

Octoraro
Lodge
22

WULAMOC



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Brothers,



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As the winter months approach, the lodge needs your support. There are many activities that need to be planned and things to be achieved. In order to do this, we **NEED YOU!** The executive committee is a great place to grow within the lodge. If you are interested, call me at 647-2512. With increased participation, the lodge has more opportunities available to itself and it becomes an example for all other lodges to follow.

Yours in Brotherhood,

COUNCIL OF CHIEFS

At the first COC held in the new Section 4-B, we met almost all of our new friends. Among them are Sanhican 2, Hunnikick 6, Lekau 77, Apatukew 107, Gitche Sumece 423, and Schiwa Pew Names 535. Two other lodges that are still with us are Unami 1 and Delmont 43. Among other things, there was talk about the future of our new section. The 1989 Conclave will be held at Resica Falls Camp on June 16-18, 1989 and will be hosted by our neighbors, Delmont 43. Camp Horseshoe will be the sight for the 1991 Conclave. Mark Morris was selected to head the training program for this year's conclave. Octoraro has been selected to head the patch auction.

The second COC this year was on November 20. At this meeting the major plans for the activities at the conclave were discussed. Plans for a theme and patch design were made and the budget for the conclave was passed. The price for the conclave will be \$16.50. All people who are interested in attending the next COC in January or the conclave, please contact Chief Chet as soon as possible.

THE WEEKENDS

The winter is just beginning, but it is already time to think of the spring ordeals. A cycle has been created in the lodge of a never ending system where we create in the spring and take down in the fall. In September, we cleaned up from the Polish Jamboree, put away tents and tarps, and winterized the camp. During the spring ordeals, a few months away, we will put those tents back up and get the camp ready for the summer. We carried on some special projects in the fall. Among them were the repair of the bridge which will hopefully continue in the spring with the addition of some new decking for the bridge. As for the fall ordeal candidates, they all passed despite some slip-ups in the mid-day meal song. Maybe the spring candidates will be a little more attentive and be able to avoid these slip-ups. The ceremonies team from the fall deserves a special thank-you for braving the rain as do all of those who worked so hard to make the fall ordeal a success. But, mind you that the work is not done. The spring weekends will include much of the usual fun, fellowship and work as well as an assignment to roof a few buildings, and a special mission to clean and paint "The White Pit." Hope to see all of those who attended the fall weekend in the spring, along with many more helping hands.

ATTENTION !!! WINTER CAMP STAFFING !!! HELP !!!

Many weekends are still open from now until March. Winter camp staffing is a great way for the O/A members to get service projects. It's a simple and fun job. You just go down to Horseshoe and supply a helping hand. A good time is had by all. If interested, contact Scott Normansell at 347-1752.



EDITORIAL

When E. Urner Goodman created the Order of the Arrow, it was intended to be an extension of and a supplement to the Boy Scouts of America program, and as such, was meant to be operated under Lord Baden Powell's system of Boy Leadership. Now, although to some this may seem to be a contradiction of terms, the BSA has been going over three-fourths of a century, and isn't showing any signs of quitting yet!

The key to the success of the Boy Leadership in Boy Scouts is the level of interest shown by the youth. Alas, this is not the case in Octoraro Lodge 22. The boys of the Executive Committee, who ought to be leading the way and taking initiative for decision making, are content to rely entirely upon their advisors, submitting department reports such as "All went well," or "No report." Thus the adults are forced into taking an active role to make up for the ineptitude of the Boy Committee, rather than remaining in advisory positions as outlined by E. Urner Goodman.

The solution to this problem is twofold. Firstly, on the part of the regular attendees of Lodge Function. These are the "Educated Voters" of Lodge #22, and it is they that choose the Committee Officers who serve on the Executive Board. It is up to these voters to choose a candidate with zeal and initiative. One who has the motivation to take matters into his own hands, rather than allowing others to decide for him is what we want. Secondly, the responsibility is with the candidates themselves. Members should not offer themselves as candidates merely to win Vigil Honor Nomination. Instead they must be willing to serve and to take an active interest in their duties, thereby bringing new bite into the lodge.

Although activity and interest in the lodge has been wavering in recent years, new energy could revitalize us and get all of the members of the lodge involved. Youth involvement is the cornerstone of a successful boy-run organization, and with a revitalized group in the Executive Committee and in the Lodge activities, we can make the Lodge of Octoraro flourish.

A SPECIAL TRIBUTE

Dave Horton has been an invaluable asset to our lodge over the past few years. Dave was an Eagle scout as a youth. He became the Lodge Staff Advisor in 1981. From 1982-1987 he held the position of Section Staff Advisor. He obtained the Vigil Honor in 1983 and attended the NOAC's at Rutgers, Michigan, and Colorado. Dave is resigning as a professional scouter this year. He expects to remain active in scouting as a volunteer. We thank Dave for being always "unselfish in the service and devotion to the welfare of others."

JOKE OF THE MONTH

Chet: Hey Jeff, do you know what you call a line of rabbits walking backwards?

Jeff: No, what?

Chet: A receding hairline!

CALENDAR

Jan. 8	Executive Com. Mtg.
Feb. 5.....	Executive Com. Mtg.
Feb. 26.....	Executive Com. Mtg.
Mar. 4.....	OA Banquet
Apr. 2.....	Executive Com. Mtg.
Apr. 28-30.....	Service Weekend

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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IMPROVE CAMPING IN YOUR TROOP

Does the camping system in your troop seem to be lacking in any respect? If this is true, this article may help to revitalize it. There are certain problems that cause this condition, but solutions can always be found to solve them.

Often, a troop's camping equipment becomes weathered, out-dated, broken, or just worn out. When this happens, a fund raiser is needed to create money to repair or replace the equipment. Fund raisers like hoagie sales, candy sales, or raffles are all good easy money-makers. Once you have accumulated enough money, shop around and look for the best buys on the things you need. This may help to solve your problem, but often it is only one step in the right direction. Another problem facing your troop may be the lack of enthusiasm and attendance at your meetings. In order to keep scouts interested and excited, trips must be made to places that the scouts will enjoy and if possible, to new places. These outings must be well planned and the plans should always be carried out. If possible, always visit the sight to get a preview of the trip.

Planning is the most important part of any trip if you want it to be successful. Several weeks before the trip, plan a well-balanced menu and know how it is to be cooked. Also, have a schedule or calendar of events for the trip so that the boys can know what to expect. Without proper preparation before a trip, the chances of success diminish.

Camping is one of the most important things in scouting. Without it, the boys in your troop will not get to experience the great outdoors to its greatest potential. The most important thing to remember when camping is: Enjoy the outdoors!



CAMPING PROMOTIONS

It is now time to be thinking about summer camp for next year. If your troop would like to have a slide presentation, please contact Jeremy Metz at 363-9435 and make a date for the showing.

A LODGE SOCIAL

At the November executive committee meeting, the possibility of adding a purely social event to the lodge calendar was discussed. Suggested ideas were: a ski trip, a white water rafting trip, or a picnic. This would be a purely fun event and most likely to take place in the winter months when our lodge has the least planned on the calendar. If any ideas come your way, please contact Chief Chet at 647-2512 or Steve Licn at 647-9579.



A POST CARD FROM MOTHER GOOSE

Hi Y'all,

I have officially flown south for the winter. I have a nice nest here in Palm Springs and I am enjoying golf, tennis, swimming, and even surfing. I am looking forward to reading the next Wulomoc and will be writing again soon.

Mother Goose

BITS AND PIECES

The banquet will be held on the fourth of March at the Kimberton Fire Hall. Roast beef will be the main course with many fine side dishes.

O/A supplies are on sale at the Council office in West Chester. Stop by and browse.

It's not too early to begin thinking about preparing to get Brotherhood in the spring. You need ten months service in the lodge and three service projects.

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

It is a slow time of the year in the lodge, but we must remember to remain in touch with the lodge. Try to get involved in what you can. Writing articles for the Wulamoc is a good way to do this. If you have any ideas, call me at 647-9579 or write to: Steven Lien

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BROTHERHOOD

Well, it's a new year, and maybe some of you would like to earn the Brotherhood degree before it's over. It's not hard to do. As long as you have been in the Lodge for ten months, have attended three service weekends and done two service projects, you are eligible. Those of you who have been in the Lodge for the required ten months or longer should soon be receiving a letter telling you exactly what you need to do to become a Brotherhood member of the Lodge.

DUES REMINDER!

This is the time of year when all members are required to pay their annual dues-5.00 per year or \$25.00 for a lifetime membership.

If you haven't paid your dues yet you can mail your check to the Council Service Center. If you pay by mail, be sure to clearly indicate the check is for OA dues.

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