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AREA III-A CONFERENCE

On June 12, 13 and 14th, members of the Order of the Arrow, Area III-A, met in conference at Camp Rodney of the Del-Mar-Va Council, on the Chesapeake Bay, North East, Maryland.

After checking in and getting to the quarters assigned to Delmont Lodge, every one went on a walk around this beautiful camp.

Late Friday evening we had a fellowship in the Dining Hall.

On Saturday, members attended work sessions on the various parts of Lodge Organization. The sessions were excellently developed, and much was learned about the O. A., its operations, its progress and its goals for the coming year.

On Saturday Evening, after dinner, we heard a talk by Mr. McKay of the Diamond State Bell Telephone Company, on safety.

On Saturday night, we witnessed the Ordeal Ceremony, and then attended the Vigil Honor Ceremony.

For a while, the busiest place in camp was the Trading Post where mugs, emblems, etc., could be had for the proper exchange of currency.

Sunday the big event was the election of Area Officers for the coming year. Daniel Reiniger was elected Area Chief. Dan is from Minsi Lodge, which will host the Area Conference in 1971. Kirk Betts was elected Area Vice Chief.

After lunch we left Camp Rodney for home. It was a perfect weekend and can be made more perfect if we put into practice the things we learned at the conference. Our lodges will be the stronger for our efforts.

Our own Jack Sikorski did a magnificent job of guiding the conference to its successful conclusions. We say to Jack - Thanks for a job well done. You have added to the glory that is Delmont Lodge.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

On June 21, 1970, Delmont Lodge held its annual election of officers for the new year, starting on the First of October. The new officers elected were:

Lodge Chief ----- John Sweeney
Lodge Vice Chief ----- Ken Beale
Lodge Scribe ----- William Gilbert
Lodge Treasurer ----- Dave Lambert

We look forward to the steady progress of the Lodge under these new leaders.

VIGIL HONOR

During the June Ordeal Weekend, 13 of our Brothers were inducted into the Vigil Honor. These Brothers are:

W. Porter	James Woodside
Michael Cosgrove	John Veldhoven
William Fromm	William Gilbert
Eric Binns	Brian Nixon
Everett (Butch) Binns	R. Sullivan
Mr. Everett Binns	R. Lundgren

Robert Stong

To these, our new Brothers in the Vigil Honor, we say Congratulations, the Vigil Honor will be richer and more meaningful with your elevation.

COMING EVENTS

ORDEAL WEEKENDS

RESICA FALLS SCOUT RESERVATION

September 18, 19, 20, 1970

DELMONT SCOUT RESERVATION

October 9, 10, 11, 1970

TRAINING SESSION FOR NEW LODGE OFFICERS

Sunday, October 18, 1970

At

Valley Forge Council Office

LODGE ANNUAL BANQUET

December 29, 1970

Holiday Inn,
King of Prussia, Pa.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

If any member knows another member who is not receiving this copy of the Delodnewle, will you ask him if his dues are paid. The only reason for not receiving the Delodnewle is non-payment of dues. **YOUR DUES ARE DUE NOW.** If you want to know what is happening in your Lodge, your Chapter and the O. A. in general, the surest way is to get your dues paid.

INVITATION TO BROTHERHOOD - TO ALL ORDEAL MEMBERS INDUCTED INTO DELMONT LODGE
#43 BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1970

It has been at least 10 months since your induction into Ordeal membership in our Lodge of the Order of the Arrow.

If you continued faithfully to serve your fellowmen and have completed the stipulated requirements, you may now seal your membership in the Order of the Arrow through the Brotherhood Ceremony.

Ten months service as an Ordeal member.

Registered active membership in Scouting.

Registered active membership in the Order of the Arrow.

Know the answers to the questions in the Brotherhood questionnaire, including memorization of the Obligation and the Order of the Arrow official Song.

Before going through the ceremony you must submit a written statement of 100 to 200 words expressing your rededication to the principle of cheerful service to your fellowmen. "He alone is worthy to wear the Arrow who will continue faithfully to serve his fellowmen."

Your first opportunity will be at the Brotherhood Ceremony to be held at Resica Falls Scout Reservation, September 18, 19, 20, 1970, OR, at Delmont Scout Reservation, October 8, 9, 10, 1970. Brotherhood fee of \$1.50 will be payable to the Brotherhood Chairman at the time of the ceremony. If you are prepared now to make this important decision for yourself, we will welcome you at the ceremony.

In keeping with Lodge tradition, the Brotherhood is conferred upon a candidate in the ceremony while he is dressed as an Indian brave. You are, therefore, urged to bring some type of simple Indian costume with you to camp. It should consist of only a breechcloth, one to three feathered headband, foot wear and, optionally, leggings. If you do not have a costume of your own it would be greatly appreciated if you could borrow one for use in the ceremony. You will also need work clothes, uniform and Ordeal Sash.

PLEASE. DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY TO HEADQUARTERS FOR THE BROTHERHOOD. JUST CHECK THE BOX ON YOUR RESERVATION BLANK FOR THE WEEKEND.

Yours in Service,

BROTHERHOOD CHAIRMAN

TEAR OFF

I will attend the Ordeal Weekend. I enclose \$3.50 for the weekend.

RESICA FALLS SCOUT RESERVATION

DELMONT SCOUT RESERVATION

September 18, 19, 20, 1970

October 9, 10, 11, 1970

NAME _____ DISTRICT _____

POST OFFICE _____ ZIP CODE _____

SCOUT _____ EXPLORER _____ SCOUTER _____

ORDEAL _____ BROTHERHOOD _____ VIGIL _____

I will take my Brotherhood on the weekend checked.

DEADLINE - September 8, 1970

DEADLINE: September 30, 1970

CHAPTER NEWS

BADEN-POWELL CHAPTER

Ken Beale, Chapter Chief

Baden-Powell held a chapter meeting March 4, 1970, at the Strawbridge & Clothier Auditorium, Plymouth Meeting Mall.

The meeting was opened by Eric Binns. Ken Beale explained what the C.A. will be doing at the District Camporee on May 22-24, 1970, at St. Helena's R. C. Church. Ken reminded everyone present about holding O. A. elections as soon as possible so the candidates could take their Ordeal at our Chapter meeting, April 24-26, 1970, at Delmont Scout Reservation.

The chapter weekend was a great success. There were 145 Scouts in camp of which 65 were Ordeal and 15 Brotherhood Candidates.

The Pre-Ordeal started at 9 P. M. and was followed by a snack. Among the work projects were: scraping and painting of the boats and docks, carpentry repairs to the boat forms, clearing away the brush around the dining hall, demolishing old tent platforms and clearing the creek around the cedar loop.

At 8:30 P. M. the Brotherhood Ceremony started, followed by the Ordeal Ceremony. A snack was served to all brothers. Church services were held at 7:30 P. M.

On Sunday, Ken Beale held a short chapter meeting with 145 members in attendance. We want to thank Bill Kerr for his time in buying and preparing the food. Thanks to Bill who proved that you can eat steak instead of chicken for \$3.00 instead of \$3.50 on Lodge weekends. The money that was left over is to be used for buying material to make chapter costumes. The meeting ended at 11 o'clock.

There was more work completed on this weekend than was completed on some lodge weekends.

Ken Beale asked for suggestions regarding a place to keep and display the Chapter of the Year awards. All suggestions will be forwarded to the Lodge Committee for consideration at some future date.

Zeke Zimmerman explained the District Camporee and asked for volunteers to help with registration, campfire and general activities. The O. A. Safety Award was to be judged by Eric Binns and Ken Bullwinkle.

At the Lodge Weekend on June 5-7, at Resica Falls 5 of our Brothers received recognition. They were Ken Beale who was elected Lodge Vice Chief, Mr. E. Binns, Eric Binns, Butch Binns and James Woodside were inducted as Vigil Honor Members. Congratulations go to these our honored brothers.

The next chapter meeting will be held in the early part of September with the object of electing new officers for the next year.

The success of Baden-Powell could not have been achieved without the support of ALL of our members.

GENERAL WAYNE CHAPTER

Robert Sell, Chapter Chief

This year General Wayne Chapter has many plans. These plans include a meeting every month with some type of activity and refreshments. We plan to help out in all possible ways at our District Camporees, and possibly plan some work projects. In the Spring, we will have a weekend with both Ordeal and Brotherhood Ceremonies. On this weekend we will also complete work projects for the Council.

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This coming year looks like a great year for the General Wayne Chapter of our Lodge. The officers hope our attendance reaches new highs. We know our Chapter can do it, but we need the help of ALL our brothers.

MINQUAS CHAPTER

Wayne Simon, Chapter Chief

After receiving permission from Elwyn Institute, Minquas Chapter held an Ordeal Weekend on May 8, 9, 10, 1970. At the weekend the Minquas Ceremonial Team conducted the Pre-Ordeal and Ordeal Ceremonies.

23 Brothers and 44 Candidates attended the weekend. The weather was perfect. The Ordeal team did a magnificent job. The candidates and members worked on nature and conservation projects and getting the camp ready for the Scouts at Elwyn Institute. All projects were fully completed.

The food committee, headed by Bill Clark, did a most outstanding job. He and his assistants are to be congratulated on a job well done.

Minquas Chapter would like to thank Dr. Clark, President of the Elwyn Institute for granting us permission to use the Elwyn Institute Property for our weekend. We would also like to thank Mr. Richard Peipher, Director of Scouting for Elwyn Institute for his outstanding help.

The Ceremonial Team would like to thank Gary Bonas, Bill Smeltzer, Pat Flanigan and William MacFarland for their assistance in making this a memorable weekend.

The weekend was ably guided by Wayne Simon, our Chapter Chief. Thanks go also to Mr. Oppenheim, our Chapter Advisor, and to Bill Truitt for taking on the important job of handling the paper work and the money.

Space does not permit us to name each candidate and each member who contributed to the success of the weekend. but to each of them we say "Thanks for your support and backing."

Minquas Chapter is already planning the same type of weekend for next year at the same place and at the same time. Let's see if we can double our attendance.

NESKENNO CHAPTER

Bruce Hexter, Chapter Chief

Summer, 1970, is just about over. Its time to pick up where you left off in June. The same goes for Neskenno Chapter. The officers hope that the active participation will once again begin at the September 13, 1970 meeting. At this meeting, one of the most important ones, we will nominate and elect new officers. Also we will discuss having an O. A. Weekend. The meeting will begin at 1 P.M. at the Colledgeville Fire House in Colledgeville. Try to plan to attend and welcome our new Brothers.

SENECA CHAPTER

John F. Sweeney, Chapter Chief

Seneca Chapter performed the skit at the District Dinner last month under the direction of Bill Fromm. Also our Ceremony Teams performed all the ceremonies of the Lodge Weekend in June. We are looking forward to many successful events in the coming year such as our Chapter Banquet on October 20. Further details of this, and other coming events will be given at our next Chapter Meeting on September 15, 1970, 7:30 P.M. at the First Lutheran Church in Collingdale.

WM. PENN CHAPTER

Robert Denney, Chapter Chief

Wm. Penn Chapter has been busy since our May meeting, part of which was a covered dish dinner. We had an excellent turnout and it make fora fine and lively meeting and opposition when it came time to elect our new Chapter officers. The results of the election were:

Chapter Chief -----	Robert Denney
Chapter Vice Chief -----	Ronald Kilmer
Chapter Vice Chief -----	William Welsh
Secretary -----	Thomas Curl

The Chapter had charge of the Camp Fire for our Camporee and assisted with one for a Training Session for unit leaders.

Under the leadership of Bill Welsh, some of our members are hard at work on costumes for both our Ordeal Team and a Dance Team that we are hoping to have ready for the Fall.

We will be meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from September until May, with the exception of December. The September meeting will be held at Providence Avenue Methodist Church (18th and Providence Avenue) and the October Meeting will be held at the First Presbyterian Church (23rd and Edgemont Avenue).

At our September meeting we will hold a reception for new members who were inducted during the summer months. Please contact those whom you know were inducted during the summer of 1970 and invite them to the reception.

Above written by Robert G. Moore, Advisor.

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