

MIGISI OPAWGAN LODGE #162

LODGE HISTORY

1939-1999

BROTHERHOOD, CHEERFULNESS, SERVICE

Lodge Chiefs

Andrew Watson	1939,1940	Dennis Pate	1972
Robert Rutherford	1941	Roger Fratis	1973 (Jan-Jun)
Robert Kilmer	1942	Timothy Taggart	1973 (Jul-Dec)
James O'Grady	1943	Daniel O'Brien	1974 (Jan-Jun)
Burt Lambert	1944-1945	Dean Lyon	1974 (Jul-Dec)
David Beauvais	1945-1946	Michael Mallon	1975 (Jan-Jun)
Alwin Bryant	1946-1947	John Theisen	1975-1976
Thomas Roach	1947-1948	David Malkiewicz	1976-1977
William Gonzales	1948-1949	Jeff Rand	1977-1978
Henry Vassel	1949-1950	Roger Horn	1978-1979
John Komives	1951-1952	Daniel Witt	1979-1980
Robert Spaulding	1952-1953	Kurt Wurm	1980-1981
Joseph Kerekes	1954	Keith Wolfe	1981-1982
Marvin Marks	1955-1956	Steve Pejuan	1982-1983
Norman Cole	1957	John Clements	1983-1985
Larry Dittmar	1958	David Christl	1985 (Jun-Aug)
Jack Larkins	1958	Scott Jaynes	1985-1986
Joseph Zsohar	1960,1963	Sean Kelly Bancroft	1986-1987
Richard Rezanka	1961	Rodger Lee Gardy	1987-1989
Thomas Bargott	1962	Christopher P. Noyes	1989-1990
John Cruden	1964 (Jan-Jun)	Jay S. Bottorff	1990-1991
Jerry Partridge	1964 (Jul-Dec)	Michael D. Bien	1991-1992
Robert Bruce	1965 (Jan-Jun)	Daryl R. Biallas	1992-1993
Orrie Donley	1965(Jul-Dec)-1966	Joshua M. Davis	1993-1994
Rodger Kershner	1967	John Moore	1996
Greg Schmittling	1968	Christian Kujan	1997
Russell Neynaber	1969 (Jan-Jun)	Daniel Ruddy	1998
Robert Bates	1969 (Jul-Dec)	Paul Cambridge	1999
Gerald Harmon	1970		2000
John Westfall	1971		

Lodge Advisors

No advisor appointed for the first eight years. Terms begin in the years stated.

Charles Emling	1947
Richard Marshall	1948-1953
Robert Proctor	1954
Jean Detar	1955-1956
Everett Pulk	1957
Marvin Marks	1958-1959
Henry Platz, Jr.	1960
George Hostetter	1961-1963
Robert Bakewel	1964-1965
Harold Oatley	1966-1967
Jay W. Smith	1968
William M. Roscup	1969-1970
H. William Townsley	1971-1973
Gordon W. Draper	1973-1977
James D. Hay	1977-1981
David R. Offerman	1981-1987
Gordon W. Draper	1987-1989
Greg S. Smith	1989-1991
Timothy A. Fino	1991-1994
Harold E. Hanna	1995-present

Russell Neynaber Chapter Honor Award



This award was established in 1973 to honor Russell Neynaber, our twenty-ninth Lodge Chief. While on active duty with the U.S. Navy in 1972, he was accidentally killed when the jet on which he was a crew member exploded after take-off. This award recognizes Lodge and Chapter officials who are responsible for achievement in the Order of the Arrow and the Lodge. This medal was formerly the Lodge Officer award from 1958 to 1972. This award was given to lodge officers at the end of their term in appreciation of service rendered to the lodge.

Robert Rutherford Award

Formerly Bob Rutherford Award



This award was established in 1953 to honor Robert Rutherford, our second Lodge Chief whose life was taken during World War II. This award recognizes brothers for outstanding service to the Chapters or the Lodge for at least two years of service as a brotherhood member.

CHAPTER CHIEF AWARD



This award was established in 1958 to recognize outstanding service from a chapter chief. This award was discontinued in 1973. It was given to an outgoing chapter chief in appreciation of service rendered to the chapter and lodge. The above award also shows the Lodge's 20th Anniversary pin which was given to members who attended the 1959 Annual Dinner. The above medal is courtesy of Robert Sturza, Chapter Chief 1959.

Harold Oatley Service Award



This award was established in 1989 to honor Harold Oatley whose many years of service provided a character model for youths and adults. He served in many capacities including Chapter Advisor in three Michigan Order of the Arrow Lodges, including our own.

This award recognizes the youth and adult member that is judged to have made the most significant contributions to the Lodge.

Year	Youth	Adult
1969	Steve Holland	None Selected
1970	Jerry Harmon	Gerard Coogan
1971	Stephen Foster	H. William Townsley
1972	Richard Hypner	Casimir Pikur
1973	Timothy Taggart	Gerald Coogan
1974	Daniel O'Brien	Gordon Draper
1975	Jeff Rand	James D. Hay
1976	David Malkiewicz	James W. Peters
1977	Ted Tavernier	Mike Tindall
1978	Roger Horn	Harold Oatley
1979	Daniel Witt	David R. Offerman
1980	Kurt B. Wurm	Eugene Mozal
1981	Greg Ayers	Don V. Fellows
1982	Keith Wolfe	Duane DeDene
1983	Steve Pejuan	Mike Banhajer
1984	John Clements	Ken Poulson
1985	Roger Thompson	Ken Mills
1986	Ted Arthur	Manuel Jones
1987	Ronald Oldani	Kevin DeBaker
1988	R. Lee Gardy	John Derek Blount
1989	Matt Coon	Bill Hauck
1990	Jay S. Bottorff	Joel Clement
1991	Tim Dumas	Oliver Hilliker
1992	Michael D. Bien	Frank Seery Sr.
1993	Jeff Campbell	Harold Hanna
1994	Josh Davis	Dick Schreiner
1995	John Moore	Jack Cole
1996	Bruce Slykhouse Jr.	Rusty Hynes
1997	Chris Kujan	Mike Rochowiak
1998	Ryan Cole	Grady Boatner
1999		

Clan Chiefs

Created in 1974 through 1978, the clan system was created to improve communication between the lodge and the membership of over 1500 members. In late 1978, when the lodge's membership had lowered, the lodge voted to remove this system. This system was created in Detroit and had never been used anywhere else in the country.

<u>Herku (Western)</u>		<u>Negatamen (Northern)</u>		<u>Thunderbird (Eastern)</u>	
Tom Rich	1974-75	Dean Lyon	1974 (Jan-Jul)	Chris Haggerty	1974 (Jan-Jul)
Dave Bedwell	1975-76	Bert Ross	1974-75	John Theisen	1974-75
		Rick Cobb	1975-76	Dave Malkiewicz	1975-76

Founders' Award



The Founders' Award was created to honor and recognize those Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to the lodge. The award is reserved for an Arrowman who demonstrates to his fellow Arrowmen that he memorializes in his life the spirit of achievement as described by founder E. Urner Goodman. The award is a handsome bronze medallion bearing the likenesses of E. Urner Goodman and Carroll A. Edson, with wooden base and brass plate suitable for engraving. The Award is suitable for display at home or at the office. Also available is the Founders' Award ribbon, similar to the universal arrow ribbon, except that it is a gold-colored arrow suspended from a red ribbon. Lodge may petition the National Order of the Arrow Committee to present up to four awards annually, based on lodge membership. If the lodge presents more than one award, one must be to a youth under the age of 21. Nominations must be made on form No. 24-137.

Jamie Michael Morin 1993
Daryl Biallas 1994

75th Anniversary Award



In commemoration of the Order's diamond jubilee, the National Committee has established a special 75th Anniversary Award to be presented to qualified youth and adults. The award is a unique arrow ribbon with the historic turtle emblems, signifying leadership, superimposed over an arrow, to be worn suspended from the right shirt pocket of the Scout uniform. These are those youth and adults that qualified for this award from spring of 1989 to August 1990.

Youth Member

Daryl Biallas	Matthew Hood	Christopher P. Noyes
Michael Bien	Robert Hunter	Scott Partridge
Kevin Boehm	George Kennedy	Lou Pezet
Jay S. Bottorff	George L. Kelley	Ian Price
Jeremy Bricker	Shawn M. Kelley	Keith Scherer
Kevin Bull	Andy Lafay	William Seery
Jeff Campbell	Kevin Lakin	Brian Smith
Scott Davis	Mike Luna	Chris Smith
Chris Herring	Christopher S. Marston	Michael St. John

Adult Members

Andrew Tata	Dave Downton	Harold McNeely
Edward J. Basar	Gary R. Downer	Warren R. Nynes
Douglas Beard	Marvin L. Fasbender	John D. Ogger
Grady N. Boatner	Tim Fino	Louis M. Pezet
John Derek Blount	Steve Gardiner	Samuel Prisk
Margaret Blount	David Greenspan	Peyton R. Randolph
Robert J. Bull	Harold Hanna	Mike J. Rochowiak
Al Christoph	Larry Herring	Ron Schwartz
Martin Church	Oliver Hilliker	Frank Seery Sr.
Miles Church	John R. Howey	Greg Smith
Frank M. Cleary	Dennis Howie	John E. Smith
Laverne Cleary	James Isom	Thomas Snyder
Joel E. Clement	James R. Keller	Roger Thompson
Jack Richard Cole	George L. Kelley Jr.	Hal W. Watson Jr.
Fr. John Patrick Day	George Timothy Kennedy	George R. Wieske
Gordon Draper	Archie Lafay	Alfred G. Wilson
Stephen Donohue	Richard Maurer	

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National, Regional, Area & Sectional Arrowmen

Mike Bien	Section Vice Chief, 1993-1994 Dan Ling Service Award, 1994	George Mozealous	National Committee, 1937-1963 National Treasurer, 1938 -1940 National Chief, 1940 -42 Distinguished Service Award, 1948 National Resolutions Committee, 1948
Jay Bottorff	Dan Ling Service Award, 1992 Section Dan Ling Advisor, 1996-97 Section Public Relations Advisor, 1998 Section Idea Arcade Advisor, 1999	David Offerman	Section Dan Ling Advisor, 1995-96 Section Associate Advisor, 1996-97 Section Plan Book Advisor, 1997-Present Section Advisor to Secretary, 1999
J. H. Brinton	National Chief, 1935 Distinguished Service Award, 1942	Harold Oatley	Dan Ling Service Award, 1982
Joel Clement	Dan Ling Service Award, 1996	Steven Pejuan	Section Vice Chief, 1983-1984
Al Cristoph	Dan Ling Service Award, 1986 Distinguished Service Award, 1990	Jeff Rand	Section Secretary, 1976-77 Dan Ling Service Award, 1979
Gordon W. Draper	Dan Ling Service Award, 1989 Section Associate Advisor, 1998-Present	Tom Roach	National Resolutions Committee, 1948
Dr. Bob Finehout	Distinguished Service Award, 1961	Dennis Schlemmer	Section Secretary, 1996-1997
Rodger Lee Gardy	Section Secretary, 1989-1990 Section Chief, 1990-1991 Dan Ling Service Award, 1991	Robert Shoemaker	Area Staff Advisor, 1974-81 Distinguished Service Award, 1982
Dave Greenspan	Dan Ling Service Award, 1997	James Stone	Section Staff Advisor, 1978-1984 Dan Ling Service Award, 1984
Harold Hanna	Dan Ling Service Award, 1994	Ted Tavernier	Section Secretary, 1979-1981
Matthew Hanna	Section Secretary, 1980-1982	Tom Trainor	Section Staff Advisor, 1998-Present
"Uncle" Otto C. Hornung	Distinguished Service Award, 1961	Henry Vassel	Area Chief, 1947 Distinguished Service Award, 1954
Mike Mallon	Section Chief. 1975-1976	Daniel Witt	Section Secretary, 1978-1979 Section Vice Chief, 1979-1981 Dan Ling Service Award, 1980
Chris Marston	Section Secretary, 1991 Section Chief, 1992	Kurt Wurm	Dan Ling Service Award, 1981
Richard Marshall	National Committee, 1952-1957 Distinguished Service Award, 1952		



Vigil Honor Members (1939-1998)

Harold Abraham	Lynn Stephen Berry	Jefferey B Campbell
Thomas M Achatz	Robert G Bertrand	Milton E Campbell
William J Adams	Daryl Biallas	Stephen Campbell
William Anthony Adams	Michael Bien	John Carlson
Jack Addington	Michael A Bindus	Walter Carlson
Daniel Airo	Michael R Bitner	Donald Carpenter
Raymond F Alexander Jr	Bill Black	John J Carrick III
Raymond F Alexander Sr	Gerald Black	Raymond James Carroll
Charles E Allen Sr	Melvyn D Block	Mark Douglas Caudill
Kirk Allison	John Derek Blount	William F Caudill
Robert J Allison	Grady A Boatner	Jack Chapman
Edwin Ammon	Kevin M Boehm	David Michael Christl
Joseph Nmi Antonishek	Frank Bolak Jr	Dale E Chronic
Oliver J Aquin	Daniel Bollman	Miles A Church Jr
Theodore William Arthur	Mark E Bollman	Gustane J Chutorash
Christian M. Ast	George S Bor	Richard Cicero
Cyril Keith Atkinson	Bill Borden	Mark S Ciechanowski
Reginald Louis Aumann	Jay S Bottorff	Ernest B Clark
William E Aumann	Michael Boucher	Harry M Clark Jr
Greg Ayers	Ted Boucher	Frank Cleary
Richard Baehr	J Kenneth Bourgon	Laverne M Cleary
Thomas Bagott	Bradford Boyer	Joel Clement
Stephen A Bailey	Karl M Brandt	John Lyle Clements
Robert H Bakewell	Jeremy Bricker	Donald R Codner
Chris Ball	Patrick D Bridges	Geoffrey M Cole
Sean Kelly Bancroft	Robert Bridges	Jack R Cole
Michael Carl Banhajer	Steve Brokenshire	Norman Cole
Douglas Bank	Bruce E Brown	Ryan Cole
Paul Bannon	Clarence Brown	Edward Collins
Douglas J Barlet	Geoff Brown	Gerard M Coogan
David A Bartig	Ralph Brown	William Thomas Cosgro
James E Bartlett	Robert Earl Brown	John L Cowden
Edward John Basar	Victor L Brown	Duane N Crane
Randy Beard	Robert Bruce	John R Cronin
David Bedwell	Alwin Bryant	Dean A Cross
Roy M Beglau	Donnie Lee Bryant	John Cruden
Jim Belanger	Byron Bullough	Brian Crum
Milton C Bell	Edward Callahan	Seth A Cueny
Dwight Monroe Benner	Michael Callahan	Basil Charles Culyba Jr
David J Bentley	Alex J Calmeyn	Frank Cunningham
Gary Bernhardt	Paul Cambridge	Charles Curran Jr

George Curry
Robert Darge
Glenn W Datson
Robert J Davenport
Davie Lee David
Calvin E Davis
Joshua M Davis
Matthew R Davis
Paul H Davis
Ronald T Davis
Kevin Michael DeBaker
James T DeBaker Jr
Duane Damian DeDene
S S Decker
Charles W Denbo
Jean B Detar
Ralph DiFazio
Larry Dittmar
Ralph Dittmar
Francis Doehrty
William J Doerr
William Albert Donahue
Orrie Donley
Stephen F Donohue
Charles W Donovan
Walter J Downes
G David Downton
Pat Doyle
Gordon Wesley Draper
John M Dumas
Tim John Dumas
Timothy Dunn
Bradly S Eakin
Donald L Eberly
Robert Eicher
Victor E Eicher
Robert Elliott
Edward Ellyatt Jr
Edward Ellyatt Sr
James H Eubank
Todd Fadoir
Marvin Lloyd Fasbender
Donald E Fellows
Donald V Fellows
Richard L Fernald
Steven A Fino

William Fisher
Steven Wayne Fite
Mario Fonti
Raymond J Fortier
Roger Fraites
Richard Prosper Franklin
Stephen M Gardiner
Rodger Lee Gardy Jr
Johnathan Kevin Garner
Theodore Jerome Gebauer
James Gelwicks
Thomas O Gleason
Dennis Graham
Dennis M Graham
William C Greany
Edward M Green
Kevin E Green
David E Greenspan
David H Greenspan
Alan Taylor Griffith
Robert J Grimm
Charles J Guideau
Andy Gunsberg
Chris Haggerty
Patrick Haggerty
Howard G Hammes
James D Hammonds
Harold E Hanna
Matthew B Hanna
Gerald A Harmon
William F Hauck
Gary J Hawkins
Glenn T Hay
James Donald Hay
Timothy William Healy
Scott T Heather
Arthur E Henery
William A Henrion
Chris Herring
Larry Herring
Will C Herrinton
Jeffrey Hewson
Oliver J Hilliker Sr
William Hittler
Michael Hoffman
Stephen Holland

William Hollingsworth
Thomas L Hood
James A Horlocker
Roger D Horn
Otto C Hornung
Edward Horvath
George L Hostetter
Paul Hostetter
Gary Hotvedt
John Housley
Stephen Housley
Hubert Howell
John Robert Howey
Dennis J Howie
Jay Melville Howse
Mark A Hunt
David Huseltine
James E Huseltine
Warren Richard Hynes
Richard L Hypnar
Thomas P Inch
Robert Jack
Bruce Jackson
Hugh Jackson
Matthew Jackson
Richard N Jackson
Ronald Jacksy
Douglas Jamiesom
E Burt Jarman
William Jasper
Scott Edward Jaynes
Mark A Johnson
David Alan Jones
James D Jones
Manuel A Jones
Michael Lamarr Jones
David E Judkins
John E Kates
Larry Kazmirowski
David Kazmirowski
James Robert Keller
Patrick Kelley
George Kelly Jr.
George A Kennedy
George T Kennedy Sr.
Joseph Kerekes

Joseph Kerridge
Rodger Kershner
Rodger A Ketchman
L Robert Kilmer
Christopher H King
Dale Kinsey
Richard John Kinsey
William A Klatt
Carl W Klopshinske
James R Knapp
Thomas Koepke
Daniel Kohn
Marvin Kohn
John Komives
Harold Korff
James Kosiba
Robert F Kowalski
Matthew R Kraskey
Robert J Kraskey
George Ralph Kuehnel
Paul Kuipers
Christian Kujan
Ben Kushner
Larry Lacy
Douglas C Ladd
Archie L LaFay
Ralph W Lake Sr
Kevin Lakin
Gerald L Landorf
Reynold Lanni
Craig Lantto
Dennis Lantto
Brent Lassen
Lawrence P LaValley
Marshall W Lawson
Walter Leikett
Norman Levy
Allan Lewis
Dwight A Lewis
Craig M Lifton
Lyndsey R Little
David Loersch
Lyle J Loman
Elmer C Love
Robert Lundeen
James C Lundy

Donald Luttrull
Dean R Lyon
William Mackey
Raymond Magusin
Hugh H Makens
James Malinowski
David Thomas Malkiewicz
Donald F Malkiewicz
Kenneth Stephen Mall
Stephen Mall
Mike Mallon
Brian Mann
Doug Margolis
Marvin Marks
Robert G Marquette
Richard Marshall
Christopher M Marston
Joseph Maulding
John Maurer
Matthew Mazyck
Ronald Mazyck
Ronald McClintock
Michael McDonald
Neil McDonald
William B McGee
Gerarde McGrath
Gerald H McKay
David M McLean Jr
Harold L McNeely Sr
Janet A McNeely
David McPherson
Bill McTeer
James A Merry
Richard N Miller Sr
Kenneth E Mills
David Edward Milon Jr
Jim Milostan
Delmer Minnix
Gerald B Mitrovich
Matthew Louis Mittino
Michael S Moery
Richard V Molby
Reginald G Montgomery
John Moore
John P Moore
Edward Morgan

Jamie M Morin
James Moroney
David Morosky
Earl J Morris
Richard J Morris
Eugene R Mozal
Richard Munyan
Richard Murno
Robert Nagy
Milton N Nankervis
Herman A Nels
Clifford L Nelson
Max Nelson
Clifford C Neynaber
Roland C Neynaber
Russell Neynaber
Christopher P Noyes
Daniel O'Brien
Thomas O'Ehmke
Michael P O'Keefe
James O'Toole
David Raymond Offerman
Louis Okamoto
Michael Okamoto
Ronald Joesph Oldani
Douglas Oprinski
Edward Oprinski
Michael Osvath
John W Ott
Mark Otto
Matt Palmer
George A Parlato
Jerry Partridge
Scott M Partridge
Dennis W Pate
Douglas J Peacock
Jerome L Peacock
David J Pehs
Steven P Pejuan
Steven J Peper
Dave Perrault
James W Peters
Louis J Pezet
Louis M Pezet
Henry T Platz III
Henry T Platz Jr

Frank C Polakowski
Nicholas Polifroni
Petter A Poppe
Joseph C Poppelreiter
Frank V Powell
Harry Richard Price
Hugh M Price
Ian M Price
Donald E Prince
Dr Samuel J Prisk
Fred M Progaccini
Joseph B Promo
Tony Pszczolkowski
Allen Pulk
Everett Pulk
Glenn Pulk
Robert E Purdy
Anthony J Racchi
Theodore T Racchi
Jeffrey J Rand
Ron Randall
Peyton Richard Randolph
Donald Joseph Ray
Thomas Ray
Norman Reckling
Ron Reed
Henry E Reinewald
Rev Henry L Reinewald
Larry Reynolds
Arthur J Rezanka
Morton Rezanka
Richard Rezanka
Dr Harold Rezanka MD
Thomas R Rich
Elmer A Richter
C Donald Riger
Thomas Roach
Andrew Roberts
Douglas R Rocho
Victor H Rocho
Michael J Rochowiak
Melvin E Rogers
Norman E G Roller Jr
Leo S Roman DDS
Alan E Roney
William M Roscup

Bert T Ross
Paul R Ross Jr
Everett J Rouse
Robert C Rusby
Daniel Rutty
Richard E Rutz Jr
Richard E Rutz Sr
George E Salo Jr
Rickie R Sanders
Michael Sands
William Sands Sr
Harry Saunders
Robert J Schafer
Keith J Scherer
Kenneth John Scherer
Dennis J Schlemmer
Gregory Schmittling
Norman A Schoen
Richard Ray Schott Jr
Joseph G Schotthoefer III
D M Schreiber
Richard L Schreiner
Allen Schultz
Ronald Schwartz
Mark William Scofield
Charles L Scott
Allen M Seder
William J Seery
Frank Seery Sr
William Semple
Bernard V Seneski
John W Seneski
Joseph E Seneski
Marion H Sexton
Robert C Shaugnessy
Dave Sheffield
John Sheffield
Rick Sheffield
B Lionel Silverman
Richard E Silverman
Jacques C Sims
Earl Singer
John A Skeltis
Michael J Skeltis
Thomas Skiba
Keith Skytta

Mike Sloman
Brian Slykhouse
Bruce Slykhouse Jr
Bruce Slykhouse Sr
John Smagner
Billy Smith
Brian A Smith
Christopher H Smith
Eric Smith
Gregory S Smith
Jay W Smith
Scott H Smith
John A Snyder
Dann Spariosu
Frank B Specht
John H Speer III
Larry Spraggs
Michael J St John
Gerald S Steadman
Sid Stephens
Martin Stever
Robert Russel Stone Sr
Roger Suchyta
Louis Sugarman
Edgar Mike Sullivan
Edwin P Summers
Tom Tabor
Timothy Taggart
Ted Tavernier
Kevin Taylor
John H Theisen
George R E A Thomas
William V Thomas
Roger Warren Thompson
Garr Albert Thompson Jr
Jared D Thompson
Michael E Tindall
William H Tompkins
Robert Toupin
Ralph H Townsend Jr
Ralph H Townsend Sr
H William Townsley
Mark Townsley
Thomas D Trainor
Larry Trevarrow Jr
Orville Lee Turner

William Turner	S Paul Webb	Robert L Winschief
Richard Tyler	Ronald Weider	John A Wiseley
Edmund B Ura	Robert H Wesolowski	Charles Wisner
Edmund L Ura	John B Westfall	Daniel A Witt
Thomas V Valade	Homer Wheelock	Robert E Wolf
James VanBrunt	Michael Richard Wheelock	Keith Allen Wolfe
Donald J Vandamme Sr	Robert Wheelock	Edwin D Wolff
Henry Vassel	Donald White	Kurt B Wurm
David LaVerne Waldron	Alan Whitworth	Clarence Wyatt
Edward Wallace	George Richard Wieske	David Wyatt
Thomas E Walsh	Tom Wieske	John R Wyatt
Michael Alan Walter	James Wilds	Joe Zaffuto
Charles Arthur Warren	Douglas Wilson	Brian Zaliwski
Christopher M Warren	Douglas Ronald Wilson	Warren Zinn
W Harvey Waters	James W Wilson	Joseph Zsohar
Donald F Watson	Todd Wilson	Dean Zuccato
Philip Webb	Clinton H Wininger	Joseph Zwolinski

ORIGINAL CHARTER

**Migisi Opawgan
Lodge # 162
Order of the Arrow**

APPLICATION

For the institution of a Lodge of the
ORDER OF THE ARROW

**A NATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF BOY SCOUTS HONOR CAMPERS authorized by the
National Council Boy Scouts of America
as a part of the Senior Program**

**The Detroit Area Council, First Class Council of the Boy Scouts of America hereby applies for a charter for a
Local Lodge of the Order of the Arrow.**

Subject to the approval of the National Council, BSA.

**Upon recommendation of Camping Committee Chairman, Scout Commissioner, and Scout Executive adopted
on June 26, 1939, the following resolution:**

**Warren E. Bow, President
Scout Commissioner**

Amos R. Shields, Scout Executive

**Resolved: That the Directors and Staffs of Camp Brady and the Charles Howell Scout Reservation be
instructed to proceed immediately in the establishment of a lodge of the "Order of the Arrow," the National
Brotherhood of Boy Scout Honor Campers.**

**The Lodge is intended to function in connection with the camping program of our Council at the Camp(s) known
as:**

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| 1. Camp Brady | Waterford, Mich. |
| 2. Charles Howell Scout Reservation | Brighton, Mich |

(1939 - 1948)*

A little more than two weeks after the application was signed, charter members were initiated. They were William Hooper, William Knapp, Richard Nelson, Ernest Peterkin, and Andrew Watson of Camp Brady; and Hector Gordon, Robert Mounteer, and Robert Rutherford of Howell.

The Brady induction, at Waterford Hill Farm, was officiated by Chippewa Lodge 29 of Pontiac about two weeks prior to the Howell ceremony. Munhacker Lodge 88 of Ann Arbor inducted the first Howell group in Camp Newkirk on July 13, 1939.

Once started, groups from both camps continued the ordeal and induction weekly. By summer's end 50 Brady men and over 20 Howell men were in the Arrow.

There were two meetings of the Lodge as a whole that first year. The first occurred at Camp Howell the afternoon of August 9, a Wednesday, with the Brady chapter of that date being entertained by the members of the Camp Howell chapter. An election was held for Lodge officers: Andy Watson became the first chief; Waldo Irwin, scribe; and Dave Beauvais, treasurer. Subjects considered included camp promotion and equipment improvement as an Order project.

On Wednesday, December 27, at the Highland Park YWCA, 55 of the 72 members attended the first winter meeting of the Lodge. Walter MacPeck of the Livingstone Council gave the message of the evening, "Friendliness."

Business in 1940 included the adoption of the new By-laws, the report on the National Conclave, and the election of officers. A totem and Lodge name will be selected shortly by a committee assigned to the project.

At the April 15, 1941 Executive Board Meeting, Andy Watson reported on his research for a Lodge name. Mi-Gi-Si (Eagle) and O-Paw-Gan (Peace-Pipe) from the Chippewa found favor and are combined for acceptance into both our Totem and Name--Mi-Gi-Si O-Paw-Gan. Planned lodge events included tree planting at Camp Howell and a May 31 outdoor lodge meeting.

In 1942 the Lodge was reorganized from the original two chapters, Brady and Howell, into district chapters. The new chapters were named Chapter 1, Chapter 2, Chapter 3, Chapter 4, Chapter 5, and Chapter 6. This corresponded identically with the district names, District 1, District 2, ... , District 6.

A contest for the Lodge Totem was carried out in the Sha-Goie-Watha, the Lodge paper in 1943. Other activities included conducting the charter ceremony for Cuwe Lodge # 218 of Flint, and assisting Chippewa Lodge # 29 of Pontiac to function. During the four day Christmas vacation, 157 hours of service were accumulated at USO on KP. Sandwich materials were purchased for \$40 to pass out.

A desire on the part of our brothers to sponsor dance parties is shown by an article in the Lodge paper from 1945: "A Lodge Dance was scheduled each member allowed to bring one male guest and ladies." Dance details: Date, May 11. Place, Wardell-Sheraton. Music, Bill Muncey's Rhythm Sextet.

For many moons the Great White Father at Washington and his Long-Knives, our brothers, have been on the warpath against peoples beyond the oceans. Now there is Peace again.

Mi-Gi-Si O-Paw-Gan Lodge is in the heart of the land that produced in other times Pontiac, Tecumseh, and Michikiniqua (Little Turtle)--great warriors all. The present holders of their territories could do no less than they would have done. Our braves rallied to meet the great challenge.

Our wigwams were emptied of our young men. On the records of our Lodge well over 200 men have military service notations for the war years and the immediate post-war period.

Several of our finest young men fell in the conflict giving their lives in the service of others. Their names: Robert Rutherford, James McGuire, James Machan, James Fred Bailey, Robert Vargo.

The May 1947 State Conclave was the first of its kind. Detroit Mi-Gi-Si O-Paw-Gan Lodge had originated the idea and played host to a long series of such conclaves.

The first item on the agenda for the January 27, 1948 meeting was the Name-Totem of the Lodge. A letter of reply brought back mention of Ta-Tonka-Saba whose totem was an Eagle. The peace-pipe was a symbol of Brotherhood, something that, along with the cheerful service, believed by all inherent in the Order. A letter from Marian Sheets, Librarian, Department of Indian Art, a Denver Art Museum, verified the Chippewa "Eagle" and "Smoking Pipe". With this explanation the name-totem Mi-Gi-Si O-Paw-Gan was again accepted by the Lodge.

(1949-1958)*

Working with the American Legion Posts, the Lodge would be building a new cabin at Camp Howell. As of January 11, 1949 the following details were available: a) Sleep 32 and have a storage space for Arrow equipment b) Screened-in porch and a fireplace c) Located on either South or Ore Creek d) Cost determined about \$5,000 plus.

The first two Saturdays in April 1949 a group of 13 stalwarts moved stone from an old barn basement wall to Camp Howell looking toward the Arrow Cabin project. Distance of barn to Camp one league or three miles.

Latest on cabin at Howell--1950--is that it will be a training center for the teaching of scout-skills. \$1,080 by year-end received by American Legion District Association and Posts. A site overlooking the lake is mentioned. Goal now \$6,000.

A Donor's Book to be made for placing in the Arrow cabin. Two bucks and up necessary to get a person's name listed. This should swell the Cabin fund to \$2,428.61 balance by year-end 1951.

In 1952 the national policy on Brotherhood returned to what was the original concept of the sealing into full membership. Mi-Gi-Si O-Paw-Gan took the lead in support of the National Committee of the Order of the Arrow, and put into practice two policies which greatly affected the character and operation of the Order: Opening up the Brotherhood membership to all who in their own conscience deemed themselves worthy, and the removal of age restrictions. This later changed the Order from a part of Senior Scouting to a part of the whole Scout program, exclusive of Cubbing. The Lodge also lent powerful support to restrict the right to vote and hold elective office to Scout, rather than Scouter, members.

1954 saw the Lodge expanding its cheerful service to the camps. In the Spring of 1954 the first Service Weekend was held. Reading from the April Tally-Ho: *On April 30, May 1 and 2, 1954, we will attempt for the first time a special camp service project at the Scout Ranch near Metamora, Michigan. Space will be available for 60 Brothers who wish to spend the full weekend at the camp. If you desire, you may come out on Saturday morning and spend as much time as you are able.*

In May the Lodge put on its annual Hoe-Down (Square Dance) at Charles Howell Scout Reservation.

The September issue of the *Tally-Ho* carried a banner heading of great significance: *It's conclave time again -- Lodge assembles at D-A for first Arrow conclave held at new camp.* The event was held on October 1, 1954.

The lodge closed out this eventful year with the 5th Annual Banquet and Election of Officers on Tuesday, December 28, 1954.

After 2 years of hard work, the Order of the Arrow Lodge at CHR was dedicated in 1955. The calendar for that year showed the Lincoln Pilgrimage, Feb 12; the Hoe-Down, April 30; May 1, Conclave; July and August, Summer Induction's held at both CHR and D-A Scout Camps; Fall Conclave at D-A Sept 30 and October 1. The Lodge Annual Meeting was held on December 29. Also announced was the new Lodge Totem. Price \$0.20

1956 saw an event of singular importance. New Officer Training held in February at CHR. This was the first ever Officer Training Seminar of the Mi-Gi-Si O-Paw-Gan Lodge. The Lodge held two Conclaves that year. Spring at Charles Howell, and Fall at D-A.

Again the Spring Conclave was held at CHR and the fall at D-A for 1957. It is interesting to note that in a few short years the reference to the Ranch no longer included Metamora. The Scouts knew where the Ranch was located.

The Lodge participated in the Scouting Exposition held at the State fairgrounds on June 6, 7, and 8, 1958. The Lodge participated by helping to man the Council Camps booth. Services performed by members include horseback loading, canoeing, canoe repair, conservation, cooking, and patrol camp.

In May, the Arrowmen participated in Webelos Den Day held at Charles Howell. 100 Arrowmen took part, rendering service such as directing traffic, parking lot, directing Webelos and their fathers to the various exhibits and demonstrations, and in general, acting as salesmen for the camp.

(1959-1968)**

In 1959, the Lodge celebrated its 20th Anniversary. Camp Brady was no longer a Scout Camp. The camping activities were now centered on Charles Howell Scout Reservation and D-Bar-A Scout Ranch. The pattern of service established several years earlier was continued. Spring Conclave at CHR and Fall Conclave at D-Bar-A. The 20th Anniversary was fittingly observed by devoting a weekend to service to the camp. The celebration took place May 8-10, 1959. At each Conclave a structured Lodge Executive Meeting was held during the dinner. Although Ordeal Candidates would not be able to participate, this gave each of them a good look at the committees and lodge events following the event.

Each member was encouraged to only attend both conclaves. This proved to be the best method to retain membership.

At the celebration there was a Vigil calling out on Friday night. There was a short early breakfast for the new Vigils and Vigil Honor Members held prior to the members' and candidates' breakfast Saturday morning. Saturday night was the banquet, which was preceded by fireworks. It is of interest to note that Ordeal Ceremonies started at 7:00 p.m. and concluded by 8:15 p.m. with the banquet starting at 8:30 p.m. There were no cracker barrels for members. In stead the lodge had a fellowship fire to welcome all new members. This fire showed off our lodge's dance teams. It is estimated about 50 dancers at each Fellowship fire.

Often when a member has done an outstanding job for the lodge and is not noticed by the membership. It is because mostly he has done it in the background. Jim Horlocker was that type of member. Jim was the Detroit Area Council Properties Professional. He also served as Lodge Staff advisor. Even at times acting as Lodge Advisor when advisors were not appointed.

(1969-1978)

With the building of the new Scout Office on 1776 W Warren, our Lodge Executive committee meetings were moved from the downtown YWCA into the new Scout Office.

It was during the 1970's that we again became active in section activities. Until then we were felt to be the bear that would swallow the other Lodges due to our size. By being heavily involved and supportive we took on new roles and set new standards for excellence in carrying out our part of the Section Conclaves. We wrote the book on how to train with sessions on the "Skill of Leadership". Shows went from excellent camp programs to full-fledged productions. Special events became something people wanted to attend rather than skip. Indian affairs took on new life with better understanding of Indian customs and concerns.

The Lincoln Pilgrimage, which up to the early 1970s was little more than a gathering of the Lodge at Charles Howell on the evening of February 12 for a brief memorial followed by hot chocolate and donuts, developed into a major event. Emphasis was placed on Troop, Pack, and Arrowman attendance. The event was expanded to include a history of the life and times of Lincoln. It included several demonstrations, including candle making, skits, games from the 1860s, and participation of various militia groups.

With the large youth membership we had in 1974, we created a more structured lodge to accommodate these large numbers. Lodge youth membership was high. Communications between members was weak. We implemented a "Clan" structure that fit in between the Lodge level and the Chapter level. This was a structure not used elsewhere in the country. Each chapter was a part of a Clan/Eastern, Northern, or Western. The western clan was called Herku, Northern clan was called Negetamen and Eastern called Thunderbird. Each Clan chief was held in regard as a lodge chief because he was in charge of one third of the lodge's administration. Ordeals were now to be run by Clans that would rotate between our three main camps: Charles Howell Scout Reservation, D-Bar-A Scout Ranch, and Cole Canoe Base. Brother Mike Mallon was overwhelmingly elected over three others to represent our lodge at the National Indian Seminar at Philmont Scout Reservation that summer.

Also the Lodge felt a change should to be made on when the elections were to be held. Most lodge officers that were elected were not able to commit to the entire year because of colleges they were to attend in the fall. Annual dinners were to be moved to the spring at the end of the school year to accommodate their obligations.

1976 was the Bicentennial year of our country and our lodge was 37 years old. We had come far since our first Charter and John Theisen our Lodge Chief reminded all members of that.

(1979-1988)

By 1978 it had become clear that the Clan structure created in 1974 was not going to work with our declining youth membership, and it was phased out over the next few years.

In the early 1980's we again were questioning the significance of our lodge name. Research led to the following:

In 1937 the Detroit Aboriginal Research Club investigated an archeological site near Gibraltar, Michigan in southern Wayne County. A bird effigy stone pipe, usually referred to as the Eagle Pipe, was found. Many Boy Scouts were present at the time Harry Hosach found this pipe shaped like an eagle. The relic is now on display at the Gilcrease Museum in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The name of the newly formed Detroit Area Order of the Arrow Lodge was originally taken directly from the Frederick Baraga Grammar and Dictionary of the Ochipewe Language. In this dictionary the translation of "Eagle Pipe" is "Migisi Opwagan." Sometime in the first years the word for pipe was misspelled, probably because the letters "Opaw" had more meaning to an English speaking person than "Opwa."

Other scholars such as Densmore, Campbell, Minnesota Historical Society, and Little Red Schoolhouse Graphics (an Indian language publisher), spell eagle pipe "Meegeezee Opwagun." There are small differences in meaning with the "Zee" and "gun" endings which Baraga was either unaware of or chose to ignore. However, for our purposes, it is safe to say that Migisi Opwagan means Eagle Pipe.

It is also noted that no authority inserts hyphens anywhere in any of the words. These were probably inserted as an attempt to help in the pronunciation of the Indian words. During the early years there are lodge publications which use them and others which don't. After the flap patch came out with the hyphens, their use became predominant. To a person who went to school in the 30s or 40s the hyphens might have been helpful. Since the 1950s, however, phonics has been heavily stressed. Most of the members of our lodge under 30 know that a single vowel at the end of a syllable is usually long. This gives us the "My Guy Sy" mispronunciation so common to people unfamiliar with our name who try to pronounce it.

The Lodge Executive committee voted to retain the name "Mi-Gi-Si O-Paw-Gan," or the use of "Migisi Opawgan" as an alternative.

The Lodge successfully went to its current Elangomat Clan System, learning from an earlier attempt in the late 1970s. This has led to a better understanding of the Ordeal by the candidates, an environment that encourages them to complete successfully the tests of the Ordeal, a similar and quality experience for all new members, and better planning of the Ordeal process.

In 1984 the registration method was changed to follow Council financial guidelines by having all monies sent directly to 1776 W Warren. This proved the best way to date of recording dues registrations in a timely manner. The method again went back to Lodge and Chapter Treasurer collections in 1987.

(1989-Present)

Spring of 1988, was the first time National OA Committee allowed female membership into the order. They thought if females could be Scoutmasters why not members of the Order of the Arrow. Also a major change in the adult selection. Adults who were selected by their units, only ONE per year. The adult would have to be prescreened by the Lodge Advisor. Then recommended to the Lodge Executive Committee for final approval. Each Adult would now have to fill out an application and answer basic skill questions. Our lodge believes in quality of its adults and didn't just want any adult to receive a sash if he/she wasn't a part of the OA program. Either promoting within his/her unit or an active role in the lodge or chapter as an advisor. This proved to be a great opportunity to design service projects at our ordeals for members who were the most qualified. They could in turn bring their tools to camp and be ready for a productive weekend.

Fall 1989, the National OA Committee, on the eve of its 75th Anniversary, released applications for the 75th Anniversary Award. This award was to recognize those youth/adult arrowmen for their service to their home lodge. A list is enclosed below of all whom received the award.

In summer 1990, as the lodge slowly developed better communications. It converted all lodge administration onto electronic data. Lodge rules and procedures could now be updated easily and distributed faster. Forms and registration could be produced faster and records could be kept and updated more easily. Under a new lodge

leadership, the lodge embarked on trying to bring back old faces and improve its activism at our council camps. One thought was to start funding several lodge oriented projects which included the revamping of the Pedro Trail at D-Bar-A Scout Ranch. The project started with a meeting at D-A and a detailed mapping of the trail's current markers. Then the committee marked off troubled areas. The lodge had voted to use 4 x 4 walmanized wood and put 'UU' on the posts, also some poles had arrows pointing directions, and number signifying mile, and half mile markers. The service project lasted for 2 years and a gateway was erected in Fall Conclave 1991, "*Pedro Trail Begins and ends here*". Another idea was for all the Lodge officers to rotate visit each chapter meeting so that feedback could be made at Lodge Leadership Committee meetings. This opened a channel to the lodge membership who normally didn't see its elected leaders except at Lodge events. Lodge Meeting were held at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Detroit. Those meetings and committee meetings would be held there for 3 years.

Also in 1990, the lodge, after attending the EC-2a, EC-2b state conclave and noticing the nice fire bowl the camp had built, hurried up the next and important project in years at D-A. The Trout Lake fire bowl was designed and installed by Ordeal candidates and long-standing lodge members. The project started in the fall of 1990 and ended in the spring 1995. The original plans had 2 sections of 15 rows about 30 feet in width. In spring of 1995 the lodge added a third row to accommodate larger groups. A mound was added to secure the area, a sound system was donated, electricity supplied and a control shed was built to control everything. If it weren't for the efforts of Mahican Chapter the project might have lost steam and fallen to the side.

Spring 1990, wood gazebo was built in the name of Harold Oatley, long time scouter, arrowman, Vigil Honor, past Lodge Advisor and educator. There was also a campership set up by Harold Oatley trust fund to help Downriver Scout's go to summer camp. This structure is the home of the only Boy Scout-owned life-size Lincoln Statue.

During summer camp 1990, at both Cole Canoe Base and D-Bar-A Scout Ranch, Brotherhood ceremonies were held for those arrowmen who worked on camp staff and those who made the special trip. Call-out ceremonies were also held for troops who asked for them at the beginning of the summer camp week. This year our lodge felt, in order for troops to get quality call-outs and elections, that both camp directors would free up the camp chief's role at summer camp and the lodge would reimburse them with \$20.00 each week, as long as all paperwork was directed to the Council Service Center at the end of the week. This proved to help the camp chief recruit ALL arrowmen that worked on staff and have them help at the Friday campfire. At Cole, there were 8 members helping, 6 members had received their brotherhood and the other 2 were Vigil candidates. The ceremony consisted of 2 war canoes with 3 Arrowmen in each. The other 2 arrowmen on shore catching each canoe. Next, the Chief entered the center of the campfire said the magic word and the fire would mysteriously self-ignite. Each Ordeal Candidate was escorted off to the side of Bosco Lake and then given Ordeal Candidate letters and instructions for the upcoming lodge ordeal.

August 1990. Bloomington, Indiana, was the site of the National Order of the Arrow Conference, NOAC. This was also the 75th anniversary of the OA. Our lodge traveled by car and school bus. NOAC was a great time for all. Our lodge was honored by Chris Herring of Mahican chapter. Not only did Chris place in the top ten in the Nation in southern fancy dancing but he made the cover of the NOAC newspaper. Our Lodge placed best in the nation for Founder Day, our lodge's booth was all about winter camping. Ok Pik Training and winter clothing templates. So each person who wanted one could take the correct size shoe, hat or mittens home to make out of open foamcore. Our lodge also brought along 62 members. At this event Vigil member Oliver Hilliker donated to the lodge, though the Lodge Chief an Olympus hand recorder which was to be used to take minutes at our lodge executive committee meetings. This gift was greatly used, even today.

February 1991. As promised to the Executive committee, the old Lodge Chief sash was completed and donated to the OA Museum in Washington, Michigan, where a great deal of Mi-Gi-Si O-Paw-Gan Lodge memorabilia is stored. A new sash was purchased by the current lodge chief and past lodge chiefs. All the beadwork was donated by past EC2b Section Advisor Butch Bison. A copy of the pattern and address of Mr. Bison were left in the Lodge Chief box.

March 1991. Lodge structure had changed. Communication, Finance and Activities committees were reassigned and now the Communications would be the responsibility of the Lodge Secretary. He would still have an advisor for the Lodge newsletter and publishing lodge minutes. Finance would be the total burden of the Lodge Treasurer, he would also have a finance advisor to publish budgets and amendments. Budgets were detailed to the penny and programs and events were given consideration from year to year upon financial success. Finally activities would be the job of the Lodge Vice Chief of Activities. He was doing the job anyway so there was no reason to ask another youth to do something an elected officer was charged to do. He coordinated Lodge events like the Lincoln Pilgrimage and fellowship at lodge ordeals/fellowships and training weekends.

April 19-21, 1991. The lodge hosted the EC-2a Section Conclave at D-A Scout Ranch. As host lodge, each chapter had an equal responsibility. Achowalogen had signs and decorations, which included 2' x 4' posters from entrance to that lodge cabins. ; Lowanue Kuwe, had the big task of food. In order to have an accurate count for the conclave our lodge asked each lodge to register by the Friday before the event. If a lodge registered late or had walk-ons then that lodge had a penalty cost added to their registration. Food was donated from local supermarkets in the fall then deep frozen to keep fresh. So there was plenty of food and the event made a great deal of money for

the section. Mahican chapter handled the trading posts. Some of the items were an unbreakable (plastic) coffee mug with the conference logo. Conference activity pins and extra patches were also on sale. Wapeneu, handled health and safety of the event very well, without an injury. Finally, Wsigau, handled registration. At registration, only the Lodge Chief and Lodge Advisor registered their group and then at that time the pre-counted welcome packets were handed over. The packets included a welcome letter from the host Supreme Chief of the Fire, Host Lodge Chief, and Section Chief, as well as a training schedule, camp rules and clean-up procedures, pen, and loose leaf notebook paper to take notes.

For our lodge, the event was a great morale boost, 72 members participated, a former Lodge Chief, Lee Gardy was Section Chief, former Lodge Secretary Chief Chris Marston was elected Section Secretary. Our Dance Team was in a prime position for NOAC. Chris Herring, George Kennedy, and Pat Foley took one, two and three in the southern fancy dance competition. At the morning of the section meeting, Lee Gardy received the Dan Ling Service Award and our lodge, for the first time since 1977 had brought home the section coup stick, the section highest award for a lodge's spirit.

May 1991 was a very busy month, four lodge events were held: Spring Ordeal at D-A, Annual Banquet May 29 and the Lodge Leadership Training/Vigil Weekend. At the spring ordeal, Wsigau was host chapter. Spirit was shown at each meal. Lodge songs and cheers were led and practiced. Next was the Annual Banquet, this was a time to elect officers and ceremonially turn over the lodge sash, gavel and chief bonnet. This year's event was held at the All Saints Knights of Columbus hall in Taylor. Jay Bottorff stepped down as Lodge Chief to hand over the lodge to Mike Bien. Mike would then congratulate his new officers and thanked Jay Bottorff, Chris Marston, Jeff Campbell, Chris Noyes, and Mike St. John for their job last year.

Summer 1991 Frank Powell Building was built in memory of Frank V. Powell, Camp Ranger 1950 to 1972, Vigil Honor member. Frank Powell had seen a great deal of change at D-Bar-A since the camp opened in 1951.

Lodge Officers Training/Vigil weekend went off very well. This had also been the longest weekend of an outgoing or incoming officer. Each new officer and advisor was asked to be present so that their new position could get the right amount of attention by the end of the weekend. On Sunday the official lodge chief ceremony was done at the end of the last Executive Board Meeting. That way the new officers would get a feel for how to run the meeting by the out going chief and all materials could be handed over. The lodge chief kept a grey box of supplies. Stapler, tape, marker, pens, Lodge event hanging folders and National/Section updates. That way the lodge chief would have everything to be prepared for any meeting or an election. All of his committee forms were also included.

Spring 1992, Section Conclave, our lodge hosted training, the syllabus was taken from the 1990 NOAC and key training members carried out the task very well. After eight years of drought our lodge lead by Jamie Morin and Jay Bottorff, took home the Section George R. Decourcey award. This award was to recognize the best camping promotion program a lodge has for the year. This award also gave the chance for each lodge to share camping information and ideas to bring scouts to camp. The presentation included statistics of the lodge performance for the past 3 years, budget of lodge contributions to camp and total service hours to each camp. These hours only included physical man hours not campmaster weekends. The section believed that a lodge should be always trying to improve the look not just the program.

Spring 1994. The Lodge Executive Committee voted to extend the term of Lodge Officers until December of 1995. This was a result of the lodges' adoption of the new Annual calendar from the Fiscal calendar, which was based on the standard school year. The reason was that every lodge in the country is judged by the charter year from January to December. This change would give the Lodge Leadership a complete year to complete goals set up by them and not half a year from the previous administration.

Fall 1994. The Lodge voted to help with the renovations of the Trout Lake cabin, although the major construction was done by outside contractors. All of the wiring and furnishings were installed by lodge members. The central area of the cabin was moved out by five feet to help with the water damage problem from a small sloping roof. The roof was also raised by 8 feet. The project took 6 months to complete. The cabin now shows the old clock from the CHR dining hall.

May 1995. Ordeal weekend at D-A, two 30 foot walking bridges were constructed, one over Trout Creek and other leading from Jack Lord cabin the Jack Lord Firebowl.

February 1996. At the foot of the Harold Oatley gazebo is a headstone dedicated to George R.E.A. Thomas, long time scouter, Vigil Honor, Lodge historian from 1939 - 1959. The headstone is engraved as follows: *In memory of George Reber Thomas, May 5, 1912 - December 27, 1995. A Boy Scout for 71 years, Eagle Scout, American Civil War and Abraham Lincoln scholar. Hiked over 3200 miles of Lincoln Trails in 20 states, a true friend of all scouts.*

July 1996. Gordon W. Draper cabin was rededicated at D-A during the week of Trail to Eagle Provisional camp. The endowment helps maintain the cabin for a lifetime. The Lodge voted to disperse \$6000 to build the new bathroom facility of this same building. Draper cabin was formerly known as Tamarack.

May 1997. Ordeal Weekend at D-A, two 30-foot bridges were constructed on the south side of Trout Lake. former site of the Dad Hope bridge.

September 1997. Lodge Executive committee voted to host and run the 1997 Scout Trade-O-Ree at Ladbroke DRC in Livonia. The proceeds benefit the council camps. Youth arrowmen who helped out would be received benefits toward the 1998 NOAC.

December 1997. Annual Banquet. There were only three officers elected. They were, Dan Ruddy, Lodge Chief; Brian Slykhouse, Executive Vice Chief; Ryan Cole, Vice Chief of Activities. At the Chief's year-end report, Chris Kujan was proud to announce that every lodge and committee position was filled for this past year. Lodges' youth involvement had grown and the lodge had grown to 715 members. Supreme Chief of the Fire, John Primrose, also reinforced the Council's support and thanks to past and current officers and advisors who help in this great growth of over 200 members. Mr. Primrose also stated the lodge's goal of 90 arrowmen to the 1998 NOAC and how possibly it can be reached. The Lodge passed out a coupon for youth arrowmen who were interested in going to NOAC.

November 1998. Plans to celebrate our Lodge's 60th Anniversary were pushed into full force. Our Lodge Chief, Paul Cambridge was to chair the event with the help from his lodge officers and a committee of 25 members. The committee arranged for Crystal Gardens to house the event and expected attendance of nearly 500 members past and present. Some of the ideas from the planning meetings were to invite past and present members. This was also to include as many Past Lodge Chiefs and Advisors to the Lodge over the years. A special patch and attendance pin were to available to all members who attend. The cost for the event is \$10.00.

February 1999. The Lodge approved the budget for the 48th annual dinner. 1000 yellow border flaps were ordered and 400 limited gold mylar flaps were order as well. The yellow border flaps are \$3.00 each or two for \$5.00. The gold mylar flaps are to be sold for \$5.00.

July 1999. Many members of our lodge have been staffing our council's premier provisional camp, Trail to Eagle. This program was featured in the February 1999 issue of *Scouting Magazine*. Trail to Eagle was set up to be a Jamboree-style camp for young men wanting to earn every required merit badge for the rank of Eagle Scout. From pre-troop meetings, to troop competitions, this completely structured week is packed with informative speakers and impressive displays.

Vigil Honor member Ed Basar is the director, Vigil Member Ron Schwartz heads up the administrative tasks and Past Lodge Advisor Gordon Draper is the program director. Our Lodge Advisor Harold Hanna and Associate Lodge Advisor Joel Clement are merit badge counselors. The Lodge has hosted every Wednesday of the Camp week an ice cream social. This year, past lodge chief, Lt. Col. John Theisen gave a speech on Scouting and the Military. At the Friday night campfire our lodge dance team closed the fire with an impressive flaming arrow dance show.

Since it beginning in 1994, the camp staff has grown from 26 to 52 volunteer adults and youth participation has grown from 32 to 166.

August 1999. National Order of the Arrow Summit was held at Colorado State University. This Summit introduced several new program ideas which were adopted by the National Order of the Arrow Committee to be implemented by every lodge by year end. The most improved change to the Boy Scout program was the addition of the youth OA Representative. This youth would report to the troop Senior Patrol leader with information gathered from lodge and chapter meetings. This position is also a optional leadership requirement for the rank of Eagle. Also introduced was a Computer program to help each lodge succeed in chartering as a Quality Lodge. Each lodge inputs their strengths and weaknesses and the program outputs a checklist for the lodge to improve upon.

* From 1939-1959, Lodge history reflected this formal style to report taking. Taken from George Thomas, Lodge Historian and Ron Schwartz Lodge Secretary. Their work was shortened due to space restrictions in this publication.

** From 1960-1969, Lodge History represented less information than other decades. This is the best information collected by publication. This is not meant to note that nothing was accomplished or not to give credit to those members who did a great deal for the lodge during this period.