

CHEHAW DRUMBEAT



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COUNCIL CALENDAR

- Dec. 21 Council Executive Board Meeting, Hereford Ranch, Oglethorpe Blvd., Albany, 7:00 P.M.
- Dec. 21 Council Commissioners Staff Meeting, 6:30 P.M., Hereford Ranch
- Dec. 24 Council Service Center closes at noon
- Dec. 27 Council Service Center Closed
- Dec. 31 Roundup 1982 Ends!
- Dec. 31 Council Service Center closes at noon

NEW OFFICERS

The Chehaw Council, Boys Scouts of America, Inc. recently held it's Annual Business Meeting. The Council Nominating Committee gave their report. The following officers were elected: Council President, Dr. Frank Wilson, Leslie, GA; Council Vice-President for Program, Ray Brooks, Albany, GA; Council Vice-President for Membership/Relationship, Max Corner, Albany, GA; Council Vice-President for Exploring, Brooks and Mary Lovelace, Albany, GA; Council Vice-President for Administration, Ray Collins, Albany, GA; Council Vice-President for Finance, David Blitch, Albany, GA; also on the Council Executive Committee are Council Treasurer, Perry Savelle, Albany, GA; Council Legal Counsel, William T. Divine, Albany, GA; Council Assistant Treasurer, Hubert King, Jr., Albany, GA; The Council Commissioner, John Rivers, Americus, Georgia was also elected.

The following District Chairmen were elected to the Council Executive Board, Flint District Chairman, Major General Emmitt Bowers, Albany, GA; Kinchalee District Chairman, Winston Oxford, Americus, GA; East District Chairman, Dr. Dale Threadgill, Tifton, GA; Blackshear Trail District Chairman, Dr. Wayne Woodward, Cordele, GA; and Kolomoki District Chairman, Dan Harris, Arlington, GA.

The conclusion of the Council Nominating Committees report was the nomination of 56 Council Executive Board members, 60 Council Members-At-Large and 29 Council Advisory Board Members.

REGISTRATION FEE INCREASE

The BSA membership fee for Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts will be increased to \$3.00 as of January 1, 1983.

However, those units rechartering in January or February 1983 that desire to submit their charter application by December 30, 1982 can register Cub Scouts or Boy Scouts for the present \$2.00 fee. This will not change the charter expiration dates in future years. All districts have units with a recharter date in those two months. This is a one time occurrence. Charter printouts are expected from the National Office by November 1 for January units and December 1 for February units.

Charters must be prepared as shown in the instructions on the reverse side of the unit copy of the printout. The key element in this offer is that there be no defects to prevent transmittal to the National Office by December 30.

It is of vital importance that charter paper work be prepared correctly with correct fees for membership and Boys' Life be remitted. The Boys' Life subscription price is \$5.40, adults and Explorer membership fees have not been changed.

And charters returned to a unit for disqualifying defects will have to be returned to the Council Service Center (corrected) prior to December 30 or the \$3.00 fee will go into effect. This will effect those units also rechartering in the month of November or December.

Contact your District Executive for full particulars.

FALL ROUNDUP "FOOTSTEPS OF THE FOUNDER"

Congratulations to our Cub, Scout and Explorer Leaders and their members who have recruited almost 750 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Explorers during 2½ months of the Fall Roundup. Each unit should continue their efforts to invite those young people who want to participate in Cub Scouting, Scouting and Exploring.

The Roundup patch for the new boys who have joined your units are available from the Council Service Center, free of charge, if your unit made a Roundup commitment. Don't forget to recognize those current Cub Scouts and Scouts with a Roundup patch.

ORDER OF THE ARROW BANQUET

The Immokalee Lodge Order of the Arrow held recently it's Father and Son Banquet. The attendance was greatly improved over last year. The brothers enjoyed a great meal and lot's of fellowship.

Lodge Chief John Wilkerson presented the lodge with two new ceremonial head dresses. John challenged the brothers to continue to give cheerful service, especially with the Area Four Conclave coming up in April 1983.

Lodge Advisor Dennis Holley, thanked the brothers for the fine support at the recent fellowship held at Camp Osborn. Dennis commented on the growth of the Immokalee Lodge continues and noted we need the growth to see our lodge continue.

The highlight of the evening was the Vigil Honor Tap Out. Joe Abernathy, Brooks Lovelace and Richard Sanderson conducted the Vigil Honor Tap Out. The Vigil, being an honor, which a brother may not earn, but by their example and cheerful service above and beyond the call of normal service the Vigil then is bestowed to those who should be recognized.

Lodge Chief John Wilkerson and Lodge Advisor Dennis Holley were tapped out for the Vigil. There will be one more brother who will be tapped out for the Vigil. The lodge congratulates each and we closed the fellowship with the brotherhood circle and song.

IN MEMORY

We have been advised of the November 7, 1982 death of Leroy Starret, who retired on September 1, 1981 from the Boy Scouts of America.

Leroy was a graduate of the 74th N.T.S. and began his Scouting career on September 19, 1941 as assistant Scout Executive in Florence, South Carolina. He entered the military service in May 1943 and after being discharged in 1946, he returned to Scouting as Field Service Executive at Tallahassee, Florida. From 1948 until March 1951 he served in district positions in Bradenton, Florida and Chehaw Council in December 1963. He returned to Florence, South Carolina and until his retirement served in the following positions: District Executive, Director of Field Service, District of Support Service, Program Director and Field Director.

Condolences may be sent to his wife Lois S. Starret, 2317 W. McLown Drive, Florence, South Carolina 29501.