



The Wulamoc

"he who speaks the truth"



Octoraro Lodge 22

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Chester County
Council

SUNDAY LUNCH SPARKS GREAT DEBATE

Brothers show their opposition to the removal of Sunday meal

Friday, April 23, 1993, nearly one-hundred brothers gathered in the Dining Hall at Camp Horseshoe for a council discussion period. The topic that night was the removal of Sunday lunch from the camp program that summer, and Tom Darlington represented the council. It didn't take long for the topic to heat up, as the majority of those who voiced their opinions were completely against the change. "My troop comes down here for two weeks," said Ernie Heegard, the past Lodge Advisor and current Scoutmaster of Troop 78 in Willistown, PA, "and part of what they pay for is Sunday Lunch. Now that they've already paid their money, which is higher than last year, you remove part of the program? It's the old bait and switch, if you ask me."

The reasons given by the council for the change included giving the Camp Staff a rest period and to help alleviate traffic jams that frequently occur along the camp road on Sunday afternoon.

Several Brothers replied to this reasoning by saying that we should be thankful that there are traffic jams. Some other Brothers were scared that Sunday lunch was just the beginning of even deeper cuts in the camp program. But, the main reason people are against the change is that Sunday lunch is an integral part of the camp program. "Sunday lunch is the climax of the camp week. Campers go home with a positive experience on their minds. Eliminating lunch sends them home in the wrong state of mind," said a council staffer.

However, campers can rest easy this summer, for Sunday lunch has been reinstated, only this time as *Sunday brunch*. A continental breakfast will be served at 7:30am in the campsites, Church will be at 8:00am, campsite pack-up at 9:00am, and brunch, with all the songs, awards, and honors of Sunday lunch will be at 10:15am. Troops will depart camp at 11:30am, well before the incoming troops arrive at 2:00pm. Hopefully, this change will satisfy all parties, and will make for an enjoyable summer.

1993 Kituwah

Kituwah is a gathering of Indian nations in celebration of Native American life. Kituwah is a daylong event held in Asheville North Carolina where visitors can enjoy Native American music, dance demonstrations, story telling, crafts, and food. Arrangements can be made to reserve a bus to take interested Lodge members to this event. The bus would depart from the council service center late Friday evening, September 24, and would arrive early Saturday morning to enjoy the Kituwah. At the end of the day, the bus would leave NC and arrive home Sunday morning, September 26. Cost for bus and admission would be approx. \$65.00. To reserve your spot on the bus contact Mercedes Davis, at 436-0386.

1994 NOAC

The 1994 National Order of the Arrow Conference will be held at Perdue University in Indiana from July 31 through August 4, 1994. A NOAC is a national gathering of lodges for a week of fun, fellowship, and food. The NOAC is open to any lodge member, youth or adult. Cost will be approximately \$160 plus the cost of transportation (we usually rent a van.) A \$25 dollar deposit is due by September 24, 1993 for any brother interested.

Winter Camp Staff

It's that time again, time for winter camp staff. With that we need fellow brothers from our troops to help staff the OA lodge and put on a program for the winter campers at Horseshoe. Winter camp staff requires two adults, a program such as knot tying, fire building, or a hobby, as well as a Sunday church service.

Winter camp staffers arrive at Horseshoe Friday night and check in with the Camp Master in headquarters who will let you into the OA lodge. That night let yourself be known to the troops in camp that weekend because otherwise no one will use your program. Saturday morning, set up your program and present it to the troops who stop in. Saturday night, organize a campfire involving the troops who are in camp. Sunday morning, invite all the troops to a church service. Afterwards, clean up the lodge, check out with the Camp Master and leave knowing you had contributed to the success of our lodge. If you might be interested in winter camp staffing, call Ted Woolf at 647-8468.

Horseshoe Building Renovations

Our lodge building is many years old and is due for some major upkeep. Our trustees have been busy painting, replacing rotten wood, and many minor repairs. Heat ducts have been placed to bring heat from the oil burner into all three back rooms. A new roof is already in the process of completion. The back room is being renovated with new doors inside and out and protective bars on the windows will be installed.

The room itself is taking on a new look and will soon have built in bunks, a desk, and cabinets. It will be called the Chief's Room and will house memorabilia and will be a show piece where guests of the lodge may stay.

If anyone knows where the lodge may obtain three ceiling fans, please contact the council's voice mail system at 696-8418.

Another historical building at Horseshoe that is receiving attention from the Lodge is the White House. Harold Weber and his crew of carpenters have been busy at the painstaking restoration of this building. Brother Glenn Bedford has been busy obtaining donations to help pay for the materials needed.

The purpose of the renovations is to make the White House into a nice place for the Camp Director and his family to stay during the summer camping season.

The most costly repair to the building will be the replacement of the shale roof. If you happen to know where the lodge can obtain the materials for the project, please call the voice mail system at 696-8418.

In February of 1994 a work weekend has been planned to clean out and assess the building. Watch your monthly issues of *The Trailblazer* for updates.

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