

Nominations & Elections

Nominations Open at the Spring Service

At the Spring Service on May 20 -22, 1994, nominations for Lodge office will open. In order to be eligible for any Lodge office a brother must be a member in good standing, Brotherhood or Vigil Honor member, and be under 21 years

of age for the entire term they may serve. When nominations open, any youth member may nominate any brother meeting these requirements. The nomination must be seconded, and accepted for it to become valid and put on record.

Responsibility of Lodge Officers:

CHIEF -

- Is the Chief Executive officer of the Lodge.
- Is the primary representative of the Lodge at Order of the Arrow and other Scouting events.
- Is the chairman of the Executive Committee.
- Appoints all Lodge standing and special committee Chairmen according to the Lodge Bylaws.

VICE - CHIEFS -

- The First Vice - Chief shall assume the Chairmanship of the Chief in his absence.
- The First Vice - Chief shall assume all powers and responsibilities of the Chief in case of the Chief's illness, other disability, death, prolonged absence, resignation, or removal from office.
- Both Vice - chiefs shall act on assignment of the Chief and shall be responsible to him.
- Their general duties shall be to coordinate the operation of the Lodge. While they oversee committees, they should not chair committees.
- They shall be members of the Finance Committee.

SECRETARY -

- Shall store and distribute minutes, records, rules, etc.
- Shall serve on the publications Committee, Rules and Procedures, and Membership Committees.

- Shall be responsible for the maintenance of the membership records. He shall keep such records and materials as will allow information, publication, and the like to be mailed to each member.
- Shall do official Lodge and Executive Committee correspondence.
- Shall take minutes of the Lodge Executive Committee Meetings.
- Shall perform other duties, consistent with his office, as assigned by the Chief.

TREASURER -

- Shall be responsible for all moneys receipt and deposited with the proper Council authorities.
- Shall purchase and sell such properties as are approved by the Lodge Executive Committee, under the specifications as are made by the Finance Committee, if any.
- Shall secure such records and information as are required by the Executive and Finance Committees.
- Shall be a member of the Finance Committee.
- Shall perform other duties, consistent with his office, as assigned by the Chief.

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A Visit With The Chapters

DELAWARE

We're not the mail so snow slows us down, but the snow is gone and we're getting back on track. In January we had our Chapter elections, and I would like announce the results:

1st Vice - Chief - Christian Eckert

2nd Vice - Chief - Nick Michealski

Secretary - Jim Barry

I would like to extend a challenge to all Chapter members to come out on the playing field to make Delaware the best in Unami. If you have any questions please call me, Mark Whartenby, Chapter Chief at 632 - 5707.

NORTHERN

There is only one goal the Officers and I will accomplish this year. To have a closely knit Chapter and organized Chapter that will provide a cheerful service to all of our troops. To accomplish this goal the officers and I have been granted two main opportunities. The first is to improve attendance at our chapter meetings. The second is to have more unit elections and camp promotions. a plan has been devised to capitalize on our opportunities.

The greater opportunity is to increase attendance at our meetings. Every meeting we have will have a theme in addition to the business meeting. Such themes as career/ trade night, hobbies, and swap nights will be part of our themes. This adds some fun to our cheerful service. We are also contacting all our troops through the mail, by phone, and by word of mouth, this way we can keep our Chapter close together and advertise our events.

Which leads to our second opportunity, to hold more unit elections and camp promotions. We already did more than last year.

For any information contact me, Cliff Tull, Chapter Chief at 725 - 3942.

FRONTIER

We have all been chosen not for what we have done, but for what we are expected to do. As Arrowmen we all have obligations to fulfill to our Troops, Chapter and our Lodge. Fulfilling these obligations brings a great satisfaction, a satisfaction that can only achieved through dedication and determination. As members of the Order of the Arrow, we have shown our dedication to Scouting. Our Order is based on the Scout Oath and Law, and incorporates them into our daily lives. We have the ability to show every other Scout we encounter the exuberance felt through Cheerful Service.

Our chapter has had some rocky times this year, but through it all we will come out on top. Please continue to support our Chapter, and if you have been neglecting your obligation, recommit yourself to our purpose. For years our Chapter has been compared with the Star Ship Enterprise. Our mission is to pursue the goals of our Founders. Their goal to promote camp is ours as well. Help our team connect with the units in our District. Come out to our meetings. Even though some of them have been canceled due to weather, our meeting place is different every other month, and the Bomb Squad got a call, we still have several meetings and activities to finish the year. Oh and the Bomb Squad is coming in May (No Bomb Scares permitted).

Questions . . . Comments . . . Suggestions . . . volunteers . . . please call me, Mark Bonitatibus, Chapter Chief at 698 - 8345.

WESTERN

We here at the Western Chapter are getting ready for a very important time of year. We are continuing to promote Summer Camp, but we have embarked on a new project; we are spending time practicing the Ordeal Ceremony. We are also planning many new activities. all are welcome to attend our meetings. Call me, Brent McIvor, Chapter Chief at 365 - 6568 if you have any questions.

Vigil Honor Nominations Are being Accepted

The Vigil Honor is the highest honor which a lodge can bestow upon a member. It is given for outstanding service to the lodge and council. It dates back to 1915 when our founder, Dr. E. Urner Goodman, became the first Vigil Honor member. The Vigil Honor is a mark of high distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who have given exceptional service by helping others beyond the call of duty, involving unselfish dedication to one or more of the following: their lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting or their Scout camp. Alertness to the needs of others is a mark of the Vigil Honor.

Nominations for the Vigil Honor are not to be taken

lightly. You must provide as much information as possible so that the Vigil Honor Committee can be afforded the opportunity to make a fair assessment of the Arrowman's contributions to Scouting and the OA. To be eligible for nomination, an Arrowman must be a member in good standing and brotherhood for at least two years.

Nomination forms can be obtained at Chapter Meetings, at the Council Service Center or by calling the Vigil Honor Chairman, Brian Graham at (215) 743-7497.

The Vigil Honor Committee Selection Meeting which will be held on Monday, May 23, 1994 is the deadline for all nominations.

Chiefly Words...

1994 is really starting to fall into place. The Lodge Executive Committee is well under way in completing the goals we have set. The only question that remains in my mind is are you living up to the expectations of the Order? As you know the Summer Camp season is quickly arriving and the question you need to ask is, "What can I do to help Philadelphia Council Camps this summer?" The answer is quite simple. You could:

- 1) Get involved with your Chapter Camp Promotion Team.
- 2) Get a friend or yourself to attend a Specialty Camp.
- 3) Become a member of Philadelphia Council Camp Staff.

If you are doing any of these things then give yourself a big "How - How!" Another thing approaching very quickly is the Spring Service. This year it will be held at Hart, on the weekend of May 20 - 22, 1994. It promises to be a great time of fellowship and service. So plan to attend now!

The last big issue I have to bring up is the paying of Lodge dues. In the last issue of **The Voice of The Turtle**, you should have received a 1994 registration card. If you have not paid your dues yet, then pay them **Right Now!**

Again, please do everything you can to support our Council Camps. Thank you and see you at the Spring Service.

Rob Cook.

Advisor's Corner...

Our founders wanted to recognize honor campers, those who had gone above and beyond in the service of others. So they founded the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. Here it is, almost eighty years later. Are we living up to our original purpose? Let's take a few minutes to see if there is someone you can call to get more Scouts to Summer Camp. Call your Chapter Chief to ask if there is a camp promotion visit you can help. Call a Scoutmaster to offer your help with leadership. Let the Scouts know about our Campership fund, that helps Scouts Get to camp.

In addition to our responsibilities as Arrowmen, there is a great fellowship in our Order. I hope to see all of you for some cheerful service and fellowship at HART Scout Reservation for our Spring Service Weekend, May 20-22, 1994. It is also important weekend for the future operations of our Lodge. We will have a vote to amend the Lodge Operating Procedures, to change the calendar year. The calendar change has many advantages, our year would run with the school and Council years.

So come to the service weekend and exercise your privilege as an Arrowman to vote.

Finally, did you know that the Lodge is sponsoring a trip to Philmont in 1995? There are limited slots to be filled (on a first come first serve basis). Join us for the "Great Adventure."

Bob Kestler



NE-4B Section Conclave

During the weekend of June 10-12, 1994, the Unami Lodge Contingent will embark for Pine Hill Scout Reservation for the NE-4B Section Conclave, hosted by Lekau Lodge #77. A conclave is an event where the six lodges that comprise our 4B are invited to attend a weekend full of training, fellowship, and inspiration. The cost for this multi Lodge, action packed mega event is \$20. A few spots are still available. If you are interested in joining our Contingent, then give our Lodge Chief, Rob Cook a call at (215)423-9239 as soon as possible to reserve one of the few spots available.

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"To theme or not to theme"

Our Annual Lodge Spring Service will be held at Hart Scout Reservation during the weekend of May 20-21, 1994. The Lodge Events & Activities Committee has undertaken the unmistakable, undeniable challenge and unleashed the unimaginable, unbelievable inevitable unthemed theme weekend unto you. See enclosed Flyer/Registration form for more information.

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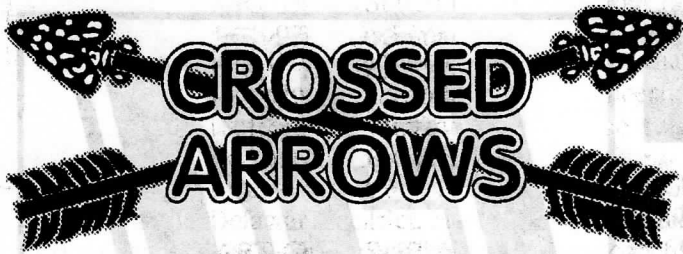
Spring's Forward: Fall's Back

September 16-18, 1994 will bring us all back to Hart Scout Reservation for our Annual Lodge Fall Fellowship Weekend. The Lodge Events & Activities Committee would like to welcome any and all arrowmen to join in the planning, promoting, or delivering of this program. Interested arrowmen should contact our Chairman, Antoine Skinner at (215)329-6920 or see him at the Spring Service.

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Ten Dollars Off

If you are attending either Hart or TI this summer and your balance is paid on or before June 1, 1994, \$10 will be deducted at the time of your final payment.



The Voice would like to honor two Arrowmen that truly exemplify the meaning of Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. The selection was difficult, but these two Arrowmen have stood out amongst their Brothers.

The first is an Eagle Scout and Asst. Scoutmaster of Troop 314, in the Delaware District. He will be serving his sixth year as a HART Camp Staff member, and can be found in the QM. In 1993 he lead our Lodge as Chief. He completed the contract agreement with the City for the Adopt-a-Highway(started by past Chief Jeff Aster). Now in 1994 he has spearheaded a project that has been long over due. An Add Hoc Committee was formed, and as

Chairman, Brian Fowler has begun the effort to repair and recreate the Ceremonial Grounds at both Treasure Island and Hart. When his committee is done, every Scout that takes their Ordeal, Seals the Bond, or takes part in a Ceremony will be able to take pride in heritage and traditions.

The second Arrowman is a Unit Commissioner in the Delaware District. His energy and dedication to the Order has taken him through many positions in the Lodge and Section. In 1991 he served as Unami Lodge Chief. The Lodge received National Honor Lodge Recognition, the first year since 1988. From June of 1992, where he was elected Section NE- 4B Chief, until the end of his term in June of 1993, Steve Ranjo assisted in the preparation and planning of that year's Conclave. Currently Steve serves our Lodge as the Activities Committee Adviser. Striving to see the youth of Unami do their best, he has taught his committee new and innovative ideas to make the upcoming Spring Service a huge success.

To Steve and Brian, we the staff of the Voice and the members of the Lodge, Thank you for your outstanding service and devotion to our purpose and intent.

Repairs To Ceremonial Grounds Studied

The Ceremonial Grounds Committee has traveled to both HART and TREASURE ISLAND SCOUT RESERVATIONS to investigate the Ceremonial Grounds and determined what needs to be repaired.

On February 5, Shawn Machese and Brian Fowler traveled to the south tip of TREASURE ISLAND to examine the Ceremonial Grounds and document and photograph the damage

of wear and tear done.

On March 5, Mike Myers and Brian Fowler traveled to HART. They hiked to the top of "Cardiac Hill" to the Lodge Ceremonial Grounds to examine and document their condition in pictures and writing.

On both trips they spoke with both of the Camp Rangers, Ken Nygard(T.I.) and Rick Hummel(HSR) to discover the most appropriate and

effective way to accomplish a project of this magnitude.

The Committee is continuously looking for new members and volunteers who are willing to lend a hand to help preserve the future of the ceremonial Grounds. If you wish to become involved in this project contact, Brian Fowler, Monday through Friday at 676-1752.

WANTED!

Have you been an Ordeal member of the Order of the Arrow for more than 10 months now? Well then, you are eligible to **SEAL THE BOND**. That's right, you can become a Brotherhood member. Further your knowledge of the Order, strengthen your bonds to the Lodge and your chapter. Brotherhood tests will be given at the Spring Service (May 20-22, 1994) and at the Fall Fellowship (September 1994) as well as at Summer Camp. Feel free to contact me or a Lodge or Chapter officer for further details or information. Support the Lodge and yourself, become a Brotherhood member. It's more than a sash that you wear, it's an obligation!

Do you remember your Ordeal? Remember the Elangomats, your friends and guides through your experience? Well now you can become one!! Please contact Dan Price at 673-7706 or a Lodge or Chapter officer if you would like to help out!

The Secretary's Note

Dear Fellow Lodge Members,

As a member of Unami Lodge, there are obligations you must fulfill. One Obligation, which is often overlooked, is the payment of your annual Lodge dues. Lodge dues are not optional. They are a mandatory obligation to be paid by all members. Remember that the Lodge is a non - profit organization, therefore the payment of dues are a means of support, which the Lodge deeply depends on. So please fulfill your obligation and become a member in good standing: pay your dues! Your support is graciously appreciated. - Ricky Arcangel

PS - please fill out all information completely when you fill out your registration form! Lodge dues are now \$6.00 (Since March 31, 1994 - Late fee).



1994 Summer Camp Program Highlights



HART SCOUT RESERVATION

Our program this year will take you on a journey through Camelot where our Camp Staff will lead your Scouts through an "Adventure in Scouting Excellence." Hart Scout Reservation and The Staff of Merry Men will demonstrate the ways of Scouting through the eyes of Robin Hood.

Program highlights will include the addition of several merit badges, such as: Public Speaking and Communications as well as other favorites like Pottery, Lifesaving, Camping, and Nature. We hope to see you and all your Scouts at our Aquatics Carnival, our Adventure with Robin Hood camp games, as well as Order of the Arrow Ceremonies and our awesome Campfires!

Our goals include having another successful First year Camper program as well as a First Class Overnighter. There is something for everyone at HART, so come and take part in an "Adventure in Scouting Excellence."

TREASURE ISLAND SCOUT RESERVATION

Ladies and Gentleman, Scouts of all ages, get ready for the "Greatest Show On Earth." This summer at the Island the Big Top is being pitched and those clowns of a Camp Staff are preparing to entertain and amaze every Scout and Scouter who enter the Circus. Your week at camp will be a week of solid program, to meet the needs and interests of everyone in camp. Some program features are a water carnival, side show and carnival, campwide event, and two great campfires. Plus a superb performance in the First Year Camper Program and a First Class Overnighter.

Our High adventure program highlights include, Biking, Canoeing, Hiking, Rappelling, rock climbing(new for '94), and who could forget about C.O.P.E.

See you center stage, "Under The Big Top."



EARN THE NATIONAL CAMPING AWARD

The National Camping Award is given to troops that have an effective outdoor program during a 12 month period. The requirements are as follows:

1) **Patrol Activities:** Each patrol of the troop participated in at least three of the following during the last 12 months:

- Attend a Camporee
- Held a Day Hike
- Did a Conservation Hike
- Attended a Scout Retreat
- Conducted a Project for BSA Anniversary Week
- Conducted a Father and Son Camping Trip

2) **Short Term Camping:** All patrols in the troop were represented in four or more short-term camp outs during the past 12 months

3) **Long Term Camping:** All patrols in the troop were represented in a long-term (6 or more consecutive days) camp and at least 50 percent of the total boy membership of the troop attended.

Since an Arrowman's first duty is to his home unit, let's all do our best to earn the National Camping Award!

To obtain the official National Camping Award form, or for more information any interested Arrowman should contact his District Camping Chairman.

ALL THAT! AND 50% OFF!

Having successfully completed the requirements of any of the following Philadelphia Council Specialty Camps:

- Baden -Powell Camp July 3-9, 1994
- Basketball Camp Session I July 3-9, 1994
- Basketball Camp Session II July 10-16, 1994
- Penn State Science & Energy Camp Session I July 10-16, 1994
- Penn State Science & Energy Camp Session II July 17-24, 1994
- This Old Camp July 17-24, 1994
- Penn State Space Camp July 24-30, 1994
- Merit Badge Camp July 24-30, 1994

You will be allowed to attend a regular week of camp at either Hart or Treasure Island later that same summer with your troop for half the discounted rate. For more information please contact the Camping Office at (215)988-9829.

Chapter Meetings

Frontier

Meetings are every other third Wednesday of the month at the Pennypack Environmental Center on Verree Rd. Meetings start at 7:30. For information contact Mark Bonitatibus, Chapter Chief at 698-8345

Northern

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Phila. College of Textiles & Sciences, Schoolhouse Lane & Henry Aves. Meetings start at 7:30. Call Cliff Tull, Chapter Chief, at 725-3942.

Liberty Bell

Meets on the third Tuesday of the month at the Pine Street Community Center on 3rd & Pine Sts. at 7:30.

Delaware

Meetings are held every first Thursday of the month at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on Cottman & Erdrick Sts. Meetings start at 7:30. Call Mark Whartenby, Chapter Chief, at 632-5707

Western

Meetings are on the third Monday of the month at the Salvation Army Center at 55th & Market Sts. Meetings at 7:30. Call Brent McIvor at 365-6568.

Unity

Meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month at the Thankful Baptist Church, 1608 W. Allegheny Ave. at 7:00. Call Damar Creighton, Chapter Chief, at 763-7251.

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*Don't forget
your Dues!*