

BOHRER, PAUL J.

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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET  
REGISTRATION AND FULFILLMENT SERVICE  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 11/1174

FULL NAME Paul J. Bohrer  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS 1103 Hutton St.

CITY Troy STATE N.Y. ZIP CODE 12180

AGE 40 born 1934 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)

RELIGION \_\_\_\_\_ NATIONALITY \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION Asst. Fire Chief Troy Fire Department (16 or 17 yrs.)

EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_

WEIGHT 175 - 180 COLOR \_\_\_\_\_ HEIGHT 5'10"

COLOR OF HAIR brown COLOR OF EYES unknown

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS \_\_\_\_\_

MARRIED OR SINGLE single CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

WIFE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>UNIT #</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE REGISTERED</u>	<u>DATE RESIGNED</u>
			<u>SA</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1974</u>

SPECIAL RECOGNITION badly scared face and forehead as result of skin cancer

RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council \_\_\_\_\_

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November 27, 1974

Mr. James E. Beck  
Scout Executive  
Governor Clinton Council, No. 364

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Paul J. Bohrer

Dear Mr. Beck:

Thank you for your letter of November 21, concerning the above  
Scouter. We have placed this information in our file.  
This additional information should help us in the future,  
should this individual ever again attempt to register in the  
Scouting program.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Manager  
Registration & Subscription Service

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PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Governor Clinton Council, Inc.  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

257 OSBORN ROAD  
LOUDONVILLE, NEW YORK 12211  
AREA CODE 518-459-5170

November 21, 1974

Mr. Paul Ernst  
Regional Office  
Boy Scouts of America  
Post Office Box 2014  
North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

RE: Paul Bohrer

Dear Mr. Ernst:

The case involving Paul J. Bohrer and our request that he be placed on the confidential file is based on the following incidents:

Mr. Bohrer was registered as Chapter Advisor for Order of the Arrow and Chairman of the High Adventure Committee of the Council. He served as a Philmont Leader in the summer of '74 and the summer of '72.

On the weekend of November 1, 2 & 3, Mr. Bohrer invited one of the sons of Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED] Lawling Avenue, Troy, N.Y. to go on a camping trip to Lake Placid, New York. The parents were under the impression that Mr. Bohrer was on a legitimate Scouting outing and was taking a group of Scouts on this camping trip. In actuality, this was the only Scout which he took with him on this outing. While on the trip he was forced to submit to homosexual activities with Mr. Bohrer. He was inundated with stories of bizarre sexual activities and gruesome accidents that could happen to people. He was told tales of receiving sexual gratification from watching buildings burn and big fires while in the act of masturbation.

Upon returning home he was distraught and confronted his brother, who had attended Philmont with Mr. Bohrer, and in the course of a loud discussion he asked his brother why he would let him go on a trip with a man like Mr. Bohrer if he knew what he was like. The parents overheard the conversation and confronted their son, and he told them the details of the incident. The older son at that time stated that Mr. Bohrer had approached him at Philmont to engage in homosexual activities. He refused to have anything to do with Mr. Bohrer at that time and tried to put the incident from his mind.

Member: ALSANY UNITED WAY/MOHAWK-HUDSON AREA UNITED WAY HUDSON COMMUNITY CHEST

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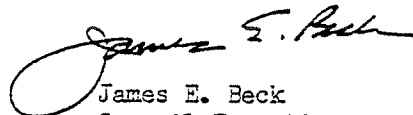
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Further investigations revealed that at least four other Scouts in the Troop had been forced to submit to these activities by Mr. Bohrer. Mrs. [REDACTED] former husband is an officer on the Troy Police Force. They consulted him for advice as to how to handle this incident. Mr. Bohrer is an Assistant Fire Chief in the City of Troy and a personal friend of the Troy Chief of Police. He was confronted by the parents, the Troy Chief of Police and the police sergeant. At that time, he broke down and confessed to the above activities. The parents chose not to press charges, as they desired to put the incident behind them and their son as quickly as possible. Their only request was that we guarantee that Mr. Bohrer cannot be put in a position to do the same thing with other boys.

It is my understanding that Mr. Bohrer is now being investigated as a possible arsonist, as the City of Troy has been plagued with this problem within the last few years. I would prefer not to reopen this incident with the parents again. I am convinced that the above statement is true. I have personally interviewed the father and Mr. J. Eugene Johnson, Field Director in this Council, had personally interviewed both parents on the incident. You have a copy of Mr. Bohrer's letter of resignation stating that he is resigning due to serious emotional and psychological problems.

I feel that this statement should be adequate information for permanent placement on the confidential file.

Sincerely,

  
James E. Beck  
Council Executive

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November 13, 1974

Mr. James E. Beck  
Court Executive  
Governor Clinton Council, No. 364

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Paul J. Bohrer

Dear Mr. Beck:

Thank you for your letter of November 5, concerning Paul J. Bohrer. We have placed this information in our file.

We do, however, need more substantiating information that will support our placing this man on the Confidential File. Please send us a more detailed letter concerning the facts in this case, and if possible a signed statement from the people directly involved. We would also appreciate a copy of the police or court record. This information is most important for future reference purposes and it would certainly strengthen our position of refusing to accept any future application for registration we might receive from this individual.

Unless we receive the above requested material, it will be difficult to keep this man's name on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Manager  
Registration & Subscription Service

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November 5, 1974

Mr. Charles S. Means  
Boy Scouts of America  
National Director of Manpower  
North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

Dear Mr. Means:

Please place Paul J. Bohrer on the Confidential Restriction file to insure that he never becomes a member of the Boy Scouts of America in the future.

Mr. Bohrer has confessed to Troy Police officials that he forced a boy to submit to homosexual activities while on a camping trip. He has voluntarily resigned from the movement, copy attached.

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Council Executive

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Member: ALBANY UNITED WAY/MOHAWK-HUDSON AREA UNITED WAY HUDSON COMMUNITY CHEST

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1103 HUTTON ST  
TROY NY  
4 NOV 1974

MR JAMES BECK  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA  
259 OSBORN RD  
LOUGHEVILLE NY

MR BECK.

DUE TO SERIOUS EMOTIONAL AND  
PSYCHIATRIC PROBLEMS, FOR WHICH I AM NOW  
SEEKING HELP, I FIND IT IN THE BEST INTEREST  
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I APOLOGIZE FOR ANY EMBARRASSMENT  
I MAY CAUSE YOU, THE COUNCIL AND THE SCOUTING  
MOVEMENT

SINCERELY.

Paul Bohner

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*Paul -  
not a professional*

**CHARLES E. MEANS**

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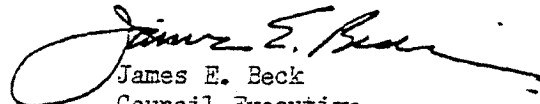
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Council Executive

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Paul Bohrer

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