



New Officers take Charge

At the April 2004 Service weekend new lodge officers were elected for the new term. In order to service you better their phone numbers, addresses, and e-mail addresses are listed below.

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The First Annual Alumni Reunion Day

Mark your calendars, Saturday July 8, 2000 is the First Annual Alumni Reunion Day to be held at Horseshoe Scout Reservation. The newly formed Horseshoe Scout Reservation Alumni Association is organizing and running the event. All Alumni of the Reservation are invited and encouraged to attend. For registration information go to the Alumni Association website. www.hsraa.org.

The Chief's Bonnet

Brothers, the year was full of exciting and innovative programs. The new millennium started off with amazing strength and enthusiasm. The lodge was named one of two E. Erner Goodman Camping Award recipients in the North East Region, and one of eight in the nation. The award is very prestigious and this happens to be the lodges fourth time

receiving it. This just proves how strong the lodge has become and the potential we still have as a collective. I would also like to congratulate our new brothers that completed their ordeal this April. It was the first time the lodge has ever had candidates take their ordeal on camp Ware. I fell it was a great success. I would like to take this opportunity, as the last time as your chief to thank YOU. Without the support of people like yourselves, the lodge will not be the success that it is today. I could never explain the joy the lodge has given me throughout this last year and I hope that you shared in some of that joy as well. Thanks again for all the memories.

Yours In Brotherhood.
Clee P. Brun
Lodge Chief Octoraro 22



Memories of the Past...A Vision for the Future

Nearly 75 years have passed since the inception of our Lodge and like any other year, our new lodge leadership will be taking over the reigns of the Lodge this weekend. I have titled this article Memories of the Past...A Vision for the Future for a few reasons. First, during the upcoming year, we will be celebrating our 75 years of service and it will be a time to remember the past. From Dr. E. Urner Goodman to Mr. Bruce M. Goodman, our Lodge has had many influences from the great men, including many Scout Executives. However, most notably, Louis Lester, the Scout Executive who assisted the Lodge in the construction of our Lodge Building.

Our memories of the past have brought us to where we as a Lodge are today. However, now is the time to see the visions for the future. As stated before, we will be inducting our new Lodge Officers as we begin our vision for the future. Nevertheless, we are in need of support. There are many positions in the Lodge for service. So Brothers, I charge you to help us find the visions of the future, and start your involvement on the Lodge Committee. If you would like to get involved, please see me sometime this weekend, or contact me via phone at 610-935-2695 or email at mellon@octoraro.org

In Brotherhood,
Matt Griffin
Lodge Chief-Elect

Camp Ware Ordeal Stumbles in the Dark but comes out Successful

A little change occurred last Ordeal weekend. The Ordeal candidates' first night was spent at Camp Ware instead of at Camp Horseshoe. Following the Acheketum Circle ceremony the candidates headed out only to find the road to Ware was a little hard to navigate in the dark. They finally bedded down for the night after stumbling all the way to Camp Ware's athletic field. The candidates second day began like every other Ordeal with a satisfying breakfast and off to cheerful service. The Lodge learned one lesson following the candidates' breakfast. The burnt ash marks that dotted the field from their

fires may be there for a little while to come. Overall it turned out to be a success and showed that a little change never hurt anyone. (except for the Camp Ware field).

Upcoming Conclave to be Held at Goose Pond Scout Reservation



Next weekend (June 9, 10, 11) is the NE-4A Conclave at Goose Pond hosted by Lowwapaneu Lodge 191. Octoraro Lodge will be there of course, to enjoy the fun and fellowship. We hope to see as many of our brothers in attendance as possible. For more information, contact Ed Dougherty (610)388-1708

NOAC 2000



The National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC 2000) will be held at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN on July 29 through August 3. For more information, contact Ed Dougherty (610)388-1708

Saying of the Weekend: **“If you walk in another’s tracks, you leave no footprints.”**

Handicapped Camporee needs help

The Handicapped Camporee is approaching fast. We are still looking for help from our brothers. The dates for this event are June 23-25th at Camp John H Ware III. Anyone wishing to help may call Karen Griffin at (610)935-2695 or Susan Fisher at (610)436-9539. Or you can see one of us during this weekend. Thank you for your help.

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Upcoming Events

- June 3 Lodge 22 Committee meeting at HSR, 4:30pm
9-11 Section NE-4A Conclave, Goose Pond SR
- July 21-23 Vigil Weekend at Camp Horseshoe
29-August 3 NOAC University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- August 21-22 Lodge Committee Summit
- Sept. 10 Lodge Committee Meeting at Council, 2pm
22-24 Fellowship Weekend at HSR
23 Lodge Committee Meeting at HSR, 4:30pm
- Nov. 5 Lodge Committee Meeting at Council, 2pm

Reminders

-Anyone interested in taking their Brotherhood test should sign up at the Lodge Building Friday night. You must have 10 months of service to be eligible for Brotherhood.

-Scoutmasters: If your troop does not have an OA Troop Representative and you would like one, please contact Matt Griffin at 610-935-2695

-If you would like a Unit Elections, call Tim Zirkel at 610-273-2258 and he can arrange one for you.

-Anyone interested in being on the Lodge Committee as a Committee Chair or assistant please contact John Reilly 610-696-1685

-You can sign up for Lodge List to receive announcements and messages over the web at www.octoraro.org/online

