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BANQUET RECORD SEEN 1700 Brothers To Attend

Were you at last year's banquet? If you were, then you know what a gathering of one thousand Brothers looks like. Well, Christmas, 1968, promises a Buckskin Banquet that will dwarf all previous banquets - one that will be over 70% larger. Seventeen hundred members

quets - one that will be over 70% larger. Seventeen hundred members are expected to gather for an evening of good food, entertainment, and fellowship.

The event will be held on Thursday, December 26, at the Garden City Hotel, 7th Avenue, Garden City. It is easily reached by Northern or Southern State Parkways, Meadowbrook Parkway, Hempstead Turnpike, or Jericho Turnpike (see map).

This, the Nineteenth Annual Banquet, promises to be the year's biggest happening. Several surprise guest speakers will attend, people who are sure to interest everyone. The Banquet Committee has spent many hours planning this, and all will culminate in an evening to be funfilled and exciting for every Buckskin Brother.

As usual, dues for the 1969 calendar year will be collected, and all Trunk supplies will be on sale (see article, this page).

See you there!!

-- The Banquet Committee

WANTED:

Vigil Nominees

The Vigil Honor, the highest honor which a Lodge can bestow on one of its members, is annually awarded to several members of the Buckskin Lodge on the basis of their service to the Lodge, Scouting, the community, and their church. In the past year, eight members of the Lodge were called to the Vigil.

In order to be eligible for the Vigil Honor, a Brother must have completed at least two years of active service as a Brotherhood member as of February 1, 1969. He must also be currently registered in Scouting and the Lodge. Both boy and adult members are eligible.

A Brother to be considered for the Vigil must be nominated by a fellow member of the Lodge. You need not be a Vigil member to nominate someone-or more than one-for Slewart Ave

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Uniform Booth at Cavalcade

As part of the Inter-Relations Committee's activities, a special booth will be established at the coming Cavalcade, February 14 - 16. The purpose will be to collect uniforms for needy Scouts in the Buckskin Lodge area. All types of uniforms - Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and Explorer - will be gladly accepted. And, as an added incentive, four prizes will be given away to four lucky Scouts.

Sometime Saturday, February 15, a drawing will be held at the Cavalcade to pick two names. Anyone who contributed a uniform (or even part of one) will automatically be eligible in the contest. One drawing will include the names of Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Explorers and the prize will be a new Jamboree tent. The Second prize of the day will be a full period of camping at any Nassau County Council Camp given to either a Boy Scout or Explorer (Cub

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BUCKSKIN TRUNK IS READY All Items In Full Supply

This year the Trunk Committee has taken great strides forward in making Order of the Arrow supplies readily and easily available to Buckskin Lodge members. This includes the mail order trunk, a new and

more efficient system of ordering at weekends, and an increased stock. In keeping with this spirit, Trunk Chairman Larry Starr has announced that all Trunk articles will be in plentiful supply at this year's spectacular banquet to be held December 26 at the Garden City Hotel.

This is your chance to get those items you've been yearning for but have put off buying. Did you forget to give someone a Christmas gift? Then buy him a handsome and useful Buckskin Lodge mug or wall plaque. While the cost of living is rising, our Brothers should be pleased to know that the Trunk prices are still as low as ever. The following is the complete list of prices of all items to be sold at the banquet:

Buckles	\$2.00
Buckskin Div. Patch	1.50
Civilian Brthrhd. Pin	1.65
Civilian Ordeal Pin	. 50
Feather	.20
Headband	.20
Lodge Jacket Patch	2.00
Lodge Nckrchf. Slide	.25
Lodge Vigil Pin	2.25
National Handbook	.65
National Patch	1.00
National Ribbon	.50
	1.00
National Vigil Pin	
Neckerchief	1.50
New Lodge Handbook	.30
New Lodge Mug	1.00
New Neck. Slide (red)	.50
Pocket Flap Patch	.45
Sashes (all)	1.00
Tab	.20
Wall Plaque	1.25

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DEC 26 - Buckskin Banquet -

JAN 5 - Executive Committee Meeting -- 2 P. M. -- Harkness

FEB 2 - Executive Committee Meeting -- 2 P. M. -- Harkness

FEB 14 to 16 - 1969 Cavalcade-

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from the



EDITOR'S DESK

As the vuletide season approaches and the calendar year nears its end, this administration is reaching the half-way point in its life span. Much has been done by the Lodge as a whole - a record number of Scouts were inducted over a successful summer, two of the Lodge's largest and most fruitful work weekends took place, a memorable conclave was hosted at Wauwepex, plus many other activities. But now it is time to examine our individual service records.

In a year of record-smashing events, each member should be trying his utmost to outdo his own service achievements. Much has been done this year, but actually by less than half of the Lodge's members. That leaves well over one thousand Brothers who are doing nothing, content to relax and let others do the work. If you are one of these members, it is time to think twice about your worth to the Lodge.

An inactive member, one who reaps the benefits but does not contribute, is only a number. It is much better to have a membership of a thousand active members than one of twenty-five hundred with only about 30% of them active. Now is the time to do something if you are just another digit. There is still time left this year to become an active part of Buckskin Lodge. 1969 will see two more work weekends, a workday, plus many special activities before the new administration takes over. Act now, before it's too late!!!





My Brothers,

Buckskin Lodge, as it approaches its twentieth anniversary next summer, is experiencing growing pains. active membership has 2600, the largest in our history, and we are getting to the point where, under our present structure and procedures, there is no longer the opportunity for all our Brothers to serve as fully as I trust they would like to.

Many Brothers and candidates expressed dissatisfaction when they were turned away from the over-sub-scribed Wauwepex Weekend. Some of them were so upset that they have gone as far as to say that they never again want to have anything to do with us. I think that this is a poor attitude to take and may I say that the officers and Executive Committee are acutely aware of the problem and will do anything in our power to improve the situation in the future. During the winter months we are planning numerous meetings and discussions to attempt to come up with a workable and satisfactory solution. If you, as a concerned Arrowman, have any ideas on how to improve the functioning of our "great and honored Order," feel free to discuss them with any one of us.

The Order of the Arrow is more than a club or fraternity. way of life--something that I cherish and will try to live up to for the rest of my life. We should not throw our hands up in disgust over our present concern. Instead we should strive all the harder to determine a solution to iron out our problem and find a way to give every true Brother the full opportunity to serve his fellowman cheerfully!

On behalf of the officers and the executive committee I would like to extend our greetings of the season. And for the coming year I challenge each one of you to promote our Brotherhood of Cheerful Service and help us to solve our temporary growing pains.

Often I hear criticisms, suggestions, and complaints voiced to me by Lodge members concerning both the <u>Tab</u> and the Lodge. Often, these ideas are useful, but are soon for-gotten. I urge every member to write in suggestions or opinions to the "Letters to the Editor" column so that they may be fairly considered and given space in the Tab. This column is an excellent method of conveying your ideas to the Lodge. This is your Lodge, Brothers, so let's hear what you've got to say. SEND YOUR LETTERS IN!!!!!

There will be a training meeting at Harkness on Jan. 5, 1969 at3:00. further information, please see the article in this issue of the TAB.)

To help coordinate the elections this year, district chairmen have been appointed. Anyone interested in serving on the H.T.E. committee should contact his district chair-

They are:

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District 1 East Williston, Williston Park, Herricks, Gearington.

Dave Kahn.....487-6935
Albertson, Port Washington, Roslyn, Roslyn Heights, Manhasset, Great Neck, Plandone.

District 2
Joe Bonadonna.....483-8778 Elmont, West Hempstead, Mineola, Bellrose.

Hempstead, East Meadow, Union-dale, Bowling Green.

Rick Anderson......248-8728 Garden City South, Stewart Manor, Franklin Square, Floral Park.

District 3 Roy Burnham.....731-2807 Levittown, Island Trees, Plainedge.

Gary Burgess......249-0821 Farmingdale, Hicksville, South Farmingdale.

Tom Frost.....935-4743 Bethpage, Old Bethpage, Plain-

District 4 Tom Seremta......781-3382

Wantagh, Roosevelt. Steve Shull..................798-5772 Massapequa, North Massapequa, Massapequa Park.

Bellmore, North Bellmore, Freeport.

District 5 Tom Anderberg......223-1708
Rockville Center, Baldwin, Lynbrook, South Hempstead, view.

District 6 Bayville, East Norwich, Jericho, Millneck, Laurel Hollow, New Cassel, Old Westbury, Syosset, Glen Cove, Oyster Bay, Center Island, Locust Valley, Lattington, Woodbury, Muttontown.

Cliff, Rosyln Harbor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Mail Order Trunk is once again functioning. All regular Trunk items will be available, excluding feathers and mugs. (A complete price

list can be found in the Trunk article in this issue.) All orders should be accompanied by sufficient postage (at least 25%); without this, your Order will not be processed. Cash or checks are accepta-.ble. All checks should be made payable to Buckskin Lodge #412, Order of the Arrow. The address is as

> Larry Starr 529 Sand Hill Road Wantagh, New York 11793

All orders that cannot be immediately filled due to a lack of materials will be held until the merchandise becomes available. Any overpayments will be returned by mail. Be sure to include your telephone number with the order.

Those new Brothers who have not received their neckercheifs (\$1.50) and/or Tabs (\$.20) may order them by mail provided that their receipt accompanies the order. Receipts issued at Onteora are prepaid and the Brothers need only send postage charges. Those who received Wauwepex receipts must pay for these it-

Chm.: Larry Starr..... 735-9873 Adv.: Mr. Lambert, Sr.... 742-1128





NEXT TAB **JANUARY 27**



Dance Team.

The Dance Team has been invited to dance at a number of Blue and Gold

dinners. As of yet, there are no definite dates.

The Cavalcade will be our biggest effort of the year. We are presently working on our performance for this event.

Any Brothers interested in joining the Dance Team may contact the committee chairman.

Chm.: Gary Alabaster..... 692-9524 Adv.: Mr. G. Parachini.... 249-0815





This past O.A. weekend. the Orientation Committee was in full swing. Despite the fact that we only had

one Orientation, the Committee still functioned well. Cards were filled out. Committee sign-ups were held and, of course, the Orientation was given.

The committee will have a display at the Banquet. Brothers will be needed to work at the booth and coordinate committee sign-ups.

In conclusion, I would like to thank those who worked at the weekend, but we will need even more to culp with the great number of can-didates!! If you are interested in serving on the Orientation Committee, please contact me.

Chm.: Frank Ostaseski.... 922-5199 Adv.: Mr. J. Giammanco.... 271-1794 Inter-Relations.

The committee's coming events in de newspaper coverage for the 19th Annual Banquet, a uniform collection, and a booth at the Cavalcade. For promotion, we will be giving away a Jamboree tent, a sleeping bag, and a two week vacation at the Nassau County Council camp of the winner's choice.

In the future, we plan to set up a service corp. This would be formed to help establish new troops in poverty areas. It would involve three to four months of service as a Junior or Senior leader. We will also set up and work with troop O. A. representatives who will be chosen by their home units.

Chm.: Paul Plate..... 826-4603 Adv.: Mr. W. Douglas..... 671-1869



At the Wauwepex week-

end, Gabe Gluck played Allowat, Gary Wildung played Meteu, Frank Ostaseski played Kitchkinet, and John Citera was Nutiket. Paul Plate and George Bosilkov filled in Friday night as Allowat and Nutiket, respectively. My heartfelt thanks to all who helped make the weekend the success it was

IMPORTANT: If you were inducted into the Brotherhood this summer at Onteora, please contact the committee chairman immediately.

Chm.: Gabe Gluck..... 483-6392 Adv.: Mr. R. Weber..... 781-7189



This is your last Tab - unless you register for the 1969 calendar year. Less than one month

After filling this form fully, cut out and enclose it with your dollar (\$1.00) dues and a self-addressed stamped envelope and mail to:

TOM REINHART, 255-12 WEST END DR., GREAT NECK, N.Y. 11020

- Enclosed \$1.00 for 1969 Buckskin Lodge Dues
- \$1.00 reinstatment fee (If you failed to pay 1968 dues) Doesn't apply to members inducted in 1968

COLLEGE or SERVICE ADDRESS

If TAB is to be mailed to other than home address. Zip..... Registered in Tr. or Post # ___

Date became Ordeal______ Brotherhood_____ Vigil_

will be dropped from the roster and no longer will be a part of Buckskin Lodge. Usually, this represents about a 25% loss in membership. Do you want to be a part of this fugure? Then do something about it.

from now, 1968 registration will become obsolete -

all members who have not sent in their dues by then

Time is quickly running out - take advantage of the enclosed registration form and send one Buckskin (\$1.00) to the Lodge Treasurer, Tom Reinhart. Anyone who did not pay their 1968 dues (excluding new members inducted in 1968) must include an additional and the contract of the contract tional \$1.00 for reinstatement.

Dues can be paid at the banquet, but there are obvious disadvantages: long lines, confusion, and loss of time. If you don't pay by the deadline, you will owe another \$1.00 for reinstatement. So don't delay - pay now!!!

FOUND -- Alarm Clock on Onteora Fall Weekend. For information, contact Joe Kuhnow, 599-1969.

* LOST -- Kodak Instamatic R4 Camera on Onteora Fall Weekend - gray with black strap. If found, please contact Stephen Brussell, 731-9169.

FOUND -- Blue Ski Jacket in Lodge Chief's car after Wauwepex Weekend. Call Don Heiberg, 678-3554.



UNIFORM BOOTH (Cont)

Scouts cannot win this prize due to age). The next day, Sunday, two additional drawings will take place, and the winners will receive a sleeping bag and one more pre-paid summer camp period.

So come to the Uniform Booth at the Cavalcade and register your name in the fabulous prize drawings by contributing a uniform to our cause. You'll make some Scout very happy - and could even win one of the great prizes.

-- The Inter-Relations Committee



VIGIL NOM. (Cont.)

the Vigil Honor.

Nomination forms can be obtained at the Buckskin Banquet at the committee exhibit or, subsequently, from:

> Mike Kelly 63 Argyle Road West Hempstead, N. Y.

All nomination forms must be returned before February 1, 1969, in order to be considered by the committee.

The Vigil Committee cannot act unless you nominate those Brothers whom you consider worthy of the recognition. Will you help?

-- The Vigil Committee

With close to 250 willing vol unteers to cover the elections of our future Brothers, the Home Troop Elections Committee finds itself with the needed manpower to accom-plish its huge task. Within the past two years, the procedure of O.A. elections has changed drastically, so much so, that it is totally impossible for anyone to cover an election without being aware of the various changes that have been made. To cope with this problem, the Home Troop Elections Committee will be holding a special "Training Meeting" on January 5, 1969, at 3:00 P.M. at Harkness Training Center. The purpose: to alert all Brothers to the correct way of covering an Order of the Arrow election.

Since recent changes in election policy have been made, it is necessary for those Brothers who attended last year's meeting to also attend this one. Anyone who is not presently a member of this committee may also attend and sign up there.

-- The H. T. E. Committee

HARKNESS WORKDAY: "Most Successful Ever"

The past Harkness Workday, held Saturday, November 23, was almost perfect in every way. As Service Chairman Bill Throop aptly put it, it was the "most successful work-day Buckskin Lodge ever had." The weather was beautiful and the turnout far better than expected.

At 9:30 A.M., the sixty-five Brothers present went to work at Hark-Their jobs included painting the office and helping the Lodge Secretaries with clerical work, but the biggest item accomplished was the clearing and chopping of dead wood. The work was interrupted at noon for a delicious lunch of Sloppy Joes supplied for all those who attended. By 4:00 P.M., all activities were terminated, and the boys left after a day of hearty and fulfilling cheerful service. Our thanks to all those who helped out.

-- The Service Committee



TRUNK OPEN (Cont.)

New Brothers who wish to purchase supplies that were not available when they were inducted should bring their receipts as explained in the Trunk Committee Report (Page 3).

The new Buckskin Lodge mugs will also be revealed at this gala event - it outdoes all previous designs. So come to the trunk sale at the Banquet and buy, Buy, BUY! And don't forget to bring single dollar bills and change (after all, this isn't the U.S. Mint)!!!

-- The Trunk Committee



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