

➔ the Whippoorwill ➔

Spring 1999

Time flies when you're having fun!

It's amazing how fast this year is going by. It seems like just yesterday we were at last year's Memorial Day Conclave getting ready for another exciting summer, and now we're almost there again. I know it seems like the conclave is far away, but it is really just around the corner. We have had a great year with a very successful Winter Banquet, a lot of good work in the chapters, and some exciting preparation for the 70th anniversary of our wonderful camp. That is just the start of what we have done. A lot of work goes on behind the scenes to make sure this lodge runs smoothly. This work is something that most people don't see. The Key Five meets every month in addition to Chapter and Lodge Meetings, to make sure that we have a great lodge for our members. Your executive board gives tons of time and energy to be able to attend meetings and have an active role in



*Memorial Day
Conclave.....Be there or be
square!.*

making our lodge the great thing that it is. We would simply like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all the hard work they have done. Also, to remind them to keep it up! We still have a ways to go before the year is through. The harder we work, the better our summer will be and the more prepared we will be for next

year. Keep in mind that elections for next year's Key Five are at the Memorial Day conclave. This is important for many reasons. First and foremost, if you the readers of this article, want to have a say in who is running your lodge then you need to be at the conclave to vote. If you feel that you would make a good Key Five member, and you are ready to make a large time commitment to the order, then you need to start planning to be at the Memorial Day Conclave to run for a position. We are all anticipating great things for next year. For that to happen we need to have great leaders. The next couple of months are very important for our lodge. Remember that and get involved in whatever way you can!

Yours in WWW,
Lodge
40



<i>Inside This Issue</i>	<i>Page:</i>
Time Flies!	1
Key Five	2-3
Other Announcements	3-5

Key Five

Brady

How's everybody doing? For everyone who's looking for a great way to get involved or to maintain their involvement, now's your chance. The lodge has two great events coming up, Activity Day and the Memorial Day Conclave. The Activity Day is happening on April 17 and is a great time to enjoy camping while meeting members of the lodge outside of your troop. Inside the Whip is more information like, where, when, and how much. Take a look and I will see you there. Also, this Memorial Day weekend is the time for all arrowmen to pack up their cars, trucks, and trailers, and make their annual trip up to our beloved Camp Makajawan and provide cheerful service to prepare the Camp for this summer. Again, information is enclosed and this year it should be a lot of fun. It always is! For all those dues paid members, your membership card is arriving shortly. Sorry for the delay, but the computers needed fixing and updating, and not until recently were these tasks completed. A special thanks to Matt Kasriel, Will Kehoe, Bill Macfadden, and Chris Krueger, for their hours and hours of help. Well, it's almost here...the leaves are beginning to grow back, the birds are making their way back north, and the weather is getting nice. No, I'm not talking about Spring, I'm talking about Summer Camp! Makajawan is just around the corner along with everybody's favorite...the callout ceremony. Since this year is the 70th anniversary, the Order has put together some ideas on how to celebrate. If you have any ideas give me a call and we'll see if we can make

them happen. Well, keep attending chapter meetings and pay your '99 dues if you have yet to do so. I'll see you at the upcoming main events.

In Cheerful Service,
Brady Mark 948-0643

Neil

Well, the OA year has been flying by with summer camp quickly approaching. I would like to ask every committee member to put in a big ooph as we come into the Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan season. We need to get ready with things like ceremonies, costumes, election counts, etc. so this summer will be a great one. This summer will be especially nice due to our 70th anniversary festivities, but we can't let down all our returning staffers by slacking in preparation. Let's finish up our elections, get our lovely, excellent binders ready, and keep on plowing along through our duties as members of the order. Oh yeah, GO TO YOUR CHAPTER MEETINGS.

Thank you,
Neil Elver

Fred

Howdy to the ones who wear an arrow that is red, hello out there all campers from some random guy named Fred. Just in case if you don't have any idea who I am, my name is Fred Skeppstrom, the Vice-Chief of Chapters for this here fine lodge. Unfortunately I was not able to attend all of the meetings in March, but I made all of the ones in January and February. I saw some good ideas out there such as, adopting a highway and having T-shirts made for your chapter. But, the only way these things can get done is if YOU attend your chapter meetings. If you are going to your chapter meetings, good for you! Now for the next meeting bring 1 or 2 friends and pump-pump-pump up that big chapter attendance balloon!

Take Care,
-It's Just Fred

Matt

This is Matt Kasriel, your lodge treasurer. You will all be glad to know that we have restocked the OA trading post down at the council office.

Attention Lodge 40!



If you are sitting there reading this then you are a lodge member which means you must be going to the Memorial Day conclave. It's the place to be! If you don't know what it is or you haven't signed up yet, just flip right now to the flyer that is in this Whippoorwill and read all about it. It is the best way to help out the lodge and the camp. We expect to see you there!

Be sure to stop by for all your updated OA equipment. We've got everything from handbooks to jacket patches. We are also in the process of designing a new Lodge hat to be unveiled sometime before camp. It's so exciting I can hardly contain myself!

In Brotherhood,
Matt Kasriel

Bill

Hey everybody, this is your lodge secretary, Bill Macfadden. I am excited about all the upcoming events this spring. We have the Memorial Day Conclave, which is always lots of fun. Then a new event, an OA activity and competition day organized by our activities chairmen, Shane Thideman. Finally, you know it, there is camp. I want to take this chance to encourage everybody to make one final push towards our goal, which is a great summer for everybody. Make sure your troop's elections are done, and then start thinking about the conclave and how you can get involved. Also, remember that there is still one more Whip after the conclave before we leave for camp. If you want to put something in it all you have to do is call me, or e-mail me. I hope to hear from you if you have any questions or comments.

All the best in WWW,
Bill Macfadden
macfad17@aol.com



Chapter Talk

Namachani

Hello,
Down in Namachani we're staying on top of things and recently during the past couple of chapter meetings we have made some important decisions. One, our chapter meetings have been officially moved to Round Table night, the 2nd Thursday each month at 7:30 p.m.. Location is the the church at the intersection of Lake Avenue and Locust Road in Wilmette. Second, the chapter has decided to run the fall event for the district, so come to the meetings and help us plan. As always, call me with any questions.

Yours in the WWW,
Matt Horbal

Yakwahey

Chapter Chief:

Ed Larson (263-8986)

Regular Meeting Place and Time:

2nd Monday of every month at the Milburn School on Grasslake Rd. at 7:30

Aptikistic

Chapter Chief:

Elliot Bennett (234-3014)

Regular Meeting Place and Time:

2nd Tuesday of Every Month at 7:30 at the Community Christian Church

You guessed it, DUES!

We cannot stress enough the importance of dues. As in any organization, we need money in order to function. Things such as the Whip you are reading right now won't happen without it. Also, if we want to be named a Quality Lodge, we need to increase our membership every year. A member is someone who has paid their dues. If we don't have a certain number of paid members, we are not a quality unit. We are all very proud of this Lodge and want to see it recognized as one of the best out there. So, pay your dues right away!

Executive Board Announcements

To all Troop Chiefs,

We are the key to improving Lodge 40. We are the only committee in the lodge that has the range and the numbers to make an impact on all the other arrowmen. We can increase participation in chapter and lodge events simply by letting other members know about them and encouraging others to participate. Our job is to keep all arrowmen in the lodge informed about events and opportunities and encourage attendance at lodge and chapter activities. This time of the year is key for the lodge. Everyone is gearing up for summer camp and the Memorial Day Conclave, two of the biggest lodge events of the year. What can we Troop Chiefs do? We should come to the conclave and encourage others to come—it is a fun time and a great way to get involved in the lodge. We also need to select Chapter Troop Chiefs for next year; one arrowman from each chapter who will work closely with the Supreme Troop Chief at a chapter level. Remember, we are the foundation of the lodge, and only with our support can the lodge continue to grow and become stronger. Stay enthusiastic and stay involved.

Patrick Sullivan.
Supreme Troop Chief

P.S. If you are interested in becoming a Troop Chief, send me a note (with name, address, phone #, troop, and chapter) at: 1040 Locust, Wilmette, IL 60091.

The Winter Banquet was a huge success. Our speaker Julie Zaloga was fantastic. Her footage of the Peek-a-boo Canyons was thrilling. Hopefully she has inspired some of you to go on your own trips. Remember, you don't need to go somewhere really expensive or own lots of expensive, high-tech gear to find adventure.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Will Kehoe
Winter Banquet Chairman

DAY CAMP STAFF NEEDED

Looking for a summer full of **FUN?** How about a great Summer camp job at Camp Oakarro! Working with Cub Scouts, and able to go home at night. . . what a better combo!

Positions Available:

Beach Coordinator	18+
Counselor	16+
Tot Lot Coordinator	21+
Store Manager	16+
Office Manager	18+

Please contact Tom Tampa at (847) 433-1813 x 621 for more info.

CIT's WANTED!

Come join one of the best staff teams at Camp Oakarro for a great Summer of Day Camp:
-Meet new people
-Get Staff Experience
-Go home at night

Makajawan SR also has some openings for an 18+ person. Contact the NEIC office for more info!

ACTIVITY DAY

Activities include:
Football
Soccer
Ultimate Frisbee
Capture the Flag

There will also be
competitions
involving:

- Holding your breath
- How far can you fling a rubber band off your finger
- Who can stand on their hands and head the longest
- A race going backwards
- How far can you shoot a hockey BALL, not a puck

Location: Camp Dan Beard
When: After the First Aid Meet
on April 17, 3:00 p.m..

Bring a water bottle and \$10 for food.

Memorial Day Conclave

When: May 28-May 31

Where: Good Old Camp Makajawan

Cost: Hold on to your seats folks, this is amazing....The cost of the Memorial Day Conclave is **FREE!!!!!!!** Unless of course you are going for Brotherhood in which case you will need to send in 8 dollars with your sign up form.

How do I sign up?

All you need to do is send in the form below to the council office or to Ryan Sweetwood, and you are in, from there you just need to show up and have a great time!

Adresses for:

Northeast Illinois Council
2745 Skokie Valley Rd.

Highland Park, Illinois 60035
(847) 433-1813

Ryan Sweetwood
200 Eagle Creek

Round Lake Beach, Illinois 60073
(847) 546-0606

Remember, the Conclave is a time to have fun and work hard to help our camp get ready for another awesome year. Be ready to work hard, then play hard. One more new thing: this year we will have a patch for the conclave available there for two dollars. It's going to be the hot item of the season, so make sure you get one.

____ I'm going, sign me up

Name _____

Going For Brotherhood? _____

Current Honor _____

Special/Helpful work skills you have _____