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Herb Sings Scout Policy Tune

by Herb Harris
Lodge Adviser

As we begin another year of outdoor activities at Camp Conestoga, a review of Scouting policies will help us to have a safe and successful year at camp.

The first area of concern is the use of vehicles at camp. Scout policies permit only adults over the age of 18 to drive at scout events. An 18 year old driver must be accompa-

nied by another adult over the age of 21 when transporting scouts. Scouts may drive themselves to and from camp, but while at camp, scouts under the age of 18 should not leave camp unless they are accompanied by an adult with whom they have parental permission to travel with. While an activity is going on, scouts under 18 should not be driving. Scouts should not be traveling in and out of

camp.

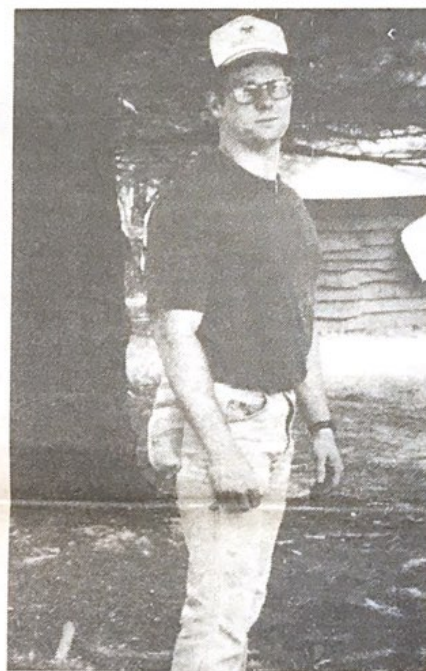
Policy also states that the only passengers in a pickup truck should be the ones in the cab, no riding in truck beds. The use of seat belts is required by Scout policy and state law. The number of passengers a vehicle may carry is the number of seat belts it has.

Another area of concern is smoking. Scouts under the age of 18 are prohibited by state law and scout

policy from smoking or tobacco use of any type. The adults should set a good example by not smoking around the scouts or in buildings. But, if they must smoke, they use good judgment where and when they smoke. Because of fire concerns, there should not be smoking in any of the buildings, near the paint shed or propane tanks or other places where flammable materials are present. No smoking signs have been posted in many of these areas, but they have often been ignored at the past week-ends.

When performing camp work service projects, we must do the work in a safe manner. When operating power tools, safety glasses and other protective equipment should be used. Appropriate clothing should be worn to work, such as hard shoes when operating a lawnmower.

I hope everyone will consider these ideas when working at Conestoga this spring. With everyone thinking safety we can have an injury free April weekend.



Herb Harris

'94 Vigil Class To Be Selected

There will be an important meeting for all vigil members immediately following the April weekend business meeting for vigil elections. All vigil members are encouraged to attend. Anyone wishing to nominate someone for vigil should fill out the attached nomination form. The following is a list of all the brothers who are eligible for this prestigious honor:

Paul Snyder, Sr.
Gary L. Steck
Donald A. Woelke
Charles A. Yarris
David Yeagley

Youth Eligible for Nomination

Andrew Ayres
Michael Currykosky
Eric Foster
Jamie Foster
Chris J. Grobmyer
Andrew Horvath
Brian Ihlenfeld

Lewie Kelley
David Kinzel
Chris Komlenic
Rob Lauderbaugh
Bryan Loeffler
John Morgan
Stephen Ostermiller
David Pletcher
Mike Pritz
Matthew J. Reed
Greg Sauers
Nicholas Snyder
Paul Snyder, Jr.
Jeremy Steck
Jeremy Woelke

Adults Eligible for Nomination

Donald F. Bixby
Harry E. Blansett
Charles M. Churby, II
Jerry Clark
C.R. Costello
John C. Crouser
Dana Doppelhever
Robert W. Errett
Glenn Gates
James B. Gettins
Louis R. Grobmyer
Joseph A. Haky
Robert Hepler Sr.
Kenneth E. Josephic
Doug Kelley
Marty Lyons
Eugene Marrone
Lawrence Medsgee
Keith Miller
Jack Pletcher
Bill Pritz
Francis Rachocki
Thomas W. Scott
Norman W. Snyder

Vigil Honor Nomination Form

Person Nominated: _____

Troop _____

Activities in Scouting: _____

Activities in Wagion: _____

Activities in Scout Camp: _____

Submitted By: _____

Mail To: Vigil Honor Chairman, Adam Mates
115 4th Ave., Scottdale, PA 15683

Learn CPR For Free

On Saturday morning there will be a free CPR class sponsored by the First Aid Committee. Certification will be possible by successfully completing a written and skills test. The class will be held either in the dining hall or OA lodge. Registration is limited to 20 people and you must sign up Friday night when

you check in.

You will be taught one and two-man CPR and conscious and unconscious airway obstruction. The test will be reviewed prior to you taking it to make sure the material is understood.

If you have any questions, you may call Brenda Howard at 837-4985.

UpComing Events

22, 23, 24, Apr 94
30 Apr 94
10, 11, 12 Jun 94
17, 18, 19 Jan 94
30 Jul - 6 Aug 94
19, 20, 21 Aug 94
26, 27, 28 Aug 94
7, 8, 9 Oct 94

April Service Weekend
Spring Nature Walk
Section 5 Conclave
June Service Weekend
NOAC
August Fellowship Weekend
Executive Committee Training
October Service Weekend

Camp Conestoga
Camp Conestoga
Camp Custalogatown
Camp Conestoga
Purdue University
Camp Conestoga
Camp Buck Run
Camp Conestoga

Blue Light Special At April Weekend

by Brian Ihlenfeld

On your drive home from the Fellowship Banquet at Latrobe High School, did you think to yourself, "Why didn't I buy a Wagon Lodge T-shirt?" Or did you say, "I wish I had an official Wagon Lodge hat to wear to the upcoming April

Weekend." Well, if you said these things or something similar to these, then don't go into a state of panic, because I have a simple way to solve your dilemma.

My solution is, come to the April Weekend on April 23, 24, 25 at Camp Conestoga to get your

Lodge T-shirt or your official hat. You can even get an Ordeal or Vigil hat pin to wear on your new hat. These and all other Lodge merchandise will be sold at the O.A. Lodge on Friday night and all day Saturday. In addition, members of the Finance Committee and myself will be selling these items at snack on Saturday night.

Now that you know what is being sold and where it is being sold, flashes of dollar signs appear in your mind because you have this tremendous fear that the merchandise will set you back a month's pay. Well, don't worry, because the prices are affordable and I have enclosed a price list for your convenience.

If you have any questions concerning lodge merchandise, prices, or any other aspect of the lodge, then please feel free to call me, Brian Ihlenfeld, at 925-8255. I will be glad to answer any questions you might have. I hope to see all of you at the April Weekend.

Price List for Wagon Lodge Merchandise

Order of the Arrow	
Belt Ties	\$4.25
Wagon Lodge Hats	\$6.00
Wagon Lodge Key Chains	\$0.50
Wagon Lodge Flap	\$1.50
Wagon Lodge Neckties	\$7.50
Wagon Lodge T-shirts (all sizes)	\$5.00
Belt Buckles	\$9.00
Order of the Arrow	
Back Patches	\$4.00
Order of the Arrow	
Handbooks	\$3.00
Ordeal Sashes	\$8.00
Brotherhood Sashes	\$8.50
Vigil Sashes	\$8.50
Chennilles	\$4.00
Ordeal Hat Pin	\$1.75
Vigil Hat Pin	\$1.50
*Brotherhood and Vigil Members only	



Brian Ihlenfeld

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the best Order of the Arrow newsletter in the United States of America. If you want name recognition, glory, to be involved in a large money making organization, you need not apply. If you want to help the T-Bird Times continue to im-

prove and you can deal with adults well, call T-Bird Finance Adviser Doug Dorula at 437-4090 or Times' Adviser Rich Ashford at 372-1506. This position needs to be filled immediately. Apply today. Don't delay.

Ways And Means Needs Help Too

by Mike Currycosky

With the banquet fresh in our minds, we now look to April and time to open camp. At last report, camp was still well covered in snow, but as soon as we can, the Ways & Means team will be going up to see what the heavy snow has damaged.

The April Weekend means clean-up and setting the benches back out. We also have a few additional jobs to do; painting

of the light poles and candle tails. These, along with the usual jobs of cutting, raking and set-up, means that we could use your help in getting the circle in the best shape possible for the 1994 season.

We have received a lot of comments on how good the circle looks during the ceremonies and we are proud to hear them, but it is a lot in preparation.

We invite you and all brothers to come and give

us your help and your ideas on getting this little section of camp ready to go. ASPECIAL THANKS to Matt Ayres and Rich Ashford for their special help during the 1993 year.

If you can donate some time and wish to help the Ways & Means committee, you can find us at Saturday morning breakfast or just meet us at the OA circle.

P.S. We still need you to bring any 3 liter pop bottles.

Supplies Needed For First Aid Committee

by Mike Howard

The First Aid Committee is a vital part of our lodge for health and safety reasons and the First Aid committee has a few things that they want to be cleared.

First, we have had two EMTs come to us and we also have had two boys join our team as well. So, as far as people go, we are doing a pretty good job, but that does not mean we are not still

looking for people. If you want to join, here are some qualifications:

1. MUST HAVE FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MB'S

2. You have to have a lot of First Aid training, such as a CERTIFIED First Aid course by the American Red Cross or the American Heart Association.

3. Must come to all of the weekends, or most of

them.

Finally, due to the using of supplies, we are very low in the following items, so if you can bring them it would be great.

Sterile Gauze, all sizes

Sterile 4X4

Sterile 2X2

Ice and Hot Packs

Trauma Dressings

Cravats

Band Aids, all sizes

Ace bandages

Oxygen set-up, mask and nasal cannula

Final Call For Conclave Participation

All persons planning to attend the Section 5 conclave in June at Camp Custalogatown should pay the remaining balance of the \$18 fee at the April weekend. There are a few spots left, but if you

wish to avoid the waiting list, please send the deposit to: 2 Garden Center Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601-1313.

There will be a contingent T-shirt that will be

optional to purchase. Anyone who needs more information can call conclave chairman Jeremy Alcorn, 547-6080, or adviser Glenn Gates, 523-4377.



Enjoying themselves at the 1993 Section Conclave at Camp Twin Echo are (l-r) Ray Morgan, Mark Kardos, Laurie Koronowski, Pete Rice and Ben Piper.

Registration for April Service Weekend

April Service Weekend
\$6.00 (\$8.50 walk-in)

22, 23, 24 April 1994
Camp Conestoga

Name: _____ Unit: _____

Address: _____ District: _____

Phone: _____

Amount Enclosed (nonrefundable): \$ _____

Mail To: O.A. Weekend Registration
Westmoreland-Fayette Council, Inc.
2 Garden Center Drive
Greensburg, PA 15601-1393

Council Phone # (for telephone reservations): (412) 837-1630
Checks payable to Wagon #6, B.S.A.

Brotherhood Bolsters Boosters

By Andrew Ayres

Brotherhood turnout this past year was very successful. We had 27 brothers come and take their tests this past OA weekend, which let us finish up the year with 42% turnover.

I would like to encourage all those brothers who are eligible for their Brotherhood to come and take their test. It is not only important to the lodge but also to you because it seals your membership with Wagon #6. So watch for all upcoming weekends and make sure you register.

The following Brothers have sealed their membership in the Order of the Arrow at the October weekend by participating in the Brotherhood ceremony:

Chad Bartkus
Nate Bash
Derek Bridges
Matt Budz
Jim Claus
David Cooley



Members of the Brotherhood Tap-out team performing their duties at the October weekend.

Brett Fawcett
Dave Ferguson
William Ferguson
Chris Fleissner
John Galenbush
John Harkobusch
Matt Izzo
Scott Hauser
Shawn Kreuzberger
Emory Lawson, Jr.

Chris Long
Jason Magyar
Dominic Martinelli
John Niemiec
James Queer
Stephen Schambura
Robert Shegler
William Shoup
Bill Stevens
Gary Wandel.



The true Indian sets no price upon either his property or his labor. His generosity is limited only by his strength and ability. He regards it as an honor to be selected for a difficult or dangerous service, and would think it shameful to ask for any reward, saying rather: "Let the person I serve express his thanks according to his own bringing up and his sense of honor."

---Charles Alexander Eastman

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Santee Sioux



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T-Bird Announces Eagle Recognition

The T-Bird has started a new regular column to recognize those Lodge brothers who have achieved the rank of Eagle. If you know of or are one of these honored brothers, then please send a picture (optional) and a brief description of yourself including any activities and

awards that you have received and any other information that you feel is relevant to T-Bird Eagles, c/o Scott Hushand, 1347 Conway Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601, or call me at 412-832-9292

In this issue we would like to recognize all those who have received the Eagle Award in

the last year in the Westmoreland-Fayette Council.

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Daniel G. Drost	687
Eric Raymond Hull	687
Derek R. Homistek	690
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T-Bird Finance Goals Announced

by Doug Dorula

If you haven't noticed by now, ads are appearing in the T-Bird Times. These sponsorships are necessary because of increased mailing and production costs and to continue to compete in conclave and N.O.A.C. competitions. I want to thank Harliss Specialties Corporation of

Irwin and Patty's Pantry of Greensburg for being the first two businesses to help out.

We do need more sponsorships to be sold. We also need a chairman to assist the advisor. The price for six issues is \$120, \$20 per issue, or for 5 or less issues, \$25 per issue. The space is 3 column inches by 6-1/2 inches. We need

support from both Westmoreland and Fayette County businesses and scouting supporters. For more information, contact T-Bird Times Finance Adviser Doug Dorula at 437-4090 or Time Adviser Rich Ashford at 372-1506. Help us meet the advertising goal we set for 1993-94 and help us in any way.

Lodge Members Receive Honors

by Brenda Howard

Forbes District recently held its District Dinner and several members of our Lodge were recognized for their accomplishments in Scouting and the community.

Bob "Sap" Springer of Troop 457 received the Youth Service Award which recognizes a Scout for his community involvement, leadership qualities and Scouting achievements. Eric Newman of Troop 416 received an Honorable Mention. Bob is a Vigil member and Eric is a Brotherhood member of our Lodge and both have held various positions in it.

Brenda Howard and Augie Nicolai received the District Award of Merit, the highest award a district can bestow on its members. Augie recently joined us as an Ordeal member. Brenda is a

Brotherhood member who works in the kitchen and is co-chairman of the First Aid committee.

Rick Hoffman, Vigil member and Scoutmaster of Troop 405, was awarded the Service to Boyhood Award for his many contributions to the program. Rick can often be seen surveying the rolling hills around camp.

Two other members of our Lodge received their religious awards at a ceremony at their church. Bill Shaffer and Todd Waugaman received The Cross and Flame Award from the United Methodist Church. Bill, a Vigil member, and Todd, a Brotherhood member, can usually be found in the kitchen preparing our delicious meals.

Forbes is very proud of its fine Scouting traditions and the people who keep the ideals of Scouting alive!

Conservation Corner

by Mike Vesco

The Conservation Committee's purpose is to preserve the area of Camp Conestoga and Buck Run, both ecologically and biologically.

Some of the projects we have done in the past are: trail maintenance, tree planting, care for the bird boxes, plan, staff and run the annual Spring Nature Walk.

The Spring Nature Walk for the Cub Scouts has been a rising success. To run the Spring Nature

Walk requires a lot of help from our brothers. We need people to run the registration, guides to move Cub Scouts from station to station, sell pop, etc.

If you are interested in being on the Conservation Committee, please contact Mike Vesco, Jr. at 863-8517.

Fast fact: By recycling one 2-liter pop bottle, you can save enough energy to power your TV for one hour.

Make Froggy Happy

We are still looking for help in the dining hall. All it will cost you is a couple of hours over the weekend helping set up and/or clean up the dining hall. The more people who sign up to help, the less

time each of us will spend. Remember, if Froggy's happy, we're all happy.

If you are interested in helping, you can contact Dave Pletcher at 887-5352, or you can see me at the April weekend. Let's keep those cooks happy.