Owasippe Lodge #7 2018 Vigil Dinner November 17, 2018

5:30 PM Fellowship Hour

6:45 PM Master of Ceremonies Aidan J. Lloyd

Welcome Remarks

Owasippe Lodge #7 - Chief

Invocation

Rev. John M. Kaserow, M.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Javier A. Montano

Owasippe Hymn

Norville R. Carter

7:00 PM Dinner

7:50 PM Presentation of Honoree

John C. Kosik

2018 Honoree

Grant F. Muraski

Presentation of Honoree

John N. Brown

2018 Honoree

Robert T. Sublette, Sr.

Necrology

Anna M. Montes

Special Presentation

Philip A. Lynch

Lodge Adviser's Comments

Theodore B. Kumzi

Honors and Years

Nicholas J. Barth

Order of the Arrow Hymn

9:30 PM Reception

Optional

All



2018 Vigil Dinner Committee

Nicholas J. Barth
John N. Brown
Ronald E. Kulak
Theodore B. Kumzi
Anna M. Montes
Francis J. Podbielski, MD



See you at the 2019 Owasippe Lodge #7
Vigil Dinner
Saturday November 23, 2019

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http://photos.moqua.org/

Owasippe Scout Camps

1911 - 2018

Pathway to Adventure Council Boy Scouts of America

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November 17, 2018

European Chalet Banquets
5445 S. Harlem Av.
Chicago, Illinois

Grant F. Muraski

Grant Francis Muraski was born on May 05, 1939 to Joseph and Lillian Muraski at home on the Northwest side of Chicago He was the fifth of seven children with four older sisters and two younger brothers. The family lived in a five room flat with two small bedrooms. He attended Our Lady of Grace Grammar School and Lane Tech High School and joined Scouting at the age of eight through Cub Pack 3123. At age eleven, he joined Boy Scout Troop 112 which met at Kosciuszko Park. The Scoutmaster, Ed "Radio" Rejdukowski (a Vigil member) was very energetic and worked hard to make the Troop successful.

Grant and his colleagues camped at least every other month at Camp Fort Dearborn, Camp Kiwanis, and Camp Harrison; he attained the rank of Life Scout at the age of 14 and along with the older scouts formed Explorer Post 2112 where they wore green uniforms. At Owasippe, Grant camped at Stuart, West, and Hiawatha Beach. For his service, he was inducted into the Checaugau Chapter on April 26, 1952 at Camp Fort Dearborn. In 1954 the Chicago Council divided the original five Chapters/Districts into 26 new units requiring each District to form its own Chapter. Grant became a part of Cahokia Chapter in the Pathfinder District. He participated in the Chapter Ritual Team and chaired several Chapter Fellowships, serving as the Chapter Meteu, Vice-Chief, and Cahokia Chapter Chief (1958-1959), as well as the Junior Vice-Chief of Owasippe Lodge. Grant was recognized by his peers with the Vigil Honor on August 15, 1959 at Camp Owasippe, thus being known as "Amigalinchagon" or Loud Ringer.

Shortly thereafter, he met the girl who would fill his heart at a Church Social group. On January 13, 1962, he and Geri were married and blessed with a son (Timothy), a daughter (Adrienne), and another son (Steven) within four years. Grant continued to learn the sheet metal trade and upon completing his apprenticeship was offered the position as one of the lead men in the shop. After two years, he was offered the position of coordinator and draftsmen; at the same time he was offered a teaching position at a vocational school where he would be able to teach his trade. Grant's tenure as an educator had him teaching at Westinghouse Vocational High School where he served as the Department Chairman for 15 years and was recognized with a Golden Apple Award as Teacher of the Year.

Scouting continued to be an integral part of his life. Grant answered the call of Scouting and served as the leader of Pack 59 for five years. Upon his retirement after 34 years of teaching, Geri and Grant played catch-up with their lives, traveling and enjoying each other's company.

Grant feels that no matter where his career took him or decisions he made, Scouting always helped to serve as a guide throughout his life. It is his wish that every person who has been involved with Scouting uses it as a guide and learn from its lessons and shared experiences to guide their own lives.

2018 Honorees

Grant F. Muraski





Robert T. Sublette, Sr.





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Robert Thomas Sublette was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee on August 5, 1937 at home, to Lillian Benjamin (1900) and Frank Ellis Sublette (1897). The family moved to Chicago in the early 1940's in search of better work opportunities. As a youth, Bob attended the Beidler Grammar School and was its first African American student. He then attended and graduated from Crane Technical High School in 1956.

Hearing the hail of the bugle at his Church, Bob became a Cub Scout in Pack 3534 sponsored by St. Mark United Methodist Church; he first expressed interest in Boy Scouts around the age of 9 but was not old enough; instead he was recruited as the troop mascot and served with the Bugle Corp. His Scoutmaster Leonard Otto Lee was a bit of a disciplinarian. "His presence would get you to straighten up and fly right". Troop 534 continues to honor the impact of Mr. Lee today with the "Otto" patrol named in his honor.

Bob first attended Owasippe at Camp Blackhawk in 1950, "It was new, exciting, and scary." He and his peers are to be recognized as the creators of the call, "Camp Blackhawk, GO!" and "Troop 534, HEY!" He recalls memories of Scouting in the South Central, Du-Sable, and Midway Districts. Bob achieved the rank of Life Scout.

Bob was inducted into Ordeal membership on July 25, 1952 at Owasippe. The following year he sealed his ties in the Order with the Brotherhood Honor on October 10, 1953. He completed his Vigil on August 13, 1961 at Owasippe, recalling the beautiful warm and starry night. His Vigil Honor name Mboiwi Wuschgink or "Dead Eye", is a fitting honor for his marksmanship skills.

Following high graduation, Bob served in the Air Force at Forbes Air Force base in Topeka, KS where he worked on B-47 bombers. During his time in Kansas, Bob was enlisted by the local Boy Scout Council to serve as a rifle instructor for their summer camp. He has reached multiple milestones in his Scouting leadership career including earning the Eagle Scout Association Scoutmaster Award for producing the most Eagle Scouts in the region, thirty-five at one point. It was his charisma that inspired 42 youth and 7 adults to attend the National Jamboree in Idaho in 1973. He served as the Advisor of Matoka Chapter for four years.

Bob worked as a police officer at Northwestern University, Evanston Campus, for 16 years before his retirement. He married Jessie Sublette on January 30, 1965 and became proud parents to Robert T. Sublette Jr. and Germaine Rosalyn Sublette. They have one grand-daughter Dominique.

In considering his long and rich career in Scouting and as a Vigil Member, Bob believes "You have everything and everyone to work with. These skills and people will make a difference in your life."