

CHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL



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Dear Brothers:



Chief's I would like to take this time to offer a little communication to you so that Bonnet you are up to date as to what is happening in the lodge.
We are now at the half-way point of this year and I feel

that the lodge has been having a very successful season so far. At this point we are entering the busiest time of the scouting year and I would like to point out some of the work and activities that are being done by the Brothers of our lodge.

The Winter Camp Staffing crews have done a very fine job during each of the winter camping weekends at Camp Horseshoe.

The Camp Promotion committee is working very hard right now to keep up with the demand for our promotion programs. They are to be commended for all the valuable work they are doing to help Chester County Council.

Our Unit Elections Chairmen are also very busy organizing the elections for our two upcoming Ordeal Weekends in April and June.

Alan Fegley and the Program Development committee are doing very will in implementing and distributing the Section 5-A program help sheets. These sheets contain suggested information to aid in planning successful troop meetings and they do have some very interesting and workable ideas.

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The second Section 5-A Conclave, hosted by Amad Ahi Lodge #542, is scheduled for June 13-15 at Goose Pond Scout Reservation. This conclave is shaping up to be another informative and significant event in the ongoing progress of Section 5-A and will bring together a number of young men and adults from the different lodges in the section. Right now Octoraro Lodge is assembling its delegation to the June conclave and is looking for a total of 24 delegates. If you are interested in becoming a delegate, please detach and fill in the below form and send it to:

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RELEVENTE SHORTAGE

That's right! You can help to at least ease one of the shortages facing our beleaguered community right now. Do your part to alleviate the strain that has increased unemployment, raised prices, and created unwanted free time. On Saturday, April 5, Octoraro Lodge #22 is sponsoring their annual spring EMPLOYMENT day at Camp Horseshoe. This is THE chance to offer your services towards the improvement and increased availability of programs offered by Chester County Council to the many scouts and scouters who stay at Horseshoe throughout the year. This ambitious endeavor commences at 9:00 and will continue to 4:30. For all members working toward Brotherhood ths is a perfect opportunity to help complete requirement II.6. (vellow Brotherhood Service Record card) and also to take an active part in lodge affairs.

Bring your favorite tools and as many of your fellow Brothers as possible to this workday. Hope to see you there!

When the earth began to put forth plants and trees, gardens and forests bloomed throughout the land. But the trees were greatly afraid of the iron in the earth. "The time will come," they said to each other, "When from the iron man will fashion axes, and will chop us down and make an end of us."

The iron heard the trees muttering to each other and said: "How silly you are to fear me when you have the preventive in your power. If you live together in peace, how can I harm you? Where will I get the wood for the handle of the axe?

-Ancient Legend

read this CALENDAR

Saturday, April 5, is the annual spring workday of Octoraro Lodge and will be held at Camp Horseshoe. Work will begin at about 9 and run to 4:30. Bring all of your favorite tools and be dressed to work.

At the April OA Ordeal and Work Weekend, elections will be held for the 1975-1976 Octoraro Lodge officers. If your are planning April 25-27-0A Ordeal and or running for Vice-chief, treasurer, recording secretary, or corresponding secretary, plan on preparing for your campaign starting now. Details will be forth coming and you can also get in touch with one of your lodge officers.

The March 15 Octoraro Lodge banquet held at the Kimberton Fire Hall was a huge success. Over 350 people attended this event which was capped by the impressive Vigil Honor call ling out ceremony.

Prospective Brotherhood members had a chance to pass some of their requirements for the Brother hood Honor at various meet ings held in the districts earlier this month.

Important OA dates to keep in mind for the spring.

April 5-0A Workday at Camp Horseshoe. An excellent opportunity for fulfilling one of the requirements toward be coming a Brotherhood member.

April 6-0A Executive Comm. meeting.

Service Weekend. Plan on setting aside this date.

May 30-June 1-0A Ordeal Service Weekend. Camp Horseshoe.

June 6-8-Scout Show. Held at West Chester State College. Council-wide display of scouting in action.

June 13-15-Section 5A Conclave at Goose Pond Scout Reservation.

August 18-22-National OA Conference at Miami University in Oxford Ohio.

Further details and information concerning the above dates is forthcoming.

As you can see there is a lot going on in our lodge all the time. Now I would like to mention a few important events that are coming up in the near future that you should be aware of. First, the Brotherhood Advancement meetings, which were held during the week of March 17-21. All Ordeal members were not able to attend and are eligible for Brotherhood, should contact Ed Feeney (687-3564) for further information on what you can still do before the April Ordeal and Work Weekend.

The Lodge Banquet was held on March 15 at the Kimberton Fire Hall. This yearly event was again a tremendous success thanks to the efforts of the Vigil Fellowship and Banquet Chairman Herb Warner.

In addition, the Executive Committee of Octoraro Lodge has designed, approved, and ordered a totally new Lodge Backpatch and Mug. These items display the current design that can also be found in the lodge neckerchief and silver bordered flap. Hopefully, these items will be available for sale at the April l .eal Weekend.

Finally, I would like to say that in my dealings with the Section 5-A, I have often come into contact with many members of the other lodges in the section. I have had the opportunity to see how these other lodges operate and what their programs are like. From my observations, I still believe that Octoraro Lodge #22 is, if not the best, than one of the better lodges in our section. I am proud to be chief of this lodge and honored to represent such outstanding men and boys as those of Octoraro Lodge #22.

Yours in Brotherhood,

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