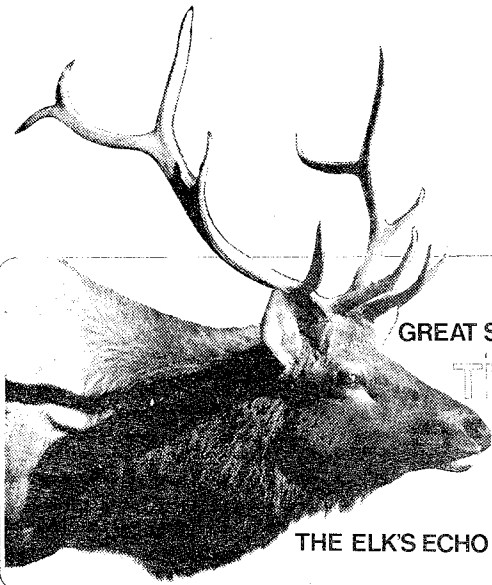


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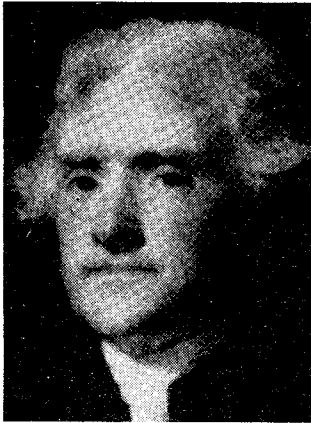
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Thomas Jefferson was a man of as many diverse interests and talents as his friend Benjamin Franklin. Like Franklin, he had strong feelings and beliefs in the rights of the individual and firm faith in the discretionary power of the people.

ORDER OF THE ARROW HONORS

AMERICA

OUR COUNTRY'S BICENTENNIAL

As a political thinker, diplomat, statesman, and President, Jefferson did much to mold the American spirit. As an author and educator, he influenced the American mind of his day.

Even after his retirement in 1809, following sixty years of public service, Jefferson was consulted constantly on public affairs. At Monticello, he carried on an immense correspondence with people all over the world and remained still faithful to his vow of "eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man".

Thomas Jefferson died July 4, 1826, fifty years to the day after the adoption of the Declaration of Independence, of which he was the proud author.

Fellow Arrowmen,

As we draw near to the end of The Greatest Year our Lodge has ever seen, we must continue to strive to do our best. The only way our organization will remain as it is today, is by our diligence. We must do our best! The year 1977 holds in store for us many new and great challenges. I sincerely hope that you as the member will continue to support the new Lodge officers as you have supported this years officers. Remember, strive to do your best!

Tom Johnson

These are our new Lodge officers:

PAT BERRYMAN

Lodge Chief

CAL CURTIS

Vice-Chief

ALEX BERRYMAN

Treasurer

MIKE DUNCAN

Secretary



EL-KU-TA LEADS - LET THOSE WHO CAN, FOLLOW.

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ANNUAL OA BANQUET SCHEDULED FOR NOV. 11

October 19, 1976

Dear Arrowman

Attend one of the highlight events of our Lodge's yearly program.

The Order of the Arrow Annual Banquet will be held Friday, November 11, 1976, at the University of Utah Union Ballroom.

We will feature smorgasbord dinner and a program that everyone will enjoy, highlighted by the Vigil inductions. There will be demonstrations, displays, and ceremonies. This event should be highly informative for all Arrowmen and their parents.

Tickets may be purchased at Scout Headquarters, from the Lodge, or from the Chapter. Tickets are \$5.75 each and will not be sold at the door. Deadline for getting your tickets is November 6, 1976. Free parking at the Union parking lot and free coat checking will be provided. Please plan now to attend with your parents, and we'll see you there.

Cordially

Tom Johnson

Tom Johnson
Lodge Chief

**Smorgasbord Dinner at the U of U
Union Building Ballroom**

No tickets will be sold at the door

**Program following dinner will include
the Vigil inductions**

**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND!
DON'T MISS IT!**

THE ORDEAL AT TRACY

At the Make-up Ordeal October 15-16th, Pat Berryman, Lodge Chief, and Cal Curtis, Vice-Chief mused: They strolled slowly, deliberately through the trees at Tracy, meandering along a serpentine path strewn with the multi-colored leaves of the oak, maple, and boxelder. The warm, welcome autumn sun warmed their shoulders, and the gentle breeze sent small drifts of leaves across their feet. They paused at a small waterfall in Millcreek Stream. The deep lush green of the moss on the rocks contrasted sharply with the warm reds and golds of the shifting carpet on the forest floor. Pat said, "What a beautiful, magic timeless place this is—as if it had been designed just for us OA Fellows." In a low voice, almost a whisper, Cal responded, "Not at all—the moss is a parasite, and will eventually disintegrate the rocks through enzymatic action. These leaves have served their purpose by creating basic sugars through photosynthesis. The chlorophyll has died, and the carotins and other cellular colorings are all that's left. The bond between leaf and limb is disintegrated again through enzymatic action. As for the timelessness of this place—through normal forest cycles, the trees will die, the stream will dry up, and some idiot will litter the canyon with beer cans. Let's round up the guys and go home."

PASSING THE TORCH

The Lodge officers of 1976 wish the best of luck to the new Lodge and Chapter officers of 1977.

Tom Johnson

Pat Berryman

Cal Curtis

Bart Wilson

**1977 WILL BE A
GREAT YEAR**

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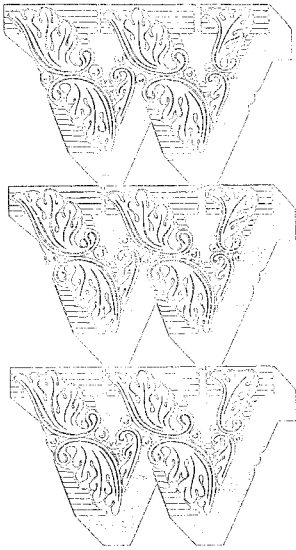
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RALPH HOLDING IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Today a special Arrowman has his finger on the OA pulse. According to him the vital signs are good. He has faith in youth.

You are interested in knowing this stalwart Scouter because by knowing him your own enthusiasm will grow.

Ralph Holding was born and reared in Salt Lake City, a son of Franklin Eugene and Reva Johnson Holding, attended LaFayette, Horace Mann, and West High schools, and then served in the Air Force for five years, three years of which were experienced in the China-Burma-India theaters.

The early Scout saga of Ralph Holding began in Troop 18, of the 18th Ward, where he got the first taste of the fruit of that wonderful organization for boys — Scouting. As an adult he served as Assistant

Scoutmaster and Scoutmaster (much of the time wearing both hats at the same time) in Capitol Hill 2nd Ward. He has received almost all of the possible Scouter awards — Silver Beehive, Silver Beaver, Adult Arrowman of the Year (two different years), and lots of certificates, plaques, and paper awards. He enjoyed the thrill of Woodbadge and has his ticket, and bags packed for the trip to Gilwell.

Ralph is one of the Order of the Arrow key El-Ku-Ta lodge advisers. He is also Council Jamboree Chairman.

He enjoys 100% support from his wife. In fact, she challenged him to keep his sights fixed firmly on his worthwhile Scouting goals. Ralph accepted her challenge, and as a result he has had lots of fun. He is a tremendous believer in Scouting. Today we live in a time of turmoil. Many temptations and problems jab sharp barbs at our wonderful youth, trying to tear youth away from the right path. Dedicated Scout leaders often stand at the crossroad, pointing the way for our wonderful youth. Ralph has determined to be one of those standing at that special crossing to keep our youth close to God and Country, teaching them to be strong and fit. As a result, he envisions stronger homes with love and harmony, and more devotion to church, and a strong, free country.

Ralph and his wife Pauline are parents of Susan and Richard (Rick is an Eagle with a bronze palm).

So now you know Ralph. Next time you shake his hand you will realize what is behind that warmth you feel.