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## C. W. WEEKEND AND ELECTION APRIL 26-28

by James Farrell

As the better weather approaches we begin to realize that the annual spring work weekend at Wauwepex will be upon us. This year it will be held on the weekend of April 26-28, beginning with the Ordeal Tap-out and ending with a Lodge business meeting as usual.

But this weekend, unlike any other during the year, takes on special significance. On this weekend, the Lodge officers for next year will be elected to office by you, the lodge members. There will be a slate set forth before the members of the Lodge by the nominating committee on Sunday afternoon, April 28, and nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

Registration will begin at 7:30 PM on Friday. \$2.50 will be collected from each brother to cover the cost of the food. Please fill out the enclosed card, and send it to the Council Office no later than April 20, 1963.

The work at the weekend will consist of building sixty patrol tables and painting the three dining-halls. The following tools will be needed: hammers, wrenches, heavy duty drill motors, shovels and lots of old paint brushes.

### OFFICIAL NOTICE

The following is the slate of officers that will be presented by the Nominating committee to the Lodge at its annual business meeting at Camp Wauwepex during the Spring weekend on April 26-28.

Lodge Chief.....Tom Bligh  
Little Lodge Chief...Fred Miska  
Treasurer.....Wayne Fowler  
Recording Secy...John Greenberg  
Corres. Secy.....Ralph Searles

A short biography of these candidates appears on page 3. Material for these biographies was taken from the records of the Lodge and from the discussions of the candidates at the time the Nominating Committee met to make its final selections.

### ARROW ACTIVITIES

- Apr. 13 Pin Party at 7:30 P.M. at the Roosevelt Field Bowl-A-Rama at Garden City, Call Steve Tuchband (IV 3-1981).
- Apr. 19-21 Council Exposition.
- Apr. 20 Reservation cards for Spring Weekend at CW due in Council office.
- Apr. 26-28 Spring Work Weekend, Official Business Meeting and Election of Officers at Wauwepex.
- May 24-26 Spring Work Weekend at Ontoora.

## NATIONAL CONFERENCE

by Steve Brenner

The Buckskin Lodge has had representation at all the National Conferences since it began. This year will be no exception. To the University of Illinois on August 20-23, the Buckskin Lodge will send a large delegation.

Our delegates will engage in an active program of training sessions, and just plain fun with 3,000 brothers from across the nation. The schedule will include discussions, displays, competition and prominent speakers, just to mention a small part of it.

For any Arrowman interested in attending the Conference, the fee is \$30.00, 5 dollars reservation fee payable, April 15, balance payable by July 1. For details contact Morty Schwartz at FR 9-6374. Note: due to a transportation problem, Buckskin Lodge may not fill its quota of delegates. Any interested Scouter driver over 21 please contact Morty.

### TAB PROVIDES NEWS AND INFORMATION

The Buckskin Tab as the official Lodge newspaper, seeks to provide the Brothers not only with news of the Order, but also with vital information such as names of Committee Chairmen, dates of Lodge events, etc. Brothers can help with this function by reading each Tab issue carefully and making notes of pertinent items.

## LODGE HAS PART IN EXPO

The Scouting Exposition to be held this April 19-20-21 at the Roosevelt Raceway promises to be a great success. It will include unit demonstrations, booths, stage shows, and specialties. Buckskin Lodge is taking a large and varied part in the show.

The Camp Promotion Committee will man a booth with a camping theme. Slides showing our two camps will be shown, also there will be a display of colorful pictures and camp brochures.

The Service Committee will provide a "troubleshooting service" to help Scouts and the public find and locate specific areas of interest. The Committee's booth will contain a display about Buckskin Lodge showing our activities, government, and history. From the booth, which will be situated at a central point ten Buckskins will be working as guides at all times.

Our Dance Team will present an even more colorful and exciting performance than usual. In addition, the Dance Team is coordinating the Indian Village. This Indian Village will consist of tepees and braves, from the various troops, who will be doing Indian Lore work. Ken South is going to lead the Buckskin Chorus, which will perform at the Exposition. The following was written by Ken in an effort to gain more trained voices for this important event.

"In the past years the Buckskin Chorus has been asked to sing at many functions, but because of the lack of time or other reasons, the Chorus has been forced to sing in unison. This year, because of the importance of the event, the chorus should sing in harmony. To do this in as few rehearsals as possible, we need trained voices. Any brothers who have sung in a chorus or choir or other musical organization, are asked to call Ken South PE 1-3937, as soon as possible. We are confident the Buckskin Chorus will do an outstanding job in representing the Lodge at the Scouting Exposition."

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## from the EDITOR'S DESK

Every year about May of June, some Unit Leaders come crying for an Order of the Arrow election in their units, claiming that they never received a letter about Home Troop Elections. Every registered leader get this letter!

You as an O.A. member, should see to it that your unit has an election if it can qualify. For particulars call H.T.E. Chairman, William Knudsen at WE 1-7677.

Lodge Officer elections are coming up this month and your presence is needed at the annual election and business meeting. Last year about 120 voting members determined the officers for 1962-63. If you are a dues paying member of Buckskin Lodge and are under 21 year of age it is your duty and privilege to vote for next year's Lodge Officers. The results of the Nominating committee's meticulous screening of the membership for a qualified slate of officers to be presented at the Election appears on page (1). It now remains for you to make your choice and your reservation to be at the Spring Weekend at Camp Wauwepex on April 26-28.

Criticism and praise when used honestly and with good intentions is healthy for the Tab. Your criticism if warranted will be answered in an improved publication, issue after issue. Your praise will be accepted gladly as a source of encouragement to our staff.

We would especially like to express our thanks to the Hon. John J. Burns, State Commissioner of the Office for local Government and President of Nassau County Council, Boy Scouts for his kind letter congratulating us for the improved format of the Buckskin Tab. Thank you, Mr. Burns for your thoughtfulness!

Tom Lavendol, a former Eagle Scout and a member of Buckskin Lodge is presently serving Scouting as a Scoutmaster of U.S. Navy Troop #1, in the Phillipine Islands. Some of you may have recognized the name, Tom's father, Jack, is the Advisor to the now famous roller-skating Post of Levittown. The boys in Troop 1 can not afford new uniforms and so Buckskin Lodge has offered to help them out. If you have any old or outgrown uniforms at home please contact Lodge Chief, Morty Schwartz at FR 9-6374 for further details.

Anyone interested in writing for the Tab is advised to attend the Wauwepex weekend, and write it up as a news article.

---Fred Miska

You all know that it is our duty as members of the Order of the Arrow to be an example to other Scouts in the method and manner of wearing the Scout Uniform. It has been noticed that instead of becoming ideals we, in many cases, have been neglectful of proper uniforming. A common mistake is wearing patches other than Jamboree patches over the right pocket.

One of the most common and most unforgiveable mistakes is putting things other than merit badges on sashes. I have seen troop numerals, community strips, Order pocket patches, totin' chips and Camporee patches on sashes. It is explicitly mentioned in the rules of uniform wear of the National Council, that merit badges only are to be worn on the sash.

These are only a few of the common mistakes of uniforming.

A good method to see if your uniform is correct is to obtain from your unit leader an inspection check list, which contains the most important rules of uniform wear.

It is the duty of every Arrowman to be sure he will score 100% on this check list. Be an inspiration to your unit, not a poor example!

---Steve Brenner

## COMMITTEE REPORTS



### Camp Promotion

The Camp Promotion Committee will operate a booth at the Council Scouting Exposition in April 19-21. Suggestions for the booth are welcome. Thus far, 47 requests for slides showings have been recieved. Steve Rice, IV 1-6145.



### Vigil.....

All Vigil Honor nominations have been submitted and no additional nominations will be considered this year. The Vigil Committee is currently processing all applications and final selections will take place in the near future.



### H. T. E.....

The Home Troop Election Committee has recieved over 100 requests for coverage at elections. It is very important that all Lodge members fulfill their obligation to the Lodge by covering elections. If you have not done so yet, notify your district chairman and volunteer your services.

- Algonquin.....Tom Maday MA 1-6133
- Arrowhead....Mike Fasullo WE 1-2551
- Eagle Trail....M. Bratton PE 5-9341
- Meadowbrook...Brit Geiger IV 9-7896
- Mattincock....Peter Dean FL 4-8497
- Pioneer.....Richard Cayea IV 3-7594
- Pine Tree.....George Ray WE 8-5041
- Polaris.....Roger Rensch PE 5-6752
- Sepequa...Richard Russell PY 8-8734
- South Central...Mike Dwyer RO 6-6546
- Sunrise Trail...Rich. Hunter SU 5-3894
- Telewana....Marc Freedman LO 1-8540
- Thunderbird...Frank Budny OR 1-4482
- Trail Blazer...John Jackson PR 5-3838
- Tomahawk...Jeffrey Lauren HU 7-2819

## PEBBLES ALONG THE TRAIL by ALLOHAKASIN

Some years ago I met an Indian that was supposed to have a perfect memory. To test him, I asked, "Chief, what did you have for breakfast on Nov. 14, 1922?" He answered, "Eggs". I figured he was a fraud because everyone has eggs for breakfast. I saw him again six years later and greeted him with, "How, Chief". He answered, "Scrambled".

Why all the hoop-de-do about hiking 50 miles? Last year 14,000 Scouts earned the "50 Miler Award". Definition: Dalmation - a dog used by fireman to find fire hydrants... Now that we can print pictures in the TAB, we're going to miss those brothers that used to spend the "work" weekends taking pictures....

"Seconding speeches" seem to have lost the purpose; they're now used to "clobber the opposition". After the candidates left the room last year, it got so bad that it was suggested that their fathers leave the room also. The candidate shouldn't have to leave the room; he is entitled to defend himself against the untruths, half-truths and insinuations that have unfortunately, become a part of our election process. If you have something to say, he should hear it. If he shouldn't hear it, ---you shouldn't say it!

Let's keep this election clean; this is the O.A., not city politics. See you on the weekend.



# THIS YEAR'S CANDIDATES...

## TOM BLIGH

The current Recording Secretary of Buckskin Lodge, Tom Bligh is a freshman at St. John's University where he is a mathematics major. He received his earliest scout training as a member of Troop 222, West Hempstead, and is currently serving this same unit as an Assistant Scoutmaster. A member of the Boy Scout movement for the past seven years, Tom was inducted into the Order of the Arrow during the summer of 1959. Since his induction Tom has displayed a keen interest in and an acute awareness of the functioning of the Lodge. A sincere willingness to give of himself for the service of others is evidenced by his record as past district chairman of the Service, Banquet, and Camp Promotion committees as well as chairman of the Extra Curricular Activities committee (1961) and the membership committee (1962).

With a basic knowledge of the operations of the Lodge committees discerned by actual membership and participation, Tom has apparently secured a comprehensive overview and realistic evaluation of the leadership responsibilities incumbent upon any Lodge Chief. This experience had been complemented by two years service on the Wauwepex camp staff during which time he accepted a major responsibility for the summer camp operation as well as serving as one of the delegates to the Area Conclave last fall. Therefore, the choice of the nominating committee for Lodge Chief is Thomas J. Bligh.

## FRED MISKA

Eagle Scout, Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 441, Wantagh, Sunday School teacher, current editor of the Buckskin Tab, Fred Miska has demonstrated active service to the Order, Scouting, his community and church. Following his induction during the summer of 1959, Fred has accepted the challenge to wear the Arrow "...by continuing faithfully to serve his fellow man" as evidenced by his work on the Home Troop Elections, Brotherhood, Service, and Executive Committees as well as his tireless and unsung efforts on the Buckskin Tab. He is currently a freshman at Nassau Community College majoring in History.

As a member of the Executive committee, service on the Wauwepex camp staff, and a representative to the Area Conclave at Camp Bullowa (1962), Fred has availed himself of additional opportunities to develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of the general operation, function, and administration of a Lodge in the Order of the Arrow. Therefore, the nominating committee recommends for Little Lodge Chief: Fred P. Miska.

## WAYNE FOWLER

Wayne Fowler, a Mepham High School junior, has been a member of Troop 580, Bellmore, for the past four years, and is currently serving in the capacity of Junior Assistant Scoutmaster. He was inducted into Buckskin Lodge of the Order of the Arrow in August, 1960. A most thorough and conscientious young man, who is no stranger to an association with money, Wayne served as a district representative for the 1962 Banquet, a member of the 1962 Ontario Trading Post staff, and is the current Lodge Quartermaster.

Indicative of not only his willingness to serve but also his acceptance of a challenge and responsibility is Wayne's service record. While he has not attempted to over-involve himself in Lodge committees, spreading himself so thin that any single effort would be meaningless, he has, however, an outstanding record of meaningful, dependable service on every service weekend, whether at Wauwepex or Ontario, since his induction. A general maturity, initiative, and integrity coupled with a contagious spirit of service yielded the basis for the nominating committee's selection of Wayne Fowler for Treasurer.

## JOHN GREENBERG

John Greenberg, a seventeen year old Eagle Scout from Troop 361, East Meadow, has advanced through the Green Bar Council of his troop during his six years in Scouting from patrol leader to his current responsibility as Junior Assistant Scoutmaster. Following his Ordeal in August, 1960, he assumed an active affiliation with the Order offering his services to the camp promotion, home troop elections, nominating, and service committees. He is currently the chairman of the service committee for Polaris District.

An honor student at East Meadow High School, where he is completing his junior year, and an active member of the high school band and key club (a school service organization), John Greenberg is the nominating committee's selection for Recording Secretary.

## RALPH SEARLES

The youngest member on the 1963 Nominating Committee's slate is Ralph Searles, Junior Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 128, Port Washington. Although a recent inductee into the Order of the Arrow (July, 1962), Ralph has displayed in his short association with Buckskin Lodge, the spirit, enthusiasm, and general cheerfulness of service that is needed for effective administration. While he was not on the camp staff during 1962, Ralph's unselfish and cheerful service was in evidence on weekends as well as the period he spent in camp as the Senior Patrol Leader for his home troop. A contributing member of both the Dance Team and Orientation committee, he is currently the chairman of the Service committee for Tomahawk District. Ralph also served as his district's chairman of the Banquet Comm.

Ralph attended both fall weekends as well as representing Buckskin Lodge as one of its delegates at the Area Conclave at Camp Bullowa. Therefore, the recommendation of the Nominating committee for Corresponding Secretary is Ralph L. Searles.



Thumbing through the pages of the Buckskin Calendar we see many important and inspiring activities set for the next few months.

Heading the list are the two Spring Fellowship Weekends at Wau-

wepex and Ontario where much Council service is to be rendered. A large turn-out is necessary for both of these functions to make them a success and to accomplish what we have set out to do. Why not fill out your registration card right now so you will head the list of brothers who will attend. (Wauwepex will see the last of this year's inductions).

"Everyone is talking about and looking forward to the first Council Exposition conducted by the Nassau County Council. 500 booths of a wide variety of Scouting skills will be demonstrated by Cub Packs, Scout Troops and Explorer Units." Buckskin Lodge will be there pitching-in. For further details see Exposition article elsewhere in the issue.

In August we can anticipate one of the Order's most gala events. Over three thousand Arrowmen from Lodges across the nation will be attending the Conference. It is my feeling that we should have a strong representation, but this hinges on the support of our brothers over 21 years of age, who are needed as drivers. Anyone interested in taking a nice 7 day vacation please contact me for further information.

I would like to remind you not to leave it to someone else to show-up for these activities, but rather be there yourself with him.

FR 9-6740

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THIS YEAR'S LODGE OFFICERS

LODGE CHIEF.....Morty Schwartz  
FR 9-6374  
LITTLE LODGE CHIEF.....Charles Canoro  
FL 2-7826  
TREASURER.....George Bartels  
OR 1-1721  
RECORDING SECY.....Thomas Bligh  
AI 6-0586  
CORR. SECY.....Richard Berry  
MA 1-201  
LODGE ADVISOR.....MR. Kenneth Helm

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# TO APPLY FOR BROTHERHOOD . . .

This article is in accord with the policies of National and Buckskin Lodge for Brotherhood membership and is directed to all Ordeal members.

What is Brotherhood membership? "Not so much for what you have done as for what you are expected to do." This we learn from the Ordeal ceremony. As Arrowmen we are expected to continue to serve. Brotherhood membership is an opportunity for the Ordeal member to seal his membership in the Order.

It offers an opportunity to express your desire to accept the principles of Scouting and the Order as your own and to practice them in life-long service. Brotherhood membership is not a separate honor in the same sense as Vigil Honor. It does not carry with it any degree of rank, status or special privilege in the Order.

What are the requirements for Brotherhood membership? The basic requirements are as follows:

1. You must be an active member of the Order for at least ten months. Only Ordeal members inducted during summer camp 1962, or before are eligible at this time.
2. You must be actively registered in Scouting and mindful that service to the unit is most important.
3. You must submit a letter requesting Brotherhood membership. If you have submitted a letter in the past, and have not been inducted, you must submit a new letter.

Your letter, expressing your desire to become a brotherhood member, must also include the following information: (write clearly or type please).

1. Name, address and phone number.
2. Unit number and type; district.

## 3. Present position in the Unit.

Your letter must reach Brotherhood Chairman Jeff Loeb, 1080 Barrie Ave., Wantagh, New York by May 1, 1963. Letters received after this date will not be reviewed until the 1963-64 officers take their positions.

It must be understood that Brotherhood membership is a matter of personal choosing. The only screening done is by your own conscience. Before submitting your letter, we expect that you have reviewed carefully what you have done for Scouting, and will dedicate yourself to a future life of Cheerful service.

If approved, when will I be inducted into the Brotherhood membership? Ordeal members are tapped for Brotherhood membership during:

1. All four periods of summer camp at Wauwepex and Ontoora, and,
2. During the 1963 fall weekends and the 1964 spring weekend at Wauwepex.

Please indicate in your letter when and where you will be attending camp, (Ontoora or Wauwepex). If you will not attend summer camp, state which weekend you will attend.

If you have any questions call the chairman, Jeff Loeb at Su5-8038 or any other committee member.

## IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REINSTATE

If you know anyone who has not paid his dues please tell him that he has been dropped from the membership list of the Lodge and will not receive the Buckskin Tab or any other Lodge correspondence.

Tell him that if he wishes to reinstate, he must send one dollar for dues, and one dollar for the reinstatement fee, along with a stamped self-addressed envelope, to: George Bartels, 8 Glen Avenue, Glen Head, New York.

## PROPOSED BUDGET BUCKSKIN LODGE, ORDER OF THE ARROW JULY 1, 1963 - JUNE 30, 1964

INCOME	EST. AMT.
1963 Dues & Reinstatements.....	\$1100.00
Profit on Trunk Sales.....	400.00
Total.....	\$1500.00

EXPENSES	BUDGETED FUNDS
National & Area Obligations:	
Lodge Reg. & Charter.....	\$ 35.00
Area 2A Conclaves.....	10.00
National Conventions.....	200.00

LODGE OFFICERS	
Lodge Chief.....	10.00
Acting Chief - C.W.....	10.00
" " - OSR.....	10.00
Little Lodge Chief.....	---
Treasurer.....	70.00
Recording Secretary	
Membership Committee...	15.00
Corresponding Secy.....	10.00

COMMITTEES	
College Secretary.....	10.00
Historian.....	15.00
Parliamentarian	
Policy Committee.....	5.00
Banquet Committee.....	100.00
Brotherhood ".....	15.00
Buckskin Tab ".....	525.00
Camp Promotion Comm.....	20.00
Dance Team ".....	30.00
Ex.Curr.Activities.....	10.00
Home Troop Elections.....	65.00
Nominating Committee.....	15.00
Orientation ".....	15.00
Ring Committee.....	40.00
Service ".....	10.00
Telephone ".....	15.00
Vigil ".....	40.00

TOTAL.....	\$1300.00
Treas. Appropriation Fund...	200.00
TOTAL.....	\$1500.00

The above Proposed Budget for 1963-64 had been approved by the Lodge Executive Committee and now awaits the approval of brothers attending Annual Business Meeting on April 26-28, 1963.