

KECOUGHTAN

★ KRYER ★



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"From the little acorn the mighty oak tree grows."

NATIONAL POW-WOW POORLY ATTENDED BY LODGE

Where were you in August? All the brothers of our lodge missed a great change to go to the National O.A. Pow-Wow. Our lodge really made a poor showing at this National Conference.

Now what about the Area 3-C Pow-Wow? Last year we didn't even send our quota. If you didn't go, you really missed a great Pow-Wow. So, start thinking about it today. In 1968 (that is next year), it will be April 26, 27, and 28. I hope to see you there.

FALL FELLOWSHIP NEARS

Coming soon is the FALL FELLOWSHIP. This is purely a fun weekend and we hope to have a large attendance. Remember, if you don't attend the FALL FELLOWSHIP, you must go to the Christmas Banquet. See you at both of them.

NEW SECTIONS

Starting with our next news letter, a short report will be given on one or more of the Committees. These reports are designed to familiarize lodge members with the committees. Sign up for one, as the chairmen need all the help they can get.

DO YOU WANT A REALLY GOOD LODGE???

Would you like to work on the KECOUGHTAN KRYER staff? We need good reports and brothers to help fold and stamp the KRYER at the scout office. Call CLIFF SLEEMAN 596-6169 today.

SUPPORT YOUR LODGE

DANCE TEAM NEWS

The Dance Team needs new members this year. If you are interested call ROGER MILLS 596-7267. They will start practicing soon for the Pow-Wow, so sign up now. Those who signed up at the Ordeals will be contacted at the FALL FELLOWSHIP, or right after it.

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FROM THE
EDITOR

As you may have already noticed, changes have been made to the KRYER. Although the KRYER may be published, something seems to be missing from this first edition. Your section is missing. What are you talking about, you ask? Throughout this year I would wish you would express your personal views about the KRYER and Scouting. We have set aside a section for "Letters to the Editor." Also, we would appreciate any unusual news from troops, posts, or of individuals. This paper will only be as good as you make it. Do you want a good paper? "The time for talking about what the Order of the Arrow is going to do has come to an end. The time for action is here."

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The meeting was opened with the obligation lead by Chris Smith, the new Lodge Chief. The other officers are Phil Sanders - Vice-Chief, Bruce Davidson - Recording Secretary, Cliff Sleeman - Corresponding Secretary, and Danny Ray - Treasurer. The new Committee Chairmen were appointed by Chris with approval from the Executive Board.

October 21 & 22 were chosen as the dates for the Fall Fellowship so as not to interfere with any District functions. Military bases were suggested as possible places to hold the Fellowship. Phil Sanders and Danny Ray would look into this.

The date set for the Christmas Banquet is December 27. A place to have the Banquet will be looked into.

FROM THE
CHIEF



The Order of the Arrow has elected a fine group of officers, and I have appointed those members who I think are very capable Committee Chairman. The members of the O.A. are elected not for what they have done, but for what they will do. Joining committees and attending O.A. functions is the best way to fulfill the promise every member of the O.A. has made. We cannot have a successful year if you members don't give us support.

The executive board has already started work on a fun-filled fellowship, October 21-22. Also, we are starting to look ahead to the Christmas Banquet. We are limited group of men, and our ideas are but few. If anyone has any suggestion for the O.A., or any questions, please call me.

We also have in mind other O.A. functions this year. Of course, we are going to have the June and August Ordeals. We also have the Spring Pow-Wow at Powhatan. We hope many will start to think about this event. Last year we did not fill our quota, which is a bad showing for our lodge. This year we can send 31 delegates. We also hop to have several work parties at the Peninsula Scout Reservation. We are open for any other ideas or suggestions. Call me your ideas.

The O.A. has a wonderful year planned, but we cannot do a thing if we don't have the support of the O.A. members. The August Ordeal only saw about a third of our O.A. members.

I hope to see everyone at the Fall Fellowship, and I am sure it will be well worth the time.

E.B.M. Cont.

Chris Smith suggested that we form a Service Committee. The purpose of this new committee would be to coordinate the interests of the Order of the Arrow and the Council office.

The new officers of this year will
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KNOW YOUR LODGE OFFICERS

Chris Smith - Chief

Chris Smith has been in Boy Scouts for almost seven years. He is a Life Scout and at the present is completing his Eagle requirements. He has recently turned eighteen and has been made Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 43. Chris plans to remain active in Scouting as long as possible.

Chris is now attending classes at Christopher Newport College. We all wish him a successful transition from high school to college.

Chris has been in the Order of the Arrow for almost four years, and he is a Brotherhood Member. He has remained active in the O.A. for the past four years. Last year Chris headed up the Unit Elections Committee. He is presently working very hard to make the Order of the Arrow a better organization for the other brothers.

Chris has also been active in other areas of Scouting. He has worked at Summer Camp for the past two summers, and he also went to Philmont this summer. Chris is a hard worker, but he will need the support of every member of the O.A.

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be installed at the Fall Fellowship.

The problem of late registration at O.A. weekends was discussed. Because of the problem of getting enough food for those registering late, it was requested that any late registrations would be turned away.

Respectively Submitted,
Bruce Davidson,
Recording Secretary.

1967-1968 LODGE OFFICERS

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KNOW YOUR LODGE OFFICERS

Cliff Sleeman - Corresp. Secretary

Cliff Sleeman is your new corresponding secretary and editor of the KECOUGHTAN KRYER. Cliff has been in Scouts since 1958 when he started in Cub Scouts. Cliff is presently in Troop 3, where he holds the position of Senior Patrol Leader. He has held the past positions of Asst. Patrol Leader and Patrol Leader.

This summer he spent most of his time in a tent. At the end of June he left for Philmont Scout Ranch. After he got back he went to the Council Scout Camp. A week later Cliff attended Schiff Scout Reservation where he took the N.J.L.I.T.C. course.

Cliff came in the Order of the Arrow in August of 1966. He is now a Brotherhood member. This past year Cliff served on the Unit Elections Committee and dance team. He also danced at the 1967 Pow-Wow with the dance team.

Cliff needs the support this year from all brothers, so let's give our best effort and pitch in this year to make this our best year.

WHY ORDER OF THE ARROW?

As we start a new activity year and welcome many new brothers, we may be helped by looking again at:

THE PURPOSE OF THE ORDER

The Order of the Arrow emphasizes that a good Scout camper is not only proficient in the skills of Scoutcraft but also practices the principles of Scouting expressed in the Scout Oath and Law and in the tradition of Good Turn. Particular attention is paid to cheerful service as an essential to a happy camping experience. True brotherhood exists among those who exhibit these traits in their daily lives.

PRINCIPLES OF THE ORDER

The Order exists primarily as a service organization and especially emphasizes cheerful service in the camping part of the program. It is democratic in character. Boys are elected to membership by the members of their own Scout troop or Explorer post. They elect their own officers, plan their own program, and carry out service projects under their own leadership. Adults act as advisers and counselors but do not run the affairs of the local lodges. Membership is granted to boys and adults on the basis of "not so much for what they have done but for

what they are expected to do" in service to their fellow men.

Membership in the Order stems from the home unit and serves to strengthen a member's responsibility to his own unit rather than to draw him away in another program of activities and service projects.

The Order of the Arrow is not a secret society. An air of mystery does surround its ceremonies and meetings, but this is done because of its appeal to boys. Scout leaders, clergymen, educators, parents, and others who wish to know the full story of the Order may easily find the answers to their questions by inquiring through their council office.

Spiritual values in the Order of the Arrow seek to glorify the principles of a Scout's duty to God, his country, and his fellow man.

Order of the Arrow membership is contingent upon registered membership in Boy Scouts of America. All members, in order to stay active in the Order of the Arrow, must maintain their registration.



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Check the 8 groups of characters on the top line against these explanations: FIRST: Your membership number. It is new. Lean it and use it. SECOND: O.A. Rank (V=Vigil; B=Brotherhood; O=Ordeal) and year you got it. THIRD: Year you first joined the O. A. FOURTH: Your Peninsula Council District (1=Northern; 2=Eastern; 3=Western; 4=Central) FIFTH: Your Troop, Post, or other Scouter job. SIXTH: Month & year of your birth. SEVENTH: O.A. job, if any. EIGHTH: Last digit of the year for which your dues are paid.

IF ASTERISKS ARE IN ANY OF THE GROUPS (except Group 7), THEY MEAN WE DO NOT HAVE YOUR COMPLETE RECORD. THAT'S BAD!

Next, check your name and address. Is your name spelled correctly? Do we show both of your initials? Is the address correct and complete, particularly the ZIP code?

HELP US KEEP YOU INFORMED!!! Please send or phone corrections, plus information to replace those asterisks, to your Recording Secretary, Bruce Davidson, 427 Melville Rd., Hampton, Virginia 23361, phone 722-2114.

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