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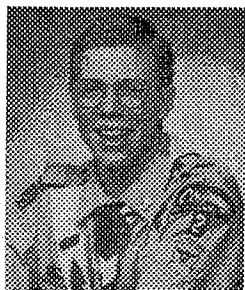


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CHIEFLY SPEAKING



Ryan Pitts
Lodge Chief 1994-95

This is my last chance as chief to write to the general membership of the lodge.

I first need to thank everyone that has stood beside me this year and given their support. Together we have strengthened the lodge. (If you don't believe me you should have been to the Section Conference. As the host lodge it was our responsibility to clean the building and make sure things got put back in their right places. The building was cleaned and everything done in about one hour. It was awesome! A special thanks to everyone that helped.) We have

accomplished everything together and have continued to succeed.

A few notes on the things happening right now in the lodge.

Have you held a unit election in your scout troop and varsity team this year? What, you haven't? Contact your chapter officers and tell them you want an election done. The chapters need to make sure the job is finished. Get out and get them done!

Do you like having fun? Yes! (I love answering my own questions) Then come up to the Summer Fellowship in June at East Fork of the Bear. In this issue of The Legend registration material is available. On Friday, June 9th, (at the Fellowship) we will be electing new lodge officers. Be there so you can cast your votes.

Do you know someone that needs to go through their ordeal? You do! Great, get them to attend the last ordeal of the spring. It starts Monday night, June the 5th at East Fork. They can sign up at one of the two scout offices.

Once again a sincere thanks to everyone who made this year great.

Your Chief,

Ryan Pitts

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ADVISOR'S ADVICE

I want to take a bit a space and let the retiring officers know how much I appreciate their service during the past year. Many things have been done to prepare the lodge for the future challenges that will be upon it. For the 4th year the section is being led by outstanding individuals from our lodge. Each of our events has been well supported and planned. Each of our commitments has been met. Each of the chapters has shown growth and improvement. This reflects the excellent leadership that the lodge has had and reflects the commitment of each of the members who has contributed during the year.

We are truly a nationally recognized lodge. From the visitation of national officers and their advisers to the invitation of our chief to participate in the NLS Task Force in Florida, it is clear that the region and others see the quality of the youth leadership that we have. This year has been no exception. Thanks to those of you who have made it so. To those who are leaving for other pursuits, my best wishes for your success. To those who are staying, keep involved — it's only just begun.

CANDIDATES

The following have indicated their intention to run for Lodge Office. Since the information is taken from the letters they wrote and the records in the lodge, there may be some errors. We apologize in advance for any of them there might be.

L O D G E C H I E F

Weston Blaney: *Weston* is 17 and from Chapter 27. He has served as a Vice Chief of the lodge for the past year. He is an Eagle Scout and a vigil Member in the Order. He has served on Coup Trail and as a chapter vice chief.

T.K. Hollberg: *T.K.* is 18 and from Chapter 5. He has served as Lodge Treasurer, Section Vice Chief and a Chapter Chief. He is an Eagle Scout and a Vigil Member in the Order. He has been on Coup Trail

staff.

V I C E C H I E F

Clinton Andrus: *Clinton* is 16 and from Chapter 15. He is an Eagle Scout and a Brotherhood member. Since joining the Order in 1991, he has served on a number of committees and in various chapter assignments.

David Christensen: *David* is 15 years old and from Chapter 15. He is an Eagle Scout and a Brotherhood member of the Order. He has served in Coup Trail and as a Chapter Vice Chief and in other chapter assignments.

Brandon Fessler: *Brandon* is 16 and a member of the Chapter 16. He has served as a Lodge Secretary and Vice Chief and as Chapter Chief. He is an Eagle Scout, a Brotherhood member, and attended a recent National Leadership Seminar.

Chris Hereth: *Chris* is 15 and from Chapter 14. He is a Brotherhood member of the Order and has recently served as the Chapter Chief of his chapter. *Chris* as also served in various lodge assignments.

Josh Mecham: *Josh* is 15 and a member of Chapter 15. He is an Eagle Scout and a Brotherhood member of the Order. He has recently served as the Chapter Chief of his chapter and in several lodge assignments.

Jeremy Pool: *Jeremy* is 16 and a member of Chapter 5. He is an Eagle Scout and a Brotherhood member of the Order. He is currently the Chapter Chief of his chapter and serving on the Coup Trail Staff.

Daniel Soulier: *Danny* is 16 and a member of Chapter 27. He is an Eagle Scout and a Brotherhood member of the Order. He has served in a number of chapter and lodge positions including a member of the Dance Team and a staff member of Coup Trail.

Devon Swenson: *Devon* is 16 and a member of Chapter 27. He is an Eagle Scout and has served as founder of the lodge Dance Team, on Coup Trail Staff and as a Chapter Chief as well as in many lodge and chapter assignments.

S E C R E T A R Y

Philip Blaney: *Philip* is 15 and a member of Chapter 27. He is currently the Lodge Secretary and

has served in a number of lodge and chapter positions including staffing Coup Trail. He is an Eagle Scout and a Brotherhood member.

Chad Taylor: *Chad* is 18 and a member of Chapter 14. He is a Brotherhood member in the Order and served as the Lodge Secretary in 1993-94. He has served in a number of chapter assignments and on lodge committees.

T R E A S U R E R

Timothy Poll: *Tim* is 15 and from Chapter 15. He is a Brotherhood member in the Order and as served in a number of chapter and lodge assignments including as chairman of the Section Conclave contingent this year.

Trevor Thompson: *Trevor* is 15 and a member of Chapter 15. He is an Eagle Scout and a Brotherhood member in the Order. He has served as his chapter's Chapter Chief and in a number of chapter and lodge assignments.

DUES INCREASE!

by Ryan Pitts

our own Section Chief to be

Starting July 1st it will cost \$7.00 to register with the Lodge each year. The L.E.C. (Lodge Executive Committee) passed the increase at the April LECM (Lodge Executive Committee Meeting).

You may ask why the increase? Simply inflation. Rising costs of printing, mailing, OA supplies, food and national dues are all factors.

The new \$7.00 due price is not expected to increase again for several more years.

HOW TO CHEAT

Pay your annual dues before July 1st! That's right avoid the dues increase this year. Simply fill out the registration form in this issue of The Legend and mail it into the scout office along with the old dues price of \$5.00. You will then be registered until June 30, 1996.

SPREAD THE SPIRIT



SECTION CONCLAVE

With over 100 members present in Evanston, it was really an El-Ku-Ta event. The retiring section officers, *Justin Barker*, Chief, *T.K. Hollberg*, Vice Chief, and *Mike Rich*, Secretary, were all from our lodge and did a great job of having an exceptional conference for those attending.

In the dance area, *Justin Barker*, *Danny Soulier*, and *Devon Swenson*, took third, fourth and fifth respectively in the Traditional Dancing Competition and *Troy Rosenlund*, *Chris Fessler*, *Weston Rausch*, took the three places in the grass dance events and with *Anthony Teuscher*, took the team dance competition. In the ceremony area, *Tad Oman* and *Brent Rowe* took top honors for the parts they represented in the Brotherhood Ceremony.

Ryan Pitts and *David Swenson* were elected the Section Chief and Secretary for the coming year. The Section Vice Chief is *Chris Downs* from Logan. The lodge presented a Founder's Award to *T.K. Hollberg* for his work in the lodge during the last year.

In other areas, *Steve Dupaix* and a number of lodge members with active in the show on Friday night and *Bill Eldred* and *Rich Kennard* headed up the training with a number of trainers from the lodge. It's a good thing that we didn't stay home, since we were involved in about everything that went on in this conference.

It was a great time for all of the members attending. Evanston is an exciting place to hold the conference. Give yourself a hand if you came and made it the success that it was. Thanks to *Tim Poll* who was our chairman and brought the largest contingent in recent history.

CAFE EL-KU-TA

One of the exciting events at the Summer Fellowship will be the grand opening of Cafe El-Ku-Ta. In honor of this event there will be special t-shirt printed (several colors) for the activity. You can get yours ONLY at the fellowship. Purchase it with the fellowship registration. Leftovers WILL NOT be sold after the event.

If you want some more information about what it will look like, call *Weston Blaney* (254-1334) or any of the fellowship committee.

EDITOR'S EDITION

by Robert Mecham

none other than your's truly

Some of you out there may have noticed that this issue of *The Legend* is a little bit early. Due to circumstances beyond my control, (namely *Ryan Pitts*) this issue is coming to you as a *special Election/Fellowship issue*. If you should happen to look on page 2, you might happen upon the article containing information on all this year's candidates. (No, I'm not running, this year.) I hope you find this information useful, but if you don't, it's OK, you could probably sue (and win) for a lot of money. (But don't sue me, sue *Dave Halliday*, he's the lawyer!)

You may also notice that there is no "Chapter Chatter" or "Committee Corner" in this issue. Since *Ryan* wanted this issue so soon, there wasn't time to notify Chapter Chiefs and Committee Chairmen of the change in schedule, and wait for them to turn in articles. The May LECM is not a due date after all.

Some of you out there (namely *Josh Mecham*, Chapter Chief of Chapter 15) particularly noticed my comment following Chapter 28's article. In case you couldn't figure it out, it was a joke. For those of you who don't know what a joke is, Webster's New World Dictionary of the American Language, College Edition defines a joke as (in one of it's many definitions) "something not meant to be taken seriously; thing done or said in fun." My comment was merely a joke, and Chapter 15 was indeed most deserving of the Chapter of the Year Award. (Although someone (I won't say who) from Chapter 28 liked my comment.)

I also heard complaints about my comments about the Lodge Hotline. First, I would like to say that they were completely honest. Especially my suggestion to use "Star Wars" as the theme for the next one. To

make it a little more understandable, simply turn down the background sound. In any case, anything's better than just *Dave Halliday's* monotone voice! (No offense, *Dave*!)

EDITOR'S LAST EDITION?

by Robert Mecham

someone who's wondering about the future

This very well may be the last issue of *The Legend* with me as editor. Whether or not I continue as editor into the summer will depend largely on whether I feel like continuing as editor in June, and whether the new Lodge Chief will want me to continue. I haven't decided whether or not to ask the new Lodge Chief to extend my regime as editor yet, but I'll definitely have my decision by the Summer Fellowship. And from what I understand I may have some competition.

In any case, editing *The Legend* isn't as easy as it looks, and I appreciate everyone's support, whether or not this is my last issue.

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

by Robert Mecham

don't you just love me?

On June 6th, 1995, the best Summer Fellowship ever will begin. Why will it be the best? You'll just have to go there and find out for yourself!

Yes, at the Summer Fellowship we have everything! El-Ku-Ta Cafe? We'll have it! Fun? We'll have it! Dancing girls? No, but we'll have *Rand*! (My apologies to those who weren't at the last LECM!) Money? We need it! Included with this issue of *The Legend* is a registration form for the Summer Fellowship. Fill it out and mail it now!

Don't forget — at the Summer Fellowship we will elect next year's Lodge Officers. The only way to cast a vote is to be at the Summer Fellowship! Wondering who to vote for? There is information on each of this year's candidates starting on page 2. All the information you need to blackmail them with! (EDITOR'S NOTE: That, for those of you who can't tell, was a joke. Don't take it seriously. I keep all the good stuff for myself.) (EDITOR'S NOTE: That, for those of you who can't tell, was also a joke.)

LODGE CALENDAR

May

12-13	Lodge Ordeal	Tracy at 6:00 p.m.
18	LECM	Tracy at 7:00 p.m.
20	Lodge Brotherhood Ceremony	Tracy at 7:00 p.m.

June

2-3	Vigil	Spirit Tree
5-6	Lodge Ordeal	East Fork of the Bear River at 6:00 p.m.
6-10	Summer Fellowship	East Fork of the Bear River
17-24	Coup Trail	East Fork of the Bear River

August

17	LECM	Tracy at 7:00 p.m.
20-23	OA Philmont Retreat	Philmont Ranch (Invited Guests Only)

Don't forget the
SUMMER FELLOWSHIP
June 6th through June 10th!

R E G I S T R A T I O N F O R M

Name: _____ ID#: _____ Phone #: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip-Code _____

Status: ☐Ordeal ☐Brotherhood ☐Vigil Scout Awards or Special Presentations (optional): _____

Do you want to serve on a committee? List any preferences: _____

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