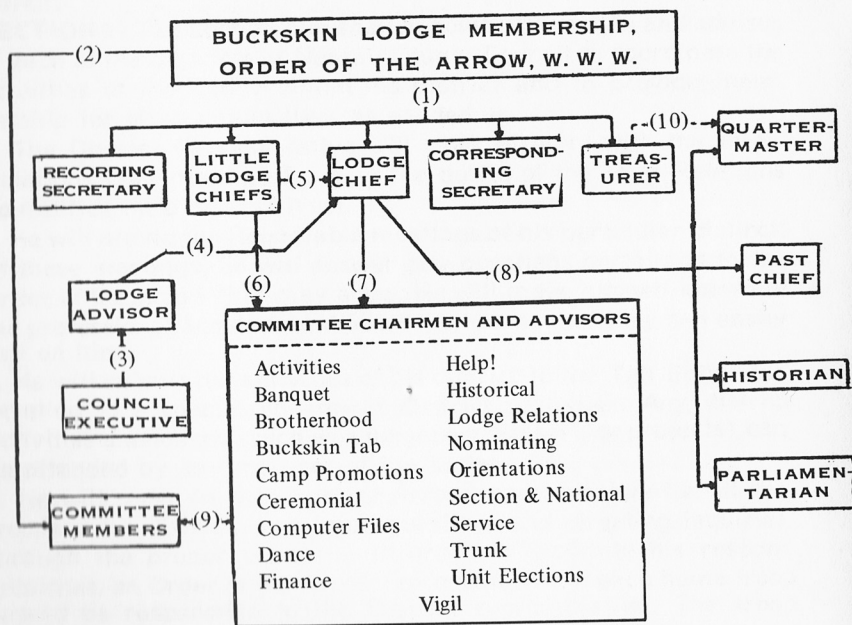
It is strongly recommended that a report of the activities and operations of the Buckskin Lodge be deposited in the office of the Nassau County Council, Boy Scouts of America, at the close of each administration, along with a complete report of the Home Troop Elections Committee.

SECTION 2 - COMMITTEES and ACTIVITIES

A diagram of the Executive Committee as well as detailed information on each of the permanent Lodge committees is included in Section 2. A list of annual events of Buckskin Lodge is also included.

The Executive Committee.... and How it Operates

The membership of the Lodge elects a Lodge Chief, two little Lodge Chiefs, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer. The Lodge Chief appoints the remainder of his Executive Committee including chairman and advisors of the Lodge Committees. The chairmen select the members of their committee from volunteers out of the Lodge membership. The committees formulate their ideas, and through their respective committee chairman, present their plans to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee discusses a particular plan and, after approval, submits it to the members of the Lodge through the Lodge Chief at a Lodge Meeting.



KEY TO DIAGRAM

- (1) Officers are elected by the members of the Lodge for a one year term lasting from September 1 to August 31.
- (2) Each brother is expected to serve on at least one committee.
- (3) The Council Executive, after consulting with the Council's Camping and Activities committee Chairman appoints a Lodge Staff Advisor.
- (4) The Lodge Advisors advise the Lodge Chief in the running of the Lodge.
- (5) One of the Little Lodge Chiefs takes over for the Lodge Chief when he is absent.
- (6) Each of the Little Lodge Chiefs are responsible for checking on half of the committees.
- (7) The Lodge Chief selects chairmen and advisors for the various committees. He is permitted to appoint additional committees if they are deemed necessary for the Lodge.
- (8) The Past Lodge Chief and the Parliamentary Advisor both serve on the Executive Committee.
- (9) The committee chairmen run the committees formed by the Lodge membership.
- (10) The Quartermaster is responsible to the Treasurer.

Lodge Committees.... and Their Duties

ACTIVITIES

The Activities Committee in conjunction with the Service, Ceremonial, and Brotherhood Committees, plans the service weekends each year. This committee also plans fellowship events for the lodge to enhance the theme of Brotherhood.

BANQUET

The Banquet Committee plans the annual Buckskin Lodge Banquet to take place in December of each year. The Lodge Chief and Staff and Lay Advisors carry out any business before September 1 with the chairman assisting his successor in securing a speaker for the following year's banquet.

BROTHERHOOD

The Brotherhood Committee is responsible for the induction of Ordeal members into the Brotherhood at various times during the year. It shall be the responsibility of the chairman to ensure that all members of the ceremonial team had memorized his part of the ceremony. The committee sends out letters to all eligible brothers explaining the Brotherhood each spring and prints invitations in the Tab as the need may arise.

BUCKSKIN TAB

The Buckskin Tab Committee publishes the Lodge's official newspaper. It is the lodge's link to the membership and those who wish to know about its functions. The chairman in conjunction with the publisher lays out each issue. It is published monthly except for February, July and August.

CAMP PROMOTIONS

The Camp Promotions Committee encourages Scout units to attend summer camp at Onteora, Wauwepex and Alder Lake and stimulates short term camping. Members of the committee are asked to show slides and give information on camping to those units making the request. This committee is also responsible for the publishing of **Where to Go** booklet, listing campsites and places to visit.

CEREMONIAL

The Ceremonial Committee maintains the lodge's council rings at Camp Wauwepex, Onteora Scout Reservation and at Alder Lake. It is responsible for maintaining the totems and decorations in these rings and also for maintaining the ceremonial costumes and bonnets of the lodge and making sure that all ceremonies have the equipment needed for the conducting of an expressive and meaningful ritual.

COMPUTER FILES

The Computer Files Committee maintains accurate up-to-date records of the membership of Buckskin Lodge.

DANCE COMMITTEE

This committee performs for any organization and represents the Lodge's great interest in promoting Indian Lore. Over the years it has been an important link between Lodge and unit. It is presently not functioning but if anyone is interested in reforming this group, contact the Lodge Chief.

FINANCE

The Finance Committee whose chairman is the Lodge Treasurer, operates to draw up a yearly budget to be presented at the lodge and Executive Committee meetings prior to May 1.

HELP

The Help Committee with the Corresponding Secretary as chairman, prepares the lodge mailings and maintains with the Recording Secretary, a list of those brothers who registers and attends service weekends of the lodge.

HISTORIAN

The Historian maintains a complete and up to date history of Buckskin Lodge.

LODGE RELATIONS

This committee's function is to make sure that the Lodge and Council work together smoothly. They also take care of individual problems that arise in your District that have to do with the Lodge.

NOMINATING

The Nominating Committee meets from Dec. 31 to Mar. 31 for the purpose of nominating a slate of officers. It also validates all nominating petitions received. After May 15 it officially counts those ballots received and on the Onteora Spring Service Weekend, announces the election results.

ORIENTATION COMMITTEE

As the name implies this committee sets new Brothers on the right path. They take slides of the ceremonies in order to assist new brothers understand what they saw the previous night. Their main function is to explain our ceremonies and by that make them even more meaningful.

SECTION AND NATIONAL

The Section and National Relations Committee coordinates the relationship between Buckskin Lodge and the other lodges in our Section. It also arranges the Lodge's delegations to Section Conclaves and National Conferences. It is the responsibility for its chairman to attend the monthly Section meetings or have a representative attend it in his absence.

SERVICE

The Service Committee in cohesion with the Lodge Relations Committee is in charge of all district and council events that need assistance of Buckskin Lodge to ensure smoothness and balance. It works with the Activities Committee in coordinating service projects on Service Weekends for both sheepskins and brothers.

TRUNK

The Trunk Committee is responsible for ordering and selling all Order of The Arrow materials such as sashes, neckerchiefs, patches, feathers, etc.

UNIT ELECTIONS

The Unit Elections Committee makes all arrangements for carrying out Order of The Arrow elections in the eligible units of Nassau County Council. The lodge chairman with the approval of the Lodge Chief shall have the authority to appoint district chairmen who will coordinate the unit elections within his district. Unit elections are to be conducted from February 1 to May 30 except for those units requesting summer camp elections.

VIGIL HONOR

The Vigil Honor Committee selects and conducts the induction of Brotherhood members of Buckskin Lodge into the Vigil Honor. This committee makes available to all members the proper nominating form that is used.

How You Can Join

As an active Buckskin Arrowman you are expected to volunteer to serve on at least one of the twenty standing committees. To join the committee of your choice simply contact the chairman. (His phone number is printed in the **Buckskin Tab.**) He will fill you in on his committee plans and tell you exactly how you can help him out.

Annual Calendar

Most of the Lodge's events are annual affairs. They occur at about the same time each year. The dates and places of all these activities, as well as any other Lodge event that may come about, are included in the **Buckskin Tab**, our official newspaper. Following is a list of the usual activities of Buckskin Lodge.

SERVICE WEEKENDS

In the Fall of each year there are two Service and Fellowship Weekends held; one at Onteora Scout Reservation in September and the other at Camp Wauwepex in October. Ordeal and Brotherhood inductions are held on both of these weekends. Similar OA weekends are held at Camp Wauwepex in April and Onteora in May but only Brotherhood inductions are held. At different times during the year, the Service Committee plans Work Days at the Harkness Training Center.

BUCKSKIN BANQUET

Each December, usually during the Christmas Vacation, the Annual Buckskin Banquet is held. The Banquet is one of the highlights of the Lodge year and is a great chance for fellowship.

SUMMER CAMP

During the summer, Buckskin Lodge is very active at Camp Wauwepex and Oteora Scout Reservation, the two council camps. Tapouts and Ordeal inductions are held each period. Brothers and Candidates work on various camp service projects on the Ordeal days. Brotherhood tapouts and ceremonies are held each period and the Vigil Honor callouts are conducted at selected Visitors' Day campfires.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Executive Committee of the Lodge meets monthly with the exception of July and August at the Harkness Training Center. These meetings are usually held on Sunday afternoons. Members of the Lodge are invited and urged to attend and they will be heard even though they may not participate officially as the chairmen and officers do.

LODGE MEETINGS

General Lodge Meetings are held whenever the Lodge Chief deems them necessary. They usually are held on the Service Weekends. General business is discussed, and revisions to the "Bylaws" and the annual budget are voted upon.

CONCLAVES

Area 2-J Conclaves are held at different times during each year. Only Brothers from our Area (Nassau, Suffolk, and New York City) attend the Conclaves.

CONFERENCES

National Order of the Arrow Conferences are usually held during August of the odd-numbered years at large, Mid-Western universities. Arrowmen from all over the country gather for these great events.

SECTION 3 - HISTORY

and TRADITIONS

An explanation of the rich traditions of Buckskin Lodge in addition to a summary of the Buckskin Sons of Wauwepex and of each of the Lodge Chiefs' administrations will be found in Section 3.

Buckskin Traditions

Many Indian traditions are found in the Buckskin Lodge, Order of the Arrow, because the Buckskin Sons of Wauwepex, originally started by "Chief" Howard Covey and Irving "Southy" Southworth, followed Indian Lore. The organization took its name from Dan Beard's Buckskin Men. Because the Tab, Lodge Neckerchief, and Feather are so rich and full of meaning, no Brother has ever traded them. For this reason our Lodge is held in high esteem.

THE TAB—OUR TOTEM

The Tab that is still worn by members of the Lodge today was the totem of the earlier organization. It is the totem of the Buckskin Lodge. The Tab consists of a white leather tab upon which is drawn a pine tree whose three points represent the qualities of Trustworthiness, Service, and Self-Reliance. Upon the pine tree is the superimposed profile of a wolf's head, standing for Self-Reliance.

Many Brothers have the back of their tab signed by their taskmaster, guide, Brotherhood Sponsor or anyone else that they feel should sign it.

THE NECKERCHIEF

The Buckskin Sons wore a royal blue neckerchief with a white stripe vertically down the back of it to represent service. Our Lodge uses the same neckerchief except that a red arrow is superimposed on the stripe, pointing over the right shoulder. It symbolized the Order of the Arrow. The neckerchief is worn at all Order events.

For attending National O.A. Conferences, which are held every two years, a special neckerchief is designed. One half is always gray and the other half is a different color for each conference.

TRADING PATCHES

From time to time, the Quartermaster issues trading patches. In 1960, the pocket flap was issued. It is worn on the right pocket flap of the uniform and identifies you as a Brother from Buckskin Lodge. The Jacket Patch, containing the Order of the Arrow legend, is pictured on the back cover of the Handbook. The Buckskin Camp patch is issued annually and the proceeds go to the Buckskin Camp at the Onteora Scout Reservation.

THE FEATHER

A single white Squaw Feather was worn by the Buckskin Sons at special camp functions to stand for service. Buckskin Lodge members still wear the feather at Lodge functions where its wearing is approved by the Chief.

The Buckskin Sons of Wauwepex

The Buckskins of Camp Wauwepex came into being in 1923, not as a society but as a part of the Camp Program for those interested in Indian Lore. To be a member a Scout must have been a three year camper and a First Class Scout. Like the Plains Indians, a member had to earn the feathers for his bonnet and in order to do this a Scout had to earn Merit Badges.

At the time, there was no camp society recognized by the National Council and many councils had their own requirements for membership. After several seasons, the interest in the Indian Program was abandoned for a different program but the basic one was not dead, and the Buckskin as Society were born.

As both Chief Covey and Southy had been initiated into the Order of the Arrow at one of the National Conferences, they used many of the ideas of the Arrow Program such as the Tapout and the Ordeal. During these years, the National Council adopted the Order of the Arrow as the official Camper Honor Society, but the Buckskins of Wauwepex did not wish to change.

In 1948, the idea of making this change over to the Order of the Arrow was discussed among members, both campers and leaders. A committee was appointed to see how this could be done. The committee met with the National Order of the Arrow Secretary who, after hearing them, said that "Inasmuch as our Ordeal was similar to that of the Order, we could become the Buckskin Lodge after going through an initiation ceremony." The Nassau County Council's Camper Honor Society, the Buckskin Sons, became the Buckskin Lodge No. 412 of the Order of the Arrow in 1949.

Fourteen Buckskin Sons were inducted at the Area 2-A Conclave held at Camp Manhattan of the Ten Mile River Scout Camps on September 3, 1949. The Tap-Out ceremony was presented by the Ranachaqua Lodge of the Bronx and the Shu-Shu-Gah Lodge of Brooklyn presented the Pre-Ordeal. The Ordeal Ceremony was put on by Man-A-Hattan Lodge of the Manhattan Council.

Original Manuscript
Was Written By Irving
(Southy) Southworth

Our Past Lodge Chiefs....

and their Administrations

BOB HAYES

September 1949 - September 1950

When the Buckskin sons of Wauwepex joined the Order as the Buckskin Lodge, Bob Hayes became our first Lodge Chief. During his administration, the Lodge held its first Ordeal Ceremony at the Harkness Training Center and about 100 Buckskin Sons were inducted. The Buckskin gate was the first Ordeal project of the Lodge. Bob led the Buckskin Lodge delegation to its first National Order of the Arrow Conference held at the Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana, on August 29-31, 1950. Dr. E. Urner Goodman, founder of the Order of the Arrow, presented the Order of the Arrow leadership medal to Bob when Bob retired as Lodge Chief.

HENRY SCHNEIDER

September 1950 - September 1951

During Henry Schneider's administration, it was decided to make Allowat Sakima's ceremonial bonnet all white. Council-wide activities, such as service at Scouter's Dinners, polomatches, etc., were included in the Lodge's service projects. The first Brotherhood ceremony of the Lodge was held. At the first annual Buckskin Banquet, held on December 28, 1950, at the Harkness Training Center, the Lodge was privileged to have as its guest speaker Dr. E. Urner Goodman.

BILL HARPER

September 1951 - September 1952

The "Bylaws" were changed to create the offices of Junior and Senior Lodge Chief. The Executive Committee then included six members: Lodge Chief, Junior and Senior Lodge Chiefs, Lodge Advisor, Treasurer, and Secretary. It was the last time elections for Ordeal members were held in camp, and the last time for voting Ordeal members into Brotherhood. The Lodge established its first permanent ring site at Camp Wauwepex. The **Buckskin Tab** first appeared in the form of a mimeographed newsletter. Sheepskins started to build the Wauwepex Amphitheater. A delegation of 23 Brothers attended the National Conference at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

DICK SCHAEFER

September 1952 - April 1954

During Dick's administration, there was a change in the Executive Committee so that it included a Lodge Chief, Little Lodge Chief, Treasurer, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries, and Lodge Advisor. A new Brotherhood procedure was established. A record of one hundred Brothers attended the 1952 Banquet. The First Home Troop Elections were held in 1953. Many new committees were formed. The election of Lodge Officers was changed from September to the Spring weekend; thus Dick was in office for 18 months. In 1953 the Lodge sent representatives to the Area 2-A conclave as well as the National Conference in Wyoming. Irving (Southy) Southworth was presented with an Indian Headress and Brestplate made of \$400 in bills (real money!). All of the Past Lodge Chiefs attended the 1953 Banquet.

BILL SCOLLAY

April 1954 - April 1955

Bill's administration saw 80 Ordeal members inducted and 30 Arrowmen received Brotherhood. For the first time in the history of the Lodge a Vigil Honor induction was held and Dave LeFebre, Ken Quick, Leroy Brown, Irving Southworth, and Doug Mathewson were called out. On August 26, 1954, four members of Buckskin Lodge started out for Laramie, Wyoming and the 38th Anniversary O.A. Conference. The annual Banquet, held at Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Freeport, was cooked by Doug Mathewson and Troop 36. The Frontier Division of Wauwepex was to be open for the first time in 1955 along with the opening of Onteora Scout Reservation. The Brotherhood procedure was changed, conforming to the National procedure.

DICK WARD

April 1955 - September 1956

During Dick's administration, amendments to the "Bylaws" stated that officers would be elected in the spring, but that they would not assume office until the following fall. Thus, Dick was in office for eighteen months. At summer camp the Lodge was subject to the largest influx of Ordeal Members it had ever seen. The Dance Team did extensive work at the summer camp fire. At Wauwepex the amphitheater was enlarged. The Sagamore ring was used for the first time for Ordeal Ceremonies. For the first time the Lodge used call-outs. There was a change in the Brotherhood procedure.

RAY KLAUSEN

September 1956 - September 1957

Ray was elected as Chief at the Spring Weekend of 1956, but under the new procedure, he didn't take office until four months later. The new policy required each Lodge officer to undergo a period of training before formally taking office. Ray led 32 Buckskins to the National Conference at Indiana University in August, 1956. Further progress was made with the Camp Wauwepex ceremonial ring. Permanent seats and carved candleabras were installed. The Lodge established a ceremonial ring and ceremonial teams at Onteora. An Orientation Committee was established to acquaint new members with the procedures of the order.

DICK HARPER

September 1957 - September 1958

The Buckskin Lodge was host for the Area 2-A Conclave held at Camp Wauwepex during the first month of Dick's term of office. George Smalling was elected Area 2-A Vice Chief. A feature of Dick's administration was informal Executive Committee meetings which alternated with regular meeting, and which proved very successful. The annual Banquet was held December 30, 1957, at the South Shore Inn. Chief Harper established the new Policy Committee which then revised the "Bylaws" concerning the Home Troop Election procedure, new officers taking office, and the various duties of the Lodge Officers. In August, 1958, nineteen Brothers represented the Lodge at the National Conference in Lawrence, Kansas.

LEO KANAWADA

September 1958-September 1959

During Leo's administration the Constitution was revised with new "Rules and Regulations" and the **Lodge Handbook** was finalized and issued. Dues of one dollar ("one Buckskin") per member made the Lodge self-supporting with 559 Brothers paying 1959 dues. The Lodge had an important part in an exceptional Scouting presentation at the Mineola Fair. The first OA totem pole was erected at the Onteora Scout Reservation. The new trading patch was selected.

DOUGLAS SCHMIDT

September 1959- September 1960

During Douglas' administration, Buckskin Lodge sent 45

Brothers to the Area 2-A Conclave held at a camp of Noteeming Lodge. Our Lodge was in charge of all discussion groups and held the Pre-Ordeal Ceremony. Dennis Langley from our Lodge was elected Area Chief. The Buckskin Dance Team won first place and retained the "coon" skin. Buckskin Lodge at Camp Wauwepex burned down and it was rebuilt by the end of the summer in 1960. The Lodge issued the new pocket trading patch.

THOMAS HALDMAN

September 1960 - July 1961

In Tom's administration, the Lodge Brotherhood method was changed. Instead of sending letters to those active 10 months or more, an invitation was put in the **TAB** for the benefit of those who had fulfilled the requirements. Those interested in sealing their vows sent in the required letter. The date of Lodge administration transfer was changed from September 1 to July 1. Because of this, Tom was in office for ten months. A record of 400 Arrowmen attended the Wauwepex Fall Weekend. On June 4-6, 76 Brothers represented the Lodge at the Area 2-A Conclave held at Camp Baiting Hollow, in Suffolk County. 400 Brothers were inducted into the Lodge, largest of any year to date.

ROBERT CANCRO

July 1961 - July 1962

Bob led 20 Buckskins to the 46th Anniversary National Conference held at Indiana University from August 21-24. Brotherhood procedure underwent another major change, with all reviewing of applications discontinued. Early in 1962, the very successful **Where to go Camping** booklet was published. It included information on places to see, visit, camp, or hike in the New York, New Jersey, and Long Island area.

MORTON SCHWARTZ

July 1962 - July 1963

An astounding total of 450 Buckskins attended the OSR Fall Weekend. A gift of \$300 was given to construct a program shelter in the JLTC Program Area at Onteora. More than 770 Buckskins attended the 13th Annual Banquet. The **Buckskin Tab** as of April, 1963 had been changed. A better grade of paper, photo-offset printing, and type reduced to two-thirds of its original size were being used. Fifty Buckskins attended the Area 2-A Conclave. The Buckskin Chorus and Dance team performed at the Long Island Fair. The Camp Wauwepex Ordeal Ring was dedicated to Hector A. Donderi.

THOMAS BLIGH

July 1963 - July 1964

Tom led 15 Bucksins to the 48th Anniversary National Conference at the University of Illinois. Our Squaw Feathers brought praise and exclamation from all those who saw them. A new attendance record was set when 500 Brothers attended the OSR Fall Weekend and a record was also set at the 14th Annual Buckskin Banquet. A gift of \$550 was given to the Council for the purchase of row boats to be used at the Council camps. The Buckskin Amphitheater Monument was erected at Camp Wauwepex on the Spring Weekend and it serves as a memorial to departed Brothers.

VICTOR LAMBERT

July 1964 - July 1965

Many Buckskin Lodge Brothers attended the National Jamboree at Valley Forge and heard the address by Dr. E. Urner Goodman at the OA Pow-Wow. Dick Blauvelt, who had served in the Council since 1949 as Scout Executive, retired and Donald W. Teisberg took up the reigns of leadership. Some of the most important changes in the "Bylaws" and "Rules and Regulations" were: (1) There would be two Little Lodge Chiefs; (2) Mail-in ballots would be used in elections, and (3) The Nominating Committee would put up a ballot of officers instead of a slate. The **Buckskin Lodge Handbook** was reprinted. The first Hootenanny was held in February, 1965. Many Brothers began work on the 50th Anniversary Award. An OA Training Course was held at Schiff Scout Reservation. Buckskin Brothers served as guides in addition to running booths at the Scout cavalcade. Buckskin Lodge was honored and privileged to run the first Ordeal of the Arawak Lodge in the Virgin Islands in 1965.

KEN WESTERBERG and ED ALBINSKI

July 1965 - June 1966

Ken led 32 Bucksins and 3 members of the Arawak Lodge to the 50th Anniversary National Conference held at Indiana University. The 50th Anniversary Award was earned by 58 Brothers. Over 950 Arrowmen attended the Sixteenth Buckskin Banquet. A gift of \$800 was made to the Council for purchasing rowboats at Wauwepex and furnishing the Health Lodge at Onteora. The Lodge Jacket Patch was issued. Buckskin became active in Area 2-J and a delegation attended the Area Training Conference held at Ten Mile River. On the ides of March, Lodge Chief KenWesterberg was called to serve a

larger organization--the U.S. Army. Little Lodge Chief Ed Albinski was selected to finish out Ken's administration as Chief. Extensive changes were made in the "Bylaws" and the "Rules and Regulations." The date of inauguration of officers was changed from July 1 to June 1. The Fourth Edition of the **Buckskin Lodge Handbook** was printed.

TONY SALERNO and BILL BEHRER

June 1966 - June 1967

Under Tony's administration, Buckskin Lodge hosted the Area 2-J Conclave at Ten Mile River Scout Camp and 45 Brothers from the Lodge were in attendance. In the winter months, the first Lodge Ski Trip was held, along with the first successful Hootenanny-Variety show. Work was begun on the new Buckskin Camp at Onteora on the first Buckskin Camp Weekend in the spring. Funds for the new Camp had been amassed through special trunk items and donations with the hope of building one campsite per year. Over 100 Brothers served cheerfully at the Spring Harkness Work Day. A supplement was added to the Fourth Edition of the **Buckskin Lodge Handbook**. Due to personal reasons, Tony resigned in April and Little Lodge Chief Bill Behrer was elected by the Executive Committee to complete the administration as Lodge Chief.

PAUL PLATE

June 1967 - June 1968

Paul led twenty-five Buckskins to the 52nd Anniversary National Conference held in Lincoln, Nebraska. The Lodge served at the first Southworth Indian Lore Pow-Wow. Mike Kelly was elected Area 2-J Chief. A record 1021 Brothers attended the Banquet and the Lodge's active membership reached 2000 in December. The "Bylaws" and "Rules and Regulations" were revised to conform with the new National election procedure and membership qualifications and to up-date Lodge policy. Over 200 people attended the very successful Fourth Annual Hootenanny-Variety Show. A new membership record and address-o-graph plate lock-tab system were put into effect. In April a Lodge Officers Training Conference was held. Eight ceremonial costumes were made along with two ceremonial costume and bonnet display cases for Onteora and Wauwepex. The Inter-Relations Committee was established to achieve the goals of the Onward Arrowman Plan. Funds were raised for the Buckskin Camp and the Historian was given charge to the Buckskin Memorial Gateway at Wauwepex. A record of 1300 Scouts, Explorers, and Scouters were elected to Buckskin Lodge. The year culminated with the great 4-day fellowship and service weekend at Onteora.

DONALD HEIBERG

June 1968-September 1969

Under Don's administration, the effects of the new membership election requirements were realized with the induction of 1139 candidates during the summer and fall. The Area 2-J Conclave was held at Camp Wauwepex and Paul Plate was elected as the new Area Chief. Over 1200 Brothers attended the Banquet at the Garden City Hotel. Arrowmen served cheerfully at the Cavalcade in February. At the Inter-Relation Committee's booth over 100 uniform parts were collected and then mended by a group of senior citizens for Scouts needing uniforms. A special committee was established to evaluate "the growing pains" the Lodge was experiencing and they suggested and the Lodge approved to: 1) Change the Lodge Year to start on September 1, to provide for an improved summer operation and to allow for a smoother transfer of office; 2) Have the Lodge elections later in the spring; and 3) Appoint a chairman of each district to coordinate the OA in the district and encourage Arrowmen to be active in their own units. The committee also suggested that more service weekends with limited attendance and advance fee payments be conducted.

As part of the BSA's Boypower '76 program, and the OA's National Standard Lodge program, the Lodge established the 20th Anniversary Award, to encourage Buckskin's to become more active in the Lodge and Scouting, and to recruit new people into its programs. During the summer at Onteora the National Council took pictures of Buckskin Lodge in action which were used in the "National Standard Lodge" filmstrip. Nearly 600 candidates were inducted during the 1969 summer. With the change in Lodge year, Don was in office for fifteen months.

CARLOS KEBE

September 1969 - September 1970

As Lodge Chief-elect, Carlos led 38 Brothers to the National Conference, held at Indiana University in August of 1969. On September 3, 1969, Buckskin Lodge celebrated its twentieth anniversary as an Order of the Arrow Lodge. For the second year in a row the Area 2-J Conclave was held at Camp Wauwepex. The Lodge held two Fall Onteora Weekends, for the first time in its history. Ken Heim retired as Lodge Advisor after 18 years and was replaced by Joe DeCanio. The Inter-Relations Committee held a huge clothing drive for the victims of Hurricane Camille. Over 1300 Brothers attended the Banquet, which was held at the Garden City Hotel again. A supplement was printed for the **Buckskin Lodge Handbook**.

TOM REINHART

September 1970 - September 1971

Tom led a delegation of 70 Brothers to the Area 2-J Conclave at Camp Baiting Hollow. Buckskin's dance team won the dance competition. The dues collection procedure was simplified, with all Brothers being mailed a statement to be returned with their dues. The Ceremonial Committee was divided into 2 committees--the Ring Committee, which maintains the ceremonial rings; and the Costume committee, which maintains the costumes and bonnets. The **Buckskin Bat** made its appearance on the Wauwepex fall weekend. Over 1200 Brothers heard a rewarding speech by Dr. Tom Haggai at the annual Buckskin Banquet. Forty-five Buckskin Arrowmen earned the lodge's Twentieth Anniversary Award and were recognized at the Banquet. The method of printing for the **Tab** was changed to computerized typesetting which greatly improved its appearance and shortened printing time. A committee was established to look into the feasibility of building a Buckskin Lodge cabin at Onteora Scout Reservation. A new national Ordeal election procedure went into effect which eliminated the Eagle bonus and required that a candidate must receive votes from a majority of the voting members of the unit. 78 Brothers attended the Ski Trip. The OA donated over \$800 for paint and supplies to paint dining halls at Onteora and Wauwepex, on the Spring Weekends and at summer camp. Due to the change in the Ordeal election procedure, fewer candidates were inducted. The Sixth Edition of The **Buckskin Lodge Handbook** was printed. A revised edition of the **Where To Go Camping** booklet was issued. Tom led a delegation of 15 Brothers to the 56th Anniversary National Conference at the University of Illinois in August, 1971.

GABRIEL GLUCK

September 1971 - September 1972

During Gabe's administration Buckskin Lodge for its first and only time became a National Standard Lodge. At the 22nd Banquet over \$100 worth of toys and games were collected for needy children. During the two work weekends uniform drives were held for Scouts who could not afford them.

Gabe was elected as Vice-Chief of Area 2-J while Lodge Chief. He also served on the committee for the revision of the National Handbook.

Gabe led a delegation of 96 brothers to the 56th Anniversary Conference in Illinois. A ski trip was also held which 21 brothers attended.

NEIL GETTER and STEVE ISAACS

September 1972 - September 1973

Neil led a delegation of 23 Brothers to the area conclave at Alpine Scout Camp. At the Annual Banquet at the Malibu Beach club, a novel atmosphere of entertainment prevailed with a "Gay Nineties" sing along.

When Neil resigned in May, Little Lodge Chief Steve Isaacs was elected to take over as Lodge Chief and keep the Lodge on a straight course through the Summer. Operations at Wauwepex Alder Lake, and Onteora saw three hundred brothers inducted and sixty-eight received Brotherhood.

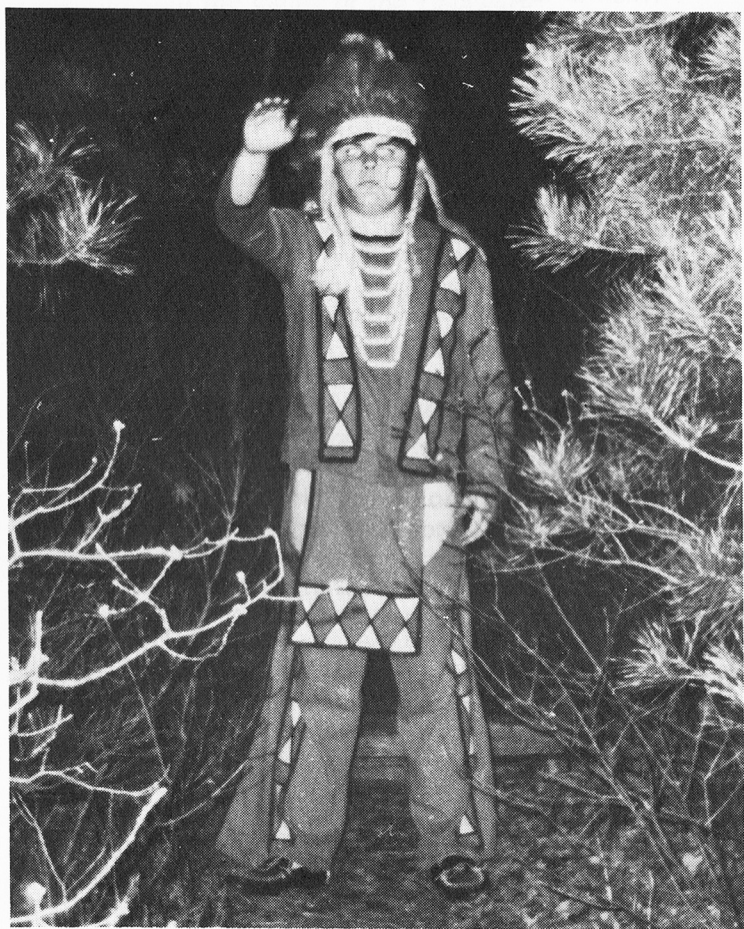
BRIAN CORRINGHAM and MIKE FRAZER

September 1973 —

Brian resigned in November 1973 and Mike, then the Little Lodge Chief, was chosen to take over. Mike is still in office.

SECTION 4- NATIONAL O.A.

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