

National Bulletin

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Founder's Memorial Update

As reported in the last issue of the **National Bulletin**, the National Order of the Arrow Committee has established two programs intended to provide a living memorial to our founders, Dr. E. Urner Goodman and Col. Carroll A. Edson. Lodges and individual Arrowmen may take part in the programs in the following ways.

The "**Founder's Award**" has been made available to lodges as a distinctive recognition for presentation to a registered active Brotherhood or Vigil Honor member. This member must memorialize, in his every-day life, the "spirit of achievement" as demonstrated to us in the lives of our founders. Each lodge may petition the national committee to present two awards per year to deserving Arrowmen, with the restriction that if both awards are presented, one must be to a youth. There is a \$50 fee for the presentation of each award, which will be placed in the Order of the Arrow Trust Fund. A substantial number of lodges petitioned to present awards for the 1981 year and many have already submitted petitions for 1982.

A set of **Order of the Arrow Commemorative Medals** has also been planned and is being made available for purchase by both individuals and lodges on a single-medal basis or as a set through a special contribution process. Proceeds from the sale of these medals will endow the Order of the Arrow Trust Fund, which will be used to provide scholarships for Arrowmen who plan to become professional Scouters, and to help defray the cost of an Order of the Arrow Museum display. The series consists of ten medals and will be minted in bronze and silver. At present, only the first two medals, "Founders of the Order" and "Treasure Island — 1915" are available, but the third,

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1982 National Indian Seminar

Indian enthusiasts from lodges around the country will want to begin planning to attend the 1982 National Order of the Arrow Indian Seminar. The week-long event is intended to give Arrowmen the opportunity to learn first-hand about the various Indian peoples from the very best Indian and non-Indian teachers.

This year's seminar will be held the week of July 31-August 7 at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch near Elbert, Colorado, just 70 miles south of Denver, and is expected to draw 190-210 Arrowmen who desire intensive training in Indian music, dance, culture and crafts. The site is a camp of the Denver Area Council, and was chosen because of its attractive facilities, which provide ample areas for the numerous training sessions and pow-wows, plus adequate indoor space. Another important feature of these facilities is that they will permit necessary protection and security for any valuable costume components and craft items participants may choose to bring. All in all, Peaceful Valley Ranch combines the best of both the indoor and outdoor elements necessary for the success of a seminar.

Participants in the seminar will be offered instruction on all of the major Indian groups of the United States; however, it is realized that most hobbyists have a special interest in a particular tribe or culture, and time will be allotted so that participants will be able to concentrate on whatever special area of our native heritage they wish. Co-Directors Donald Thom, a member of the national OA

committee, and William Downs, OA national executive secretary, are working with Program Director Greg Guy, another member of the national committee, to recruit a highly qualified staff, composed of sufficient members to insure participants the opportunity to learn about a wide range of topics and the chance to work with instructors on a one-to-one basis. The program is such that any Arrowman with an interest in Indians will be able to benefit, whether or not he presently participates in dancing and ceremonials.

The fee for the seminar is \$125 and includes lodging, board and course materials (excluding those for craft items you may wish to construct). A \$35 registration deposit (\$10 of which is non-refundable) will reserve a place for any Arrowman who desires to attend on a "first-come" basis; however, adults must recruit three young men in order to participate. Additional information can be obtained from, and registration deposits sent to, the national executive secretary. Include your name, address, age, telephone number and lodge name and number when corresponding.

It is asked that lodges pass this information along to their memberships. A maximum of 210 participants can attend this event due to space and staff limitations. It should also be noted that due to the extremely heavy schedule of national events in coming years, another seminar is not expected until 1987, and early registration is recommended in order to assure attendance.

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FROM THE NATIONAL VICE-CHIEF

Dear Brothers:

Many of you have heard a lot about the Order of the Arrow Trust Fund in the past few months. The fund means quite a bit to those who worked to establish it and those who have already contributed, so I welcome this opportunity to insure that everyone understands its purposes and potential uses.

The great spirit shown by Dr. E. Urner Goodman and Col. Carroll A. Edson when they laid the foundations upon which our brotherhood was built back in 1915 continues. Their spirit and dedication to a program that has touched the lives of untold thousands of Scouts and Scouters has been noted by many Arrowmen and caused them to call for special recognition of these outstanding individuals. With this in mind, the national committee established two programs that will serve to provide a living memorial to our founders.

The first program calls for the issuance of ten commemorative medals highlighting significant events, places and people related to the Order. These medals can be purchased by all Arrowmen on an individual basis or as a set through a special contribution process. The other is the "Founder's Award," which is a recognition available to lodges to recognize Brotherhood or Vigil Honor members who memorialize in their daily lives the "spirit of achievement" demonstrated by our founders in their deeds and actions. Monies obtained through these programs will endow the Order of the Arrow Trust Fund.

When the fund is of sufficient size, it will be used to provide scholarships for Arrowmen who wish to become professional Scouters, as well as provide financial assistance as necessary for a national Order of the Arrow display. It is not planned to use the fund in the Order's operating budget.

I hope that you will feel these projects will be an appropriate means of providing a lasting memorial to our founders, and will want to take part in this noble undertaking. I thank you in advance for your concerns and support.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Kevin Moll

Memorial Update

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"Early Ceremony," is scheduled to be issued in late April. Information on ordering is being sent to lodges. Additional details may be had by writing to the national executive secretary.

It is hoped that all lodges and members of the Order will consider participation in these programs to provide a memorial to our founders. Lodges are encouraged to promote these programs to their memberships at OA functions and through their lodge newsletters. (See Commemorative Medals on page 3).

Just Off The Wire

"In National News"

It's not too early for section personnel to begin planning for the attendance of their section chief at the 1983 National Conference planning meeting to be held December 27-30, 1982. All section chiefs in office at that time will be invited to participate and will become members of the 1983 National Conference Committee. Attendance at the meeting is at the expense of the individual.

Section chiefs who attend the meeting and fulfill their conference-related responsibilities will have their transportation costs and fees for the actual conference paid by the national committee. Be sure your section chief is on the records of the National Executive Secretary to insure receipt of instructions next fall.

A few errors found their way into the last issue of the **Bulletin** in regard to recognitions made at the 1981 National Conference. Two recipients of the Distinguished Service Award, Eugene Jackson Jr. and Charles R. Lindsay, were listed as residing in Jackson, Michigan; this should have been Jackson, Mississippi. Also, the second place winner of the **Individual Southern Feathers Indian Dancing Competition** should have read Mike Buckholtz, Langun-

dow Lodge 46. Please accept our apologies.

Due to technical limitations, the **Lodge Program Helps** article concerning "Where To Go Camping" Booklets promised in the last issue will not appear until the Summer issue. Any suggestions for future topics should be sent to the Youth Editor in care of the national executive secretary.

The Philmont Volunteer Training Center has made space available for the training of lodge and chapter advisers in 1982. Local councils were notified through the regular recommendation and invitation channels. Fifty-one spaces have been allocated and a waiting list has been established. The dates are June 24-30.

Section advisers have been invited to participate in a special week, June 16-23. Fifteen spaces have been allocated on a first-come first-serve basis.

All reservations are handled by Philmont. The faculty will be Thomas G. McBride, National Chairman; Carl M. Marchetti, National Vice Chairman; Donald L. Wylie, National Committee Member; and Bill Downs, National Executive Secretary.

"In The Regions"

(W) National Leadership Seminars were held in the Western Region during the first part of this year for Areas 4 (Southern California) and 5 (Arizona/Southern Nevada) January 15-17 at Edwards AFB, and for Area 3 (Northern California/Northern Nevada) the weekend of February 26-28 in San Francisco. Two additional seminars, one for Section W1D (Alaska) June 18-20 and another for W3C (Hawaii) in August are being planned. Details for participants will be forthcoming.

(NE) Dr. Ronald Rupp has been appointed chairman of the Northeast Region OA Committee. He succeeds Gary Bonas who will remain on the National Committee.

(SC) The South Central Region will hold three National Leadership Seminars in the coming year, the first of which is scheduled for May 28-30 in Oklahoma City for Area 3 (Northern Oklahoma). Plans for the other two seminars to be held for Area 6 (West Texas/Oklahoma Panhandle/New Mexico) in late July and for Areas 1 (Louisiana) and 2 (Arkansas) in October will be finalized in the near future.

(EC) Ashland College was the site of a National Leadership Seminar for Area 5 (Northern Ohio) held March 26-28. The next seminars in the East Central Region will be held November 19-21 for Area 2 (Michigan) and December 3-5 for Area 6 (Southern Ohio/West Virginia).

(SE) Four new members have been named to the SE Region OA Committee to serve as advisers/liasons in the following areas: Steve Willis (SE3), Training; Billy Walley (SE2), Publications; Charles Garwood (SE7),

Audio-Visuals; and Thomas Reddin (SE9), Membership.

(NC) The North Central Region will hold a National Leadership Seminar the weekend of October 1-3 for Area 1 (Montana/Colorado/Wyoming/South Dakota/Nebraska).

(NE) The Northeast Region conducted a very successful National Leadership Seminar the weekend of March 26-28 for Area 3 (Metropolitan New York) and will hold another April 23-25 for Area 1 (New England).

(W) National Committeeman Del Loder has been named the chairman of the Western Region OA Committee. Mr. Loder has served the Order for many years and looks forward to fulfilling the responsibilities of his new position. He succeeds George Flanagan, who remains on the national committee as a member of the Founder's Advisory Council.

(SE) Because of the Area/Section realignment that took place in the Southeast Region on January 1, the assignments for National Leadership Seminars to take place this summer listed in the last issue of the **Bulletin** require adjustment. Lodges in Area 2, 3 and the western portion of Area 6 will attend the seminar in Mississippi in June. The remaining lodges in Area 6 and those in Areas 7, 8 and 9 will have their seminar during July in North Carolina. The last seminar will take place in Georgia for Areas 1, 4 and 5 during mid-August. Lodges are not restricted to these seminars and may attend one more convenient to their delegations if necessary.

Commemorative Medals

Several lodges/sections have already committed to take part in the donation process and have pledged or have made contributions in support of the program.

The following lodge has made a donation of \$1,000 and will receive a special plaque and all silver medals as minted:

Colonneh Lodge 137, Sam Houston Area Council, Houston, Texas.

The following groups have donated or have pledged to donate \$250 and will receive a special plaque and all bronze medals as minted:

Allemakewink Lodge 54, Morris-Sussex Area Council, Denville, New Jersey.

Wenasa Quenhota Lodge 23, W. D. Boyce

Council, Peoria, Illinois.

Aina Topa Hutsi Lodge 60.

Alamo Area Council, San Antonio, Texas.
Karankawa Lodge 307, Gulf Coast Council, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Tonkawa Lodge 99, Capital Area Council, Austin, Texas.

Wahinkto Lodge 199, Concho Valley Council, San Angelo, Texas.

Wewanoma Lodge 272, Rio Grande Council, Harlingen, Texas.

Section SC3B (Former), Southern Texas.

Lodges wishing to make a similar contribution can receive further information by contacting the national executive secretary.



In National Speech Contest

Marnoc Arrowman Wins \$2,000

Jackson Ross Wagner Jr. of Akron, Ohio won first place and a \$2,000 scholarship in the Reader's Digest Association-Boy Scouts of America National Public Speaking Contest held in Irving, Tex., February 9.



Wagner of 372 Caladonia Avenue competed with five other Scouts for the national honor. An estimated 2,000 young men and women competed nationwide in various elimination contests. A total of \$11,500 in scholarship money was awarded during the contest.

He represented Troop 380, chartered to Montrose Zion United Church, Great Trail Council of the East Central Region of BSA. Wagner spoke on "A Scout's Duty To Himself." Jackson is a member of Marnoc Lodge 151.

Contestants competed in Boy Scout, ages 11-17, and Explorer, 14-20, divisions.

They were required to speak on a topic drawn from some phrase of the Scout Oath or Explorer Code. Toastmasters International served as judges at the finals.

National Officers Meet In Texas

A meeting of the national officers and their advisers was held in late January in Fort Worth, Texas to evaluate National Order of the Arrow programs and to consider ideas for improvements that might be made.

As a result of the meeting, two new sessions have been added to the National Leadership Seminar, which will cover the areas of "Inductions" and "Camping Promotions." Minor changes to the seminar timetable were made in order to accommodate these sessions, which were pilot-tested at seminars held in January and February in the Western Region. After final evaluation and approval, they will become a permanent part of the NLS.

Another matter considered at the meeting was the election of national officers during the three-year period between the 1983 and 1986 National Conferences. Several recommendations were made and these were presented to the steering committee of the national committee at its meeting in February, where an ad hoc subcommittee was established to consider the issue and report to the full committee at a meeting later this year.

National Chief Brad Starr was pleased that recommendations and suggestions concerning OA programs had been made to the Region Chiefs by members at the lodge and section level and encourages all Arrowmen to pass along their ideas to the national officers. In this way, the national committee can remain sensitive to needs at the lodge level and can establish policy to meet those needs.

Region Changes Alter OA Sections

During the first quarter of this year, several organizational changes have been made that will have an effect on Order of the Arrow operations in three regions.

On January 1, 1982, the South Central and Southeast Regions redefined their Area boundaries in an effort to better serve their councils. The adjustments allow the Areas to conform to political and geographical boundaries, as well as trade and communications markets. They also foster a closer-knit organization since each Area, on the whole, is composed of fewer councils, permitting the Area personnel to concentrate greater effort toward working with each council. For these reasons, as well as others involving increased efficiency of operations, the National Executive Board approved these actions.

As a result, the number of Areas in the South Central Region has increased from four to six and that of the Southeast Region has gone from six to nine. In both cases, each new Area will serve as an OA section, maintaining the number present in the South Central Region before the move, and restoring the number in the Southeast Region to that present before Kentucky and Tennessee merged to form one section last spring. Although the new section designations have officially gone into effect, final changeovers, such as election of officers and installment of any new advisers, will take place at conclaves to be held later this year.

Area 1 of the North Central Region also underwent some reorganization, but only at the OA level. This occurred at a joint conclave held March 26-28 when the ten lodges in this Area were realigned to form two sec-

tions containing five lodges each. Previously, the lodge from the council serving Montana was a section in itself and the remaining lodges made up the other.

It is planned that these changes will improve the overall quality of the programs of the Boy Scouts of America in the areas affected.

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High Adventure Base Staff Opportunities

Each year, the High Adventure bases of the Boy Scouts of America employ a small number of highly qualified persons to serve as staff members on a seasonal basis. The term of employment varies from base to base, but usually runs from June until mid-August. Salaries also vary depending upon the base and the position, but normally include room and board.

The best qualified applicants are usually 18 years of age or older, have a Scouting background and have attended the base at which they desire a position, although applicants meeting one or two of the above qualifications are also invited to apply. Arrowmen interested in such assignments should write in regard to "Seasonal Employment" to the appropriate base listed below:

Charles L. Sommers
National High Adventure Base
Box 509, Ely, MN 55731



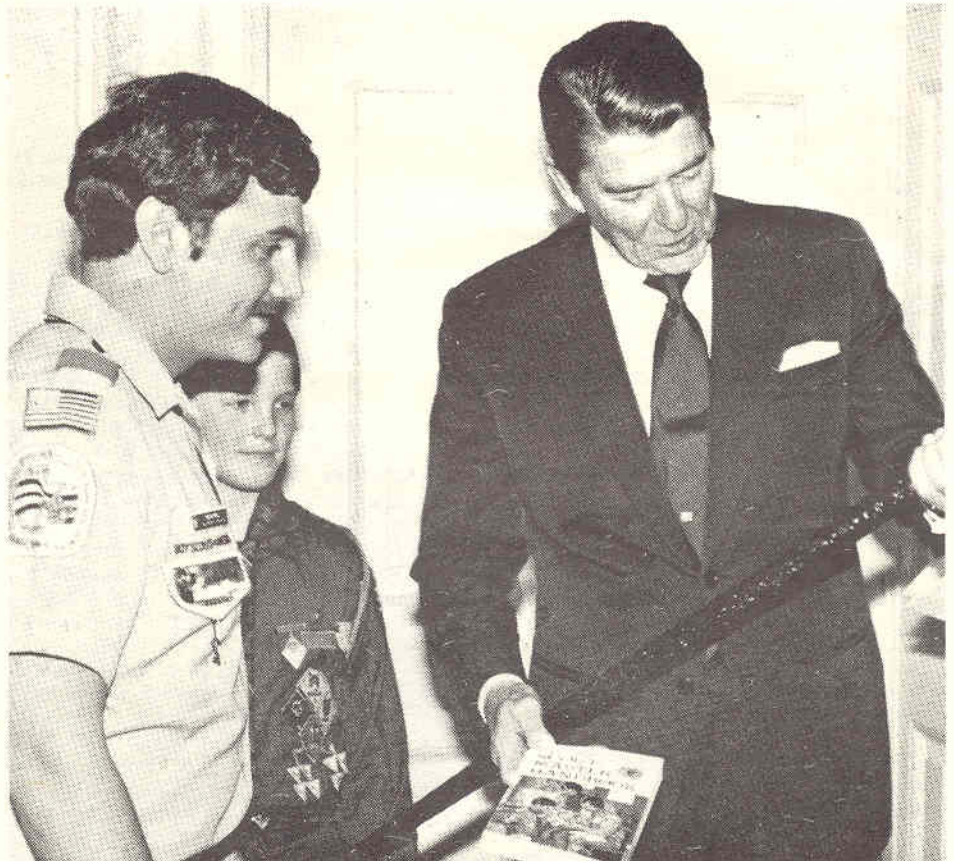
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Report To The Nation

Earlier this year, the Boy Scouts of America made its annual Report to the Nation. As a chartered organization of the Congress of the United States, it must submit a statement of its goals, methods, policies, future plans and financial status to the houses of Congress and the President each year.

National Vice Chief Kevin Moll and three other National Youth Representatives from the various divisions of the Scouting program were part of a delegation that met with Congressman Al Swift (Washington),

Senator Jesse Helms (North Carolina), and finally, President Ronald Reagan to make the formal presentations of the leather-bound reports.

During the meeting with the President, Mr. Reagan accepted his BSA membership card as Honorary President, the latest in a series of Norman Rockwell commemorative Scouting plates and a four-foot hand-carved hiking stick. In addition, BSA President Dr. Thomas MacAvoy and Chief Scout Executive James L. Tarr presented President Reagan with the Silver Buffalo for outstanding service to youth on a national level.



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