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BUCKSKIN LODGE No. 412, ORDER OF THE ARROW



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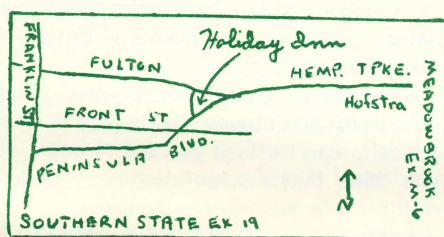
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"The Cry of the Wolf of Self-Reliance"

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Buckskin Banquet Time



All roads to the NEW Holiday Inn, Hempstead, where the 22nd Buckskin Banquet will be held on December 29, 1971. The map insert should provide instructions on how to get there.

Meeting new brothers or seeing others for the first time since Summer Camp should provide fine fellowship for the 500 or so brothers attending. All brothers can better acquaint themselves more with the Lodge by seeing the many committee displays.

Toys Needed

At this year's Banquet, the Inter-Relations Committee will be having a different type of collection. This collection will be for toys. We'll be collecting any type of toy (old or new), games, puzzles, etc. The toys we collect will be given to a charitable organization or an orphanage.

So if you have no need for your toys and games, bring them to the Banquet instead of bringing them to the local dump. Let's help make some unhappy kids happy.

Remember: When you were a kid, you always wanted a toy to play with!

The Inter-Relations Committee

The evening should prove to be an enjoyable one, with some fine food and an excellent program. Included in this program is the guest speaker, General August DiFlorio, World Diplomat and Advisor to the United Nations. He is a very unusual and interesting speaker, and should prove to be the highlight of the evening.

Those who ordered tickets and followed instructions, enclosing a stamped self addressed envelope, should have received their tickets by December 18, since all tickets were mailed out by December 12. Any servicemen home on leave, may come in uniform and purchase a ticket at the door.

Seating was arranged on a first come, first served basis. The way the Peter Cooper Room is set up everyone should have good seating.

The date for the Banquet is getting close, so get ready for an enjoyable evening.

DUES

Save yourself the frustration of being taken off the mailing list and then trying for months (or even years) to get back on it. If you do not pay your 1972 dues on or before December 31, good luck to you!

All lodge members (including those inducted in 1971) **MUST** pay 1972 dues prior to December 31, 1971, to remain on the mailing list. Pay your dues as soon as you receive your dues statement so you don't forget. You will only receive **ONE** statement - it is highly unlikely that duplicate statements or reminder notices will be sent even if you fail to pay dues come the first of the year.

Active- Reserve

When you pay your 1972 dues you will be asked to select one OA participation classification, either "Active" or "Reserve."

According to the "Bylaws", if a Brother pays his dues he is officially an "active" member of the lodge. However, often times Brothers like to remain officially active--which means they will be on the mailing list and occasionally will attend an activity--but due to other commitments it is impossible for them to serve actively on lodge committees, etc.

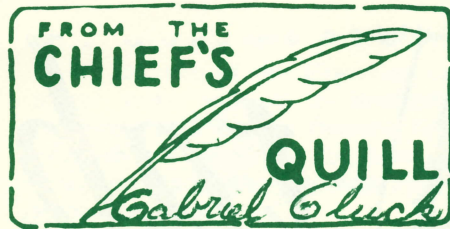
Brothers who determine that they want to be "Active" will be expected to serve when called upon on committees and at activities. Brothers who chose "Reserve" will not be called to join committees, etc., but can still attend activities and of course can join a committee if they later find they do have the time.

The Dues procedure works as follows: A statement has been mailed to each Lodge member. As they are mailed bulk rate, it may be a week or two before you receive yours. When you receive it, please follow the instructions of how to complete the special 3-part form. The 3-part form is to be returned in the return envelope provided to the Dues Collection Subcommittee Chairman:

Stu Bricker
50 Seventh Street
Valley Stream NY 11581

Be sure to enclose a self-addressed, **STAMPED** envelope so your 1972 membership card can be returned to you.

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My Brothers,

I've heard it said that spirit is dying in the Order of the Arrow. But I wonder whether this predicament is something unique to the Lodge or whether it is a disease afflicting the soul of American society today.

When we joined society we joined with great hope. We would rebuild and remake the mistakes of our parents. Then John F. Kennedy was assassinated, then Martin Luther King, then Robert Kennedy and murder once again reared its ugly face at Kent and Jackson States. We have a lot to be embittered and discouraged about. But if all we do is cry, we will just be drowning in a sea of tears.

It has been argued that institutions, such as the O.A., cannot meet the needs of the individual; that in order "to be yourself" you must break away. This cannot, must not, and is not the case. The foundation of the Order is Service: "Of he who serves his fellow man is of all his fellows greatest." What nobler course in life is there, then to serve one's fellow man? And what hope can be said for society when a brotherhood devoted to the service of others can disintegrate so? What can be said of the brothers of the lodge who allow it to happen?

My brothers, we must be that force that not only rebuilds the Order of the Arrow, but remakes the Boy Scouts of America. I witnessed a very interesting event this past summer. On the anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima, one of the flags at camp was lowered to half-mast. The purpose of this was to remind everyone, as they played in the forests far from the 'jungle of cities', what awesome destruction man is capable of and the need for world peace. Well, moments after the flag was lowered, several super-scouters came charging demanding an explanation. After the explanation was given, while they were not listening they alleged that such activities were Unamerican, Undemocratic, Disloyal, Unpatriotic, and contrary to the rules of the Boy Scouts of America. Contrary To The Rules Of The Boy Scouts Of America. My Brothers, these are the rules we must change, for it will not be long before we are the ones who determine the rules. Scouting cannot continue its

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Dues for 1972 are as follows: \$2.00 if paid on or before December 31, 1971 and \$3.00 (includes reinstatement fee) if you pay after December 31, 1971 or if you did not pay 1971 dues (Does not apply to members inducted in 1971)

Servicemen on Active Duty do not pay dues but **must submit the form** to remain on the active mailing list.

All payments should be by check or money order payable to "Buckskin Lodge No. 412, OA".

If you know of a Lodge member who is currently inactive and would like to pay dues for 1972 have him send a postal card with his complete address to Stu Bricker requesting that a dues form be mailed to him.

Bill Somerville

Treasurer

relevance by recycling soda cans and ignoring the moral awakening of youth.

If we do not strive to remake and cure the ills of our society, then not only have we failed our own generation, but we have failed all those to follow. The Order of the Arrow is one of the few doors left open to us to make the world a better place to live. If we should close that door now, I fear that a latch will fall in place for all eternity. We must seize the time.

Peace, My Brothers,
Gabriel Gluck



December-
19 Executive Committee Meeting
29 Banquet - Holiday Inn

January
16 Executive Committee Meeting - 1 P.M.
H.T.E. Committee Training Meeting
Harkness - 3:30 P.M.

February
20 Executive Committee Meeting - 1 P.M.



Congratulations to David Meyer on being selected to Nassau County's "Gridiron 44".

A special committee is now being formed to raise money for the poor in West Va. who can't afford postage stamps. (If you think that's a hint Kenny — you're right!)



Happy Holidays

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COMMITTEE REPORTS



Vigil.....

Do you know someone in the Buckskin Lodge who, in your opinion, has rendered exceptional service to the Order of the Arrow? Is one of your fellow Arrowmen a truly devoted member of the Order, constantly practicing its principles and traditions in his Scouting activities?

Many of us know such persons, but all too often they go unrecognized for their service to Scouting. The Vigil Honor was created to recognize those Scouts and Scouters who have shown great effort and interest in their activities in the Order and Scouting. Any member of the Order who is registered in Acouting and is an active member of the Buckskin Lodge is eligible to be recommended for the Vigil Honor. The only additional requirement is that he be a Brotherhood member for at least two years at the time of his selection (i.e.—he must have sealed his vows before May 1, 1970).

If you believe that a certain Brother is worthy and eligible for the Vigil, then it is your privilege to nominate him. You do **not** have to be a Vigil member to make nominations—any O.A. member can nominate. The names of all nominators are kept confidential by the Vigil Committee. To obtain nomination forms, call or send a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Vigil Honor Chairman. Specify the number of forms you want. The absolute deadline for all nominations to be made is February 29, 1972.

Please spread the word about Vigil Honor nominations by speaking to O.A. members in your home unit and having them nominate Arrowmen whom they think are worthy.

On October 19, 1971, a meeting of all Vigil members was held at Harkness Training Center. The selection procedure for this year was decided on at that time. Vigil members wishing to receive Vigil mailings for this year, should notify me as such, if they haven't already done so.

Chm.: Tom Reinhart
255-12 West End Dr.
Great Neck, N.Y. 11020
482-0373

Adv.: Mr. Rus Rensch, Jr.
822-7090



Brotherhood..

On the Wauwepex Fall Weekend 25 brothers sealed their membership in our Order. May they ever be firm in the Brotherhood and always remember our high purpose.

Thanks go to Brotherhood team members Gary Wildung, Steve Issacs and Roy Benasaraf. Thanks also go to Russ Rensch Jr. and Tony Marren who substituted for team members on Friday night and to the many brothers who helped in ceremony preparation and "ring alterations." The Brotherhood ceremonial ring was widened and greatly improved. We know that brothers who have yet to seal their membership will be appreciative of the improvements.

Those eligible brothers who wish to seal their membership should follow the instructions in the October Tab with one exception - all letters to the committee chairman should be addressed to:

Brian Corringham
3 Library Lane
Plainview, NY 11803

There will be Brotherhood ceremonies on both the Wauwepex and the Onteora Spring Weekends (see the special article in this Tab).

Brotherhood: "An Arrowman's Sacred Duty"

Wimachtendienk
Chm. Brian Corringham 681-8680

Adv. Mr. Robert Peters 826-3324



Camp Promotions..

The Camp Promotions Committee, like every other Committee in the Lodge, needs help. It would be pointless to go on and on asking for Brothers to volunteer.

If the Lodge wants any type of camp promotions done this year, we need people to help. If you can volunteer one or two nights a month starting in January, then we need you. It is as simple as that. The entire Camp Promotions Committee relies on one word—IF.

Chm: Neil Gitter 221-7742
Adv: Mr. John P. Biammanio Jr. 427-5758



Activities...

It's not too early to plan now—it is, after all, November and the forecast is SNOW—so break out your old Harts and wax them up—Buckskin Lodge is hitting the slopes.

With beginners in mind I have picked Davos—“Big Vanilla”—as a possible slope. We will travel with the highly rated company—“Butternut”. The date will be sometime in mid-February and the cost (with lift ticket and equipment) will be about \$18 (add a few Bucks for breakfast, lunch, and dinner). It will be a one day affair (leaving early and returning late) and it is open to non-Arrowmen (and Women).

Robert Munder is now Hoot Chairman, and he has some interesting ideas about changing the Hoot, including a professional act.

If you are interested in working with Activities call me.

Brian Ganin

466-9465



Help.....

In Nov. the Help Committee hit an all new record low in meeting attendance. Fifty-three committee members were contracted by mail one week in advance. A total of eleven people responded to the letter as requested, five favorably. However, at the meeting only 1 person showed up — out of fifty-three. CONGRATULATIONS Help Committee.

You people really don't want to get your Tabs, do you?

Dave Brooks

487-2937



H.T.E.....

I would first like to thank all those brothers who signed up on the last work weekend to help us handle our massive job. We still need many members for our committee so that the elections will go more smoothly. I urge all brothers, even if you are already on a committee to join the

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Brotherhood First at O.S.R.

By decision of the Executive Committee there will be a Brotherhood ceremony held at the Onteora Spring Fellowship Weekend for the first time. This precedent setting step was taken for several reasons.

First, it is felt that allowing brothers to seal their membership on the weekend can only strengthen the ties of fellowship between brothers attending the weekend and those who take advantage of this great additional opportunity to seal their vows in the Brotherhood.

The high purpose and magnetism of the ceremony will also renew the ideals and determinations of all Brotherhood members who come to witness the sealing of their brothers' vows. Taken seriously, the ceremony should help in achievement of the weekend's aim: Promotion of fellowship.

Second, and very significant, this

additional ceremony will make it possible for many more brothers to take the important step of Brotherhood membership than would have been able to previously. Because of the format of the ceremony we can allow only a limited number of brothers to seal their membership on each O.A. weekend. Now brothers who would have had to wait can seal their membership all the sooner because of the additional ceremony. Any brother who was inducted before the end of July 1971 will be eligible for this ceremony.

If you wish to seal your membership on either the Onteora or Wauwepex Weekends follow the instructions in the Tab for contacting the Brotherhood Chairman.

Brian Corrigham
Brotherhood Chairman

"Where To Go" Booklet One Dollar at Council or at the Trunk

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Home Troop Elections Committee. Without many more members it is possible that there may be problems with your troop's election. To sign up send a post card or letter to your corresponding district chairman. On the card put your name, address, phone number, and troop and district number.

If you think that you do not know the first thing about covering an election—don't worry. On Sunday, January 16, at 3:30 p.m. there will be a committee training session at Harkness Training Center. All committee members, new and old are urged to attend this important meeting. If for some reason you cannot come to this meeting please sign up anyway. We can always use members. So write your district chairman and remember the meeting on January 16th, Chm. Steve Isaacs 935-2676

District 1 John Wackerman
74 Roger Dr. Port Washington, N.Y.
District 2 Tom Lindtveit
1768 Harriet St., Elmont, N.Y.
District 3 Joseph Alfieri
53 Berkshire Rd., Hicksville, N.Y.

District 4 Bill Morrogl
2603 Grant Blvd., North Bellmore, N.Y.
District 5 Tom Demott
11 Grendville Ct., East Rockaway, N.Y.
District 6 John Deuel
4 Rossevelt St., Glen Head, N.Y.
District 7 Steve Scardina
124 Washington St., Farmingdale, N.Y.
District 8 Frank Kitzerow
2992 Milburn Ave., Baldwin, N.Y.
District 9 Bob Munder
16 I.U. Willets Rd. West, North Hills, Roslyn, N.Y.
District 10 Ted Friedman
840 Cynthia Dr., East Meadow, N.Y.
District 11 Mike Frazer
21 Adrienne Dr., Old Bethpage, N.Y.
District 12 John Berry
2996 Lawrence Dr., Wantagh, N.Y.

Happy Holidays

CAMPERS CORNER

Modern Talking Pictures offer a free color film on the uses of firearms. The film runs 28½ minutes and is entitled *The Great Tradition*. The film shows such places as Philmont and a scout camp in Vermont. It can be obtained by writing to Modern Talking Pictures, 1212 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10036. When writing for information be sure to include Troop number and location of the unit.

There are helpful booklets that can be obtained free of charge for use in merit badge study. *Big Game Animals* is a 24 page color brochure. It tells of eating and feeding habits of animals ranging from antelopes to grizzlies. Another helpful booklet is *Upland Game Birds*. This is a 32 page color brochure on birds from doves to turkeys. These booklets can be obtained by writing to Federal Cartridge Corp., 2700 Foshay Tower, Minneapolis Minnesota 55402.

Operation Igloo Information: The adult training will be held at Harkness Training Center on Shelter Rock Road, Roslyn at 8:00 PM on January 20 and 25, 1972. If the adult leader attended last year's training course and has a card he does not have to attend this year's course.

The Camp Promotions Comm.

BSA Inter-Relations

In order for the Inter-Relations Committee to work effectively we need the help of many people. Some people that help are the District Representatives. A partial list has been made available to you below:

Roy Benaserof	District 2 538-06688
Jerry Gress	District 4 781-0796
Joe Forry	District 7 249-3365
John Wobbe	District 8 223-8055
Bob Wilson	District 10 334-2160
Dave Frederick	District 11 249-7155

Other people that help are the Unit Representatives. If you're a Unit Leader please send the card you received in the mail to:

Ronnie Schnall
249 Colonial Ave.

Williston Park, N.Y. 11596

Remember: There's a Toy Collection at the Banquet.

Chm.:

Ronnie Schnall

746-4472