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from the editor

Hello Brothers,

We're well into the new year now, and I am sure that most of us have all but forgotten those New Year's resolutions that we made way back when. Well, regardless, here are a few I think we can all benefit from:

A little less impatient with those we deem too slow;

A little less of arrogance because of all we know;

A little more humility seeing our worth is slight;

We are such trivial candles compared to stars at night!

A little more forgiving and swifter to be kind;

A little more desirous the word of praise to find;

The word of praise to utter and make a heart rejoice;

A little more careful to speak with gentle voice.

A little more true eagerness to understand each other;

A little more real striving to help a shipwrecked brother;

A little more high courage to each task that must be done;

These be our resolutions-and God help every one!

-- Anonymous

See you at the Banquet!

Jim

GENTLE REMINDERS DEPT.

Attention Ordeal Members: remember that you next chance to seal your membership in the Order by receiving the Brotherhood Honor will be at the upcoming Ordeal Weekend in April. If you have ten months service as a Lodge Member (which means you were inducted last June or before) and you meet the other requirements, which were outlined in the last issue, you are eligible to become a Brotherhood Member.

Keep in mind that our Lodge has only 25% of its eligible members as Brotherhood members and this is far below the 50% figure set by National as a part of Boypower '76. So let's get going!!!!!!!

MEMBERSHIP FIGURES

927 Ordeal Members

238 Brotherhood Members

73 Vigil Honor Members
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TOTAL = 1,238 Arrowmen

PAID YOUR DUES ???

If you haven't then you shouldn't be reading this since you are no longer registered as a member of our Lodge. To have your name put back on the rolls, send your \$3.00 re-instatement to: Joe Knipe, 492 W. Valley Rd. Wayne, PA. 19087.

JUST A REMINDER

Of the annual Lodge Spring Workday to be held on Saturday March 18, 1972 at Camp Horseshoe. 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM -- See you there

HISTORY OF OCTORARO LODGE

In 1915, E. Urner Goodman, director of the Treasure Island Camp of Philadelphia Council, organized the Wilmachtendienk W.W. as the highest of camp honors. Each troop chose a scout who was then inducted into what was the beginning of our Order. Other nearby councils soon heard of this camp honor group and sought information from Dr. Goodman.

In the next few years, more honor groups were formed, and in 1924 Charles M. Heistand, then Scout Executive of the Chester County Council, B.S.A., wrote to the National Chief for information regarding this newly formed organization, now known as the Order of the Arrow. He became interested in the program through Mr. Horace Kern, Scout Executive of the Philadelphia Council at the time.

The charter for Lodge #22 was approved on May 17, 1926, and nine candidates were received into the Lodge at a ceremony of induction held at Hilldale, weekend campsite of the Chester County Council. This campsite was located at the site of an old paper mill along the banks of the Brandywine Creek, west of the County seat of West Chester. The nine charter members of the new Lodge were given their induction by E. Urner Goodman, founder of the Order and Scout Executive of Philadelphia Council. Later that same year an additional class of 41 candidates was inducted at Pine Grove Furnace in the South Mountains of Pennsylvania, known as Camp Rothrock.

Many of the Lodge members have done service to the Order in a capacity greater than that of a Council level. Three charter members have gone to a National Level. Chief Heistand continued in professional Scouting, and served on the National Order of the Arrow Committee and as Assistant Chief Scout Executive. Joseph H. Brinton, our Lodge's first Sakima was elected National Chief in 1937 and went on to serve on the National Committee until 1948 when he too entered professional Scouting.

LODGE HISTORY (cont'd)

In 1929, Benjamin Thomas was appointed Grand Chief to study and improve the rituals by infusing more real costumes and lore.

On a more local level, Ronald Sykes served as Area Chief in 1952 and former Scout Executive Louis Lester served as advisor to the original Area E Fellowship Conferences.

The Lodge name "Octoraro" was chosen after the Council established the present camp in 1928 along the Octoraro Creek, near Rising Sun, Maryland. Octoraro, a word of Leni-Lenape origin, was the name given to the fast stream which forms a horseshoe around the original farm and camp; long before white men settled in the area. After a heavy rain in that section of the country, the stream would rise so fast and become so muddy, that it was well known among the Leni-Lenape and others as Octoraro or "Muddy River". By contrast, however, over long periods of good weather, Indians and others traveled many miles on foot and on horseback to fish in this stream, then, as now, known for its fine fishing.

In 1934, the National Council approved the Order of the Arrow and again in 1948 the National Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of America, upon recommendation from its Committee on Camping, approved the complete integration of the Order of the Arrow into the Scouting program. (to be continued in coming issues)

CAN YOU FILL THESE SHOES?



★ ANNOUNCING ★

PATCH DISPLAYS

THE

PATCH AUCTION

OCTORARO

"TRADER'S BANQUET"

TRADER'S

WEEKEND

Special appearance by:

"THE OCTORARO TRADER"

MOVIE

"FIRESIDE SWAPPING"

WHY? To give the traders of the Lodge a chance to get together and TRADE!

WHEN? Saturday and Sunday, April 8&9, 1972-- Registration begins at 10:00.

WHERE? Camp Horseshoe -- The Lodge Building will be the center of activities. Sleeping accomodations are: The Lodge Building, Timberline campsite, or whatever private campers, etc. you wish to bring.

MEALS? Bring your own lunch on Saturday. Your fee covers dinner, breakfast, and snacks.

COST? The fee for the entire weekend is only \$1.75. Please make all checks payable to Jim Matthews. Due to limited facilities, attendance has been limited to 35 brothers on a first come, first served basis. So get your reservation in NOW! The deadline for all reservations is March 23, 1972. Please complete the bottom portion and return it with your check or money order for \$1.75 to: Jim Matthews, 18 Harvey Lane, Malvern, PA 19355. If this pilot weekend is a success, we hope to be able to have a much larger one in near future.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Boy _____ Adult _____

Address: _____ Date: _____

City: _____

I have a lot / a little / no / trading experience.

I will / will not be able to bring a patch display.

I will / will not contribute to the patch auction.



THE OCTORARO TRADER

This month's installment deals with our own Lodge's flaps. Octoraro Lodge has issued many flaps in its 46 year history, there are 11 in all.

The first of the pocket flaps was issued in 1958. It depicts a white goose flying in the blue skies of Camp Horseshoe. The border is green, symbolic of the many woods and trees at Horseshoe, and the lettering is red and white. This patch is commonly referred to as the "cut edge blue".

The next patch was issued in 1963 and is basically the same as the first except that it is not as wide, and the blue background is slightly different. The goose is also slightly changed.

There is an interesting story behind the next three flaps, which tends to confuse the untrained eye. The first has a red border with a yellow background standing for the muddy Octoraro Creek; a black horseshoe representing the Reservation; and a white, migrating goose flying through it. The second is similar in all respects except that it has the words "Chester County Council" across the bottom. The third is identical to the second except in the Chester County Council. The lettering in all three is red. Pick up the difference between the second two? The only one is that the first carries "Chester County Council" with the quotes, while the second has the quotes removed. Interesting isn't it. The story is that the first set was ordered without the Council name, then, on the second order, the patch company was instructed to add "Chester County Council" and they did just that, quotes and all! On the next order, the correct flaps were obtained. This was the story given at the time, but from time to time, there have been some who have doubted its validity. These patches were issued in 1964, 1965, and 1966 respectively.

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In 1968, another patch was issued which differed from the last only in that it had a black border.

In 1969 another patch was issued, changing only the color of the nails in the horseshoe, from black to white.

The eighth flap proved to be a replica of the second patch issued, that is blue with a green border. However, in this edition the goose was shorter and fatter and the colors are a shade different. In addition, the overall size is a bit smaller.

In 1971 the ninth flap was issued. It is the silver bordered, multi-colored patch which is now our official Lodge flap. Because of the beauty of this flap, it has proven to be a hot trading item in the short time since its issue.

The tenth flap issued was a red bordered edition with white nails in the horseshoe. It is somewhat similar to the earlier red borders.

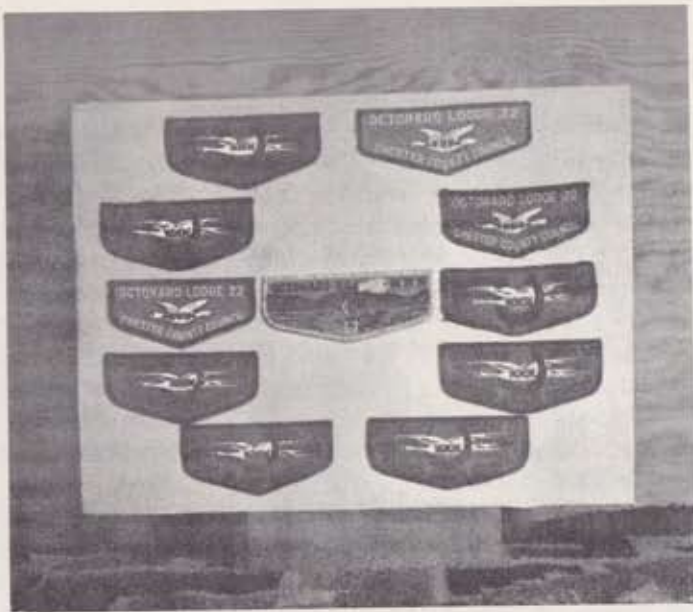
The eleventh and most recent issue is another patch company "mistake". It is an exact reprint of the two black bordered issues except that the nails in the horseshoe are red!!!! Come on mysterious mistake maker, whoever you are, who ever heard of a horseshoe with red nails????? In the opinion of the Octoraro Trader, this idea of slight variations has gone a little bit too far.

That concludes this installment. Have fun building your own collection and look for more info in coming issues. (Don't forget to attend the upcoming Lodge Patch Trader's Weekend, it will be a great place to get your collection going, or make an addition to it. See pages 5 and 6 for details.)

QUOTABLE QUOTES DEPT.

"If you demand an eye for an eye,
we'll all be blind."

--Rev. Martin Luther King



(clockwise from top rt.) Issue No. 1,2,3,4,5,6,
7,8,10,11.(center) Issue No. 9
(photo by Heegard)



ALL BROTHERHOOD MEMBERS:-

At each ORDEAL weekend, Brother John RASMUSSEN and Committee, are on hand and available to take photographs of ALL BROTHERHOOD MEMBERS.

The Lodge is compiling a "ROGUES GALLERY" of ALL BROTHERHOOD MEMBERS for the purpose of identification when Brotherhood Members become eligible (after two (2) years in the Brotherhood Honor), to be a CANDIDATE for the VIGIL HONOR.

With over 1,200 Lodge Members it is sometimes quite difficult for the Vigil Fellowship to identify who is who by name only - a picture has proved to be the answer !

Brotherhood Members - IF you HAVE NOT as yet had your picture taken by this Committee - PLEASE be sure to CONTACT Brother RASMUSSEN and arrange for a time to be photographed.

Starting with APRIL 1972 Brotherhood Ceremony, ALL CANDIDATES for Brotherhood MUST PRESENT a picture of themselves to the Chairman of the Brotherhood Committee, AT REGISTRATION TIME, to be eligible to take the Brotherhood Ceremony. NO PICTURE - NO CEREMONY !

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Brothers DAVE BARTLETT and FRED REITIN-OUR of Troop 49 were awarded their Eagles at recent ceremonies. Brother GARY ALTHOUSE of Troop 77 was presented with his Eagle and Bronze Palm at his Troop's Banquet in January. Lots of action in Kennett Square, at recent ceremonies, Brothers CHUCK LAWRENCE and BOB MINSHALL were awarded their Eagles. CHUCK and BOB were also presented with Brandywine Trail medals. Also receiving trail medals were Brothers CURT HAWKINS and RICH DePIPPPO. All of these Brothers are from Troop 57. On another front, Troop 100 can boast two new Eagles this month, they are Brothers PHIL BALDERSTON and MARK CAVANAUGH.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Pursuant to our Lodge Rules adopted April 25, 1971, Section III-a & b and Section VIII - a, notice is hereby given that at the regular Lodge Business Meeting on Sunday April 30, 1972 (April Ordeal) , an election will be held for: Lodge Chief, Lodge Vice-Chiefs (2) , Lodge Corresponding Secretary, Lodge Recording Secretary, & Lodge Treasurer. Also, 3 Lodge Trustees (2 boys and 1 adult) will be elected for the term ending April 1975.

Further information concerning the duties of each of the Officers will appear in the next issue (early April). If you have any questions, you can contact me at Grubb Rd., R.D. #2, Malvern, PA 19355 (tel. 644-3964)



Steve Darby
Nominating Chairman