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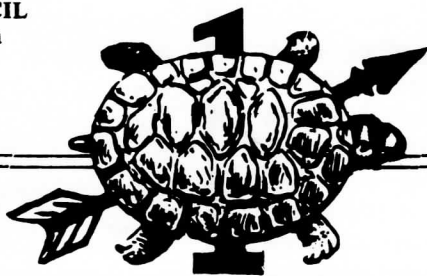
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SEAL THE BOND. BECOME BROTHERHOOD.

Zach Clayton and Cock Robin at 59th Annual Dinner by Harry Strauss

Headlining the program at Unami's 59th Annual Dinner was Zachary Clayton, the referee of the Ali-Foreman Fight which took place in Africa not too long ago.

Mr. Clayton told an audience of almost 500 how he was held captive by African soldiers for security reasons, before the fight.

At one point in his story he received a standing ovation. Dinner Chairman Eric Benshetler presented Clayton with a framed letter of appreciation from the Lodge.

A big surprise of the evening was the performance of the song "Cock Robin" by ex-Lodge Chief Al Geller. We all got a big laugh when the fellow playing the widow in the song heavily doused a few members of the Camping Committee with water from his bottle of "tears".

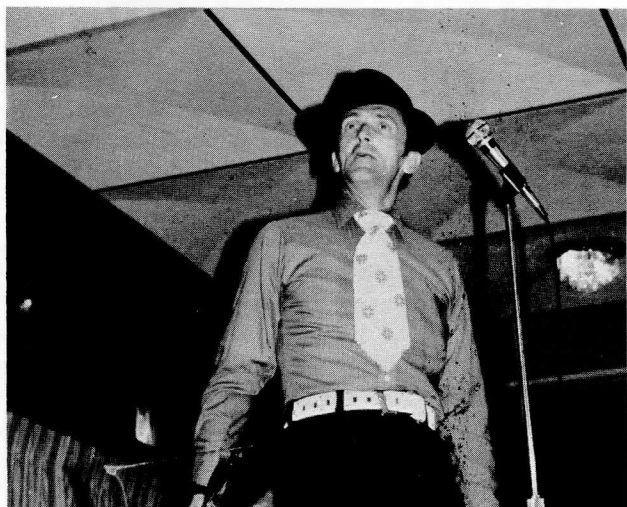
Scout Executive Frank V. Savino and Council President Frank Hahn Jr. both were at the dinner and Unami was honored by their attendance.

One of the more unusual aspects of the dinner was that women were invited. There was some opposition to this because it is against tradition but most members were glad to have them.



Dinner Chairman Eric Benshetler presents Zach Clayton with a letter of appreciation.

all photos by Harry Strauss



Dick Smith as "The Sparrow".



Left to right: Dinner Advisor George Senderling, Guest Speaker Zach Clayton, Ex-Lodge Chief Allan Geller.



Message from the Chief

On July 16, 1975, Unami Lodge #1, W.W.W., will celebrate its 60th anniversary. In honor of our anniversary, I am asking all Brothers of Unami to rededicate themselves to the ideals of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. To those Brothers who have not yet Sealed the Bond, please take the opportunity and become a Brotherhood member sometime during this year. I ask that all Brothers continue to perform cheerful service in their troops and chapters.

There are many opportunities in the year ahead, and a great deal of work must be done. The elected officers of the Lodge and Chapters have many ideas for the next twelve months, but your help is needed. If you have any problems, suggestions, or constructive criticism, or would like to volunteer for any lodge or chapter committee, PLEASE, I repeat, PLEASE contact your chapter chief, the Lodge committee chairman, or one of the Lodge officers. We will find or make a job for anyone sincerely interested in serving.

At any time during the year, please feel free to call me or any of the other officers, or drop us a line in care of the Camping Office, Scout Headquarters. We do not promise to take all of your suggestions, but I promise that they will all be considered.

On behalf of all the candidates for Lodge Office, I thank the 142 Brothers who cast their ballots in the recent election. Perhaps next year the other 80% of eligible voters (under 21 years of age) will care enough about Unami to vote.

We wish you a happy, healthy, and prosperous year.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Phil
Philip Hittner

Do not Read Unless You Are Over 21

by Allan Geller

This message is directed to our brothers over 21, or anyone else who is serious about service.

In the year just past, several adults got together to create a group of workers called the "Old Goats", whose motto is, "We don't vote, we just work."

To the adults of Unami, I realize there isn't much that you can call your own, for this is a young man's organization, but now you can join a club—a committee of our lodge based strictly on service and the care for our camps.

Now there is something you can do with your fellow adults who want to improve our camps and the service they provide. We have the authority of the Camping Committee.

If you're interested call: Russ Blackney—535-6488 or Tony Tamborro—GL 7-3054.

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1975 Breakdown of \$2.00 Dues

Your \$2 in dues is split up in the following way:

Section 5-A	2¢	Ceremonies	1¢
Council of Chiefs	1¢	Costumes	2¢
Officers Training Weekend	1¢	Postage	21¢
Camp Promotion	16¢	Printing	59¢
Vigil Committee	1¢	Stationary	2¢
Nominations Committee	1¢	Properties	
Chief's Fund	3¢	(Expenses only)	47¢
Secretary's Fund	1¢	National Conference	3¢
Honorsmasters	9¢	National Charter	20¢
Socials	3¢	Contingency/Reserve	7¢

Note that the above figures are very rough. Your chapter chief has a copy of the exact budget for 1975, and can also explain any of the above categories. See him if you have any questions.

Gotta Gripe About The Dinner?

Well, it's finally over. After seven months of planning, the 59th Annual Dinner Committee managed to provide the best (and longest?) dinner in years. The program was the fullest ever, and although this made us run short of time, those who stayed really enjoyed it.

What now? The Sixtieth Dinner! The best way to plan a dinner is to listen to constructive criticism about the previous dinners. Hold on a minute! Before you all deluge me with letters, remember that I asked for suggestions for the last dinner as far back as May. Everyone had plenty of time to send in suggestions for the last dinner. (Yet only TWO letters were received!) So if you just want to complain about doorprizes or open dinners, for instance, I **don't** want to hear it. What I **want** to hear are suggestions for next year's dinner.

Why am I asking for help so soon? After all, 1975 has barely started. I want to give everyone plenty of time to get in touch with me. The price for the next dinner will have to be at

least \$6.00, maybe closer to \$7.00. I don't want to receive complaints in November about the higher price; I'd rather hear them now, before a definite price is fixed.

Another thing that I'd like to look into is a complete revision of the dinner program. Hopefully, enough people will be on the Dinner Committee this year so that I can sit down with them for two hours and work out an entirely new program. What do you think should be changed?

So do two things within the next week:

1. Send me a letter with your suggestions, and let me know if you would like to help with the Sixtieth Dinner Committee.
2. Circle 28 December 1975 on your calendar.

Hope to hear from you soon!

Eric Benshetler,
Sixtieth Dinner Chairman
3800 Dorchester Road
Philadelphia, Penna.
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Vigil Nomination

The Vigil Honor is the highest honor a local Order of the Arrow Lodge can bestow upon one of its members. It is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position or office. The service should be to the Lodge, Scouting or the Scout Camp. Length of service or tenure in Scouting should not be the reason for nomination to the Vigil Honor.

If you know of someone who meets these requirements and who has been Brotherhood for a minimum of two years, fill out the nomination form in this issue and mail to:

Unami Lodge Vigil Committee
1834 Strahle St. Phila., Pa. 19152

It is very important that the Nomination form be filled out as completely as possible to assist the committee in selecting Vigil Honor Members.

VIGIL HONOR NOMINATION FORM

(Note:) Nominee must be currently registered in Scouting and Unami Lodge and must have been a brotherhood member for a minimum of two years. For application to be considered all information must be complete.

NAME _____ AGE _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ ZIP CODE _____

REGISTERED AS _____ IN _____ UNIT _____ OF _____ DISTRICT

DATE OF ORDER INDUCTION _____ DATE OF BROTHERHOOD INDUCTION _____

SCOUTING RECORD: BECAME A SCOUT ON _____ REACHED RANK OF _____

TROOP OFFICES HELD _____

SCOUTER RECORD: REGISTERED AS, WITH UNITS AND DATES _____

SCOUTER/or SCOUT AWARDS _____

WHAT COUNCIL OR DISTRICT EVENT COMMITTEES OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS DID HE FULFILL _____

LODGE OFFICES AND COMMITTEES _____

DISTRICT CHAPTER OFFICES AND COMMITTEES _____

AS A SCOUT AND/OR SCOUTER, IN YOUR OPINION, DID THE NOMINEE RENDER SERVICE OVER AND ABOVE THE IMMEDIATE DUTIES OF HIS JOB OR POSITION? _____

PLEASE STATE ANY INSTANCES OF THE FOREGOING: _____

IN A FEW WORDS WHAT BEST MAKES THIS NOMINEE STAND OUT? _____

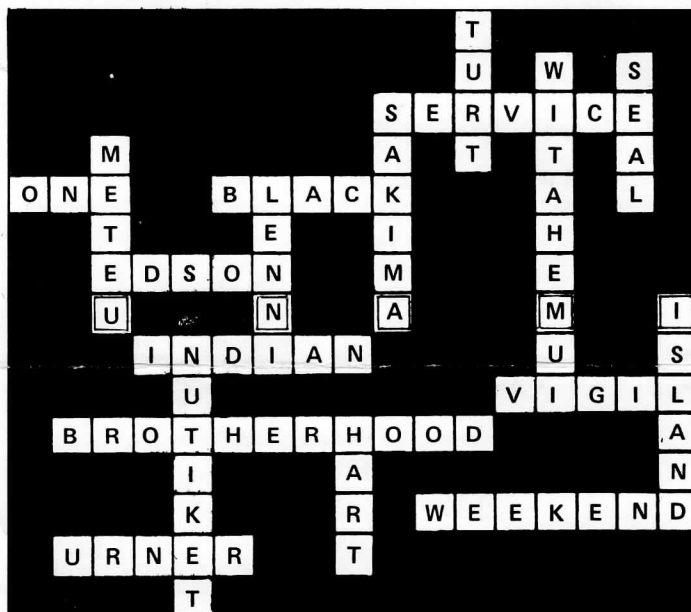
RECOMMENDED BY _____ UNIT _____ DATE _____

1975 Lodge Officers

Chief	Phil Hittner OR 6-7442
1st Vice Chief	Gary Lewis WA 4-3997
2nd Vice Chief	Tom McGinley GL 5-4613
Secretary	Jeff Gay NE 7-4007
Treasurer	Eric Benshetler 349-9737 (school) NE 7-5093 (home)
Lodge Lay Advisor	Jack Humma 422-4924 (business) IV 3-0893 (home)
Lodge Staff Advisor	Russ Swenson LO 4-2540 (business) OS 4-3488 (home)

These are the new officers which were inducted at the dinner. They have since attended a training weekend and are now ready to serve you. If you have any problems give them a call.

Answers To Last Months Puzzle



1975 Lodge Calender of Events

June 6-7-8	Spring Service Weekend H.S.R.
June 13-14-15	Section 5-A Conclave Goose Pond S.R.
July 16	60th Anniversary Celebrations T.I.
Aug. 18-22	O.A. National Conference Univ. of Miami, Ohio
Oct. 3-4-5	Fall Fellowship Weekend H.S.R.
Dec. 28	Annual Dinner 4 Chefs

Puzzle

FIND THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

1. Chief
2. Two Vice Chiefs
3. Treasurer
4. Scribe
5. Editor of this Paper

Names are vertical, horizontal and diagonal.

(answers in next issue)

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