

Wauwepex Fall Fellowship Weekend

On October 20-22, Buckskin Lodge will hold its Fall Fellowship Weekend at Camp Wauwepex. There is much work to be done at Wauwepex this weekend. After such a successful weekend at Onteora, the Lodge should not disappoint its Wauwepex campers.

Highlighting the weekend will be Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies. There will be the usual 5 meals plus the Friday night snack, all this for only \$2.50.

Brothers will have to supply their own transportation to Wauwepex. Check-in 9:00 P.M. Friday evening, followed by the snack and Tap outs.

Service projects will begin early on Saturday. Brothers are requested to bring tools to the weekend so that more tasks can be completed.

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After the ceremonies there will be a colossal feed at the Frontier dining hall.

The Lodge will hold its weekend meeting on Sunday, after the breakfast.

The weekend will close shortly after lunch.

No partial meal tickets will be sold!

HARKNESS WORKDAY

On November 18, 1967, Buckskin Lodge will hold its Fall Harkness Workday. This is the second workday to be held at Harkness this year.

Work will begin at 9:00 A.M. and will be completed at 4:00 P.M. There is a great deal of work to be done at Harkness. We will need about 150 brothers to complete all the projects, under the direction of Training Center Ranger, Ken Quick.

If you plan on attending the Harkness Work Day, please contact:

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BUCKSKINS ATTEND CONFERENCE

Amidst the rumble of trains at Penn Station, nineteen Buckskin Lodge delegates slowly gathered to form the beginning of the Lodge delegation to the 52nd Anniversary National Conference. As the New York skyline disappeared, our delegates, along with six Brothers from Shinnecock Lodge and five from the Greater New York Council Lodge, anticipated their arrival at the University of Nebraska. There, 4500 Brothers from every state were meeting to celebrate the Order's 52nd Anniversary.

None of the Brothers will forget the lengthy delay at Chicago, or the private Mass which Father Dave offered aboard the train; nor will they forget the train aisle which served as a bed for those Brothers tired of trade and talk.

After a day and a half of travel the train arrived in Lincoln, the capital of Nebraska, at 11:00 on Monday morning. Four hours later, the Lodge Chief and the seven Brothers who flew to the Conference with him arrived at the dormitory. The Buckskin delegation was now (cont. on Page 4 col. 1)



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4 DAY WEEKEND

Those Brothers who did not attend the fall Onteora Weekend are probably not aware of the possibility of a four day Fellowship Weekend in 1968. The Spring Onteora Weekend is now set for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, May 31, June 1, and 2, 1968. The day before the weekend is Thursday, May 30, Memorial Day. Because Memorial Day is on a Thursday, for most, Thursday and Friday will be holidays. Little Lodge Chief Don Heiberg suggested that the weekend be extended to include Memorial Day evening and all day Friday. The addition of these days would make the Spring O.S.R. Weekend a four-day activity.

Right now this idea is only a suggestion. Therefore, a Lodge poll is in order. All Brothers are requested to express their opinion of the four-day weekend. This weekend can only become a reality through your support. The fate of the four-day weekend is in your hands.

Onteora Weekend

The Onteora Fall Work Weekend, held on September 22-24, was characterized by a spirit of change in addition to the expected cheerful service.

Old-timers to the camp searched in vain for the lake, which had been drained for dredging and for the addition of another waterfront. The work projects completed on the weekend intensified the feeling that Buckskin Lodge is playing a definite part in the camp's latest face-lifting.

Brothers and candidates arriving at the dining hall Friday night were greeted with the traditional scramble to sign up guides and task masters, and an appropriate snack. Following the Brotherhood tapout in the dining hall, Ordeal candidates and guides assembled for a short walk to the tapout site. The Pre-Ordeal was conducted in two shifts in an effort to make it more personally impressive for the candidates.

Saturday found everyone engaged in a large variety of service projects for the improvement and enlargement of the camp. Work crews replaced the steps at the office building, collected and covered bunks in the campsites, built lean-tos, cleaned the area around the new A-frame houses, and cleared out areas for the new waterfront and a visitors' picnic area. Other groups were busy in various sections of the camp on different projects. The Ceremonial Committee headed up a work crew to enlarge the Ordeal

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A special Staff Thanks to Past TAB Editor, Ray Klaar for his help on this Tab. Glad to have his experience put to use.



For the past few years we have inducted over 400 new brothers into Bucks Skin Lodge annually. These candidates are witnessing their first ordeal ceremony. They are taking upon themselves a solemn obligation to lead a life of cheerful service. They have spent a night alone under the lights of heaven, they have maintained silence for 24 hours and have eaten very little. They have worked hard and meditated rather sincerely. They have truly earned membership in our Order. They deserve the best ceremony that we can give them.

Why do I point out these facts which, you, the older members of our lodge know so well? The reason is that it has come to my attention that you, the older members, no longer experience the excitement and solemnity of the first ordeal

ceremony. You have attended so many that you could direct the proceedings, as well as play each part. You now take the liberty to talk and criticize during the ceremony or light up a cigarette to kill time. Perhaps you would like a souvenir picture or two, so you snap a shot and flash a bulb.

Smoking, talking or picture taking during a ceremony are all in extremely poor taste. They destroy the solemn atmosphere which should be the prevailing mood at each of our ceremonies. If you must smoke or talk, please leave the ring quietly or don't come at all, and if you would like some pictures, the team will arrange a proper setting for you, either before or after the actual ceremony. Some parts of the ceremony can be recreated for your benefit.

In the future it is my hope that you will experience with the candidates the true feeling of dedication which actually occurs at our ceremonies or the pride of the team to see these new brothers being inducted into Bucks Skin Lodge. I am calling for your co-operation and I am sure I will receive it. Let's maintain our high degree of excellence rather than settle for gross mediocrity.

from the EDITOR'S DESK

The first things a candidate to be inducted notices about the Lodge members are their visible signs of unity. Most likely, a newcomer, entering our midst, would not immediately become aware of the sincere bonds of Brotherhood between those people. He would, however, suspect that some stronger tie existed, by these outward features of unity.

Most prominent of these characteristics is the Squaw Feather. Originating with the Bucks Skin Sons of Wauwex, the feather has remained a symbol of the Lodge's Cheerful Service and Brotherhood since its foundation; truly a tradition.

Lately, however, the number of feathers at Lodge functions has greatly diminished. This constant reminder of our solemn pledges is disappearing. This may be due to the inconvenience of wearing the feather through the forest or the expense of frequently replacing disheveled ones. Whatever the reason, it should be overcome, for it can be of no greater importance than our being "Mindful of Our High Tradition."

Be mindful! Do not discard this valuable tradition of our predecessors, merely for the sake of expediency.

The feather unites us, visibly. Through its presence, we make a step in the direction of our future goals of Brotherhood. That is, to achieve our aims "With Hearts and Wills United."



Letters

Dear Paul,

Just a quick note to extend my Congratulations for a weekend well run, as was the one at Onteora this weekend past. Despite some irritations that you had, which should always be expected with an operation of this depth and size, this was the best one yet. With the passing of time, the organization and communications continue to improve two very vital elements in the operation of the Lodge.

...You must have been very busy, ...Again, my thanks.

Hope to see you at the October weekend...

In Brotherhood,
(signed)
Allen Grosser

Dear Allen & Brothers of Bucks Skin,

It is the notes, the letters and the small tokens of appreciation which make my job the most pleasant experience that anyone can have. All irritations fade away with a single thank you or congratulations. It is my pleasure to serve you. May I express my sincerest appreciation when I say:

Thank you.

Forever in Brotherhood,
Paul Plate
Lodge Chief

O. S. R. WEEKEND (cont.)

Ring. The success of the project was apparent in the ceremony that night.

Following a buffet-style snack the Brothers departed to the ceremonial rings to witness the inductions Saturday evening. The Ordeal ceremony, held in the newly-enlarged ring, saw 96 candidates take the obligation of service. Lodge Chief Paul Plate played Allowat Sakima, Mike Kelly was Meteu, Walt Bailey was Nutiket, and Chris Finnerty was Kitchkinet. Ken Gilbert and Wally Baecker played Nutiket and Kitchkinet the preceding evening for the tapout and Pre-Ordeal, along with Paul and Mike as Allowat and Meteu. The Brotherhood Team, under the direction of Dennis Klein, inducted 17 Arrowmen into the Brotherhood. After the ceremonies new and old Brothers alike assembled in the dining hall for a long-awaited meal and an enjoyable program.

Church services and breakfast on Sunday morning were followed by a Lodge meeting, presided over by Chief Paul Plate. Highlights of the meeting included a detailed explanation of the new national changes in membership requirements and procedures, reports by the committee chairmen present, and committee sign-ups.

The busses for the return trip arrived at the camp just before noon, and 250 tired Brothers left shortly afterwards. The improvements that they left behind them, though, will be noticed and appreciated for many years.

--Mike Kelly

REPORTS



"Buckskin Tab"

The BUCKSKIN TAB staff is in charge of setting the Lodge newspaper out each month. Much work is required to produce the Tab in time to inform the Lodge members of future activities. A reporter, present at the Lodge function, writes an article on this event. He may also be called upon to write an article on some future activity. Next, staff members type the articles according to Tab specifications. The final draft of the article is then typed. Once the final copies are ready the paper must be laid out, pasted up and sent to the printer.

Help is needed in each phase of Tab Production. Any brother who would like to work on the Tab staff as a reporter, writer, photographer typist or help in laying out the Tab should contact the editor immediately.

Editor: Jack Billi.....Ma 3-3542
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College...

It is the College Secretary's responsibility to see that the members of Buckskin Lodge, who are attending college away from home, are receiving their TAB. Due to the size of our Lodge it is impossible for one man, alone, to find out what brothers are away at college.

Anyone who knows of a brother who is living away from home while attending college should contact the College Secretary with this information.

Sec.: Joe Schloss..... PE 1-4347



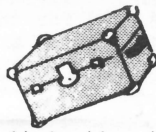
Service.....

I would like to thank all the boys who worked at the Piping Rock Horse Show; and I hope that more brothers will turn out for the Harkness Work Day on November 18. If you plan to go to Harkness, please be sure to call your district representative.

Members going on the Wauvepep Fall Weekend are requested to bring hammers, saws, axes, and other tools. All members are requested to help with the uniform drive by collecting old uniforms and calling their district representatives for uniform pickups. District representatives are:

- 1 -- Tom Baker..... PI 2-1084
- 2 -- Ken Light..... IV 3-6983
- 3 -- Richard Barbo... PE 5-6613
- 4 -- Ken Staudte..... MA 3-4873
- 5 -- Bob Gordon..... OR 8-4817
- 6 -- Dale Nelson..... ED 4-6155

Chm.: Jim Lieb..... 798-2841
Adv.: Mr. Hoffman.....735-4209



Trunk.....

There are but a few coffee mugs left in the Trunk. This means that it is time to order new mugs with a new design on the front. As in the past, a contest is being held, that is open to all Lodge members. The rules of the game are very simple: All you do is draw on white paper a design of your own creation for a Buckskin Lodge mug. Be sure that the drawing is in color, and submit it with your name and address.

Mail all entrees to:

Tom Rienhart
225-12 West End Drive
Great Neck, N.Y. 11020

A prize will be awarded for the best design. Remember: the drawing that is put on the face of the new mug could be yours.

Help! The Trunk needs leather desperately so that tabs and headbands can be made. If there is any brother in the Lodge who is able to procure white and/or black leather, will he please contact me.

Chm.:Tom Reinhart..... 482-0373
Adv.:Mr. V. Lambert, Sr... 742-1128



Dance Team.

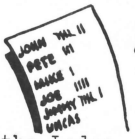
The Dance Team has currently completed two dances. Both went off very well. We are still in an exigent need for new members. You need not have past experience in dancing. You also need not want to dance. The team is in need of brothers who are willing to work on some of the costumes, "as well as dancers".

If you are interested in getting more information or joining the team please contact me at:

244 Parkside Drive
Roslyn Heights, N.Y. 11577

Or by calling:

Chm.: Wally Baecker..... MA1-2630
Adv.: Mr. R. Martens..... FR 9-7982



H. T. E.....

The Home Troop Elections Committee is the largest committee in the Lodge, and we need quite a few committee members to do the job well. This year the entire procedure for unit elections is changing, and we expect to contact more units. We can only do this with your help. This is a good chance for new brothers to start their Cheerful Service. Any brothers interested in joining this committee should contact me as soon as possible, since I have not chosen district chairmen yet, and we want to get an early start this year. We also need adults on this committee.

Chm.: Bill Throop..... 223-4834
Adv.: Mr. W. Doyle..... 487-2507

Certain additions have been made to the Executive Committee. Two new advisors have been appointed.

They are:

Policy-Mr. Art Garbade
Nominating-Mr. Neil O'Doherty



Nominating..

The Nominating Committee is charged with the responsibility of drawing up a slate of officers for the 1968 1969 Lodge administration. This is a job which is most important for the well being of our Lodge. It is for this reason that I ask you brothers to serve on this committee. The only requirements for membership on this committee are a sincere interest in the welfare of Buckskin Lodge and a serious attitude toward the work of the committee. Anyone interested in joining this committee should contact my advisor.
Chm. Tony Salerno 328-1535
Adv. Mr. Neal O'Doherty



Executive...

The following are the minutes of the September Executive Committee Meeting of Buckskin Lodge:

SEPTEMBER 10 HARKNESS 2:52 PM

LODGE CHIEF REPORT

25 delegates from the Lodge attended the 52ND National Conference of the Order of the Arrow in Lincoln, Nebraska. Changes in the Rules and Regulations caused by the new National requirements will be presented at the October Executive Committee meeting.

LITTLE LODGE CHIEF REPORT

John Marshall--The tool drive and the uniform drive are continuing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACTIVITIES - The main activities will be the Hootenanny and the Lodge Training Conference.

BANQUET - There will be a Humorous speaker. Reservations for groups from 1 to 100 will be handled. The Bar will be closed the night of the banquet.

CEREMONIAL - The Onteora ring will be enlarged on the weekend.

CAMP PROMOTIONS - A training session in the near future will be held to instruct the committee members on the procedure to be used.

COLLEGE SECRETARY -Brothers in College must send their college and home addresses to the College Secretary.

DANCE TEAM - Two shows have recently been given. The team will appear at the Southworth Indian Pow-wow on October 7.

ORIENTATION - Work on a new handbook will be started this Year.

TRUNK - Summer camp receipts from
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REPORTS

Camp Wauwepex totaled \$739.85 and \$1618.43 from Onteora. A mug contest with widespread publicity will be held. Buckskin Division patches, ordered in June, were never delivered. A commemorative Banquet neckerchief will be available at the upcoming Lodge Banquet.

NEW BUSINESS

REPORT--Recording Secretary announced that plans had been begun to update Lodge membership records. A DISCUSSION--followed about the April Executive Committee suggestion to have the Camp Wauwepex registration fees mailed in advance. The April minutes were amended to say that no money except transportation fees would be collected before any service weekends. The meeting was adjourned at 5:26 with the Song of the Order.

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complete.

After a superb dinner, all the National delegates joined together for the first time. They marched in parade formation from the center of the campus to Pershing Memorial Auditorium for the opening pageant, with keynote speech by the newly-designated Chief Scout Executive Alden G. Barber.

The next four days were solidly filled with activities. The discussions were well run but not extensive. Buckskin delegates represented our Lodge proudly and the scheduled activities. To spend this time the Brothers split up, some to trade patches, some to see the sights or to find adventures of their own. On Tuesday the Ak-Sar-Ben games, a series of individual and team athletic contests, were held. Wednesday's main afternoon event was the Camping Glizadium where Brothers could watch authentic Indian sand paintings being made, eat barbecued goat meat, or witness the construction of a prize-winning survival camp.

The Arrowmen joined together in the evening program "For America We Sing," which featured the Brotherhood Chorus and the Arrowmen's Band. The membership requirement changes were announced here for the first time, in expectation of the next day's panel discussions and area meetings which were to handle this topic in detail.

On Wednesday evening there was the talent show, featuring Nancy Griffin, Miss Nebraska Centennial, as mistress of ceremonies.

Thursday's discussions, panels, and other activities were climaxed by the Indian Pageant, which featured some of the best and most authentic Indian dancers in the nation.

In the tradition of the past years, the Buckskin Lodge delegation set a sterling example. They went to all meals and gatherings as a delegations. They were always in neat and proper uniform with the same neckerchiefs. When in a group, Buckskin Lodge looked like exactly what it is, one of the finest Lodges in the country. All stood and sang Grace at each meal.

At 9:00 on Friday morning, all delegates filed into the auditorium for the closing session. There was the presentation of National Service Awards, recognition of the National Conference Committee, and the challenge, a stirring speech by Dr. E. Urner Goodman, the founder of the Order of the Arrow. Each delegate left the auditorium after the Song of the Order and could not help but be moved, being a member of such a great organization.

The trip home was as much fun as the trip out. There's not room here for any of the thousand incidents that served to make the journey unforgettable. You have only to ask one of the delegates at the Banquet or at the work weekends, and he will be glad to tell you all you want to know.

On Sunday morning, September 3, they arrived in New York. It seemed so long ago that they had first boarded the train. It seemed as if they had known each other for years rather than eight days.

Each of the delegates signed a new Ordeal sash to continue the custom begun by the members of the 50th Anniversary Conference.

The conference had come to an end. The train trip was over. "With Hearts and Wills United" the delegates headed for their own homes, and the 52nd Anniversary Conference became a unique memory.



PIPING ROCK HORSE SHOW

Twenty-eight brothers served at the Piping Rock Horse Show on Saturday and Sunday, September 16 and 17. The benefit was held at the Country Club of the same name in Locust Valley. All proceeds from the show were contributed to Nassau County Council, B.S.A., .

At the show skilled riders performed, jumping over wooden hurdles and younger horsemen competed in pony riding.

On Saturday, there was a Fashion Show and luncheon.

Our Lodge did various jobs at the show. Brothers cleaned the grounds, directed traffic, sold gifts and programs, and helped in the kitchen. Some were lucky enough to hold props, backgrounds, and umbrellas for the girls at the fashion show.

---Rich Panzer

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