

Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut Lodge was formed from the merger of Cha-Pa Lodge #97 and Pohawk Lodge #445. In 2001, Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut Lodge #97 absorbed Miniconjou Lodge #438. The Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut Lodge totem was a Beaver in front of a Pine Tree.

Cha-Pa Lodge #97 was chartered in 1936 in the Southwest Iowa Council located in Council Bluffs, Iowa. The Cha-Pa Lodge totem was a Beaver.

Pohawk Lodge #445 was chartered in 1950 in the Covered Wagon Council located in Omaha, Nebraska. The Pohawk Lodge totem was Three Cedar Trees.

Wahpeton Lodge #438 was chartered in 1950 in the Prairie Gold Area Council located in Fort Dodge, Iowa. The Wahpeton Lodge totem was a Willow Tree.

War Eagle Lodge #474 was chartered in 1952 in the Sergeant Floyd Council located in Sioux City, Iowa. In 1958, War Eagle Lodge rechartered after previously disbanding, changing the name from Ta Lodge. The War Eagle Lodge totem was a Bald Eagle.

Miniconjou Lodge #438 was chartered in 1973 in the Prairie Gold Area Council located in Sioux City, Iowa. In 1973, Miniconjou was formed from the merger of Wahpeton Lodge #438 and War Eagle Lodge #474. The Miniconjou Lodge totem was a White Buffalo.

Lodge Chiefs and Advisers of Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut Lodge #97



Year	Lodge Chief	Lodge Advisor
1966	John S. McCollister	Willis Abels
1967	Tony Sawtell	Willis Abels
1968	LeRoy Sievers	Dan Wiedemeier
1969	Loyd Neve	William H. Martin
1970	Dennis J. Wilson	William H. Martin
1971	Randy Johnson Andy Gentle	Benjamin M. Wall
1972	David Winchell	Benjamin M. Wall
1973	Steve Bernier Steve Garrett	Benjamin M. Wall

1974	Jack Liike	Harry L. Yolander
1975	David A. Markley	Harry L. Yolander
1976	John Bredemeyer	Harry L. Yolander
1977	Lawrence F. Chandler, Jr.	Sterling R. Franck
1978	Samuel T. Spicka	Sterling R. Franck
1979	David L. Hunt	Sterling R. Franck
1980	Jeryl L. Nelson	Sterling R. Franck
1981	Daniel E. Hunt	Robert G. Moriarty
1982	Douglas N. Heller	Robert G. Moriarty
1983	Douglas N. Heller	Robert G. Moriarty
1984	Douglas R. Aupperle	Robert G. Moriarty
1985	William D. Murphy	Ray P. Conley
1986	William D. Murphy	Ray P. Conley
1987	Brian Grantham	Donald L. Nagel
1988	Brian Grantham	Donald L. Nagel
1989	Bruce Hietbrink	Donald L. Nagel
1990	David W. Varney	Donald L. Nagel
1991	Scott Fryant	James A. Singer
1992	Richard L. Reeve	James A. Singer
1993	Corey Campbell	Lawrence F. Chandler, Jr.
1994	Henry RahIfs, Jr.	Lawrence F. Chandler, Jr.
1995	Jonathan Fast	Lawrence F. Chandler, Jr.
1996	Mark E. Dreiling jr	Lawrence F. Chandler, Jr.
1997	Aaron W. Kreager	Thomas J. Lima
1998	Craig Gochenour	Thomas J. Lima
1999	Geoffrey Kline	Michael D. Mann
2000	Geoffrey Kline	Michael D. Mann
2001	Andrew Finch	Jim Kirby
2002	James Wingert	Jim Kirby
2003	James Wingert	Rick Niedergeses
2004	Drew Dougherty Eric Svingen	Rick Niedergeses

2005	Eric Svingen	Rick Niedergeses
2006	Stephen Wilke	Wesley G. Kreun
2007	Ben Nachman Chris Huston	Wesley G. Kreun
2008	Justin Williams	Wesley G. Kreun Chad King
2009	Justin Williams	Chad King Vince Cummings Jr.
2010	Jake Dagerl	Chad King Vince Cummmigns Jr.
2011	Jake Dagerl Michael Katalenich	Vince Cummings Jr. Rod Van Horn
2012	Michael Katalenich	Vince Cummings Jr. Rod Van Horn
2013	Matt Summers	Vince Cummings Jr. Curtis White
2014	Matt Summers	Curtis White
2015	Paul Taylor	Curtis White

Lodge Chiefs of Cha-Pa Lodge #97

Chartered August 31, 1936 in Southwest Iowa Council #175



Year	Lodge Chief
1937	George Mace, jr
1938 – 50	Unknown
1951	Richard Mitchell
1952	Richard Mitchell
1953	Richard Mitchell
1954	Reynold Larson
1955	Duffy Swain
1956	Duffy Swain

1957	Steven Riepe
1958	John Pierce
1959	John Pierce
1960	Wray Britton
1961	Charles Clapp
1962	Bruce Eilers
1963	Richard Morris
1964	Kenneth Karr
1965	Ron Gilmore

Chiefs of Pohawk Lodge #445

Chartered December 1, 1950 in Covered Wagon Council #326



Year	Lodge Chief
1951	John Rinde
1952	Marvin Kirchner
1953	Alfred Curtis
1954	Richard Smith
1955	Richard Martin
1956	Lyman Heine
1957	Unknown
1958	Larry Larson
1959	Wayne Gash
1960	William H Martin
1961	Bill Brown
1962	Larry Fiehn
1963	David Williams
1964	Unknown
1965	John S. McCollister

Chiefs of Miniconjou Lodge #438

Chartered January 1, 1972 in Prairie Gold Council



Year	Lodge Chief	Lodge Adviser
1972	Brian Beacom	Jerry Stroup
1973	Jerry Smith	Jerry Stroup
1974	Rick Rodgers	Jerry Stroup
1975	Rich Hearne	Jerry Stroup
1976	Bruce Oertel	Richard Schanzenbaker
1977	Warren Gemberting	Richard Schanzenbaker
1978	Warren Gemberting	Richard Schanzenbaker
1979	John Mohan	Tom Corrigan
1980	Phil Ramzey	Tom Corrigan
1981	Craig Luze	Tom Corrigan
1982	Mike Luze	Tom Corrigan
1983	Mike Thompson	Tom Corrigan
1984	Rich Luze	Tom Corrigan
1985	Mike Moats	Tom Corrigan
1986	Mike Moats	Tom Corrigan
1987	Jerry Mugonery	Dennis Robinson
1988	Derek BuBay Ryan Robinson	Dennis Robinson
1989	Ryan Robinson	Dennis Robinson
1990	Ryan Robinson	Dennis Robinson
1991	Ryan Robinson	Randy Burnight
1992	Josh Mead	Randy Burnight
1993	Travis Brown	Dale Smith
1994	Travis Brown	Dale Smith
1995	Jeremy Robinson	Jack Hendricks

1996	Jeremy Robinson	Jack Hendricks
1997	C.J. Lane	Jack Hendricks
1998	C.J. Lane	Jack Hendricks
1999	Matt Pottorff	Jack Hendricks
2000	Matt Pottorff	Jack Hendricks

The Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award (DSA) was created in 1940 to honor those who rendered service to the Order beyond the lodge level. The award is presented to Arrowmen, youth and adult, who have rendered distinguished and outstanding service to the Order on a sectional, regional, or national basis. The award is presented at National Order of the Arrow Conferences. Since the time the first awards were presented, less than 1000 Distinguished Service Awards have been awarded.

The award is a sterling silver arrowhead bearing an arrow pointing up and to the wearer's right. The award is suspended from a white neck-ribbon on which red arrows are embroidered. A white square knot embroidered on red cloth is available for uniform wear and a silver arrowhead lapel pin is available for civilian wear.

Year received:	Recipient
2000:	Aaron Kreager

The Founder's Award

The Founder's Award is the highest honor a lodge can bestow on a member. It is given to those members who display the dedication of the Order of the Arrow founders, Dr. E. Urner Goodman and Col. Carroll Edson. The lodge can give one award for every 500 members or fraction thereof. The following inscription on the award medallion describes the spirit of the award: "For he who serves his fellows is, of all his fellows, greatest."



Introduced at the 1981 National Order of the Arrow Conference, the Founder's Award was created to honor and recognize those Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to their lodge. The award is reserved for an Arrowmen who demonstrates to fellow Arrowmen that he or she memorializes in his or her everyday life the spirit of achievement as described by founder E. Urner Goodman and co-founder Carroll A. Edson.

The Award is a handsome bronze medallion bearing the likenesses of E. Urner Goodman and co-founder Carroll A. Edson, with wooden base and brass plate suitable for engraving. Also

available is a special Founder's Award arrow ribbon, with a gold colored arrow suspended from a red ribbon.

Nominations are made using the [General Nomination Form 2015](#), and **must** be received in the council office prior to **September 30th** of the year prior to the Winter Banquet. Nominations will be submitted to the OA Lodge Awards Committee.

- 1982 Douglas R. Aupperle and A.C. "Butch" Bouvier
- 1983 Douglas N. Heller and H. Neal Sievers
- 1984 Nathan Hunt and J.J. Johnston
- 1985 Richard A. Anderson and Robert G. Moriarty
- 1986 Bruce Hietbrink and Donald L. Nagel
- 1987 Brian Grantham and Gene Spicka
- 1988 Douglas Lang, Stephen Becker, and Dennis Robinson'
- 1989 Lance Hardisty, Ron La Croix, Sr., Mark Rabick, and Ralph Violett
- 1990 Dwight Grantham, Donald Roden, and David W. Varney
- 1991 Daniel Boucher, Chad Hardisty, Hans Kelpé, Harold Meyer', and Ryan Robinson'
- 1992 Corey Campbell, C. David Hughes, and Richard L. Reeve
- 1993 Henry Rahlfs, Jr. and Lloyd Roitstein
- 1994 Sterling R. Franck and Chad Lorenz
- 1995 Lawrence F. Chandler, Jr., James Clarke, Jonathan Fast
- 1996 Mark E. Dreiling, Pegeen Fast, and Jay Graves
- 1997 Travis Brown, Craig Gochenour, Aaron Kreager, and Michael Mann
- 1998 Geoffrey Kline, Thomas Lima, David Markley, and Jeremy Robinson,
- 1999 David Niedergeses, Jake Robertson, and Joe Scherrer
- 2000 Mike Brown, Patrick Dowse, Dick Kreager, and Mike Scharibillig
- 2001 Chris Brooks, Brian Logeman, Tim Robertson, and James Wingert
- 2002 Drew Dougherty, D.J. Hubbard, Jim Kirby, and Rick Niedergeses
- 2003 Evan Lima, Brad Milacek, Jim Taylor, and Stephen Wilke
- 2004 Douglas Carlson, Arnold Martin, Josh Oehlerking, and Eric Svingen
- 2005 Joseph E. James, Wesley G. Kreun, Ben Nachman, and Rod Van Horn
- 2006 Marty Nachman, David Olsen, Jake Olsen, and Ross Olsen,
- 2007 Jacob Carlson, Frank Ibero, Evan Wilke, and John Yates
- 2008 Jim Jourdon, Lev Nachman, Justin Williams, and Randy Yates
- 2009 Drew Bonge, Spencer Cardwell, Seth Johnson, and Brandon Raddish
- 2010 Jordan Wyatt, Vince Cummings Jr., and Zack Sinsheimer
- 2011 Joseph A. Hagerty IV, Curtis D White, Vincent L Cummings, Nicholas J Anderson
- 2012 Dylan Nicksich, Matthew Ostdeik, Phil Wier, Eric D. Moore
- 2013 Drew Hazlip, James Knights, Wes Agar, Rose Kronick
- 2014 Luke Johnson, Jordan Parker, F. Alex Ronfeldt, Matt Summers

[The Higher Vision Award](#)

The Higher Vision Award was created by the Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut Lodge #97 in 2009 to recognize the Lodge's second and third generation "Founders" – Scouters who have built an enduring legacy to Scouting and the Order of the Arrow through a lifetime of cheerful service to others.



The award is intended to recognize only those extraordinary Arrowmen who have deeply influenced and significantly contributed to the vision, direction, and growth of the Order of the Arrow, faithfully demonstrated a lifetime of servant leadership, and, through their daily example, illuminated and reinforced the significance of the values found in the Scout Oath

and Scout Law.

The prestige of the award requires the criteria be general in nature to allow members of the Lodge committee to exercise wisdom, flexibility, and discretion in the evaluation and selection of a worthy recipient. Although any past or present member of the Order of the Arrow may be nominated, a nominee **must** meet the following criteria:

- [Vigil Honor](#) member;
- Founders Award recipient;
- Continued to render outstanding and dedicated service to the Order of the Arrow since receiving the Founders Award; and
- Member of the Order of the Arrow for a minimum of 25 years.

Nominations are made using the [General Nomination Form 2015](#), and **must** be received in the council office prior to **September 30th** of the year prior to the Winter Banquet. Nominations will be submitted to the OA Lodge Awards Committee.

Higher Vision Award Recipients

- 2009 – Jim Clarke
- 2010 – Lloyd E. Roitstein
- 2011 – Dale Bonge
- 2012 – Vincent L. Cummings, Sr.
- 2013 – Douglas N. Heller
- 2014 – Vincent L Cummings Jr.



Spirit of the Ordeal Award

The Spirit of the Ordeal Award was created by the Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut Lodge #97 in 2010 to recognize the Lodge's outstanding young – Scouts

who are setting the example high above their peers building an enduring legacy to Scouting and the Order of the Arrow through cheerful service to others.

The award is intended to recognize only those extraordinary Arrowmen who have deeply influenced and significantly contributed to the vision, direction, and growth of the Order of the Arrow, faithfully demonstrated a lifetime of servant leadership, and, through their daily example, illuminated and reinforced the significance of the values found in the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

The prestige of the award requires the criteria be general in nature to allow members of the Lodge committee to exercise wisdom, flexibility, and discretion in the evaluation and selection of a worthy recipient. Although present member of the Order of the Arrow may be nominated, a nominee must meet the following criteria:

- Under the age of 21.
- Extremely active in the chapter he resides in.
- Active in the Lodge

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Award Recipients

- 2010 – Joe Hagerty
- 2011 – Joseph Kamphaus
- 2012 – Michael Cruse
- 2013 – Paul Taylor
- 2014 – Noah Sundberg

James E. West Fellowship Award



The James E. West Fellowship Award is a national recognition for individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more in cash or securities to their local council endowment fund. The Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut Lodge gives one James E. West Fellowship Award each year to an outstanding Arrowman. Organizations or individuals may contribute an award in honor of someone. The award is presented with a certificate, a lapel pin, and a square knot to wear on the uniform. James E. West fellows names are added to the wall in the Durham Scout Center.

Nominations are made using the [General Nomination Form 2015](#), and

must be received in the council office prior to September 30th of the year prior to the Winter Banquet. Nominations will be submitted to the OA Lodge Awards Committee.

Lodge 97 James E West Fellowships

- 2009 – Vince Cummings, Sr.
- 2010 – Ralph W. Agar, Jr.
- 2011 – Pegeen Fast
- 2012 – Michael Nicksich
- 2013 – Vince Cummings, Jr
- 2014 – Marcia Adams

Silver Arrow Award



A distinctive arrowhead that can be displayed on your lodge flap or where ever appropriate to show you are active as a Brotherhood member of the Lodge Requirements for the award include;

- Current registration with the BSA and Lodge.
- Brotherhood for at least 6 months
- Active in your unit for 6 months as a Brotherhood member
- Attend at least 4 chapter meetings in the last year
- Attend at least 1 Lodge or chapter function in the last year
- Complete 6 days/nights of camping or a long term camp since earning Brotherhood.
- Participate in a Camp Promotion since earning Brotherhood
- Do one of the following:
 - Minumum of 4 hour Service Project
 - Attend NLS

- Attend NOAC
- Attend a Section Conclave

Award Recipients

2011 - Rod Van Horn, Curt White, John Yates, Randy Yates, Michael Wiese

2012 – John Abbott, Wes Agar, Mel Clark, Vince Cummings, Jr., Matt Cuva, Alex Deters, Drew Hazlip, Carol Huston, Terry Jordan, Edward Joyce, David Knights, James Knights, Rose Kronick, Ken Maddox, Jordan Parker, Tim Rollings, Noah Sundberg

2013 – Dylan Nicksich, Jeff Kluch, Kellen Kluch

2014 – Patrick Godfrey, Jax Schulke, Andrew Wiese, Rodney Wiese, Hunter Schulke, Matthew Summers, James E. Taylor, Joan B Wiese, Nick Blair, Noah Morocco, Tyler Hartman, Alex Ronfeldt, Kristine Ronfeldt

Chapter Arrowman of the Year

Award was created by the Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut Lodge #97 to recognize the Chapter's outstanding young Arrowman – The Scout who is setting the example high above their peers building an enduring legacy to Scouting and the Order of the Arrow through cheerful service to others.

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CHAPTER ARROWMEN OF THE YEAR

2011; Michael Wiese – Goldenrod, Matthew Cuva – Lewis & Clark, Sam Johnson – Many Rivers, Dylan Nicksich – Soaring Eagle, Scott Brown – Trailblazer, Phil Wier – Wagon Wheel

2012; Justin L. Novak – Golden Rod, Luke P. Johnson – Many Rivers, Matthew J. Summers – Soaring Eagle, – Trailblazer, Drew Hazelip – Wagon Wheel

2013; Grant Sturek – Lewis & Clark, Kyle Mock – PLS, Johnathon Hawes – Soaring Eagle, Scott Brown – Trailblazer, James Knights – Wagon Wheel

2014; Andrew G Wiese – Goldenrod, Luke Johnson – Petah La Shara, Alex Ronfeldt – Soaring Eagle, Dean Showers – Trailblazer, John Kalamaja – Wagon Wheel, Zack Rauth – War Eagle

The History of the Vigil Honor in our Lodge



According to some of our long-time Vigils and Lodge records, both the Cha-Pa Lodge (#97) of the Southwest Iowa Council and Pohawk Lodge (#445) of the Covered Wagon Council had inducted Vigil Honor members for a number of years prior to the official merger of the two Councils into Mid-America Council in 1965. To the best of our knowledge, 1952 was the first year Vigils were inducted by Cha-Pa Lodge (which was chartered in 1936), whereas Pohawk Lodge (which was chartered in 1950) first selected Vigils in 1956.

The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position of office to one or more of the following: their lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or their Scout Camp. Under no circumstances should tenure in Scouting or the Order of the Arrow be considered as reason enough for a Vigil Honor recommendation.

Any member of the Order of the Arrow registered in Scouting and in good standing in a regularly chartered lodge is eligible for recommendation to the national Order of the Arrow Committee for elevation to the Vigil Honor provided that, at the time of the recommendation, the individual has been a Brotherhood member for a minimum of two years.

A lodge may nominate a maximum of two percent of their registered Arrowmen once a year, through the Vigil Honor petition, found in the annual re-charter packet. At least 50 percent of all nominated must be under 21 at the time of nomination.

Vigil Honor Recipients

* elected into Miniconjou

1952 Noel Bissell, John Chase, W.W. Clarke, Jim Cunningham, Thomas Ford, Nils Hansen, Ikie Kalus, Reynold Larsen, Richard Mitchell, Ted Smith, W.W. Wilson.

1956 Gene Adams, Clarence Bloom, Edward Cooper, Wayne Gash, Kazuo Ikebasu, Keith Johnson, Dale Larson, Don Leopold, Richard Martin, James Melsa, William Shely, Jim Wiley.

1957 Frank Benish, Richard Gash, David Vetter, Basil Wiley.

1958 Robert Anderson, Martin Broadus, Richard Brown, Jim Clarke, Robert E. Dorr, Robert M. Fee, I.H. Floersch, Otto Gurerzky, Dan Lawson, William Martin, Winston C. Miller, Robert Shamblen, N.H. Sheiry, Robert Valdez, Randall Wiley.

1959 Ralph Fortner, Robert Frazier, Harry Greder, Mack Greder, James Lindernood, James Powell, Lynn Settie, Norman Swils, Ken Tempero, Bob Vandenberg.

1960 Frank Bascom, John Bascom, Nick Buck, Charles Clapp, Robert Clover, James Coate, Joe Fox, Orvil Gainsforth, John Gurerzky, Rich Jaworski, Lloyd Otto, Calvin Parrott, Jr., Jerry Reeves, Jamie Rosman, Dan Schultz, Leonard Schultz.

1961 Steven Barker, G. Randy Boldt, William F. Brown, John Coufal, James Glaser, Barry Johnson, Wafter J. Nelson, John T. Wiysel.

1962 Willis W. Abets, Charles F. Craig, Bruce Eillers, Calvin Parrot, Sr., Roy Rasmussen, Steve Thompson

1963 Jerry Abels, Doyle Andrew, Gail S. Axen, Arthur Coates, Larry D. Fiehn, Richard Fortner, Robert Gove, James Guretzky, Richard Kaplan, Leland Lensch, Vernon Lensch, Robert M. Mann, Dave McKay, William Phelps, Paul Ryan, Warren Thompson.

1964 Michael Barker, Joe Bosiljevac, Roy Bower, Walter Brown, Charles Butler, Clifford Chase, Fred Glaser, William Glaser, Benjamin Graves, Kit Gurwell, Vern Hagedorn, Ted Hanley, Jerry Hoban, James Jefferies, Pete Jennings, Gary Lensch, Eric Manley, John S. McCollister, Jim Pearson, John Swanson, Dan Vokt, David William, Thomas Workman.

1965 Dave Bath, Mike Bergantzel, Ray Bosiljevac, Kenneth E. Brown, Jim Edwards, Keith Glandon, Ken Hufford, Robert Lee, Vaughn Livingston, Charles Mann, Ray Marshall, Merwyn Pearson, Robert Pierce, Raymond Ramirez, Allan Reed, Richard Smith, G. Tom Surber.

1966 Russell Burton, James Cusick, John Gibbons, Harlow Granay, Dean Jennings, Larry Loseke, Leigh Neligh, LeRoy Sievers, David Steckelberg, Alan Stirn, George K. Wandel, Michael Widman.

1967 Michael Adams, Robert Adams, Leander Bower, George Christensen, Dewey Dodge, Mike Donovan, William Evans, David Filipi, Ronald Holm, Thurmond Hopper, Charles Kava, Kenneth Nickerson, Mike Nickerson, Loren Pierce, Douglas Schumann, Joe Shanahan, Michael Tillman, William Willeford, *Harold Meyer.

1968 Michael Brackett, Nick Cusick, Alan Fisher, Terry Gutschow, Alex Hopper, Roger A. Hough, Lester Larson, Michael Muller, Paul Oostenbrug, H. Neal Sievers, *Frank Beller, *Don Meyers, *Donald Myer.

1969 Paul Barnett, Thomas Bicak, David Cunningham, Grant Flenker, Jr., William Fulton, Jr., Andrew Gentle, Greg Guy, Sam Harrington, Mark O. Harris, George Heatherington, Eugene Lyons, William R. Miller, George Money, Loyd Neve, Bryan Myquist, David Ogden, Richard

Ray, Sr., Jon Shea, John Simon, Chris Stewart, James Surber, Ed Vanderslice, Vik Wall, Dennis J. Wilson.

1970 Joe Baker, James Bakers, Gene Bamett, John Biles, Bruce Buchanan, William Bucknam, Robert Burns, Dave Christman, Eugene Coe, Ray P. Conley, Mark Erikson, James Ewing, Grant Flenker III, Roy Forstrom, Mike Hayes, Wayne Hill, Courtney Jensen, Randy Johnsen, Gordon Riedisel, Kylon Schmitt, Shawn Sommers, Jay C. Graves, Ralph Violet, Benjamin M. Wall.

1971 Don Alexander, Carl Bachenberg, Eric Benson, Bob Blanchard, Ira Combs, Adam Doty, Mark Draper, Stephen Gerhardt, Jack Grosvenor, Jr., Tom Hansen, Vernon Hayes, A.J. Haynes, Anthony Kerkhove, Ray Kirchner, Steve Larson, Bruce Moeller, Tony Montag, Douglas Rogers, Darel Scherer, Tim Scherer, Dan Shurtliff, John Sommers, Joseph, Stavas, Philip Steyer, Lloyd Thede, Chester Tsuji, James Williams, David Winchell, William Worm, *Bill Marrill.

1972 George Steve-Bemier, Robert Bower, William Engle, Scott Erikson, Sterling R. Franck, Jack Grosvenor, Sr., James Kerkhove, Marty Mullican, Paul Nicksich, Dennis Nutting, Alan Schumuecker, Lewis Sloup, Marc Sommers, David Thede, Steven Wurst, *John Collenbaugh.

1973 Carlton Beers, James F. Coakley, Francis Drieger, Jim Griffes, Frank Janiak, Jim Janiak, Barry Klanderud, Jack Luke, Bill Poots, Jim Sapp, Bruce Sellon, Marvin Viergtze, Evan Wilke, *Douglas Davis, *Douglas Herman.

1974 Robert Barr, John Cambridge, Karl Erikson, Joey Friesen, Marvin Haswell, Mike Inman, Eric Janssen, Kevin Kuhl, Kim Kuhl, Randy Larson, Pat Lonergan, Craig Loseke, David Markley, Russell Perry, Angel Ramos, Jim Schmidt, Russ Swecosky, Walter Weame, Jim Yates, Harry Ylander.

1975 Skip Brandon, Larry Chandler, Jr., Dale Clifton, Kevin Emge, John Gerhart, Luke Heckman, Robert Inman, Paul Keifer, James Richardson, Cliff Stuffier, Thomas Stovall, Donald Walters, Jim Waters, Jr., Dave Ylander, *Tom Stickel.

1976 Harlan Ball, Leo Bednarz, John Bredemeyer, Robert Brown, Joseph Fields, David M. Flenker, Michael T. Gibson, Brett Haswell, Luther D. Heckman, Greg Hogan, Mark Mascarello, Robert Moriarty, Guy Ridings, Brian Riley, Herman Schmitz, Patrick Shurtliff, Joe Stephen, William Titze.

1977 David Jansma, Michael D. Mardi, Larry Meyer, Craig Montanye, A. Richard Natrass, James Reilly, Richard Sanne, Jim Varner, *Waren Gembeling, *Jim Montgomery.

1978 Paul Athey, Leonard Cassel, Mike Cook, Walter Horn, Kenny King, Richard Mascarello, Jim Mitchell, Brice Moeller, Kevin Moriarty, Lloyd Roitstein, Gene Spicka, Sam Spicka.

1979 Eric Bremers, Leo J. Brick, William Doughman, James A. Fairchild, David W. Gustin, David L. Hunt, Cliff Lambrecht, Lyle W. Morgan II, Jeryl Nelson, Vem Steinman, Peter Zaemes, *Joel Brownlee, *Ed DeVos.

1980 Stephen G. Becker, Matt K. Benton, John M. Dart, Don L. Neese, Douglas N. Heller, Robert Nath, A.W. Rasmussen, David Schieffer, Lawrence J. Sullivan, Donald R. Zimmer, *Ed Maier, *Bruce Nelson, *Phillip Ramsey.

1981 A.C. Bouvier, Duane Koss, Jeff Thompson, David Workman, Jr, *Tom M. Corrigan, *Verdean (Curly) Kruse, *Larry Milroy, *Charles Rindel, Jr., *Kevin Week.

1982 Douglas Aupperle, Daniel Evans, David Getzschman, Stanley Haynes, C. David Hughes, Dan Hunt, James Kirby, Jeffery Koss, Thomas Lee, Daniel Murphy, Keith Nagel, Kevin Smith, Troy Techau, James Trojanowski, Harry Wade, Ivan Winbolt, *Bob Bell, *Tom J. Corrigan, *Craig Luze, *Paul Milroy, *D.R. (Duke) Smith, *Mike Thompson.

1983 Richard Andersen, Larry Andersen, Bob Brown, Jason Caniglia, Ron Cook, Phillip Garland, Richard Getzschman, Nathan A. Hunt, Kiplin Johnson, James Johnston, Oskars V. Zeltins, David C. Locke, Charles Osgood, Dr. Morris Roitstein, Michael Thorp, Jim Wilwerding, *Steven Kerr, *Rich Luze, *Eldon Thompson.

1984 Gregory Baxter, Douglas Behrens, Gary Bouvier, Ronald Cates, Douglas Gibbons, Rodney Graham, Bruce Hietbrink, Rick Hughes, Edwin Kerr, Larry Koubsky, John Kros, Patrick Lambrecht, Richard Leuschen, Danny Moore, Anthony Munson, Michael Munson, Donald Nagel, Brian Nappe, Joseph Neil, Sr., Ray Slizewski, Jr., Ray Slizewski III, Francis Ward, Jr., Gunnar Westhoff, Gerald Winchell, *Todd Kruse, *Gerald Montgomery, *Ron Rachuy, *Frank Teach Sr.

1985 Kenneth L. Andersen, Randall C. Busse, Patrick Gaughn, Jay Gerke, Brian D. Grantham, Craig Hanson, William L. Harris, Richard D. Hawes, Larry R. Jaeckel, Timothy T. Lambrecht, Timothy T. Lenon, Edwin Meyer, William D. Murphy, Andrew M. Ruhner, Matt Ruhner, Bernard J. Wilwerding, *David Janssen, *Michael Moats, *Dennis Robinson, *Jim Wise.

1986 Cloyce Adams, John Adams, Chris Andersen, Mark Bauers, Tom Brunner, Jr., Vince Cummings, Sr., Vince Cummings, Jr., Greg Coleman, Chris Dixon, Dwight Grantham, Shane Graeve, Lance Hardisty, Glenn Hurst, Stephen Henry, Donald Koubsky, Marvin Lenon, J.C. Mason, Doug Miles, Timothy Neal, Patrick Prorock, Donald Roden, Jim Sandvold, Charles Speiker, Terry Turner, Jack Hendricks, *Roger Johnson, *Ron Lane, *Jason Mathis, *Chris Meikle, *Dwight Moats.

1987 Harold Black, Maurice Croghan, Dan Douglas, Bob Dudik, William Hardisty, Keith Henderson, Keith Noose, Chris Jones, Doug Lang, Don McMullen, Steve Miller, Dave Rohan, Joe Schlesselman, Bill Suiter III, Mitch Sump, J. Uhlman, Bob Varier, Charles Wiethop, Fred Whitelock, Jamison Whitelock, Paul Wilwerding, *Charles Hoffman, *Andrew Hudson, *Stephan Meyer, *Daniel Napoliello, *Ryan Robinson, *Eric Wilson, *Gary Zeman.

1988 Nathan Bahr, Rodney W. Coleman, Mark W. Frank, Michael Gallagher, Keith Hale, Scott Johnston, Michael Lang, Daniel Marr, Jay D. Mulkey, Charles T. Nelson, Derik O. Nelson, Kenneth M. Prorock, Mark A. Rabick, Don P. Rock, John T. Slizewski, Kole Snodgrass, Lyle

Strom, Clayton West, Craig Wiles, *Ronald LaCroix, Jr., *Ronald LaCroix, Sr., *Jon Murry, *Tom Stoeber, *Troy Stoeber.

1989 James C Adams, Ryan Anderson, Eugene Butcher, Bob Clemons, Kevin Dunlop, Todd Frank, Peter Hoeman, Alan Jensen, Paul Jensen, Mike McClure, Mike McMorrow, Greg McMullen, Don Marshall, Michael Packard, Joe Prorock, Rick Reeve, Troy Ruhrer, Bill Schlupp, David Tews, Lynn Trimpey, Todd Wilson, J.C. Yazowski, John Yost, Nick Zedicher, *Troy Frideres, *Ryan Hoag, *Joe Ivener, *Jay Warren.

1990 Chad Boomgaarden, Gary Brown, Matt Busse, Jack Cox, Kevin Clarke, David Clemons, Bruce Fields, Scott Fryant, Chad Hardisty, Kenneth Hazlett, David Hebben, Larry Hogya, Brian Kelp, James Petersen, Preston Sargent, Mike Taylor, Tony Wilwerding, Avairs Zeltins, Wike Brown, *Chuck Hopp, *Joshua Mead, *Dick Warren.

1991 Travis Backlund, Brett Baker, Jon Boomgaarden, Ed Gambs, Gary Gsell, Frank Ibero, Hans Kelp, Aaron Mann, Mike Mann, Ric Painter, Matt Peterson, Henry Rahlfs, Jr., Marty Rasch, Dick Reeve, Frank Russell, Eric Singer, Aaron Strain, David W. Vamey, Brennan Weber, Mike Williams, *Brad Anderson, *Travis Brown, *Scott Christenson, *John Crow, *Dennis Pottorff, *Terry Simons.

1992 Brent Blume, Corey Campbell, Richard Dennis, John Hamill, Francis Ibero, Matt Johnson, Dave Lyman, Keith Olson, Chris Shannon, Steve Straub, Darren Stroupe, Don Stroupe, *Gregg Ahlrichs, *Chad Brown, *Russell Kock, *Jeremy Long, *Becky Robinson.

1993 James J. Brouhard, Timothy D. Brouhard, Timothy E. Brouhard, Pegeen J. Fast, Tyler Foulkes, Charles A. Goff, Joshua M. Kahrs, Mark R. Kelp, Wade Kumke, Michael Mahoney, Dennis G. Moeller, Paul L. Nevius, *Jeremy Robinson, Mike R. Scharfbillig, Matthew Scherrer, *Chris Smith, *Dale Smith, Donald F. Stevens.

1994 Verne Bridgewater, Bryan Fast, Fred Fast, Jonathan Fast, Michael Hansen, Brian Hebben, William Jenkins, Carl Johnson, Jeremiah Johnson, F. Curtis Krambeck, Fred Krambeck, H. Christian Krambeck, Duane Long, Chad Lorenz, Arnold Martin, John Moeller, David Reeve, Joseph Scherrer, *Jim Smith, Steve Wigodsky.

1995 Bruce D. Atkinson, Ronald Colby, Aaron Dewey, John Dewey, Mark E. Dreiling, Jason B. Erb, *Collin Freeburg, Gregory L. Gruber, John R. Hence, Jason C. Hindley, Curtis F. Hoakison, Jeffery G. Jenkins, Leslie Lloyd Jerome, Thomas J. Lima, David J. Meyer, Richard M. Nauman, Benjamin W. Pickle, Joseph B. Scharfbillig, Ryan S. Townsend, Travis G. Wiehn, Daniel J. Wigodsky, Rick Wollen.

1996 Jeffrey Baldwin, James Brown, Robbie Elliott, Roger Elliott, Dennis Erb, Seth Fiscus, William Germer, Craig Gochenour, Jeremy Holben, Michael Johnson, Geoffrey Kline, Don Knapp, Scott Koebel, Derrick Lich, Eric Lima, Curtis Losee, William Pickle, Richard Rosener, Jerry Vaughn, *George Kueny, *C.J. Lane, *Chris Meyer, *Cory Reiersen, *Don Winebrenner.

1997 Keith Cook, Samuel M. Gahm, David J. Gibbs, Rex L. Gochenour, John R. Gruber, Brian Hoffman, Daniel M. Jensen, Randy Kemes, Jeremiah J. Kline, Rodney A. Knapp, Richard J. Kreager, Aaron W. Kreager, Jason K. Kruse, tPat Luze, David M. Niedergeses, William D. Pickle, Kenneth W. Post, Joseph Raymer III, Danny E. Roberts, Jake Robertson, Timothy M. Robertson, Brandon L. Vavra, *Kit Baker, Douglas Besch, *Karen Brown, *Dale (Killer) Kilmer, *Bob Shea, *Zan Smoot.

1998 Gregory E. Bush, Grant Christiansen, Robert L. Christiansen, Joyce M. Cogdill, Patrick Dowse, Judy K. Erb, Mark Frank, Gary B. Gahm, Lynn E. Gaston, Debra A. Gochenour, Andrew P. Gregory, Tom R. Hare, Pat Hendricks, Kevin N. Hinegardner, Daniel J. Jeffrey, Chad J. King, David C. Kirby, Charles A. Kriegler Jr., Steven M. Lanni Jr., Paul A. McCormick, Thomas M. Nicholson, *Enc Niedergeses, Jan A. Roberts, Andy J. Stoll, Camron Vossberg, Jason Z. Winters, Adam T. Witthauer, Tim D. Witthauer.

1999 Seth T. Fairfax, Spencer Finley, Justin A. Laabs, Jimmy McDonald, Michael Neil, Mark C. Rogers, Jonathan Sharman, Chris Vossberg, Ben S. White, Charles D. Adams, Chris Brooks, Dennis Deters, Michael Dorland, Elwood Kline, Samuel E. Lamb, Sally J. Lotspeich, Alan L. Nelson, Richard M. Niedergeses, Michael L. Vogt, Ronald W. Ward Sr., *Daniel Besch, *Kevin Robinson, *Ben Voteburg

2000 Ralph W. Agar, jr, Joshua Brandt, Nick Contryman, Jeremy Davlin, Mike “Scott” Flurry, *Bill Fraser, Ricky Holbert, Erik James, Wes Kreun, Lucas Lechtenberg, Jason Marx, Jason Metz, Spiro Moustakes, Robert Mumgaard, Waiter Nurton, David Olsen, Scott Peterson, John Phelps, Kay Rodgers, David Ross, Bill Schierbrock, Collin Souba, Bruce Stohiman, Daniel Strom, Jim Taylor, Jr., Nathaniel Wilke, James Wingert, *George Carrier, *Casey Huff, *Jon Mills, *Douglas Ramsey.

2001 Charles W. Adams, Dean L. Antonson, John Bexten, Eric Deters, Kyle Ellerbeck, Andrew E. Finch, Dan Fowler, Matthew Fowler, Jody Fraser, James C. Gilbert, John E. Hutchinson, Coale W. Johnson, Thomas V. Kasper, jr., Randall D. Kasparbauer, Brett Kaszinski, Kyle W. Kreun, Steven M. Lanni, St., Andrew E. Lotspeich, Ian MacDonald, Donna M. Mayfield, Brad Milacek, Marion Moore, Brian J. Nastase, Adam W. Nurton, Nicholas J. Ross, John D. Ryan, James T. Schiotfeld, John Skaar, Adam B. Stange, Don Strom, Craig A. Sullivan, Jeremiah J. Taylor, Pat Udron, Ronald W. Ward, Jr.

2002 Douglas Carlson, Bryan Crawford, Maurice Curry, Mike Gaughan, Sandy Gruber, David Henderson, Matt Hovanec, D.J. Hubbard, Evan Hunt, Alan Jacobsen, John Jacobsen, Aaron Jepsen, Tim Kelly, Becky Letsche, Evan Lima, Greg Loucks, Bill Lowndes, Kay MacDonald, Sally Mann, Harvey Marx: James McDonald, Josh Oehlerking, James Recek, Richard Schlichte, Scott Reed, Scott Rodgers, Adam Sievers, Joshua Sullivan.

2003 Matthew Boucher, Nicholas Buman, Thomas Byrne, Robert C. Cook II, Mark Davis, Drew C. Dougherty, Tom Dowse, Elliott K. Erksen, Andrew Feeser, Daniel James, Mike Keefer, Jason Lanni, Jason Letsche, Brian Metz, Daniel Moylan, Matthew Nurton, Stephen Wilke, Jason Witty, David W. Davis, David J. Dvorak, James G. Gemer, Joseph E. James, John S. Keim, Lynn A. Knudson, Rose-Marie Kronick, Bryan Longemann, Mark Pilley, Dan Richardson,

Christian M. Robertson, Larry J. Ruffner, Gary W. Sharman, David A. Sinsheimer, David Yocum.

2004 Travis W. Brock, Joshua J. Brooks, Thomas A. Burton, Wayne E. Calhoun, Seth Chapman, Josh L. Dodd, Andrew S. Erwin, Seth M. Green, Martin P. Letsche, Charles D. McAllister, Eric D. Meyer, Marty J. Nachman, Jake W. Olsen, Ross D. Olsen, Joshua D. Pottorif, Matthew P. Pottorff, Jeffrey P. Rock, Rymond E. Stavneak, Rod Van Horn, Mark A. Wingert, Nathan S. Zwick, Scott Zwick.

2005 Samuel L. Bennett, Dale L. Bonge, Jacob J. Carlson, Wayne A. Chapman, Shawn M. Diggs, Jeffrey M. Hobza, Levi S. Howe, Alexander L. James, Edward L. Kinzer, Jared W. Lefler, Eric R. Norris, Jacob S. Oehlreking, Jerry E. Otterson, Mark A. Poyzer, Kevin R. Rogers, Jared C. Sharman, Robert T. Sims, Timothy P. Sims, Zachary A. Sinsheimer, Thomas G. Thomsen, Dustin C. Van Horn, Patrick D. Wier, Donald J. Williamson, Jay H. Witty, John R. Yates.

2006 Ron Bailey, Benjamin Cass, George Jr Dunlop, Jeffrey English, Robert Foley, Allyn Jr. Gonsor, John Hall, Carol Huston, Kurt Larsen, Nick Moore, Ben Nachman, James Pedersen, Brandon Reddish, David Reick, Marilyn Rodgers, Phil Rossbach, Ty Schrader, James Schustek, Eric Svingen, Kyle Svingen, Joshua Williamson, Randy Yates, William Gondennger.

2007 Nicholas Andersen, Kevin Anderson, Scott E Anderson, Charles N Bahr, Drew Bonge, Mark Borytsky, Audrey Borytsky, Jesse Bremer, Kendall R Christensen, Craig Davis, Blaine T Drozd, Warren Drucker, Steve Dunham, Steven Elder, Brian Hobza, Terry Lynn Jordan, Jim Jourdan, Stephen P Juza, Steven Robert Lohrman, Daryl Millus, Eric D Moore, Cody Murphy, Sue Murphy, Cody Nimmo, Jeremiah Omotb , John M Ramsay, Christopher Reis, Charles Scheibe, John L Schmidt, Ryan Shaneyfelt, Richard E Spry, Jordan Rusk Wyatt, George McMullen.

2008 Marcia Adams, Cody Auen, Bradley Borytsky, Mark Borytsky, Jordan Bremer, Spencer Cardwell, Brad Copenhaver, Anthony Crabb, Drew Cuva, Dennis Weir, Dan Elder, Walley Farley, Cory Flint, Toby Flint, Bruce Galda, Tarry Hemple, Bob Jepsen, Chris Jepsen, Seth Johnson, Karl Lampe, David McBreen, Lev Nachman, Curtis Reis, Derek Sharman, William Stott, Justin Williams, Muriel Rusk Wyatt.

2009 Lee Borytsky, Leo Bravo, Richard Bravo, Aaron Brennan, Josh Buckridge, Robert Cardwell, Charles Mark Custer, John ‘Neal’ Dacey, Jake Dagel, Zach Dunlop, Buffie Elder, Todd Ganger, Zachary Yung Gooch, Samuel Rush Johnson, Jacob Kamphaus, Michael Kirchner, Matt Kottwi, Scott Locati, Ogden Martin, Duncan Murray, David Nelson, Dylan Nicksich, Michael Nicksich, Sean Rock, Douglas Rothgeb, Jesse Rothgeb, Scott Seibert, Shawn Stiefel, William ‘Bill’ Stott, George Townsend, Erik White, Jeff White, Nancy Rusk Wyatt, Miles Wynn, Nathan Young.

2010 Stephen Buckridge, Michael English, Ralph Healy Ill, Lisa Russell, Michael Temeus, Melvin Clark, Thomas Derrick, Richard Hawes Jr., Miles Ritchie, Micheal Terrell, Tyler Hempel, Hans Brummer, Ron Brummer, Derek Gilman, Dalton Messersmith, David

Messersmith, Justin Rusk Wyatt, John Abbott, Gale Hamilton, Andrew Katalenich, David Loguda, Uoyd Pierre Ill, Tim Rolling, Donna Bremmer, Steven Christensen, Jean Meyers, Curtis Thompson, Daniel Vosberg, Curtis White, Michael Katalenich, Curtis Parr.

2011 Joseph Hagerty IV, Gary Wayne Hamilton, Susan E Witty, Michael H. Cruse, Eric A. Magendantz, Stephen McCollister, Cindy Cone, Connie Jones, Eddie McGonigal, Matthew R. Ostdiek, Christian Jones, Joseph Nedza, Alex J. Norton, Aaron J. Hughes, Jon William Hage, David Knights, Philip F. Wier, Jacob McCloskey, Drew Hazelip, Joshua Talmadge, Luke Johnson, Rodney Polivka, Curt Charles Phillips, Jacob Terneus, Matthew Cuva, Jim Bunch, William Connelly, Jacob Nicholls, Davis Batten, Doug Cutter, Gerald B Davis, Tommy J. Geisler, Philip L. Gilman, Matthew Vondrasek.

2012 Matthew Anderson, Montana Beutler-Jones, Scott Brown, James Burns, Sr., Eric Cavanaugh, Sam Carberry, Justin Christensen, Alexander Davis, Travette Dennis, Alexander Deters, Tyler English, Robert Jacober, Larry Janousek, Robert Kamphaus, James Knights, Jon Lierman, Connor Morgan, Stephen Novak, Ethan Ostdiek, Jordan Parker, John Place, Nicholas Rock, Fredrick Ronfeldt, Kristina Ronfeldt, Thomas Schnepel, Melissa Stricherz, Rodney Wiese, Alec Wynn, Todd Wynn

2013 Kara L Asmus, John P Aumen, Carl P Aumen, Thomas A Barnett, Timothy P Begley, Christopher M Comella, Joseph A Hagerty III, Jonathan D Hawes, Kellen J Kluch, Jeff S Kluch, Kenneth L Maddox, Michael G Mayne, Kyle A Mock, Casey K Rhodes, Jacob P Rock, Rick Scheer, Clint R Siskow, Luke Schmitz, Trudy Seng, Matthew J Summers, Noah A Sundberg, Eric A Taylor, Monte G Taylor, Benjamin W Terrell, Charlie M Thilges, Mark H White, Grady M Wiedeman, Michael A Wiese, Paul M Zacccone

2014 Nick Heinrichs, Jared Holcomb, Noah Morocco, Paul Taylor, Zach Uryasz, Barnette Curry, Richard Dreibelbis, Cynthia Heinrichs, Paul Van Dyne

The following received the Vigil Honor in Miniconjou Lodge, but we do not have dates: Bill Bartlett, Luverne Bierle, Ernest Bratland, Don Carl, Steve Carlson, Daniel Collenbaugh, Joseph Courtright, Leonard Davis, C.J. Lane, Jess Lewis, Phillip Nelson, Don Newton, Joseph Prieskorn, Bob Ranschau, Steven Rees, Robert Shields, Willis Stawn II, Jerry Stroup, Al Thiele, Terry Thiele.

1965 This was the year of the Council merger. Although Cha-pa and Pohawk members selected their Vigil candidates separately this year, the Vigil Honor members of the two lodges joined to hold the Vigil inductions at Camp Eagle. After relatively heated, but friendly, disagreements over exact procedures to be followed during the ceremonies, seventeen candidates were inducted on a very frosty weekend by Chief of the Fire, Larry Fiehn. Attendance of Vigil candidates outnumbered the members!

1966 This year was the first in which the candidates were chosen by the infant Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut Lodge #97. It also marked a chance for the Brothers from Nebraska to see Camp Wakonda, which proudly served Scouts and Scouters of southwest Iowa for many years. Twelve new candidates were inducted by Chiefs of the Fire, G. Tom Surber and Larry Fiehn. This induction weekend was held in conjunction with the Lodge Fall Conclave, an arrangement which did not work too well and has not been repeated since. The Vigil Chairman was Tom Surber. With Larry Fiehn as Chief of the Fire and a number of other Vigils in attendance, a special induction ceremony was held later in the fall at Camp Cedars for John A. Gibbons. On the way home from the ceremony, John, then 17, apparently fell asleep while driving and was killed in an accident near Valley, Nebraska. Since then, it has been the firm policy that no candidate drives home from his induction ceremony.

1967 In ceremonies held at Camp Eagle, Chiefs of the Fire, Mike Lenahan, Leigh Neligh, and Jerry Abels, inducted 18 candidates. This year marked both a first and a last in regard to the Vigils in our Lodge. It was the first year a banquet for Vigils and candidates was held before the ceremonies, and it was the last year candidates were chosen by Vigil members. An amendment to the Lodge rules provided that Chapter representatives under the age of 21 served as the selection committee.

1968 After candidate selections were made by the Chapter representatives, the Vigil ceremonies were conducted at Camp Cedars. Ten new Vigils were inducted by Chief of the Fire, Ed Cooper, who had served as Chief of the Fire many times earlier.

1969 Chiefs of the Fire Tom Surber, Mike Lenahan, and Larry Fiehn inducted 23 new Vigils at Camp Wakonda. This weekend was well remembered by all those who attended, especially the candidates. We had a cold, hard rain, which lasted for the weekend and even some sleet. Roger Hough was the Chairman of Vigil Activities and Mike Lenahan served as Adviser.

1970 At Camp Eagle this year, the Chiefs of the Fire were Vik Wall, Dennis Wilson, and Andy Gentle. Twenty-three new Vigils were inducted. There was no evening banquet prior to the ceremonies, and the main program was held at the breakfast. The Rev. Ed Mehlhaff of Fremont, Goldenrod District Commissioners' staff, was guest speaker. Roger Hough was Chairman and Mike Lenahan coordinated as Adviser.

1971 This year saw a record number of candidates inducted, 29. The ceremonies were held at Camp Cedars. The evening banquet speaker was Samuel I. Berek, Chairman of the Goldenrod District Eagle Board of Review and long-time Scouter. Our Chiefs of the Fire were Mark Erikson, Andy Gentle, John Simon and Randy Johnsen. Roger Hough served his third year as Chairman.

1972 Sixteen new Vigils were inducted into the Honor by Chiefs of the Fire, Randy Johnsen, Mark Erikson, and Dave Winchell. In honor of Roger Hough who was "retiring" after four years as Chairman of Vigil Activities, we returned to Camp Cedars. Several awards were presented to Roger in appreciation of his service.

1973 In ceremonies held at Camp Eagle, Chiefs of the Fire, Dave Winchell and Randy Johnsen, inducted 12 new Vigils. Dave Winchell succeeded Roger Hough as Vigil Chairman. Our special guest speaker was Allen J. Beerman, Secretary of State, Nebraska, a former Camp Director at Camp Cedars, and an active Scouter in Cornhusker Council at Lincoln, Nebraska.

1974 This year marked a long-overdue return to Camp Wakonda where Chiefs of the Fire, Jack Liike, Scott Erikson and Marty Mullican, inducted 19 of the 20 selected candidates. (Russ Perry was unable to attend the regular ceremony and was inducted later in a special ceremony conducted by Chief Jack Liike.) Our guest speaker was Mr. Al Fasthorse, a tribal representative from Macy, Nebraska. Bill Martin was honored for his many years of service as Vigil Adviser with the presentation of several awards. He was succeeded by Dr. G. Tom Surber. Of special interest was the attendance and induction of Russ Swecosky. Russ had been elected to the Vigil in 1970 but had previously been unable to attend an induction ceremony. This year he drove up from his home in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

1975 Camp Cedars was the location of this year's induction ceremonies. Chiefs of the Fire, Jack Liike and John G. Flenker, inducted 14 new Vigils. Jack Liike again served as Chairman and Dr. Surber continued as Vigil Adviser. A special treat was our speaker, Martin Mockford, a fellow Vigil, who, for a number of years, served as National Secretary of the Order of the Arrow. He wrote the 1961 edition of the Order Handbook and received the Silver Beaver prior to serving 30 years as a professional scouter. The theme for the weekend, taken from the words of Meteu and the Ordeal Ceremony, "May our thoughts and actions rising . . ."

1976 This year the Vigil Banquet and Weekend Ceremonies were held at Camp Eagle, with 18 candidates inducted into the Vigil Honor by Chiefs of the Fire, Jim Richardson, Jr., Larry Chandler, Jr. and Jay Eman. Paul Keifer served as Vigil Activities Chairman and Dr. G. Tom Surber continued his service to the Vigil as Adviser. The banquet speaker was Colonel Billy Pendergrast, member of the Mid-America Council Executive Board and director of the Omaha Riverfront Redevelopment Association.

1977 With Dr. G. Tom Surber serving as Vigil Adviser, 8 candidates were inducted into our Honor. This year was especially significant; as this was the last year the Mid-America Council owned Camp Wakonda near Griswold, Iowa and marked the final year any organized Scouting activity was held there.

1978 At Camp Cedars, the Vigil ceremonies were led by Adviser Greg Guy. Jim Reilly served as Chief of the Fire and inducted 12 candidates into the Vigil Honor.

1979 Ten candidates were inducted this year under the guidance of Chief of the Fire, Sam Spicka. The Vigil activities were ably led by Chairman Kenneth P. King and Lodge Vigil Adviser Ray Conley. Little Sioux Scout Reservation served as the site for the banquet and ceremonies. A large number of Vigil Honor members attended. William Doughman, who had been elected from our Lodge, was unable to attend the ceremonies and was inducted in the State of Washington. Our banquet speaker was Mr. Bob Mills, Tall Corn Area Director for the North-Central Region, BSA and a fellow Vigil Honor member. He presented an insightful and challenging speech.

1980 This year was the first time in three years the ceremonies were held at Camp Eagle. The Vigil Committee, led this year again by Kenneth P. King, adopted a rotating site plan. Each of the Mid-America Council's three major Scout camps will be used as a site for the Vigil Honor ceremonies. David L. Hunt served capably as Chief of the Fire and 10 candidates passed their night of vigilance. We welcomed back this year Bill Martin as Vigil Adviser. Bill assumed this responsibility from the able shoulders of Ray Conley who was transferred from the Council to accept military duties in the Eastern states. Bill, who was inducted into the Vigil honor in 1958, had previously served as Lodge Adviser and Vigil Adviser.

1981 With 39 present Vigil Honor members and candidates attending, the Vigil Banquet and Weekend Ceremonies were held at Camp Cedars. For the third year Kenneth P. King served as Vigil Chairman with the capable assistance of Vigil Adviser, Bill Martin, and Deputy Adviser, Mark Mascarello. Chiefs of the Fire Matt, Benton and John Dart, inducted 4 candidates into membership in the Vigil Honor at a secluded and beautiful site on the western end of Cedars Lake. The ceremonies were especially well done this year with Matt and John putting their "full spirit and soul" behind the evening and morning ceremonies. Surprise guest speaker for the evening was Dr. Lyle Morgan II, fellow Vigil, who spoke on the 1981 Mid-America Council Camporall, where he served as Program Chief.

1982 Forty-seven Vigil Honor members and candidates attended this year's ceremonies held at Little Sioux Scout Ranch. Sixteen candidates braved a torrential rainfall which Camp Ranger Lou Sloup said measured 6.5"! Members and candidates together were drenched, but this was perhaps one of the most memorable Vigil weekends the Lodge has had in many years. The evening banquet was truly superb. Butch Bouvier handcrafted special memorabilia for everyone pre-registered, and special site preparations were prepared by Butch and Vigil Chairman Jeryl Nelson. Guest speakers were two representatives from Northwestern Bell Telephone Company in Omaha.

1983 Sixteen new members were inducted this year as we once again returned to Camp Eagle. Chiefs of the Fire, Dan Murphy and Kevin Smith, once again did an excellent job inducting the new members. Jeryl Nelson served as Vigil Activities Chairman. All went well this weekend. This year, however, will long be remembered for the two selection meetings that preceded it in July. Colonel Elmer P. Kohmetscher, Superintendent of the Nebraska State Patrol was the guest speaker. The theme for this year was "Sincerity of Purpose".

1984 With Dave Workman, Jr. as Vigil Activities Chairman and Duane Koss as Vigil Adviser, this year's ceremonies were held at Camp Cedars. Twenty-four candidates were inducted under clear and warm skies. This year we departed from the traditional guest speaker and were instead treated to a movie titled "How the West was Won." It dealt with Indian legends and broken treaties and fit in well with this year's theme of: "Mindful now of our Traditions". Bill Worm once again served a wonderful banquet meal featuring roast beef. Dan Murphy and Jim Wilwerding served as Chiefs of the Fire.

1985 With ceremonies returning to Little Sioux Scout Ranch, we observed the 20th Anniversary of the founding of Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut Lodge, which was reflected in the theme: "So Together Fast and Firmly". With Doug Gibbons as Vigil Chairman and Larry Fiehn as Vigil Adviser, 16 candidates were selected to become Vigil Brothers. Chiefs of the Fire, Doug Gibbons, Kevin Smith, Jim Wilwerding, Jim Clarke and Larry Fiehn led us ably in all ceremonies this weekend. Dr. H. Neal Sievers and a crew from Goldenrod prepared a delicious banquet with lasagna as the main course.

1986 "More Brightly than the Daylight" was this year's theme, as we inducted 26 candidates at Camp Cedars. Doug Gibbons served again as Vigil Activities Chairman and Larry Fiehn was once again Vigil Adviser. Joe Fields prepared a delicious family style meal of roast beef and Jay Eman prepared totems for all of the candidates. Brian Grantham, Bill Murphy and Dan Murphy served as Chiefs of the Fire.

1987 With Vigil activities returning to beautiful Camp Eagle, we inducted 20 new brothers into the Honor. Warm weather and clear skies graced us for this weekend's activities. "Taking Note of their Devotion" was selected as the theme for the weekend. Bruce Hietbrink served as Vigil Chairman and Doug Heller as Vigil Adviser. Bill Worm and crew prepared a delicious prime rib banquet and Butch Bouvier prepared candidate totems. Brian Grantham, Glenn Hurst and Bill Murphy served as youth Chiefs of the Fire and Sam Spicka and Jim Clarke served as adult Chiefs of the Fire. A change in national policy marked this year, as the last year, an adult would serve as a Chief of the Fire.

1988 This year the Vigil activities centered on the theme "Let Us Catch the Higher Vision," as we welcomed our guest speaker and new Scout Executive, Larry Otto; and listened to his ambitious plans for the Mid-America Council. Lance Hardisty, Bruce Hietbrink and Mitch Sump served as Chiefs of the Fire. Joe Fields and crew served an extraordinary steak dinner. Sam Spicka prepared candidate totems and Butch Bouvier prepared member totems. This year's event was held at Little Sioux Scout Ranch and several jokes about the weather abounded, considering the drenching we received the last two times we were here. The weather was beautiful, for October, and warm. However, we did receive a small rain shower as the Saturday evening ceremonies were beginning. Bruce Hietbrink and Doug Heller again served as Vigil Chairman and Adviser, respectively.

1989 This year's Vigil Banquet was held at Camp Eagle with the theme "Service and Devotion to Others". Lyle Strom, fellow Vigil and Chief Judge of the Federal District Court of Nebraska, gave an inspirational speech to the Vigil members. Mark Rabick and Bruce Hietbrink were the Chiefs of the Fire. After a windy night, 25 candidates were inducted into the Vigil Honor. Lance Hardisty and Jeryl Nelson were Vigil Honor Chairman and Adviser respectively.

1990 The Vigil Banquet was again held at Camp Eagle, with the theme "Inward to the Heart." Terry Brockman, Council Camping Chairman and the scheduled guest speaker, was unable to attend. John Yost, Jr., Bruce Hietbrink, and Gregg McMullen were the Chiefs of the Fire. After a beautiful and calm night, 20 candidates were inducted into the Vigil Honor. Jim Clarke provided totems for the event. Doug Lang and Mike Lang were Vigil Honor Chairman and Adviser, respectively.

1991 Again, the Vigil Banquet was held at Camp Eagle, but in the spring of 1992. The Halloween ice and snow storm forced cancellation on the originally scheduled date. The theme for Vigil Banquet was "Renewing the Spirit." Guest speaker John C. Young, NC-7 Area Director and fellow Vigil member, delivered a very inspirational speech on how Scouting affected his life. After a rainy day, and a semi-clear night, 25 candidates were inducted into the Vigil Honor. Jim Clarke provided the totems for the event. Chad Hardisty was Vigil Chairman and Bill Hardisty was the Adviser.

1992 The Vigil Banquet was held at the Little Sioux Scout Reservation. The theme for the weekend was "I Do Hereby Promise." Chiefs of the Fire, Larry Hogya, Hans Kelpke and Eric Singer, inducted 11 candidates from the class of 1992 into the Vigil Honor. Also, Jon Boomgaarden, an electee from 1991, was inducted. Matt Johnson, who was unable to attend this weekend's event, was inducted in July, 1993. Jim Clarke again provided totems for the new members. Rick Reeve and C. David Hughes were the Vigil Honor Chairman and Adviser, respectively.

1993 At Camp Cedars, on a clear cold fall evening, 15 candidates kept their vigil and were inducted by Chiefs of the Fire, Corey Campbell, Larry Hogya, Rick Painter, Henry Rahlfs, Jr., Chris Shannon and Steve Straub. It may have been the coldest Vigil Weekend in the history of our lodge. Tom Lee, Covered Wagon Reservation Ranger, recorded an overnight low of 22 degrees. John McCollister, the first lodge chief of Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut and the last lodge chief of Pohawk, entertained us with his recollections of the merger and Scouting memories. Marty Rasch and crew served wonderful prime rib dinner. Jim Clarke provided totems for the candidates. Larry Hogya was the Vigil Chairman and Don Nagel served as Adviser.

1994 On a pleasant weekend at Camp Eagle, 18 candidates were inducted into the Vigil Honor by Chiefs of the Fire Steve Straub, Matt Scherrer, Josh Kahrs and Mark Kelpke. The theme was "Be Courageous - Be Alert - Be Resolved". Marty Rasch and crew served an excellent meal featuring New York strip steaks. The speaker was Dr. Jay Graves. Steve Straub was the Vigil Chairman and Jim Clarke, the Adviser, also provided the candidate totems. Jeremiah Johnson, who was unable to attend Vigil weekend, was inducted later in the year.

1995 With the theme, "On the Path to the Future," we celebrated the 30th Anniversary of Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut, Lodge #97 and combined the Vigil Honor Weekend with the Fall Fellowship for the first time since 1966. At Camp Cedars we took part in workshops, saw interesting demonstrations, and had fun with our fellow Arrowmen. We also elected and installed our Lodge officers for 1996. Our 3 Founders' Award recipients were honored. Eleven youth and 10 adults were inducted into the Vigil Honor. Jim Protzman, a 50 year veteran Scouter and former Council Commissioner, was our speaker. Matt Scherrer and Brian Hebben were Chiefs of the Fire. Matt Scherrer and Lyle Strom served as Vigil Chairman and Adviser, respectively.

1996 On a clear weekend at Camp Cedars, we again combined the Fall Fellowship and the Vigil Honor weekend. Under the theme, "Not for me, but for my brother," we participated in workshops, elected and installed our new lodge officers and honored our 3 Founders' Award recipients. Eighteen Arrowmen, including 9 youth members, were inducted into the Vigil Honor. Robbie Elliott was inducted later in the year. Omaha Mayor Hal Daub, an Eagle Scout, was our speaker. Brian Hebben and Matt Scherrer were Chiefs of the Fire. Arnold Martin and Mike Hansen were the respective Vigil Adviser and Chairman.

1997 With the theme, "A New Generation: Building on a Higher Vision," the combined Fall Fellowship and Vigil Weekend featured workshops, lodge officer elections and installations and recognition of 3 new Founders' Award recipients. In addition to induction of 21 new Vigil members, also inducted were new Ordeal and Brotherhood members. Duane Long, Geoff Kline and Craig Gochenour were Chiefs of the Fire. Mark F. Dreiling and Mike Hansen served as the respective Vigil Chairman and Adviser.

1998 On a cold Saturday with rain mixed with snow, we again held a our combined Fall Fellowship and Vigil Weekend. With a theme of "Pathways to Service," we inducted 23 Vigil candidates. Tim and Adam Witthauer had been inducted one week earlier. Again, we also inducted Brotherhood members, conducted workshops and elected lodge officers and honored 3 new Founders' Award recipients. Dan Hunt, Goldenrod district chairman and former lodge chief was our guest speaker. Craig Gochenour, Sam Gahm and John Gruber were Chiefs of the Fire. Brian Hoffman and Duane Long served as Vigil Chairman and Adviser. Jim Clarke again provided totems for the new Vigils.

1999 For the combined Fall Fellowship and Vigil Weekend, the weather was warmer than in 1998 and sunny. The theme for the event was "Leading in the Spirit of Service." Though 21 Vigil candidates were selected, one declined and two could not attend the Vigil. These two did the Vigil during summer camp, 2000. As in previous years, Brotherhood members were also inducted, training sessions, competitions and lodge elections were held. Chiefs of the Fire were Patrick Dowse, John Gruber, Steve Lanni, Jr. and Jake Robertson. Site coordinators were Charles Kriegler, Tim Robertson and Bill Suiter. The Vigil Chairman was Craig Gochenour and the Vigil Adviser was Joe Scherrer. The banquet speaker this year was Judge Lyle Strom, who gave a very inspirational speech about character. Jim Clarke provided totems for the new Vigils as usual.

2000 With good weather, the combined Fall Fellowship and Vigil Weekend was held at Camp Cedars. The theme for the event was "Where Two Rivers Converge." This theme was chosen in commemoration of the merger of Kit-Ke-Hak-O-Kut and Miniconjou lodges. There were 26 candidates selected for the Vigil honor, but Scott Peterson withdrew for health reason and completed the vigil later. Chiefs of the Fire were Patrick Dowse, Jake Robertson and Mark Rodgers. Site coordinators were Craig Gochenour, Matt Scherrer, Charles Kriegler and William Pickle/John Gruber. Jim Clarke provided totems for the new Vigils as he had in past years.

2001 For the first time in years, the Fall Fellowship and Vigil Weekend were held separately, the Vigil Weekend at Little Sioux Scout Reservation. The theme for the event was "The Symbol of Him Who Leads," a phrase taken from the Vigil ceremony. The weather was pleasant but cool for the entire weekend. The banquet was held in the newly remodeled Administration building, which was snug because of the very good turnout. The speaker for the banquet was Lodge Adviser, Jim Kirby. Totems were provided by Harvey Marx. In all, 34 candidates were selected for the honor, but Craig Sullivan, Dean Atonson, Kyle Ellerbeck and Thomas

Kasper did not complete the vigil during the weekend. All four did so at a later time.. Nick Contryman, Craig Gochenour, John Gruber, Jake Robertson and Matt Scherrer served as Chiefs of the Fire. Site coordinators were: Lloyd Jerome, Randy Kernes, John Gruber, Dave Tewes and Duane Long.

2002 Once again the Fall Fellowship and Vigil Weekend were held separately, the Vigil Weekend at Little Sioux Scout Reservation. The theme for the event was "The Answer Is Within". The weather once again was pleasant for the weekend. The guest speaker was Kenneth P. King, Associate Professor at Northern Illinois University. Kenny was a long time Camp Cedars Staff Member. There were 29 candidates, two of which declined the Vigil Honor. Chiefs of the Fire were Jake Robertson, Ian McDonald, Brad Milacek, Adam Nurton, and Jeremiah Taylor. Site Coordinators included Jason Winters, Scott Koebel, Craig Gochenour, and Matt Scherrer. Totems were provided by Harvey Marx and Jim Clarke.

2003 This year's Vigil Weekend was held at Little Sioux Scout Reservation. The theme was "*Be Ye Steadfast*". The weather was a cold, snowy, and blustery late November weekend. The guest speaker was Doug Heller, Section Adviser. There were 33 Vigil Candidates, one of which declined the Vigil Honor. Chiefs of the Fire included Jake Robertson, Ian McDonald, Brad Milacek, Adam Nurton, Jeremiah Taylor, Robert Mumgaard, Scott Rodgers, D.J. Hubbard, and Evan Lima. Site Coordinators were Wes Agar, Doug Carlson, Jim Kirby, Charles Kriegler, Tom Lima, Walter Nurton, Vince Cummings Sr., Harvey Mark, and David Workman. Jim Clarke served as Vigil Adviser and Josh Oehlerking served as Vigil Chairman. Mike Brown and crew prepared an excellent meal. Once again, Jim Clarke and Harvey Marx provided totems for the new Vigil members.

2004 Once again, Vigil Weekend was held at Little Sioux Scout Reservation. The theme was "*Be Courageous, Be Alert, Be Resolved*". The weather was crisp, but clear with no precipitation and a light breeze. The guest speaker was Dr. Don Nagel, past Lodge Adviser and scouter extraordinaire. This year we had 22 Vigil Candidates and 21 completed their Vigils over the weekend. Chiefs of the Fire were Tom Byrne, Evan Lima, Josh Oehlerking, Jake Robertson, Scott Rodgers, and Jeremiah Taylor. Site Coordinators were Dan Boucher, Tom Lima, Dave Markley, Harvey Marx, Tim Robertson, and Kay Rodgers. Deb Gochenour and her crew did an excellent job of preparing our meals. Tom Lima and Evan Lima served as Adviser and Chair, respectively. As usual, Jim Clarke provided totems for the new Vigil Members and the Chiefs of the Fire.

2005 For the first time in several years, Vigil Weekend combined with Fall Fellowship was held at Camp Cedars. What started as a rainy, cold day, gave way to a clear, crisp night. This year's theme was "*Those Who Chose You Need You*". Due to the length of the dinner program for Fall Fellowship, we dispensed with a guest speaker for this year. There were 25 Vigil Candidates and 24 completed their Vigil during the weekend. Chiefs of the Fire were Matt Boucher, Josh Brooks, Tom Byrne, Marty Nachman, Jake Olsen, Ross Olsen, and Scott Rodgers. Site Coordinators were Dan Boucher, Chris Brooks, Bob Christiansen, Dave Olsen, Tim Robertson, Kay Rodgers, Evan Wilke, and Jason Winters. Once again, Jim Clarke provided totems for the new Vigil Members and Chiefs of the Fire. David "Otter" Ross and Harvey Marx with Sandy "Mom" Roth's assistance provided us with excellent meals. Tom Lima served as Vigil Adviser and Evan Lima served as Vigil Chairman.

2006 Once again Vigil Weekend was combined with Fall Fellowship and held at Camp Cedars. This year's theme was "*Thus Do You Appear To Others On The Path Of Cheerful Service*". Though 25 Vigil candidates were selected, two declined and one could not attend the Fall Fellowship / Vigil Weekend, so completed his Vigil on a cold night in November at a Lewis & Clark weekend at Camp Wakonda. Chiefs of the Fire were Josh Brooks, Evan Lima, Jake Olsen, Ross Olsen, Bob Sims and Colin Smalley. Alex James served as Chief of the Fire in November. Site Coordinators were Chris Brooks, Tim Sims and Rod Van Horn. Jim Clarke provided totems for the new Vigil Members and Chiefs of the Fire. Bob Christiansen served as Vigil Adviser and Josh Brooks served as Vigil Chairman.

2007 A record 36 candidates were selected, but due to scheduling, only 33 candidates completed their Vigil under clear crisp skies at Little Sioux Scout Ranch. The theme was "*Many Lodges Now One with Hearts and Wills United*". Former Lodge Chief Dan Hunt gave an inspirational speech to the Vigil members. Mike Brown provided wonderful meals. Seven Vigil Chiefs; Nathan Zwick, Jeff Hobza, Jason Witty, Dustin VanHorn, Jake Olsen, Ross Olsen and Evan Lima served six Vigil ceremony sites, coordinated by: Dale Bonge, Tim Robertson, Kay Rodgers, David Olsen, John Shores and Eric Meyer. Jim Clarke provided name translations as well as Totems for the Candidates recognizing the 70th anniversary of Lodge 97. Alex James served as Vigil Chairman and Joseph James served as Vigil Adviser.

2008 Clear skies received the Lodge back at Camp Eagle as 26 Candidates, of the 32 elected, kept their Vigil. An Arrow Driven Skyward was the theme, with Judge Strom speaking of Character. Once again Mike Brown outdid himself providing wonderful meals. Five Vigil Chiefs: Mark Borytsky Jr, Drew Bonge, Dustin VanHorn, Jake Olsen, and Ross Olsen served five Vigil ceremony sites, coordinated by: Dale Bonge, Tim Robertson, Evan Wilke, Jim Jourdon, George Dunlop, John Shores, Jeff English and Jason Winters. Jim Clarke provided the name translations and Totems for the Candidates, as well as, celebrating his own 50th Vigil Anniversary. Alex James served as Vigil Chairman while Joseph James and Zack Sinsheimer served as Co-Vigil Advisers.

2009 Crisp, beautiful, and a little wet weather received the Lodge back at Little Sioux Scout Ranch for a record as 35 of the 37 selected candidates, kept their Vigil. The keynote speaker, Chris Jones provided words of wisdom at this year's Vigil Weekend, at which An Arrow Through the Timber was the theme. Mike Brown provided the exquisite feast for this year's weekend. Six Vigil Chiefs: Drew Bonge, Mark Borytsky Jr, Jake Olsen, Ross Olsen, Dustin VanHorn, and John Yates served the six Vigil ceremony sites, coordinated by: Vince Cummings Jr, Joe James, Jim Jourdon, Brandon Raddish, Tim Robertson, Rod VanHorn, and Evan Wilke. Jim Clarke provided the name translations as well as the Totems for the Candidates. Jordan Wyatt served as Vigil Chairman while Zack Sinsheimer served Vigil Adviser.

2010 Ominous skies were present throughout the weekend's activities, but remained peaceful for the 30 of 32 selected candidates who kept their Vigil. This year's theme was "It Begins with a Spark." Steve McCollister, the 2010 Area 5 President, delivered the keynote address and Sandy "Mom" Roth provided outstanding meals for the weekend. Drew Bonge, Leo Bravo, Zach Dunlop, Seth Johnson, and Jesse Rothgeb served as the five Vigil Chiefs for the Vigil ceremony sites. The sites were coordinated

by: Dale Bonge, Vince Cummings Jr, Joe James, Jim Jourdon, Brandon Raddish, and Erik Moore. The name translations and Totems for the Candidates were provided by Jim Clarke. Jordan Wyatt served as Vigil Chairman and Zack Sinsheimer served as Vigil Adviser.

2011 27 candidates and their sponsors attended this year's Vigil Activities weekend at Camp Eagle, with 103 total people registered for the event. Clear skies and brisk October weather greeted everyone as they set off towards their vigil sites and settled down for the fun evening. The theme for 2011 was "A Light in the Darkness". Our new Supreme Chief of the Fire Eric Magendantz and the Honorable Judge Frederick J. Cruse were our speakers for the night, speaking following a wonderful feast provided by Mike Brown. Six Vigil Chiefs helped out this Year; Drew Bonge, Leo Bravo, Michael Katalenich, Matthew Kottwitz, Jesse Rothgeb and Tim Rolling. Jim Clarke provided name translations and totems. Site Co-ordinators were Dale Bonge, Vince Cummings, Jr., George Dunlop, Rick Holbert, Jim Jourdon and Erik Moore. Jacob Kamphaus served as Vigil Chair and Doug Heller as Vigil Adviser. Two additional candidates were selected who could not attend the October weekend and were inducted in the Spring of 2012.

2012 27 candidates and their sponsors attended this year's Vigil Activities weekend at Little Sioux Scout Ranch, with 95 total people registered for the event. Clear skies and brisk October weather greeted everyone as they set off towards their vigil sites and settled down for the evening. The theme for 2012 was "The Legend Begins". Dr. Don Nagel (former Lodge Adviser) was our speaker for the night, following a wonderful feast provided by Mike Brown and his cooking crew. Five Vigil Chiefs helped out this Year: Drew Hazelip, Tim Rolling, Andrew Katalenich, Luke Johnson, and Jesse Rothgeb. Michael Katalenich provided name translations and Jim Clark totems, specialized for Lodge 97's 75th Anniversary year. Site Co-ordinators were Dale Bonge, Vince Cummings, Jr., Rich Hawes, Jim Jourdon and Erik Moore. Jacob Kamphaus served as Vigil Chair and Doug Heller as Vigil Adviser. Three additional candidates were selected who could not attend the October weekend and were inducted during the Summer of 2013.

2013 29 candidates and their sponsors attended this year's Vigil Activities weekend at Camp Cedars, with 104 total people registered for the event. Clear skies and brisk October weather greeted everyone as they set off towards their vigil sites and settled down for the evening. The theme for 2013 was "Out of the Darkness". Ogden "Yogi" Martin was our speaker for the night, following a wonderful feast provided by Mike Brown and his cooking crew. Four Vigil Chiefs helped out this Year: Scott Brown, Michael Katalenich, Luke Johnson, and Alex Ronfeldt. Michael Katalenich provided name translations and Jim Clark totems. Site Co-ordinators were Dale Bonge, Vince Cummings, Jr., Jim Jourdon and Erik Moore. Matt Ost diek served as Vigil Chair and Doug Heller as Vigil Adviser. Three additional candidates were selected who could not attend the October weekend and 2 were inducted during the Summer of 2014.

2014 7 candidates and their sponsors attended this year's Vigil Activities weekend at Little Sioux Scout Ranch, with 39 total people registered for the event. Sunny skies, warm weather, and strong winds met the candidates as they set off for their vigil sites to settle for the night. The theme for 2014 was "Feeding the Fire". Steve Lanni was our speaker for the night, following a wonderful feast provided by Carolyn Haley and the lodge food committee. Alex Ronfeldt was the Vigil Chief and Eric Cavanaugh as Site Coordinator. Jim Clark provided the totems. Scott Brown served as Vigil Chair, while Doug Rothgeb served as Vigil Adviser. Two additional candidates were selected who could not attend the October weekend. Both were inducted in Mid-2015