

Ceremony:

NEW CEREMONY TO
BE USED AT CAMP

Tapping for the 1957 summer camp season will have a few changes from the way it has been run in the past.

The system is as follows:

The head chief, who is standing on the hill behind the main lodge, lights a small campfire. At the pre-set hour he blows a long blast on the cow horn. This is the call for the campers to assemble at a designated point in their campsite. Several minutes later the chief again blows the cow horn. This is a signal for the runners to go to the camps. When he arrives he is greeted by the scoutmaster. He then returns the greeting. He addresses the campers concerning the solemn attitude they should have during the evening ceremony. Each scout is then painted on the shoulder according to a sign previously agreed upon. The scoutmaster is responsible for making sure that those who are to be tapped are painted with the right sign. After the painting they are led in a single-file line to the main assembly area for the camp.

From the assembly area they are all led as a group to the tapping area. Minor changes will probably have to be made in the tapping also in order to conform to national standards.

The tapping ceremony will be run by a team who will consist of the chief, runners, and tappers. As nearly so as possible, the chief and runners will be the same each week. This will be done so that they will be able to speak the parts from memory and thus create a better attitude for the campers toward the ceremony.

These five or six main men will probably be the camp staff members. Other parts such as runners and tappers for the tapping ceremony will be picked from the members in the camp.

Each council camp will have an Order of the Arrow activities chairman who will be in charge of the tapping and ceremonies at that camp.

The ceremony you have just read about will be used at the Reservation, minor changes due to the lay of the camp will be made for use at Minis Kuya.

Applications:

APPLICATION FORMS FOR UNIT
LEADERS AND ADVISORS HAVE
RECEIVED MINOR CHANGES

A new application form is to be used this camping season for the first time. Due to the difference of qualifications and age. The main change is in the wording only. The application has been made easier to fill in and yet still give all of the information needed by the lodge.

Membership:

WE NEED YOU!!!!

The lodge is sorry to announce that at this time, the active membership has dropped to about 140 persons. Since the mailing permit requires a total of 200 or more pieces to be mailed at once, we would appreciate it very much if you would send your dollar to this address:

Golden Sun Lodge
Order of the Arrow
220 North 11th
Lincoln, Nebraska

Make checks payable to GOLDEN
SUN LODGE or CORNHUSKER COUNCIL, BSA.

We also will need you for tapping at summer camp this summer.