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IN MEMORIAM

It is with the deepest regret that we announce the very tragic loss of two of our Brothers, Vigil Honor member Thomas Walker Murray, Sr. and Ordeal member David Bruce Murphy, due to automobile accidents on July 30 and July 29 respectively. Brother Murray, who was the Scoutmaster of Phoenixville Troop 17, had just become a Vigil Honor member in June of this year. He was 44. Brother Murphy, aged 14, was a member of Hopewell Troop 8, and had been inducted into the Lodge this past June.

We humbly and very sincerely dedicate
this edition of the WULAMOC to the
treasured memories of:

Brother Thomas W. Murray

Brother D. Bruce Murphy

from the editor

The Wulamoc is the official bulletin for Octoraro Lodge #22, and its purpose shall be to keep our members informed of Lodge activities and Lodge business. It may also include (from time to time) additional information or material, such as national OA news, poems, jokes, and articles of interest. The word "Wulamoc" can be translated as meaning "truth teller."

It is our hope that "Members in the News," a column that was begun last year, can be expanded this year and can appear in every issue. In order to achieve this goal, we will need the cooperation of the membership. This column is designed to inform all of our members about the achievements of individuals in our Lodge. Thus we would appreciate the aid of all members to get that information for the column. If you know a bit of special information about some OA member, such as their becoming an Eagle Scout, receiving the God and Country Award, receiving an honor in the community or at school, doing a special service to the community, or participating in an OA dance team, etcetera, PLEASE by all means contact your district reporter and tell him.

Any articles or information that you would like to see printed in the WULAMOC please send to your district reporter or directly to the editor. Any comments, criticism, corrections, or contributions would be gratefully accepted if sent to:

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Letters to the editor may be printed.

The Chief's Message

Dear Brothers,

On behalf of Octoraro Lodge #22, I would like to express my thanks to Larry Garver for the great job he did last year, and extend to him my best wishes for the future.

We have revised the Executive Committee in an effort to increase participation among the committee members. In this way, you as Lodge members will be better represented.

Throughout the coming year, I will be stressing two important matters. The first is that of a quality, not quantity Lodge. Although not a serious problem yet, I feel that far too many candidates are being brought into our Order as a direct result of increased quotas, and the honor of being an Order of the Arrow member has lessened in the eyes of potential candidates. We can alleviate this problem, however, by urging Scoutmasters to allow fewer candidates to be elected than the quota states. If this can be accomplished the OA will be an honor, not a hand-out.

Unlike the first problem, the matter of activeness is entirely up to YOU. Everyone must learn to give a little more of himself to the Lodge, even if it is a small thing. Attendance at workdays, for example, should greatly increase. We are working on ideas in hopes of making workdays more enjoyable, but all will go for naught if attendance is weak. Let's all give 110% for making and helping our Lodge become the finest Lodge that we can.

Yours in service,

Bucky Jones
Lodge Sakima

New Officers Elected

At the spring Ordeal weekend held June 5-7, our lodge members elected officers for the coming year. There were many Brothers present at the Sunday morning business meeting when this took place, and the outgoing officers were happy with the increased interest on the part of the membership. Doing his usually fine job, Bob Behrle (Nominating Committee Chairman) rounded up an excellent slate of candidates. This year's election was unique in recent history in that two officers, the secretaries, were elected to another term. Also, at the business meeting a motion was approved naming Buck Jones as our next Lodge Chief without an election, since he was the only candidate. Originally there was to be a runoff election between the two Vice Chiefs that were elected last year. The results of the election were:

Chief: Buck Jones
Vice Chiefs: Steve Darby
Ken Tinsman
Corresponding Secretary: Rob Hopkins
Recording Secretary: Joe Eagan
Treasurer: Skip Smith

Our Lodge Chief, Buck Jones, is a Life Scout in Willistown 78. Buck has been very active in Lodge activities within the past year while serving our Lodge as Vice Chief. Inducted in the spring of 1968, he is a Brotherhood member of our Lodge. Buck has displayed leadership abilities while directing his patrol to first place at the Conestoga District Camporee two years running, while serving as Senior Patrol Leader in his troop, and while working on the summer camp staff at Camp Horseshoe for three years. Buck previously served our Lodge as Projects Chairman and by working on individual committees, such

as the one that brought about the establishment of an annual April Ordeal. He is a member of the Lodge ceremonial team and has participated in several Ordeal and Brotherhood Ceremonies. He hopes to involve the membership to a greater degree in Lodge activities.

Steve Darby is one of our Vice Chiefs. An Eagle Scout in Willistown Troop 78, Steve has been active in Lodge activities over the past year while serving as Projects Chairman. He is a member of the Lodge ceremonial team and he was on one of the crews that went down to camp this past winter at Horseshoe in an effort to help the troops staying there. He led his patrol to first place at the spring Conestoga District Camporee, and Steve will become assistant senior patrol leader of his in the near future. Steve was inducted in the spring of 1968 and he is now a Brotherhood member of our Lodge. He served on the camp staff at Horseshoe last summer.

Another Vice Chief elected at the June Ordeal is Ken Tinsman, who recently became a Brotherhood member of our Lodge. Ken is an Eagle Scout in Troop 96, which he serves as senior patrol leader. Ken was honored in his troop this year by being named the troop's "Outstanding Scout." This past spring marked Ken's third year as an OA member. This will be his first year on the Lodge Executive Committee. Ken went to Philmont this summer in June and July. He also served on the Horseshoe camp staff as a Counselor in training in the aquatics department the second half of the season.

Rob Hopkins was re-elected to another term as our Lodge's Corresponding Secretary. Extremely active in the past year both as secretary and as a member of several special committees, Rob is a Vigil Honor member of our Lodge. This will be his third year on the Executive Committee, having served previously as French Creek Unit Elections Chairman

and Brotherhood Chairman. An Eagle Scout and God and Country Award recipient, Rob was our Lodge's candidate for Area III-A Chief at the past conference. This fall will mark his fifth year as an OA member. Rob is working on staff at Camp Horseshoe again this summer, which is his fourth year. In the past year Rob was chosen as the first alternate for Region III in the Report-to-the-Nation program. He is an active participant in our Lodge ceremonial team, and a leading member of the degree team in his troop, Kimberton 49.

Joe Eagan was re-elected to the office of Lodge Recording Secretary. Joe is an Eagle Scout in Devon Troop 114, in which he has served in several leadership positions, most recently as Junior Assistant Scoutmaster. Inducted into our Lodge at the 1967 Spring Ordeal, he became a Brotherhood member of the Order in September, 1969. Joe has been very active as our Lodge Recording Secretary, having worked on organizing the history of our Lodge as well as being busy with general affairs within the Lodge. He plans to continue a scrapbook of Lodge history in the coming year. This summer was the second year Joe has worked on the camp staff at Horseshoe.

Skip Smith will serve our Lodge as Treasurer this year. This will be his second year on the Executive Committee, having been Camping Promotion Chairman this past term. An active member of Coatesville Troop 32, he is a recipient of the Silver Buckle Award. Skip presently is a Star Scout and the senior patrol leader of his troop. Last summer he served on the Horseshoe camp staff. Skip is active in sports at his school, where he has earned letters in varsity football and junior varsity basketball and baseball.

These paragraphs about the new officers have been presented for your benefit.



1970-71 LODGE OFFICERS

They are as follows: kneeling - Buck Jones; standing (from left to right) - Joe Eagan, Ken Tinsman, Rob Hopkins, Steve Darby and Skip Smith.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"Every thought I have imprisoned in words I must free by my deeds."

Kahlil Gibran

HERE IS WHAT IS

UP AND COMING

September 13 - Executive Committee Meeting
 25-27 - Fall Ordeal and Fellowship
 October 4 - Executive Committee Meeting
 9-11 - Vigil Fellowship
 10 - Area III-A Steering Committee Meeting
 24 - Workday
 November 1 - Executive Committee Meeting
 December 28 - Annual Banquet

"THE BRIDGE BUILDER"

An old man, going a lone highway,
Came at the evening, cold and gray,
To a chasm, vast and deep and wide,
Through which was flowing a sullen tide.
The old man crossed in the twilight dim —
That sullen stream had no fears for him;
But he turned, when he reached the other side,
And built a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim near,
"You are wasting strength in building here.
Your journey will end with the ending day;
You never again must pass this way.
You have crossed the chasm, deep and wide,
Why build you the bridge at eventide?"

The builder lifted his old grey head.
"Good friend, in the path I've come," he said,
"There followeth after me today
A youth whose feet must pass this way.
This chasm that has been naught to me
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be.
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim;
Good friend, I am building the bridge for him."

Will Allen Dromgoole

Try This

Delegates to a national conference of teachers and educators were asked to punctuate this sentence to make sense:

"That that is is that that is not is not but that that is not is not that is nor is that that is that that is not."

The answer is on page 14.

Walter Ryan Active As New

County Executive

Recently a new Scout Executive was appointed to our council. He is Walter Ryan, Jr., our new Netami Gegeyjumhet, or Supreme Chief of the Fire. A thirty-year Scouting veteran, Mr. Ryan's coming to our council should mean much more than just a new signature at the bottom of official memos and merit badge cards, for he has already shown a very active and involved leadership in our council and directly in our Lodge.

Walt Ryan has held about every possible adult office within a council, and has also worked on the regional and national levels. He was a Scout from 1939-1945 in Troop 143 of Elizabeth City, North Carolina, in the Tidewater Council (home of our daughter Lodge, Blue Heron). In 1947 he became District Advancement Chairman, in 1948 Assistant Scoutmaster, in 1949 Scoutmaster, and in 1953 he served as a registered merit badge counselor. Mr. Ryan was commissary director at Darden Scout Reservation for two years before serving on our Regional staff at the 1953 Jamboree.

Although a successful businessman for many years as a local manager for an amusement company, Mr. Ryan left business to enter professional Scouting in 1956 and it is in this profession that his greatest success has occurred. He first took on the duties of Assistant District Executive for the National Capital Area Council, where he handled a membership increase, and managed physical arrangements for several events and a new camp. Becoming Executive of a low-income city district in 1958, he earned an outstanding re-

cord. During his assignment, the district, which had been losing membership, doubled in size and numbers. He recruited a new Commissioner staff and made the district finally stable. Mr. Ryan was then promoted to the position of Council Field Director, where he specialized in personnel relationships, registration, and finances from 1962-1965. He was made Assistant Scout Executive and later Administrative Assistant of the Atlanta Area Council in Georgia from 1965-1969, when last December 15 he was promoted to the head of our council.

Mr. Ryan has been unusually active for a new Executive, and he has displayed a sincere desire to take an active role in Lodge affairs. He has attended the Executive Committee meetings of our Lodge and expressed his wish to help as best he can. Octoraro Lodge #22 is thankful for Mr. Ryan's concerted efforts.



Walter Ryan, Jr.

FIRST EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD

The first Executive Committee meeting for the new year was held at Camp Horseshoe August 7 with Chief Buck Jones presiding.

The major piece of business was a discussion about the upcoming fall Ordeal and Fellowship Weekend, September 25-27. Steve Darby, Vice Chief, is the coordinator of the weekend. He reported on the projects and plans made for the weekend. It was decided that every Lodge member will work one-half day, and then have the rest of the time off for games, discussions, patch trading, etcetera. There will be only about 100 candidates invited to the weekend, so there will be more room for members than was originally expected. Rob Hopkins was directed to design a patch for the weekend, to be given to every member that comes Friday night and stays for the weekend. Rob reported that there would be a patch auction on Saturday night of the weekend and he asked the committee members for patch contributions.

Any member who has any kind of patch collection should seriously consider donating a patch or several patches, depending on the size of his collection. In order to make the patch auction successful, our members must contribute generously - the more generous our members are, the more successful the auction will be. Rob Hopkins also reported that the patch committee has chosen a patch design by Harry Murvin, Jr., for a new pocket flap and at this time a final sketch is being made. It is hoped that the final patch design and colors, along with the cost estimate, can be presented before the Executive Committee in September; the patch will then be presented to the membership at the Fall Fellowship for its approval.

Chief Buck Jones discussed his plans for Octoraro Lodge in the coming year. A few of his ideas are in his letter on page 4.

ATTENTION: ORDEAL MEMBERS

All Ordeal members who were inducted at or before the 1969 Fall Ordeal Weekend are eligible for the BROTHERHOOD HONOR if they have completed the following requirements by September 25:

1. Active registration in Scouting
2. Active registration in Octoraro Lodge
3. Ten months' active service as an Ordeal member.

a. Have shown a continued interest in the Scouting and camping program.

b. Service to the Order through 3 service weekends or workdays and 2 service projects (You may count the weekend at which you were inducted and the September 25-27 one. An acceptable service project includes attendance at the annual banquet, participation in the Saturday night campfire ceremonies put on by OA members at Camp Horseshoe during the summer, being a lineleader or assistant lineleader, and participation in an OA degree or tapout team. A service project is one performed in the name of the Lodge.)

4. Written statement of 100 to 200 words or more regarding your rededication to the principles of Cheerful Service to Fellowmen.

5. Satisfactory answers to all questions in questionnaire, including the memorization of the Obligation and the song "Firm Bound in Brotherhood."

(You were given a Brotherhood questionnaire when you received your OA handbook at your Ordeal, as well as a Brotherhood card that is yellow. If you lost one or both, they are available from the Council Service Center, 504 S. Concord Rd., West Chester, Pa. 19380.)

To apply for Brotherhood membership, you must complete the Brotherhood card and send it to Brotherhood Chairman Robert Hartman, 1240 East Lincoln Highway, Coatesville, Pa., 19380 prior to the Fall Weekend or bring it with you to the weekend.

NENTEGO LODGE 20 HOSTS AREA III-A CONFERENCE

This year's Area III-A Conference was held at Rodney Scout Reservation along the Chesapeake Bay on June 12-14. Nentego Lodge 20 hosted the conference, which was attended by 22 boy delegates and 6 adults from Octoraro Lodge. Delegates from the different lodges in attendance shared ideas in three training sessions during the weekend. The three discussions were on camp promotion, lodge administration, and lodge program. Besides these sessions there were recreational activities at times during Saturday as well as an Indian Lore demonstration in which our Lodge's team played an important role.

Our Lodge was backing Rob Hopkins for the office of Area Chief, but unfortunately he was defeated by last year's Area Vice Chief, Dan Reiniger of Minsi Lodge 5. Rob automatically became a candidate for Vice Chief, but Kirk Betts of Nentego Lodge 20 won that election.

Next Year's Area III-A Conference will be hosted by Minsi Lodge 5, who will be celebrating their 50th anniversary.

The lodges in attendance at the weekend were: Minsi 5, Ajapeu 33, Nentego 20, Nentico 12, Unami 1, Delmont 43, and of course Octoraro 22.

ANSWER TO "TRY THIS"

Well, not many of the teachers got very far, but they finally decided that this is the correct way:

"That, that is, is;that, that is not, is not; but that, that is not, is not that is; nor is that that is, that that is not."

HUH????????????????????????????????