



The Newsletter for the Members of the Owaspice Staff Association

Vibrations

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A Great Weekend in OSA History

by: Susan Derby

The 2001 Fall Fix-it weekend (September 14-16) was truly an OSA event through and through. Not only did a large group—and by large, we mean well over 50—show up for various parts of the weekend, but we got a chance to complete some hard work, celebrate the rebirth of a major program area (while remembering a dear friend) and have a fantastic dinner. It was the perfect blend of work and socializing that makes the OSA great.

The Work

The work schedule was kept light because of the COPE dedication ceremony that would occur in the afternoon. We centered our efforts on putting the finishing touches on the Wolverine firebowl. While some eager workers started digging out the check dam behind the stage area to install anti-erosion mesh, others began digging short trenches and carrying the heavy railroad ties down to install steps.

A second team had the harder job of figuring out how to straighten out one sagging side of the gateway that welcomes Scouts to the new firebowl. A variety of solutions were offered about how to close some of the gaps between the logs. What resulted was a much more even gateway, one to be proud of.

Cleanup crews also worked out at COPE removing sticks and debris from the main clearing. The shortened work day ended around 3 p.m.

The Dedication

By 4:30, the OSA workers met up with many others at the entrance to COPE. The group, dressed in everything from Scout uniform to work gear, greeted old friends with hugs and wide smiles.

OSA President Ron Derby started things off by welcoming everyone, especially the many family and friends of Chuck Nagel who drove up just for the ceremony. From there, Father Paul Johnson of St. Mary of The Woods in Lakewood Club blessed the COPE course, that it may help turn many young boys into men, as well as leading prayers in light of the terrorist attacks of just a few days earlier.

The speeches that followed from Ron Kulak, Frank Chlebek, Pat Monahan and Chauncey Niziol touched on every emotion. Though some were tearful and others sarcastic and funny, each person told of the character Chuck was and why he was a Scout and friend worth remembering. CAC Chief Scout Executive Jim Stone thanked the OSA and all the donors on behalf of the entire CAC for helping make the Nagel COPE Base a reality.

The Fun

2001 COPE director Dave Meyer led a tour of both the high and low courses. He explained what each event was, answered questions from the eager visitors and even demonstrated a few events. The highlight was the high course events when both Dave and Kenny Graczyk crossed the Skywalk and Heebie-Jeebie before sailing down the ominous Zipline. The audience smiled at Kenny's cry of "Thanks Charlie!" and gasped as Dave flipped himself in and out of an inverted position while gliding through the air.

Once the work, the dedication, the tour and demonstration were over, there as nothing left to do but eat a hearty dinner. Turkey, fish, wings, salads, potatoes, veggies, brownies, cookies—the spread was amazing and delicious. The work of the Niziols, Kempas and the rest of the kitchen crew was well received by the large crowd in the snack bar. Old photos of Chuck were passed around with smiles and more stories.

The camaraderie lasted well into past dusk until the kitchen crew were the only ones left in the Ad Center complex (you guys are troopers! — thanks). Even then, the laughter could be heard from various Reneker cabins.

It was a weekend Chuck would have been proud to be a part of. Thanks to everyone who came out to work, cook, remember our friend Chuck or just visit. It was great to meet new friends and family of Chuck's as well as see those familiar faces we love to see.

President's Perspective by: Ron Derby - President

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times. Okay enough of that. But seriously these past few months have been quite nerve wracking at times.

For one thing, we're at war. We're at war, as we all know, because we were brutally attacked on September 11th. People are anxious. To top that off, we have been flooded with doom and gloom propaganda from the media. Then there's the anthrax in the mail. Oh and let's not forget the idiots who thought it would be funny to stage anthrax hoaxes.

There's that whole recession we're sinking into. People are losing their jobs. Prices are going up. There is a lot of uncertainty.

I could go on and on but what would be the point? What is my point? I know that there are some bad things going on in the world right now. I'm not saying, "Don't worry, be happy." My point is times are tough, but so are we.

One of the OSA's slogans talks about pulling together. Now is the time to pull together. Pick up the phone or jump on e-mail and say hello to some old friends. Hug your kids and tell them that you love them. Do several good turns daily. Call your Mom just to say, "Hi." If you see someone buckling under today's pressures, ask them how they're doing.

There will be plenty of times when I will ask you to help the OSA or Owasippe. This time I'm asking you to help the people around you, your friends and loved ones. Your fellow Americans. I'm asking everyone to remember that we are all in this together. Actually that's a big part of what makes this country so great. **We are all in this together.**

Have a happy and safe holiday season!



There was Joy in Mudville by: Susan Derby

A Sunday picnic in the park...okay, so the "park" was semi-soggy and filled with trees, but the picnic-goers made the best of it and had a great time anyway. A number of people attended the OSA picnic in August representing numerous eras of Owasippe staff. Though the rain poured the day before, the sun was shining brightly, drying the ground enough to allow everyone to move out from under the pavilion.

After the grills were fired up and the masses were fed, Kristin Schaefer started running kids' games like the M&M race, the egg roll, pinatas and pin the feather on the chief. Others ventured away from the grove to find a nearby field suitable for softball while some stayed to just catch up with old friends.

Some members of the Blackhawk staff of 1996 organized a 5-year reunion at the picnic, with a lot of old faces reappearing to reminisce about the "good old days." Ron Derby Ned Swanson, Nick Wolff, Ben Marx, and Jared Vanderpool got together in July to track down members of BLHK '96 and send out flyers inviting everyone to take part. Who knows who might show up for the 10-year reunion!

Big thanks go out to Mark Bregin for holding the grove since 9 a.m. and to Bill Schaefer Jr. who got the permit. Bill did some quick maneuvering when he found out our usual grove had been changed to non-alcoholic, but we are looking for a new grove to call home. Thanks also goes out to Kristin Schaefer for running the kids' games with help from Peggy O'Connell. And thanks to everyone who came out for the fun.

If you know of an open grove with a pavilion that's centrally located and easy to get to or if you'd like to help out with next year's picnic, please call OSA President Ron Derby at 773-283-6821 or e-mail him at osapicnic@owasippe.com. Thanks!

Mark Your Calendars

The plans for the Dinner Dance & Annual Meeting are underway! We are still finalizing the location of this year's big event, but we know it will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2002.

Diane Posen is once again organizing the event so if you would like to assist in some way or if you have suggestions please contact her at: (773)935-3928. You can also e-mail Diane at DPosen1212@aol.com.

We will be bringing back last year's popular new raffle format as well as the equally popular calendar ad book. Mark your calendars and stayed tuned for more details!

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September 11, 2001



We will never forget.

My Other Car is a Golf Cart

The Golf Courses of Western Michigan
as reviewed by Malia & Bill Schaefer Sr.

Dumaglas (Charlevoix, MI) — the most scenic

Brigadoon (Grant, MI) — the most “exciting” and constantly challenging, also the least manicured and most water by far, but it’s our pick for the best buy for your money and the best kept secret

Grand Haven (Grand Haven, MI) — a lot like the Chase Hammond course with a little added care and features

Thorobred (Rothbury, MI) — best bar and restaurant, very sloped fairways and roly-polly greens, watch the 18th hole - a par 5 wrapping its narrow fairways around a lake with sand traps, woods and then the green

Grand View (New Era, MI) — our pick for the most disappointing and overrated

Moss Ridge (Ravenna, MI) — most overpriced and 2nd most overrated

Ravenna Golf Course (Ravenna, MI) — best value, 18 holes for \$7.50 before 1 p.m., it’s a cow pasture but fun, everything is rough including the greens

Hickory Knoll (Whitehall, MI) — added 18 more-wooded cow pasture holes to the original 18, fairways aren’t well-kept but there is no real “rough” or water to get stuck in, “Hickory Hole” as we call it is cheap and fairly easy

Lincoln Golf Club — also grazing land, but they actually have fairways and roughs

Colonial Golf Course (Hart, MI) — pretty flat and forgiving, greens and aprons are particularly nice, a good place for duffers to play, reasonable greens fees

Oceana Golf Course (Shelby/New Era, MI) — quite roly-polly, a fun course and fairly challenging, reasonable greens fees

Our picks for fun and challenge:

- #1 Dumaglas
- #2 Brigadoon
- #3 Thorobred
- #4 Grand Haven
- #5 Grand View
- #6 Chase Hammond (North Muskegon, MI)

The easiest courses to break 100:

- #1 Moss Ridge
- #2 Grand View
- #3 Old Channel Trail (the original 18 holes)
- #4 Hickory Knoll (the original 18 holes).

Best courses for arthritic knees:

- #1 Hickory Knoll
- #2 Lincoln Golf Club
- #3 Old Channel Trail (except the “Valley” 9 holes)



Fore!...heaven’s sake!

by: Bill Schaefer Sr.

On a par 3, 185 yard hole at Hickory Knoll (in Whitehall), I hit my drive toward a cluster of pine trees 25 yards to the right of the green. Then my buddy hit. When we went to look for my ball (we saw it clear the first pine), we couldn’t find it — quite mysteriously because it’s simply open low cut grass all around those trees for a city block in diameter.

Just when we were about to give up the search, and add yet another penalty stroke to my score, my partner yelled, “Hey, I see your ball!” He had his face buried in a tall wide pine (actually a blue spruce, but then everything is simply called a “pine”—right?!). I came over and stuck my head between the branches where his head had been. He said, “Look up.”

There was my ball STUCK IN A NOOK between two branches about 12 feet up. We laughed so hard! Well, I hacked and hacked my 6 iron to get it out, and finally got it. However, as luck would have it, it wasn’t my ball after all.

Where was my ball? God only knows, if even He does! Well, some other duffer might have thought he looked high and low for his ball, but he didn’t look high enough! I proceeded, after a drop, to quite impressively chip my # 3 shot over a nasty sand trap, comfortably onto the green; and then 3 putt. Another adventure! On to the next hole...

Gone Golfin’

The proposed golf course, nicknamed “Ruffled Feathers” in jest, was doing just that before the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners squashed the idea. The proposed site of the new course was on Hilt’s Landing along the White River, right on top of the legendary resting ground of Chief Owasippe’s sons.

“I would hate to rewrite history to say that the sons of Owasippe were buried in a golf course,” Blue Lake Township Supervisor and OSA member Don Studaven told the White Lake Chronicle.

The proposed golf course also ran into opposition from other course owners, who claimed the area is already overdeveloped in terms of golf courses. Another golf course, Hickory Knoll, would have been just one-and-a-half miles from the proposed site.

White Lake history has long included the legendary tale of the two sons of Chief Owasippe (stop me if you’ve heard this story somewhere) who ventured out to Chicago after reaching manhood. The two sons never returned, and their father allegedly died watching for them from a cliff above the river.

The remains of two canoes, human skeletons and some artifacts were found around 1895 in the area now known as Hilt’s Landing. The Hilt family donated the land to the county to be used as a public park. The family reportedly also disagreed with the land being used as a golf course.

Stuff your mother should've told you...

1. Stuff a miniature marshmallow in the bottom of a sugar cone to prevent ice cream drips.
2. Use a meat baster to "squeeze" your pancake batter onto the hot griddle and you'll get perfectly shaped pancakes every time.
3. To keep potatoes from budding, place an apple in the bag with the potatoes.
4. To prevent eggshells from cracking, add a pinch of salt to the water before hard-boiling.
5. Run your hands under cold water before pressing Rice Krispies treats in the pan and the marshmallow won't stick to your fingers.
6. To get the most juice out of fresh lemons, bring them to room temperature and roll them under your palm against the kitchen counter before squeezing.
7. To easily remove burnt-on food from your skillet, simply add a drop or two of dish soap and enough water to cover bottom of pan and bring to a boil on stovetop.
8. Spray your Tupperware with nonstick cooking spray before pouring in tomato-based sauces and there won't be any stains.
9. When a cake recipe calls for flouring the baking pan, use a bit of the dry cake mix instead and there won't be any white mess on the outside of the cake.
10. If you accidentally over-salt a dish while it's still cooking, drop in a peeled potato and it will absorb the excess salt for a quick save.
11. Wrap celery in aluminum foil when putting in the refrigerator and it will keep for weeks.
12. Brush some beaten egg white over a piecrust before baking to yield a beautiful glossy finish.
13. Place a slice of apple in hardened brown sugar to soften it.
14. When boiling corn on the cob, add a pinch of sugar to help bring out the corn's natural sweetness.
15. To determine whether an egg is fresh, immerse it in a pan of cool, salted water. If it sinks, it is fresh, but if it floats, throw it away.
16. Cure for headaches: Take a lime, cut it in half and rub it on your forehead. The throbbing will go away.
17. Don't throw out all that leftover wine: Freeze it into ice cubes for future use in casseroles and sauces.
18. If you have a problem opening jars, try using latex dishwashing gloves. They give a non-slip grip that makes opening jars easy.
19. Potatoes will take food stains off your fingers. Just slice and rub raw potato on the stains and rinse with water.
20. To get rid of itch from mosquito bites, try applying soap on the area and you will experience instant relief.
21. Ants, ants, ants everywhere ... Well, they are said to never cross a chalk line. So get your chalk out and draw a line on the floor or wherever ants tend to march.
22. Use air-freshener to clean mirrors. It does a good and better still, leaves a lovely smell to the shine.
23. When you get a splinter, reach for the scotch tape before resorting to tweezers or a needle. Simply put the scotch tape over the splinter; scotch tape removes the splinters painlessly and easily.
24. Now look what you can do with ALKA Seltzer:
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 - Clean a vase—To remove a stain from the bottom of a glass vase or cruet, fill with water and drop in two Alka-Seltzer tablets.
 - Polish jewelry—Drop two Alka-Seltzer tablets into a glass of water and immerse the jewelry for two minutes.
 - Clean a thermos bottle—Fill the bottle with water, drop in four Alka-Seltzer tablets, and let soak for an hour (or longer, if necessary).
 - Unclog a drain—Clear the sink drain by dropping three Alka-Seltzer tablets down the drain followed by a cup of Heinz White Vinegar. Wait a few minutes, then run the hot water.

OSR Staff Interviews

Interviews are being held for all Owasippe Staff positions from Section Camp Directors to CITs.

Saturday, November 24th, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
St. Daniel The Prophet Church, 5330 S. Nashville, Chicago

Saturday, December 8th, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
St. Patrick's High School, 5900 W. Belmont, Chicago

Saturday, January 5th 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
CAC Service Center, 1218 W. Adams, Chicago

Owasippe's 91st Season

Staff Week June 22-29
Session 1 June 30- July 6
Session 2 July 7-13
Session 3 July 14-20
Session 4 July 21-27
Session 5 * July 28-August 3
Session 6 August 4-10

* Webelos II Camp held in Carlen: July 28- August 1

Fall Fix-it '01



Progress...
is pulling together.



Just for Fun



The Derby - Bisset Wedding, Crown Chapel, 10-6-01



Matt Lotter and his Coast Guard Helicopter



*Vince Rychtanek & Karen Schaefer
just after finishing the Chicago Marathon*

Nagel COPE Base Dedication



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and many more in full color
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OSA Family Picnic '01



2002 Nominations and Election

YOUR OSA BOARD: The affairs of the OSA are managed by the nine members of the Board of Directors whom you elect. Their terms are staggered so that three must be elected each year. Each Board member serves a three-year term unless a vacancy must be filled for a shorter term. A Director must be a currently registered Staff or Associate member age 21 or older as of the day of election (March 2, 2002), have a genuine interest in the success of the organization and be available for monthly Board of Director meetings.

Current Board of Directors			Term Expires
Diane Posen	Vince Rychtanek	Pat Troy (Treasurer)	2002
Kevin Oster (Vice-Pres.)	Art Paull	Dan Kleinfeldt	2003
Michael Campbell (Secretary)	Ron Derby (President)	Jim Rich	2004

WHO MAY VOTE Each Staff and Associate Member currently registered ('02) is entitled to one vote at the annual meeting for the purpose of election of the Board of Directors. Voting may be done in person at the 24th Annual Meeting (location to be announced) on Saturday March 2, 2002 from 6:30 to 7:00 PM.

Alternately, ballots will be accepted via the U.S. mail starting again in 2002. A list of candidates, their resumes and a ballot will be sent out in a separate mailing in mid-February.

BE SURE THAT YOU ARE CURRENTLY REGISTERED ('02) SO THAT YOUR VOTE COUNTS. The current year of your membership will be on the mailing label addressing this mailing. Any questions regarding the status of your membership can be presented to the Membership Committee Chairman Pat Troy at (630) 257-6967.

WINNERS Those candidates receiving the largest number of valid votes will be inducted into the Board of Directors during the 2002 Annual Meeting. For 2002, the top three vote getters will be considered duly elected. The positions will be three-year terms.

OPERATING OFFICERS The first official duty of the newly constituted Board of Directors will be to select operating officers for the next twelve months, namely: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers will be announced at the Annual Meeting.

New Roles

Joe Sener has agreed to take over as Chairman of the Owasippe Committee. As you may know, Chauncey has held this position for the past several years. In this role, Joe will act as the primary conduit between the Committee and the professional staff and George Walper, the Vice President for Program for the Chicago Area Council. "As far as the committee is concerned we are all working together toward the same goals and we will continue to act as a team. Our start for this year is a good one and we need to stay the course and respond to the direction set by the Long Term Planning Committee," says Joe. He is also our representative to that committee and will be reporting on its progress at the Owasippe Committee meetings. *E-mail Joe at: Joe_Sener@Baxter.com*

Chauncey will continue to be a major force on the Owasippe Committee, and will continue his work in the area of camp promotion and development. Chauncey and his wife Mary Beth will also be taking the lead role in CIT program with Ron Kulak stepping down as Director of the Staff Development program. *E-mail Chauncey at: ChaunceyN@aol.com*

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What's News?

Oh say, can they see!

The new Muskegon Community College observatory was unveiled in mid-October. The \$50,000 facility is located at the Muskegon County Wastewater Management System at 8301 White Road.

Though it's currently only open for student use, public use of the 16-inch reflecting telescope should be available beginning next spring during visitor's nights.

The neighboring 2-telescope facility is owned by the Muskegon Astronomical Society, and the two groups will eventually share both facilities.

The new observatory is a blessing for MCC students, who either used large portable telescopes or traveled to an observatory in Lowell, 57 miles away, in the past.

A new reason to pee your pants

The improvements are already beginning at Michigan's Adventure since the recent sale to Cedar Fair amusement company. The new owners plan \$5 million in renovations and additions by next operating season.

Topping the list is "Ripcord," a ride for the adventurous and strong-stomached. One to three riders are attached to the top of a 15-story tower and released from a second tower, hurtling to ground at speeds up to 65 mph before swinging to safety.

Current plans also call for a new "water coaster" plus five other rides, a new picnic grove, more restrooms and lockers and a new gift shop. Of course, a rise in ticket prices from \$20 to \$23 will accompany all the improvements. Additional ride fees will be added for two of the planned rides, the Ripcord and the go-carts, beyond the park entrance fee. The 2002 season opens May 23rd.

A big hit for little hitters

Michigan Army National Guard's 1436th Engineering Co. volunteers began work on two new Little League fields in Montague this month. The old fields were on land sold to Challenge Machinery for its new plant in the Montague industrial park. The company paid \$20,000 in addition to the \$35,000 for the land, all of which will go to building the new fields. The city will provide other funds.

The National Guard will begin by clearing the new location of brush and small trees. The unit is being used because it has the equipment and experience necessary for the project, and because the more work done by volunteers, the further the funds will go.

Final field design has yet to be set and actual construction won't begin until early spring. The fields

won't be completed until 2003. The National Guard will do the preliminary work, but professional contractors will bid on the dugouts and landscaping.

Why did the weather vane cross the road?

To keep from sinking into the muck of course. The World's Largest Weather Vane has been moved to its new location in Ellenwood Park in Montague. The disassembly, move and re-assembly went off without a hitch and cost the city an estimated \$10,000.

The move was necessary to save the weather vane from the unstable ground below it. The new location is more accessible for tourists, better lit and promises to be more solid than the old location which was too close to the shoreline. In addition to the move, the weathervane got a new foundation and paintjob.

Proof that we don't know Jack

Last issue we told you that Jack Newell won the award for the Camp Carlen Senior Staff Person of the Year. The actual winner was **Sean Egan**. Congratulations Sean, and sorry for the mix-up.

OSR Properties Manager Rob Pruden Resigns

Rob Pruden has resigned and has taken a job working for Outward Bound. Veteran Owasippe Staffman Ron Wilson is filling in until a replacement can be found.

Owasippe Hunt (Conservation) Club

Scouters interested in participating in the OHC drawing should send a note to that effect to Owasippe Scout Reservation, P.O. Box 152, Whitehall, MI 49461. If your name is drawn, you must volunteer 40 hours of manual labor at Owasippe or donate \$600 to the camp for hunting priveledges. The proper Michigan hunting licenses must also be obtained.

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Galloping Grapevine



See you at the end of the trail...

Timothi L'Heureux ~ Lake Zurich, IL

Thomas Phillips ~ Mokena, IL

Kyle Schneider ~ Chicago, IL

Congrats go to Owasippe Staffmen Tim, Tom and Kyle on earning the rank of Eagle Scout. The OSA would like to welcome these gentlemen to the distinguished list of Owasippe Staff Eagle Scouts. All that hard work and dedication has paid off. We're proud of you and your accomplishment. Now comes the "easy" part...encouraging hundreds of Owasippe Scouts to do the same.

Bruce Thompson ~ Huntley, IL

Bruce (Beard Staff '66, '67) and his wife Lynn have moved to Sun City in Huntley, IL. Their new address is 11357 Stonewater Crossing, Huntley IL 60142. They also are anxiously looking forward to the arrival of their second grandchild. We wonder if Bruce teaches his grandkids spelling with the Beard song. B-E-A-R-D!

Jennifer and Bill Schaefer Jr. ~ Hawthorn Woods, IL

Jennifer delivered a healthy baby boy on Friday, October 5th, at 11:20 p.m. Luke William Schaefer came in at 6 lbs., 11 oz. and 20 inches. He has a lot of black hair and looks like his brothers, Jack & Evan. We wish the best to the whole family.

Karen Schaefer and Vince Rychtanek ~ Chicago area

Karen and Vince "ran" into each other at the Chicago Marathon on Sunday, October 7th. They both completed the run in about the same time, around 4 hours and 20 minutes. No word yet on who was actually able to walk the next day. Way to go guys!

The Osters ~ Lockport, IL

Kevin and Sue Oster, and little Allison, moved into their new house a little bit ago. Their new address is 1605 S. Hamilton, Lockport, IL 60441. We hear the move went okay and they are unpacking (and unpacking, and unpacking).

Joe Sener ~ Lake in the Hills, IL

Joe Sener and his family, Linda, Christina, and Joe have relocated back to the Chicago area. As we mentioned last issue Joe has been a Partner with Arthur Andersen living in Cincinnati for the past 2 years. Joe has left Andersen and joined the team of Baxter International as Vice President, Business Excellence. The Sener family has taken up residence at 435 Prides Run, Lake in the Hills, IL, 60156. You can reach them at 847-854-6905. Welcome home!

Ron & Susan (Bisset) Derby ~ Chicago, IL

Ron and Susan were married on October 6th, 2001 at the Soderstrom (Crown) Chapel. Owasippe Chaplain and CIT Trainer Dan Troy presided over the ceremony. It was a crispy Owasippe afternoon that even saw a little snow about 30 minutes before showtime! Almost on cue, the clouds parted at 3:00 p.m. and the sun was shining brightly on the autumn colored leaves. The congregation was made up of about 50% Owasippe people and 50% friends/family. The reception was held at the Montague VFW hall and lasted almost 7 hours! Local musician Tom Foster kept the dance floor packed with some help from his trusty sidekick Bob. Bill Lotter was also on hand to crank out some polkas on the accordian. Good times were had by all. The Derbys would like to thank all of their friends and family for all the love and support they've given.

Christopher (Botrell) Hill ~

It is with sadness that we bring news of the death of Eagle Scout Christopher Hill (a.k.a. Botrell), age 17, a past member of the Owasippe Camp Staff. Chris passed away on Wednesday, October 9th. He was a Scout in Troop 79 of Ft. Dearborn District in Chicago Area Council and had served admirably as a Senior Patrol Leader of CAC Jamboree Troop 1222 this past summer.

Chris first served on Owasippe Staff in 1998 as a CIT and continued on as regular Owasippe camp staff at Camp Carlen in 1999. His time at Owasippe meant a lot to him. He was presented with the Eagle Scout Award two years ago on Labor Day weekend at Camp Reneker. In 2000, he had the opportunity to attend Philmont on a Rayado Trek.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorial donations be made payable to the Owasippe Staff Association.

Milton Gray ~ Highland Park, IL

Milton Gray, 90, passed away on Thursday October 25th. He is best known across camp for his funding of Gray Staff Village, which bears his name, but gave much additional funding, time and support to the BSA. Milton received his Eagle Scout award from Lord Baden-Powell himself! He was also a life member of the OSA.

Milton was an attorney and partner at Altheimer & Gray since 1960. Also an active member and one-time president of the Chicago Bar Association, he worked to oppose unqualified judges, demanded punishment in police brutality cases and was involved in the case surrounding the deaths of Black Panthers Fred Hampton and Mary Clark. Milton worked his way through law school at Northwestern University as a sports writer for the Chicago Daily News and Chicago Herald-Examiner.

He met his wife, Florence, on the steps of her sorority as she was leaving on a date with someone else. They were married 54 years, until her death in 1991.

He and two of his brothers founded the Gray Sea Scout Center in Tel Aviv in 1973.

Michael Bassett ~ Chicago, IL

Mike Bassett, 46, former Owasippe Staffman and OSA member, passed away suddenly of a heart attack on the morning of Saturday November 3rd. Mike had worked numerous summers at camp and gave much of his time and effort to helping Owasippe and the BSA. He was a part of the camp inspection team that tours the facilities at the opening of each summer season and volunteered for many years on the Owasippe committee.

Mike is remembered by many as a great fishing and hunting partner and a good friend. He could often be found on a boat on Lake Wolverine or in hunting gear emerging from the woods at camp.

Mike was buried with an eagle feather in his breast pocket. Scott Weber found the feather on the ground below the eagles' nest at Owasippe.

His wife, Tricia, requests memorial contributions be made to the American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association.

Hey! Are your OSA dues up to date?

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

*I hereby submit my request to register as a member
and my support of the OSA's purpose*

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Birthdate: _____

email: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Service at Owasippe:

Year	Camp	Position

Employer: _____

Occupation: _____

Marital Status: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Children's Names & Ages: _____



Mail to:
OSA
P.O. Box 7097
Westchester, IL 60154
attn: Membership

New Member	\$20	_____
Renewal	\$15	_____
Lifetime	\$250	_____

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Dear Friends and Supporters,

We are seeking sponsors for the Owasippe Staff Association Calendar/Ad Book distributed at our Annual Meeting in March of 2002. Here is an opportunity to extend greetings to your friends, wish Owasippe and the OSA well, and/or promote your business. The annual Ad Book is an important fundraiser for the OSA and its proceeds help us carry on our mission to assist the Owasippe Scout Reservation.

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The first 26 pages of the Ad Book will be a 13-month calendar (March 2002 – March 2003). For each month there will be up to four quarter-page ads and three business card ads. The calendar ad space will be sold on a first come basis. The remaining pages consist of our annual report and have a couple of ad options as outlined below.

Please respond with your materials by January 15, 2002 using the form provided below.

Enclose your camera ready art or any message you wish to present and mail it to the address below (please be sure to clearly state any special instructions or placement preferences).

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Name: _____

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City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

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