

# OCTORARO LODGE #22 BULLETIN

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IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING SPRING WEEKEND

Due to the present population of Octoraro 22 and to the expected large turnout of candidates at the upcoming Spring Ordeal (May 31-June 2), the necessity of limiting the number of candidates at this ordeal has been approved by your executive board. The manner in which the number of candidates will be restricted follows:

- (1) All "hold-overs" may take the ordeal if they desire and if all of the proper forms are completed.
- (2) The first one hundred and fifty (150) boys whose names have been submitted to vicechief Rick Puls by their District Unit Elections chairman will be permitted to attend the ordeal in the Spring. All other boys selected for the Spring Ordeal will be held over until the Fall. Plans are now being formulated to have two separate multi-ceremony weekends this Fall. Two weekends in the Spring seem a must in the future. Even with 150 boys as candidates, however, three ordeal ceremonies must be held. We hope that you understand the dilemna. above restrictions DO NOT apply to members.

CEREMONIAL CIRCLE

Most of the dozer work has been completed on the ceremonial circle. A small bulldozer will be in soon to start the building of the new entranceway. Also, a lot of the brush has been cleared from the face of the stone background. More help is still needed to finish this job. The circle must be ready by 1969. Attend the workday on April 27th.

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#### DUES

"Dues are Due." -- Brother Joseph Knipe. You can pay your back, present, and future dues at the upcoming Spring Ordeal or by sending them to Brother Joseph Knipe, 492 West Valley Road, Wayne, Pennsylvania. \$1.50 per year or \$10.00 for a LIFE MEM-BERSHIP. Members must be registered in some capacity of Scouting.

#### BRIDGE WORK

As of April 6, the new O.A. bridge over the Octoraro was well on its way to completion. Construction of both end towers is completed and all the steel is painted. The cables have been hung and steel erection should commence on the next work day. Tentative plans of our best optimists is for a completion date this Fall. -- Thomas McCabe

### TREASURER'S REPORT

At the April Executive Committee meeting, Corresponding Secretary Jim Vander Haar reported that there was a balance of \$1,139.74 in the treasury of Octoraro Lodge 22.

#### NOTICE TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee meeting for May will be held the first Sunday in May -May 5 - at 3:00 P.M. instead of 2:00 P.M. Please note the change in hour due to camporee activity.

LODGE ELECTIONS

Along with planning the Spring Ordeal goes the task of planning for the officer elections of the Lodge---Vice Chief, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary. At the April Executive Committee meeting it was decided that the Nominating Committee of the Lodge should select at least two boys to run for each office. Now the Nominating Committee would like to know who is interested. If you would like to run for an office, please write your intentions to me, Jim Vander Haar, 1255 Clearbrook Road, West Chester, Pa. 19380. I will promptly relay your intentions to the proper authorities. Declare your candidacy now and avoid the election day rush!

The immediate Lodge Calendar is as you see it below.

April 27 - Workday - Horseshoe May 31-June 2 - Spring Ordeal - Horseshoe June 23 - first day of the 1968 Camping Season

# 1969 CONFERENCE

Most of you are aware that the 1969 Area III-A Conference will be held at the Horseshoe Scout Reservation in the Spring of 1969. What most of you do not know is that much manpower is needed to make ready for this important affair. Octoraro 22 and Chester County Council can really put the other III-A Conferences to shame IF YOU HELP. Both men and boys are needed on the motley group of committees, some of which are listed below. For you muscular athletes, the new bridge and the ceremonial circle are some of the many projects with a brother like you in mind. Remember that the bridge and the circle must be completely finished no later than the early part of 1969!

Get to work in these areas now; the workday of April 27 and the Spring Ordeal are close at hand. And for the intellectual who is good with the thinker, many committees are in need of filling out such as the Conference Patch and Booklet Committees.

The most important but by no means, all of the committees are listed above in the next column. If you wish to become either a chairman or member of a committee, please contact Eric Lorgus, 704 Owen Road, West Chester, Pa. 19380. 1969 CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

This is only a partial list of Committees, but these are some of the more important ones.

> Registration Reception and Hospitality Conference Patch Physical Arrangements

- Road Signs
- Displays
- Buildings
- Decorations

Campsites and Guides
Conference Booklet
Service Crew
Health Lodge
Swimming Pool
Sound System
Trading Post
Food Service, Waiters and
Dishwashers

Ceremonial

- Teams
- Circle

Vigil Fellowship

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

When you have questions about the lodge, do not hesitate to call or write any of the members of the Executive Committe that includes the following: -

Gary Cummins, Chief 123 Cedar Hollow Road Paoli, Pa. 644-8022

John Hope 19 Rambling Lane Malvern, Pa. 6hh-736h

Chris George 1209 Green Hill Ave. West Chester, Pa. 696-2128 John Nixdorf 322 Washington Ave., Downingtown, Pa. 269-0266

Thomas McCabe 637 Nutt Road Phoenixville, Pa. 933-8164

Phil Swab Beverly Road, Kennett Square, Pa. 444-3049

The patch manufacturers did it again!
It looks as if Octoraro 22 will have to change its patch again. The new patches with black borders are not supposed to have black borders; these will be worth a fortune in a few years. (April fools)

# APRIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

To date, your Executive Committee for 1967-68 has had seven meetings. The Executive Committee is the policy-making body for the Lodge. Only the boys may vote, but the men serve as important advisors.

The April meeting lasted for an unusually long time, but this is to be expected of the few meetings before the two ordeals. The meeting this month concerned itself with two different measures. Those measures were review of the present elections procedure and the new ordeal policy.

The old policy provided that one boy be nominated by the Nominating Committee for each office of the Lodge. However, it was noted that last year only a few of the boys showed up. Therefore, this committee will nominate at least two for each office. A person can still be nomnated from the floor. If you are interested in running, contact Jim Vander Haar. (Address inside) The changes in the number of candidates is explained in this paper in another section.

The question about forms for the unit elections Chairmen was brought up. They will be promptly printed so that the Chairmen will have official forms to hand in to Rick Puls.

The need for more Brotherhood Cards was cited; this problem will be alleviated by the Brothers of Troop 65, who will print the cards up. More "dear candidate" cards will be printed up and given to the prospective members at the District Camporees, if they are tapped-out here.

Also at the April Meeting the following committees gave reports: the projects committee, the Area III-A Steering Committee, the unit elections committee, the Nominating committee, and the Ordeal Committee.

"Not so much for what you have done as for what you are expected to do." --

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