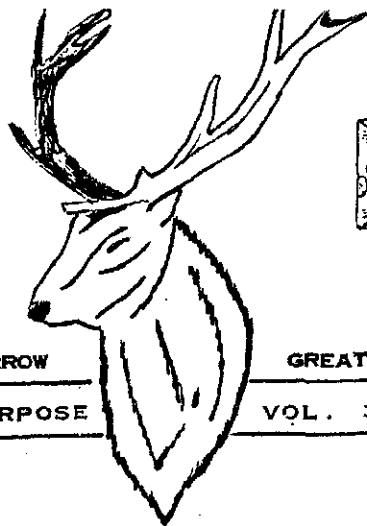




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VIRGIL CHRISTENSEN  
LODGE CHIEF 1986-7

## THE CHIEF

I appreciate the opportunity of serving you, the members of the El-Ku-Ta Lodge for another year.

With the ideas from the National Conference and those brought in

with new officers, the Lodge could have a great year.

Many of the Officers have spent time this summer on Silver Moccasin Staff and are ready to bring a new concept of training into the Lodge.

At the Fellowship, the question was asked if the emphasis will be on being a "great" lodge as well as a "large" lodge. This is the year to make that happen for all of us.

With each of us committing to a successful year the Lodge will succeed. This is the year of Brotherhood. Every Ordeal member will have the opportunity to seal his membership in the OA. Make plans now to participate in this ceremony as soon as your 10 months are up.

It will be a great year in the EL-KU-TA Lodge!!

-- Virgil --

## COMING EVENTS

### AUGUST

- 9th NOAC Contingent leaves for Michigan. Returns the 18th
- 21st LECM Tracy Lodge All Chapter Advisors and Officers. 7:00 pm

### SEPTEMBER

- 12th Ordeal at Tracy Chapters 2, 21, 27 in charge
- 14th Lodge Officers meeting 7:00 pm Halliday's
- 18th LECM Service Center 7:00 pm All Officers and Advisors

### OCTOBER

- 10th Ordeal at Tracy. Chapters 7, 5, 13, 15 in charge.
- 11th Lodge Training Conf. Tracy Lodge 8:00 am will last until late afternoon.
- 12th Lodge Officers meeting 7:00 pm Halliday's
- 16th LECM at the Service Center 7:00 pm

# CONFERENCE

The Section Conference was a massive success from any point of view. Yes, we did take some of the awards and did have the largest contingent 129.

Utah State University was the setting and EL-KU-TA Lodge came in style with 20+ entrants in Dance and Ceremony and took over the major portion of the University Inn.

Classes were taught in dancing and costuming by Leke Nimat and others.

The event closed after the election of a new Section Chief and officers and the banquet. The banquet speaker was KSL personality Mark Van Wagoner -- incidently a member of our lodge.

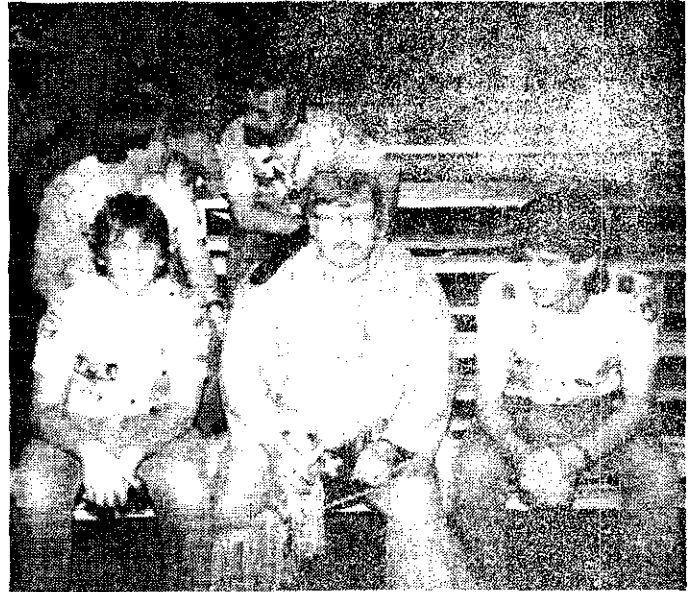
We took the following awards:

TEAM DANCE -- 1ST PLACE  
SPECIALTY DANCE  
-- 1ST PLACE  
CEREMONY COMPETITION  
-- 3RD PLACE



RYAN MECHAM & KEN NAYLOR  
CEREMONY TEAM FROM WAMBLEE

BACK ROW CLIFF SADDLER, JOE OBERG  
FRONT RICHARD DOWNWARD, BOB QUINN &  
SCOTT HOGGE



## EDITORS NOTE

The past year has shown some stunning successes in the growth and activity of the Lodge. New service, new ideas and programs and increased activity make it hard to believe that only five years ago the lodge numbered only 325. Now the 3 largest chapters exceed that figure. This issue is dedicated to the year in review and to each of you who participated in making it outstanding. Enjoy.

### T H A N K S

TO CLARK KING AND  
HIS STAFF FOR A  
GREAT YEAR OF THE  
ECHO. AS HE MOVES  
ON TO NEW DUTIES  
WE DEDICATE THIS  
ISSUE TO HIM

THE 1986 OFFICERS



# ITS A FACT, JACK!



As of the 30th of June--the last date of the Lodge fiscal year--our membership totalled 1390 members. Based on December 31st membership the largest lodge in the Region last year totalled 1474 members--will we be #1 by year's end??

Vigil Ceremonies were conducted at East Fork of the Bear during the Summer Fellowship for the following candidates:

JOE OBERG, DENNIS HAAG, JASON MILLER  
MIKE LINGWALL, CLYDE ROBINS, LEO MONSON  
JIM HUTCHINS, MILT JENKINS, ROBERT PATEY  
DAVE GLAUSER, VERN CARSEY, GARY RAY  
MATT MECHAM, SCOTT HOGGE, SHAWN JAGER  
KEN NAYLOR, KEN BELL

## L.E.C.M.

**PRE-REGISTRATION:** Because of the difficulty and expense in providing food at a number of the events. Meals will only be available on a pre-registration basis. If you are coming to ANY event (ordeals included) and wish meals your reservation must be in the hands of the Lodge Secretary (or phoned in) at least one week prior to the event. No Exceptions.

Congratulations are in order to these brothers on obtaining Vigil Membership.

-- Daren Sagers Vigil Chief

**OFFICER CHANGES:** Area Vice Chiefs have been changed to new duties. There is no longer a South and North Vice Chief. More on this at the Lodge Training Conference.

THE SUMMER FELLOWSHIP HAS STRANGE POWERS  
AS SEEN FROM DENNIS HAAG, VIRGIL  
CHRISTENSEN, GARY RAY AND CLARK KING.

## BROTHERHOOD

At the Summer Fellowship in an early morning ceremony 30 members of the Lodge sealed their membership by becoming brotherhood members. Congratulations to:

DAVID BUDGE, DEE GROSE, JOEL GROSE, BILLIE ATCHLEY, DAVID BETTS, ERIC BLACK, SCOTT BRIMLEY, ROBERT BROWN, RICHARD CHAFFIN, STEVEN DAILEY, WENDALL DOWNWARD, RICHARD DOWNWARD, DAVID ENGLAND, HOWARD GRAHAM, TOMMY GREENWOOD, KIM HANSEN, BRIAN HATCH, ROBERT HIGBEE, JOE HOGGE, JEFF JAGER, SHANE JEFFERY, TYLER LAMONT, BRENT LUNDBERG, GREGORY MOSS, LARRY MOSS, MARK OTTESON, MIKE RAY, PAUL REICH, TRAVIS TANNER, BRANT THOMSEN, JEFFERY WALL



# LODGE BANQUET

The Lodge Banquet was simply the most incredible thing that you ever did see in your whole entire life. After Sage's flag ceremony a great dinner was served by Dabyowk Chapter. The Hillcrest Swing Choir began the program and ended with thier last number which was "Happy Birthday" to John Fanning.

Blaine Fowler, BYU Quarterback, gave us an extremely excellant talk on success and on BYU defensive linemen. Remember this, "if you jump for the starts and miss, you land on the top of trees, but if you jump for the top of trees and miss you land on the ground."

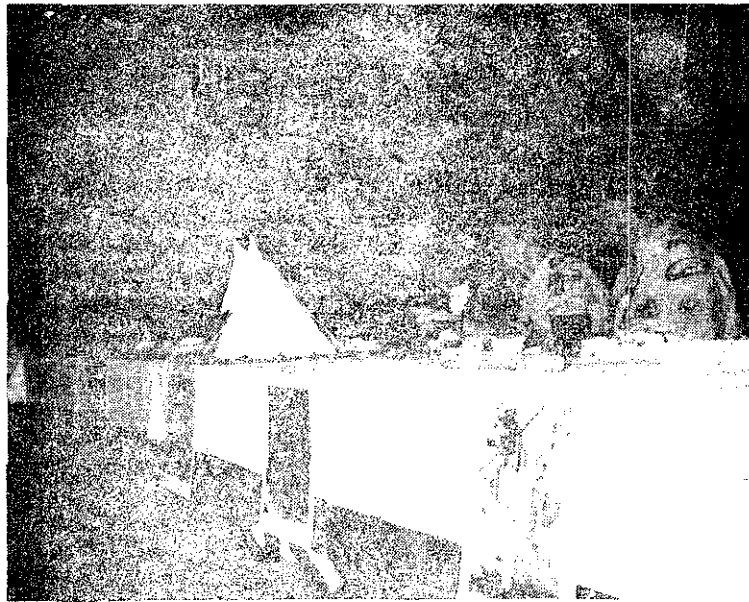
This was followed by a slide presentation of the year in review.

The 1000th member was Erick Black, Tap outs for 21 Vigil Candidates were held--the largest number in history.

On behalf of everybody who enjoyed this evening of excellance, we would like to thank Robert Patey, and all who made this tremendous event one awesome event.



CLARK KING & MRS KING AT THE LODGE BANQUET. THE PLACE WAS STANDING ROOM ONLY.



FROM RIGHT TO LEFT, BOB SORENSON, ANDY SORENSON AND MRS. SORENSON AT THE HEAD TABLE



GARY RAY AND STEVE SUGGEN MADE SURE THE CHECK IN FOR DINNER WAS SMOOTH.

## TRIVIA QUESTION

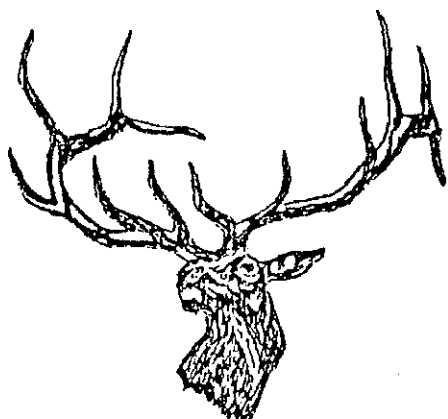
Name all other Lodge Chief's who have served for more than one term.

# DIAMOND JUBILEE ENCAMPMENT

Lagoon was the place to be on Sept. 27 & 28. The OA had a great time setting up tipis in the center of the area, watching the demo derby, and participating in a huge flag ceremony. The night ended with a delicious crackerbarrel.

Saturday we had an OA breakfast and gave out 150 Goodman pins. Later was indian dance competition. Arrowmen were also very active in the various district centers serving those units from thier districts.

## THIRTY YEARS OF CHEERFUL SERVICE



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SPREAD THE SPIRIT



ALLEN RECORD, ROBERT PATEY, MATT MECHAM  
AND VIRGIL GO OVER THE ORDEAL PLANS.

## ORDEAL REPORT

During the 1985-86 year 619 new arrowmen joined in Ordeal Ceremonies. The most notable was probably the April ordeal that got over a foot of snow during saturday morning.

While this success is a new high for the Lodge better results can be obtained by making sure those who are elected have a chance to join by getting a personal contact from the chapters.



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS AT THE SEPTEMBER  
ORDEAL AT TRACY --- 174 ATTENDED.



# EL-KU-TA

# SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

If you missed out on the Summer Fellowship you probably missed the greatest event of the year.

Under the direction of Barton Jeffs, East Fork's Camp Tomahawk became the gathering spot of a great group of Arrowmen. Every chapter was represented. Old friends and a number of new faces made it a fine time.

From the opening to the closing Saturday at Noon activities and training events occupied the time. Indian Dance competition, Thursday night; Campfire, Vigil Ceremony, and Honor trail Friday night and the Elections Saturday kept a fast pace between the events.

The traditional steak fry was continued on Friday evening. The waterfront (fairly chilly) was open and we saw about 175 arrowmen for part or all of the fellowship.

This year saw a patch and an activity pin available. The Lodge introduced its 30th Anniversary patch at the fellowship (it will be available for the entire year) and a number of former officers returned for the event.

Arrowmen got a chance to really get to know the candidates for office before the voting on Saturday with a question and answer session Friday night.

At the Brotherhood Ceremony, 31 Arrowmen committed themselves to the obligations of brotherhood by taking the final step in their ordeal.

Next month's issue will have the winners of the various competitions that were held--some 21 in number.

JOHN FANNING (SITTING) AND ARROWMEN AT THE FELLOWSHIP.



VIGIL CHIEF DAREN SAGERS AND CLARK KING  
PAUSE DURING THE FELLOWSHIP

For the record however Chapter 23, Wamblee, walked off with over half of the awards. Chapter 2, Red Hills, showed up with the greatest percent in attendance--a welcome surprise.

Next year the Fellowship has been tentatively scheduled for Bear Lake with a full schedule of waterfront activities.

In short, it was just about the most incredible thing you ever did see in your whole entire life.





Jared Johnstone, Secretary, is 16 and prior to his election served as the Chapter Secretary for Silver Elk. Jared is a member of an Explorer Police post and is an Eagle Scout.



ONE OF THE MANY CHAPTER HEADQUARTERS AT THE FELLOWSHIP.

## LAST CHANCE THIS YEAR.

If your ECHO label has "1986" in the circled portion your subscription to the ECHO expires with this issue. Get on the stick and send in a measly \$3.50 for next year's registration!! How can you stand to miss out on being a part of the Lodge as it achieves greatness!! Do it now!!

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## LODGE PROGRESS

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ONE YEAR AGO THIS MONTH		
	1986	1985
# MEMBERS	1392	1128
# ORDEALS	1085	897
# BROTHERHO	214	171
# VIGILS	93	71
# CANDIDATES	812	858
# June 30, 1986		
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SERVICE TO UNITS THIS YEAR		
# EAGLE COURTS	48	
# DANCE PERFORMANCES	126	
# ARROW OF LIGHTS	89	
# COMMUNITY SERVICE	8731	
# June 30, 1986		
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SERVICE & SUPPORT 1986 & 1985		
	1986	1985
# UNITS SEEN	419	503
# % OF UNITS SN	24.60	29.69
# SERVICE HR	9043	9172
# ORD. TO BROTH.	52	54
# NEW ORD'L	296	290
# June 30, 1986		
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## LODGE OFFICERS

SECRETARY SHOWN  
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Virgil Christensen, Chief, is 17 serving his second term as Lodge Chief. He is an Eagle Scout from Chapter 4 and recently concluded a year as National Exploring Vice President.



Steve Sugden, Ceremonies and Camp Promotion Vice Chief, is 15 and formerly was the Lodge Secretary. Steve has served on Silver Moccasin staffs for the last two years. Steve comes from Chapter 2.



Robert Patey, Activities Vice Chief, is 16 and serving his second term in that position. Robert is an Eagle Scout and is planning on attending the National Conference this summer.



Ryan Hatch, Chapters and Training Vice Chief, is 16 and served as the Chief of Dabyowk Chapter prior to his election. He is an Eagle Scout and will be responsible for all of the Lodge training programs this year.



Ken Naylor, Elections Vice Chief, is 16 and prior to his appointment was a Vice Chief in Wamblee Chapter. He has been active in a number of ceremony and dance presentations.



Dennis Haag, Treasurer, is 16 and served as the Sage Chapter Chief prior to his election. He is an Eagle scout and his extensive experience in dance and ceremonies.



The Scout Show in the Salt Palace really filled the meaning of the title. Over 600 exhibits of packs, troops, and teams showed just about every facet of scouting possible.

The Lodge area included a tipi village as well as exhibits and ongoing dancing under the direction of its Chairman, Ed Stebbing.

Over 200 arrowmen participated in the event with the Lodge or with District or Event activities.

The most exciting part of the event was watching Vice Chief Allen Record set a new World's Record in the Hoop Dance with 60 hoops. He became eligible for the Guinness Book of Records and made the evening TV. He later did it again for the Section Conference.

Need more be said. It was the most incredible thing we ever did do in our lives. The trip was not your usual trek though, there was some more in the deal. It was the National Order of the Arrow Philmont Trek. We met arrowmen from across the nation. We gained many new ideas and gave out a lot also. Compared with many lodges our's is really up there among the top.

But then came Philmont itself. We only completed a half of a normal trek since it was a National OA Even. We backpacked around 30 miles in 5 days and covered some beautiful country and ran across some real wildlife. We lost count of the deer, but saw wild turkeys, bats, and had a great experience with a bear.

Philmont is an exciting adventure all who can should go for the fun and life-long bragging rights.

## EL-KU-TA LODGE PURCHASE ORDER FORM

ITEM	PRICE	QTY	ITEM	PRICE
LODGE FLAP	\$ 2.50		LODGE FLAP	\$ _____
O.A. RIBBON PIN	1.40	_____	HAT PIN	_____
HAT PIN	2.00	_____		_____
VIGIL HONOR PIN	1.55	_____		_____
BELT BUCKLE--NATIONAL	8.95	_____		_____
JACKET PATCH--NAT'L	3.00	_____		_____
LODGE NECK. SLIDE	2.50	_____		_____
LAPEL PIN--ARROW	1.50	_____		_____
LODGE NECKERCHIEF	2.50	_____		_____
ORDEAL MANUAL--NAT'L	.90	_____		_____
SASH--ORDEAL	5.25	_____		_____
--BROTHERHOOD	5.50		REGISTRATION FOR 1986-7	_____
--VIGIL	6.40		ORDEAL STAFF ON _____	_____
HANDBOOK	1.60			
YEARLY DUES	3.50		TOTAL	\$\$ _____
ORDEAL STAFF--FOOD	5.00		POSTAGE & HANDLING	.25
BROTHERHOOD	6.00			
POSTAGE & HANDLING	.25		TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$\$ _____

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