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SUMMER SOARS

WAUWEPEX

Highest



OSR

Honor

It was an active summer for the Order of the Arrow at Camp Wauwepex during the 1971 season. Almost 150 Scouts became new Brothers in the Lodge, 59 sealed their vows in the Brotherhood, and 3 received the Vigil Honor. An incredible number of useful service projects for the camp were completed.

One of the new ideas which was tried the fourth period was serving the Ordeal feed at 7:30 P.M., before the ceremony instead of afterwards.

Three different kinds of Pre-Brotherhood Ceremonies were held over the four camp periods. The content of the ceremonies was never changed, but the ceremonial sites that were selected were revised for each new ceremony.

Among the Ordeal service projects carried out were: painting of Frontier D.H.; filling holes in camp roads; landscaping and painting of two new comfort stations; clearing an area of woods for a planned tree farm; picking up garbage around camp and near the edge of the lake; building check dams on various slopes located above the lake road; erecting chicken-wire fences to prevent erosion; cleaning the inside of Pioneer D.H.; improving the facilities and cleaning out the storeroom of the Nature Interpretation Center; repairing benches in the chapels, at the amphitheater, and at the rifle range; dredging sand from a waterfront white tag area after a severe storm; painting of two program shelters; clearing of 4 fire-emergency trails; installing fluorescent lights in the trading post stockroom and in one program

The Vigil Honor is the highest honor that the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon its members. It is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Scout, Explorer, and Scouter members of the Order who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position of office in Scouting. This summer at both Onteora and Wauwepex seven brothers were so honored. At Onteora the following brothers were called:

BOB BROWN
AL GROSSER
BILL SOMERVILLE
LARRY STARR

At Wauwepex the remaining three brothers were called. They are:

JOE AICHELMAN, SR.
JOHN CITERA, SR.
BOB PETERS

The Vigil Committee

shelter; transplanting old trees and planting new ones; and digging post-holes for a parking lot. Many of the trees planted were donated to the camp courtesy of Mr. Alex Takacs of Troop 53.

The activities of the Lodge in camp were coordinated expertly by the summer chairmen, only one of whom was a chairman (for a different committee)

This summer at Onteora the Order of the Arrow accomplished a great deal of work. The camp benefitted through the efforts of the candidates and Brothers. Many projects were done: painting of the Long House and starting of the Council House; the amphitheatre benches preserved, drainage, a bridge built, two rock walls built; a parking lot wall was built; roads cold patched; regrading of the roads; tents folded and repaired; Administration Building and Health Lodge Stained; A-Frames sanded for staining; totem pole placed in front of the Trading Post; a dry wall built by the Long House; bridge repaired; railings painted; steps and bridges painted; a barn clean up and a general camp clean up.

In addition to these projects many people participated in the background. The Service Committee under Roy Benasaraf did a great job. The head Taskmasters for the summer were Tony Marren, Robert Munder, and Robert Michaels. Other people that contributed to a fantastic summer were: Bill Graham, Ceremonial Ring; Bob Wilson, costumes and breakfasts; Dave Brooks, Trunk; Bob Somerville, HTE and Brotherhood; Bruce Philpott, Tap Teams; Dave Blaushild, Orientations and Steve Shull, meal coordinator. There are many people who without their help the OA would not have functioned this summer. If some names are not printed here it is because there were so many volunteers this summer. The following people deserve to get credit: Ted Allegra, Al Fuchs, Bob Kanowitz, Ed



My Brothers,

The time has come for a revolution within Buckskin Lodge. This revolution is not a political overthrow; but rather it is a call for a dramatic change in the attitude of every brother of Buckskin Lodge. If Buckskin Lodge continues to follow its present course, it will regress to the point where it will mean nothing to belong to the Order of the Arrow.

One of the greatest hindrances to the Lodge, is the fact that so many brothers think that Buckskin is one of the most fantastic lodges in the country. If this were so, then we should have been one of the seventy-one lodges to qualify as a National Standard Lodge. We were not. The aura of self-complacency which surrounds the members of the Lodge perhaps can only be broken by a bombshell, such as this: Out of the 3,000 registered brothers of Buckskin Lodge, only 100 went on the last Onteora Spring Weekend. There is so little interest in Lodge affairs, that the Tab received two letters last year. The work of Buckskin Lodge has fallen on the shoulders of fewer

than sixty brothers. Please go out with every issue of the Tab for help, but hardly ever are they answered.

The Executive Committee is responsible for coming up with ideas on how to fight the war on apathy. But the battle can only be won with the help of every brother who is concerned with the welfare of Buckskin Lodge. There will be many calls for help by the new Committee Chairmen. Will you answer?

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The morning that I wrote this quill, I had risen extremely early in order to see the sunrise. I couldn't remember the last time I had gotten up so early, much less to see a sunrise. It was pitch black when I climbed the hill from which I chose to watch this brilliant spectacle. Very few birds were chirping, and a lone owl hooted in the distance. I wondered why a bird to which is attributed such wisdom, continued to hoot with no one listening. As the sky brightened, more birds began to sing, drowning out the song of the owl, for they did not wish to listen to him; they had their own song to sing. It would be fruitless to explain the analogy between this incident and the Lodge, if it can't already be seen. For we are in the darkness. Have you seen the sunrise?

Firm Bound in Brotherhood,
Gabriel Gluck
Anumpa Shali Imma Itibapishialiha

My Brothers:

As I share this column with the new Lodge Chief this month, may I briefly say that the past year has been truly a satisfying experience as chief of Buckskin Lodge. I have to thank the active members of our Lodge for participating in all our activities, thereby making them successful. I would also remind you to stay active this coming year. Help promote scout camping, help run home troop elections, attend service weekends, and live up to the Orders' principles. Also, I urge you to become more involved with your unit's activities than you were before. Attend meetings, go camping more often, serve your community, thereby strengthening your unit. I trust that you will do this, and I look forward to a successful year for the Buckskin Lodge under the Leadership of Gabe Gluck.

from the EDITOR'S DESK

For the last time I get a chance to be a part of putting the paper together. This issue is a joint effort between myself and the new Editor, Steve Azzaro. I hand over the enjoyment and frustrations of putting the Tab together.

There are many things that can be written in an Editors Desk. There were many people that participated in getting the 1970-71 issues of the Tab out. You saw their names in the Staff Box yet you can't begin to appreciate them unless you have worked with them. Well, for the last time I say thank you to the Brothers who helped make this year a great one for the Tab. Best of luck Steve.

—Neil Getter

Once again we are beginning a new year. The summer has ended and a new administration prepares to take over the leadership of our Lodge. They will be largely responsible for planning Lodge activities, but it is the duty of the individual members to show interest and take an active part. All too often Lodge activities, after hours of planning, are lightly attended. There could be two possible reasons for this. Either few people care (in which case we may as well disband now) or the individual in the Lodge does not realize his own importance. Every Brother has something to offer. Attend weekends and workdays, join work committees and (possibly most important) live our Obligation.

This Lodge year will only be as successful as you make it. How successful is that?

—Steve Azzaro

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COMMITTEE REPORTS



Camp Promotions..

This year the Camp Promotions Committee will be under a new reign of **Terror**. The Camp Promotions Committee will do something this year not as in the past where nothing was done. The "Where to Go" camping booklet is at the printer. It was compiled by Dave Brooks under Tom Reinhart's administration. It will be distributed by this year's committee. The committee also has the responsibility of getting out another copy of the booklet to be distributed for the 1972-1973 administration. In addition to the booklet, slides are in the process of being made. It is the goal of this committee to get a set of slides for each of the new twelve districts. District chairmen are being picked and will be announced in the October Tab.

A mailing will go out to all scoutmasters concerning scheduling of these slide shows. It is hoped that each and every unit in Nassau County will be given a slide show. The main function of the Order of the Arrow is camp promotions., which is something this Lodge is lacking a great deal.

Any Brothers who wish to join this committee is urged to call the chairmen and make his voice heard. Any actions that are to be taken by this committee must come from the members at large.

—Neil Getter 221-7742
Camp Promotions Chairman

**COMING
NEXT MONTH:
Buckskin In
Illinois
AREA 2-J
CONCLAVE**



Brotherhood..

After spending three and one half years as Brotherhood Chairman one sees many things which would fill ten Tabs. But at this time I would like to thank the tens of Brothers who helped me throughout those years, setting up the ring and lending other invaluable assistance. I would like to personally thank my past advisors, Mr. Richard Weber and Mr. Russ Rensch, Jr.; my witty witch doctor, Gary Wildung; my faithful guides Frank Ostaseski and Baby Bobby Sommerville, and the hundreds of Nutikets along way.

A special reserve thanks goes to Donald Heiberg who not only started me with Brotherhood but also told me if I didn't take it, I wasn't getting anything. Thanks Don, I don't think you made a mistake; and neither did I for keeping it for so long.

For the hundreds of brothers who sealed their vows during the past three and one half years, I thank you for the privilege of being Allowat.

—Gabe Gluck



Orientation...

After many months of hard work and planning, the Sixth Edition of the **Buckskin Lodge Handbook** has finally arrived.

This edition is unique and is the best **Handbook** ever printed. It is different than the past editions in many ways. The covers, both front and back, are in full color. A forward, written by Dave Boshea, National Secretary of the Order of the Arrow, is also contained. The Legend of the Order is also printed in poetic form. It contains all that you want to know about the Lodge.

The cover was designed by past Chief, Paul Plate and Mr. Robert Hughes.

The **Handbook** is on sale now at your local trunk stand or through the mail order trunk.

--the Orientation Committee



District News..

The following is a list of the new districts for Nassau County Council, effective July 1, 1971. (This is a correction from the April Tab.):

District No. 1 - Great Neck, Port Washington, Roslyn, Manhasset.

District No. 2 - Hempstead, West Hempstead, Franklin Square, Elmont.

District No. 3 - Hicksville, Island Trees, Levittown.

District No. 4 - Freeport, Roosevelt, Merrick, No. Merrick, Bellmore, No. Bellmore.

District No. 5 - E. Rockaway, Lynbrook, Malverne, Valley Stream, Hewlett, Woodmere, Lawrence, Cedarhurst, Inwood, Atlantic Beach, No. Woodmere, Green Acres.

District No. 6 - Bayville, Brookville, Centre Island, Glen Cove, Glen Head, Glenwood Landing, E. Norwich, Muttontown, Jericho, Old Westbury, Oyster Bay, Sea Cliff.

District No. 7 - Plainedge, Bethpage, Farmingdale.

District No. 8 - Lakeview, Rockville Centre, Island Park, Baldwin, Oceanside, Long Beach.

District No. 9 - New Hyde Park, Garden City Park, Herricks, Albertson, Searingtown, Williston Park, E. Williston, Bellrose, Floral Park, Garden City, Mineola, Stewart Manor.

District No. 10 - Carle Place, East Meadow, Uniondale, Westbury.

District No. 11 - Syosset, Woodbury, Locust Grove, Old Bethpage, Plainview.

District No. 12 - Massapequa, Massapequa Park, Seaford, Wantagh.



Executive..

Executive Committee

SEE NEXT MONTH'S TAB FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AND DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES.

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Johnson, Steve Azzaro, Greg Hughes, and Ken Westerberg.

The Ordeal Team consisted of different people each period to give everyone a chance. Allowat Sakima: Tom Reinhart and Steve Shull; Meteu: Ted Allegra; Nutiket: Bruce Philpott; Kichkinet: Steve Azzaro, Roy Benasaraf, Dave Blaushild, and Neil Getter. People who participated on the Pre-Ordeal team and not mentioned were: Steve Nerlfi, Stu Bricker, Bill Graham, Larry Starr, and Bob Kanziger.

The Brotherhood Team led by Gabe Gluck had another year of "impressive" ceremonies. Allowat Sakima: Gabe Gluck and Bob Brown; Kichkinet: Bob Somerville; Meteu; Gary Wildung; Nutiket: Tom Dede and Ted Allegra. Tom Reinhart, Steve Nerlfi, Neil Getter, Bruce Philpott, and Aaron Schneider also participated in the Pre-Brotherhood.

—Neil Getter
OSR OA Coordinator

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during the last year. The Brotherhood Chairman was Paul Anik. Heading the Ceremonial Committee was Steve Sharp.

Joe Friedman handled Home Troop Eledtions, Les Scherer chaired the Trunk, and Mark Kopel coordinated guide registration. The Service Chairman and Head Taskmaster was Chris Brunner. The Vigil Honor Ceremony held 1st Period was run by Bill Throop. Orientations throughout the summer were given by a number of people. The chairman were Brian Fitzgerald and Tony Assande.

Again, the new Brothers in the OA found our ceremonies and traditions most "impressive." Their enthusiastic entry into the Lodge could not have been possible without the equal interest displayed by the ceremonial teams. Since there were four separate teams, all the names of the participants cannot be printed, but they know we appreciate their work.

Thanks are also due to the members of our "makeup crew," which was another new innovation. There are several people (campers and staff members) who gave exceptional service to the Lodge by helping out in almost all aspects of summer operations and we wish to thank them very much.

All in all, this summer was one of new ideas at Camp Wauwepex. We feel it is a summer that the O.A. can be really proud of.

—Brian Forman
Wauwepex Camp Chief

OSR FALL WEEKEND

The first Fall Onteora Work Weekend will take place on September 24-26 at Onteora Scout Reservation, Livingston Manor, New York. The highlight of the weekend will be the installation of the new officers.

MEALS: Meals include a snack Friday night and end with lunch on Sunday. Meals are \$2.50. No partial meal tickets will be sold. Make checks payable to "Buckskin Lodge No. 412, Order of the Arrow."

TRANSPORTATION: Brothers can take either the bus or go by private car. The bus will cost \$6.00 per person. The buses will leave Harkness Training Center on Friday at 6:00 P.M. SHARP and will return around 4:00 P.M. on Sunday to Harkness. Harkness is the Council Training Center located on Shelter Rock Road in Roslyn (Searingtown), one half mile south of the Long Island Expressway (N.Y. 495).

PROGRAM:

Friday
Check in at 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM at the Council House. Snack

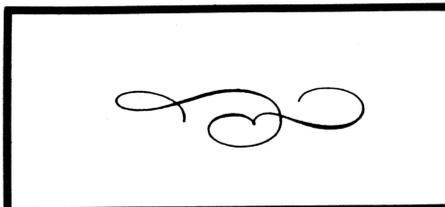
Saturday
Cheerful Service Induction Ceremony; Feed

Sunday
Lodge Meeting, lunch

REGISTRATION: Mail the enclosed form located on the insert to:

Dave Brooks
22 West Woods Road
Great Neck, New York 11020

DEACLINE: September 15. If you receive your Tab after the deadline you still can mail your registration in to Dave Brooks. Just indicate the date you received the Tab on the form.



WAUWEPEX FALL WEEKEND

The Fall Wauwepex Work Weekend will occur October 29-31, 1971, at Camp Wauwepex, Wading River, New York

Meals: Meals include a "Cracker Barrel" on Friday night and end with lunch on Sunday. Meals are \$2.50. No partial tickets will be sold. Make checks payable to "Buckskin Lodge No. 412, Order of the Arrow."

Transportation: Brothers must supply their own transportation. If you need a ride, check the proper box on the enclosed form+, and the Inter-Relations Committee will find you a ride.

Program:

Fri. Check-in is at the Frontier Dining Hall, between 8:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M.
Sat. - Cheerful Service Brotherhood and Ordeal Inductions and Feed.
Sun. - Lodge Meeting

Registration: Mail the enclosed form + to:

Dave Brooks
22 West End Drive
Great Neck, New York 11020

Deadline: October 19, 1971. Absolutely no forms will be accepted after the deadline. (Unless you get your Tab late. If so, indicate date Tab was received on your form).

Registration may be limited. Forms will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. A earlier cut-off date may have to be established if too many people register.

+See next month's Tab.



September

11 - 13 - Area 2J Conference
19 - Executive Committee Meeting
Harkness Trng. Center - 2 P.M.
24 - 26 - OSR Fall Weekend

October

17 - Executive Committee Meeting
29 - 31 - Wauwepex Fall Weekend

December

19 - Executive Committee Meeting
21 - Banquet — Holiday Inn, Hempstead

