

come out and have free discussion about it before we adopt any kind of a plan about it. So in other words they just pushed it on to the tribe. And there's a lot of older people like Henry Bates, Saul Birdshead, and them guys that you don't see them very often going into their activities when they go into their dances. They don't go into it at all because they don't have their approval as calling themselves as the "Starhawks." And going into initiation every Tom, Dick and Harry. Because they don't have legal right to do that. Because anyone--going and initiating anyone--in the olden days, he had to go through lot of fasting and lot of worship and a lot of things that these boys don't know anything about. In other words, they just go ahead and make their own plans--whatever comes to their minds, they just go ahead and do it. They don't discuss things with the older members or they don't come tell us. Or they don't come ask us for--"What do you think about it--do you think it would be all right? You think you could support us? You think you could back us if we go ahead and do this?" They don't come out and say that.

(They didn't go and consult with Henry Bates and Saul Birdshead and John Blackman--any of those guys?)

No. No, they didn't. John Blackman, that's how come you don't see him around. You don't see him around. They didn't consult John Blackman and, however, they talked to Jesse Rowledge. They talked to Glen (Lumpmouth). But Glen, he told me that "It's up to my brother-in-law." I go along with him. But whenever you fellows get the ball rolling, you come let me know and I might be able to help you guys. I might be able to act as your advisor." That's what he told them. Glen told them that. But, when they approached John Blackman, well, he told them this, "Well, I don't think that you boys have a legal right to go ahead and just jump the gun and go ahead and do what you want. You should call a meeting among the older men. And have them exchange ideas with them. If you should be given that legal right to go ahead and full organization of this Star Clan." Well, then they went around asking Glen. They went asking different ones. Well, John Blackman didn't think it was proper at that time, so they