

SECTION NE-4B POW WOW

Come to the 1996 Pow-Wow being held on January 12-14, 1996 at Pine Tree Education & Environmental Center in Tabernacle, NJ. This event will be hosted by Hunnicks Lodge #76. Come learn the secrets of Indian Lore, how to do beadwork, costuming, dancing, Indian singing, history, drumming, how to start a dance team, and much more. There will be several experts in their fields to teach you the basics to advanced in the above mentioned categories. The festivities start on Friday night and will continue through to Sunday. On Saturday

evening we will have an authentic Pow-Wow which you will participate in wearing your newly made regalia and your old regalia which you brought with you. Look to learn and have lots of fun. Accommodations will be in cabins with bunk beds with mattresses, heat, and showers. Each Lodge has been allotted 12 spaces so get your reservation in early. The cost of the weekend is \$15.00 and includes the use of the facilities, and all food. Those interested should contact Jason Shepherd, Lodge Chief, at (610)660-2354, by December 27, 1995 (Lodge Dinner).

NE-4B SECTION CONCLAVE

Mark this date on your calendar: June 7-9, 1996
 This is the date of the 1996 NE-4B Section Conclave hosted by Delmont Lodge #43 at Resica Falls Scout Reservation. The theme for the weekend is "A Rendezvous by the Falls." It is sure to be an exciting weekend filled with fun, food, and fellowship. Don't miss it!! Further information will be on its way.

National Order of the Arrow Conference

August 11-15,
1996

Making Copies...

In a follow up to "Picture this! Lodge Painting Unveiled", (November Voice), we are pleased to inform you that our Lodge Finance Committee has approved that prints of "A View From the Tea Table," the picture

Unami commissioned for the Founders' Room will be available at the Annual Dinner. A limited quantity of signed, numbered, high quality prints will be available for \$100.00. Poster quality prints will be sold for \$10.00.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

In our "Where are they now/What have you done for me lately?" section, we choose to recognize an icon. Basketball's role model is Michael Jordan, Football has Joe Montana, Scouting has Brother Chuck Benshetler. Lets go inside in the numbers with Brother Benshetler:

- Years in Scouting: 52
- Years as a Teacher in Bensalem School District: 40
- Years in Unami Lodge: 45
- Years as Scoutmaster of Troop 252: 20
- Years on Phila. Camp Staff (Scouting's Pro Bowl): 15
- Camp Ranger at Dale Sea Scout Base 1953-1960 (Dale Sea Scout Base was owned and operated by the Philadelphia Council between 1949 and 1972. It was located in Bensalem at State and Street Roads.)
- Treasure Island Camp Director (Iron Man) 1981 & 1982
- Rumor has it he carved out the Devil's Tea Table
- Delaware Roundtable Staff member for 12 years
- Delaware District Camping Chairman from 1960 to 1970
- Delaware District Health & Safety Chairman 1970
- Delaware District Activities Chairman from 1971 to 1975
- District Award of Merit and Silver Beaver Recipient
- Supervisor of Practical Arts (Industrial Arts and Home Economics) for the Bensalem School District
- Woodbadge Staff for 2 years
- Jamboree appearances: 1957, 1973, 1977, 1985, 1989, and 1993 (At the 1957 Jamboree at Valley Forge, Brother Benshetler magnanimously filled in as Scoutmaster for the Philadelphia Troop. One of the Scouts in this Troop was reunited with Chuck 33 years later on Treasure Island Camp Staff. This Scout was George Ullrich who served as TI's Camp Director from 1990 to 1994.)

Brother Benshetler kept his Vigil in 1955, and his name when

translated is, "The Overseer." He has been involved in the Lodge over the years attending two National Order of the Arrow Conferences (one as the Adviser), many Conclaves, and has also served on the Lodge Executive Committee. Chuck has also had two sons, Marc and Eric, who were very active in the Lodge both of whom are Vigil Honor Members and served as Lodge Officers. Brother Benshetler has recently retired from teaching and has begun his new career as a Major League Commissioner at Treasure Island. In the off season, his training takes up much of his time. He begins each day with studying tapes of other entertainers like Elvis Presley, David Letterman and Bugs Bunny. Brother Benshetler then embarks on his "fifth program". He calls it the "fifth program" because it all comes down to 5 miles of jogging, 5 miles of biking, 5 miles of swimming, 5 hours of Aerobics, and then 5 new songs added to his already established Guinness Book of World Records for Campfire Song-Skit-Cheer Repertoire. We wish the very best for Brother Chuck Benshetler as he as sure given all of us his best over the years. Brother Benshetler can be seen on ESPN or at home in Delaware District or at is summer home, at Treasure Island.



You Can Be A Winner

Round 2

1. How many skill awards were there?
2. Name them?
3. Who was the Major Indoor Lacrosse League 1995 1st team all-pro goalie?

Send all answers to Brian Hoffman. The address is listed in this Voice. All answers must be received by December 26. Winners from this Voice and the previous Voice will be announced at the dinner at the annual Dinner.

Chief's Message

My Brothers.

As the possible merger approaches. Unami Lodge. One is continuing on the path of great opportunities. We are well on way to accomplishing many new and exciting goals that will benefit all of us. For example, I was really impressed with the works of our Publications and Voice of the Turtle committees on a fine job on the last Voice. They are working hard to not only inform you our members, but also improving each one of us as the year of opportunity progresses. This is also the work of the Unit Visitation committee. They are also looking to truly promote our Council Camps and are also working diligently to complete the "Where to Go Camping" Booklet. Many other committees are striving for high goals that can be obtained

with the help of our strong foundation, you our members. Don't forget the 80th Annual Dinner. It is sure to be a night to remember for all of us. This event will conclude our Anniversary Year and will be a great opportunity to close out this monumental year together as one. Unami Lodge. One. I would like to encourage you all to continue supporting our Chapters, they are all working hard to serve you. I hope to see you all at the Dinner and have a happy and safe holiday season!

Yours in the Brotherhood.

Jason Shepherd

Lodge Chief

Around the Chapter And Back Again

Brian Wallace, our vice-chief, would like to remind all brothers to support their Lodge by being active in their chapter. He would like everyone to keep up the good work. Here is an overview of what the chapters are doing. Northern: Northern is off to a strong start. They meet every 2nd Thursday of the month at Philadelphia College of Textile & Science in Downs Hall. Last month a patch trading session was held. This month, Northern will be holding a party to celebrate the Holiday season. Earl Texter, the chapter chief, encourages all to come out and enjoy the activities. Frontier: Frontier is also off to a great running start. They meet every 3rd Wednesday at Pennypack Environmental Center on Verree Road. Last month they held a Merit Badge night, which was a great success. This month they are looking forward to their holiday party which will feature the N.F.L. greatest play video. Next month, Frontier will crash the boards in a new year basketball game. Christian Grandzol, the chapter chief, encourages all to come out and participate. Delaware: Delaware meets the 1st Thursday of month. Chapter chief Chris Berk invites all of Delaware chapter to come out and meet their new advisor Mr. Kelly. Delaware chapter is encouraged to come out to make their chapter the best it can possibly be. Liberty Bell: Last meeting Liberty Bell held an organizational meeting to set up

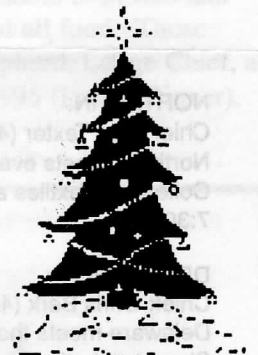
the various committees in the chapter. Chapter chief Vida Bey would like to see everyone come out to the next meeting and participate in the various committees. Western: Western meets every 2nd Monday of each month at Philadelphia College of Pharmacy & Science. They are located in Wilson Hall on at 43rd and Woodland Avenue. Last month they held a phonathon to update their membership lists. They hope to be able to increase their membership in the upcoming months.

UNIT VISITATIONS ARE ON It's WAY

Unami Lodge's Unit Visitations Committee, which coordinates and conducts both Unit Elections, and Camp Promotion visits, has set forth a plan of action for the upcoming months. In December the committee will be contacting all units of the Philadelphia Council to specifically identify the various levels of assistance that each unit needs in regard to their camping program. The committee plans to issue a comprehensive packet of information about Camp, Order of the Arrow Elections, and general Lodge Information. This packet will be made available to all Scoutmasters. Elections will be conducted as needed by the various Chapters throughout the year. If your unit needs an election or camp promotion visit by our committee, contact Kyle Sammin at 338-2041 or Steve Ranjo at 634-6175.

LODGE MEMBER ELECTED SECTION CHIEF

At the 1995 NE-4B Section Conclave held at Hart Scout Reservation last June, Mark Bonitatibus from our Lodge was elected to the office of Section Chief. Mark has been an active member of our Lodge for many years including serving as Activities Chairman, Frontier Chapter Chief, and Lodge Secretary. He is a Vigil Honor member whose name when translated means Vociferous Leader. He has served on the Hart Camp Staff for several years and is still very active with his unit. As Section Chief Mark represents six Lodges at the National Planning Conference which will be held in Texas in December where he will be actively involved in planning the upcoming NOAH this summer. His primary responsibilities will include planning, and executing the annual Conclave Weekend which will be held at Resica Falls Scout Reservation. The members of Unami Lodge wish to congratulate Mark and wish him success in this role.



Advisor's Corner

The holiday season is a time for us to look back at happy times and to look forward to times with friends and family. Many of these happy times for us involve Scouting and the Order of the Arrow. Many of our old friends we look forward to seeing at our annual dinner. As a momento to the occasion, a turtle patch will be given to everyone who attends this year. John Gibson is to be commissioned once again for a second painting to be placed in the Founder's Room at the Council Service Center. Many of you enjoyed his first rendering of the Scout at the Devil's Teatable overlooking Treasure Island. The second painting will be of our founders Goodman and Order of the Arrow

Edson. Vida Bey's Ceremonial team, with the help of advisor John Grandzol, is making plans for new buckskin costumes for our Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies. It takes many to make a lodge successful. Many thanks to all those who are struggling out in the "trenches" to make our lodge and Scouting in general better.

Bob Kessler
Lodge Advisor

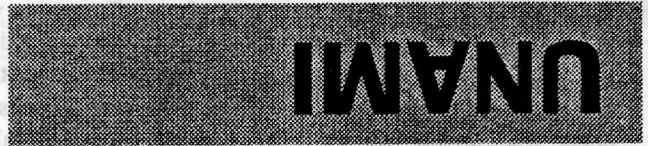
DUES ARE \$5.00 AND ARE PAYABLE AT THE LODGE DINNER

Annual Dinner Reservation Form

Enclosed

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CHAPTER NEWS

NORTHERN:

Chief :Earl Texter (424-1585)
Northern meets every 2nd Thursday of the month at Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science in Down's Hall. Meeting starts 7:30

DELAWARE:

Chief: Chris Berk (425-4510)
Delaware meets the first Thursday of each month at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cottman and Erdrick Sts. at 7:30

FRONTIER

Chief: Christian Grandzol (663-1274)
Frontier Meets every 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Pennypack Environmental Center on Verree Rd. Meeting Starts 7:00. For more info see chapter news letter attached.

LIBERTY BELL:

Chief: Vida Bay (549-7869)
Liberty Bell meets every 2nd Monday of the month at Rohm & Haas on 6th and Market. Meeting starts at 7:30

Read The Fine Print Fellow Arrowmen!

We need you!

- Has your troop done an exciting activity or undertaken amemorable trip?
- Is your chapter planning an activity for your chapter or forthe lodge's benefit?
- Do you have anything that you think would be of interest to the lodge?

If so, we would like to hear about it!

The Voice is always looking for articles from our fellow arrowmen to make the Voice more interesting and colorful. If you have an article you would like to share you can send it to one of the locations below.

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