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"FROM THE LITTLE ACORN THE MIGHTY OAK TREE GROWS"

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SUMMER CAMP '68

SEPTEMBER ORDEAL 6-8

On August 10th, Camp Chickahominy Peninsula Scout Reservation closed for its third time after another great year. Over 1,000 Scouts enjoyed their week at camp by boating, swimming, shooting at the rifle and archery range, camping, and hiking, or like many Scouts-eating at the Trading Post.

I think, most of all, the people who went to camp this year noticed a few changes for the better. One big change was the stoves. They had new steel tops which allowed the patrol chefs to cook on a flat surface.

Another topic frequently discussed was the staff. Three-quarters of them were our O. A. brothers. Many Scouts felt the staff had really improved since last year and that they got more individual assistance on advancement.

The week nights at camp were much more exciting than those of last year. After their first meal at camp, the Scouts attended the welcoming campfire to start their adventures off with a bang. On Tuesday night, while the Scoutmasters attended a steak dinner in their honor, the Scouts went on an "Adventure Trail" to demonstrate their abilities in Scoutcraft skills. Wednesday brought the mid-week campfire, which was followed on Thursday night by the all-too-familiar "Water Carnival". To most

Our annual summer ordeal on September 6 - 8 should be a real swinging affair. Don't take a chance on missing it. With the 100 members inducted during the June ordeal and another 100 expected this time, it could well turn out to be the biggest event in Kecoughtan Lodge's 17-year history!

Work parties on Saturday will have much to do, and time worked will count for patch hours. We have 14 big projects to work on. The main ones are putting protective boxes around water control valves; readying pioneering wood for the Golden Anniversary Encampment; clearing brush from the burn area, improving the O. A. Ceremonial Ring; and getting roads and trails "winterproofed."

The Sunday business meeting will interest everyone. Throughout the weekend, Fellowship is the theme - so let's all go to the ordeal and live up to our promise of CHEERFUL SERVICE.

Scouts this was one of the main highlights of the week. Canoe and swimming races, a greased watermelon contest, and, of course, the Staff vs. Scoutmasters Canoe Battle. On Friday night the campfire and the O. A. Tap-Out brought the last night of camp to a memorable close.

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EDITOR'S SMOKE SIGNALS



A year has now passed since I was elected as Corresponding Secretary and Editor of this newsletter. During this time I have seen many great things happen for Kecoughtan Lodge. We are growing larger in number (100 new members inducted in June) and being noticed more and more by other lodges in Area III-C. At the Pow-Wow Kecoughtan Lodge walked away with first place awards in the "Onward Arrowman" display and the newsletter competition. A lot of people worked hard for these honors, but we still do not have complete cooperation in everything we do.

I would like to thank these people for their assistance with the newsletter: Tommy Long, John Gourley, Walt Gibbons, Larry Adams, Parke Jones, and our secretaries Miss Odell and Miss Forsyth. Most of all I would like to thank Mr. Tudder for all the help he has given me with the Kryer. I remember when it was announced at the Pow-Wow that Kecoughtan Lodge had taken first place in the newsletter competition, Mr. Tudder was so excited he broke a piece of wood he had been carving on that morning.

I look forward to seeing the Kryer even better than it was this year. There is NO reason why Kecoughtan Lodge should not be able to win first place at the Pow-Wow next year.

Good luck to the new Editor, Corky Whitehead, and I leave him a lot of hard work and a box of old Kecoughtan Kryers.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Cliff Sleeman
Editor 1967-1968



Brothers,

I would like to congratulate all of the new members and to thank those who have helped our lodge in the past year. I hope the new members will all sign up on at least one committee and put their hearts into our order. The same goes for those old members who have not lived up to what they promised to do upon entering our order.

I would like to encourage all O. A. members to re-read the O. A. Handbook and to become familiar with all new O. A. rule changes. The O. A. should not draw you away from your troop, but aid you in improving it. Any questions you may have about the O. A. can easily be cleared up if you will call me.

Three new committees have been formed for the coming O. A. year. The Ceremonial Team, headed by Tommy Long; the Service Committee, headed by Dale Lewis and Kirby Salada; and the Membership Committee, headed by Parry Bragg. These young men will need support in the coming year and I know you will give it to them.

Another matter to consider is Chapter Operations. Jack Leiss, the new Recording Secretary, is heading the drive for chapters. If you all will support these chapters, our Lodge will be stronger and better organized.

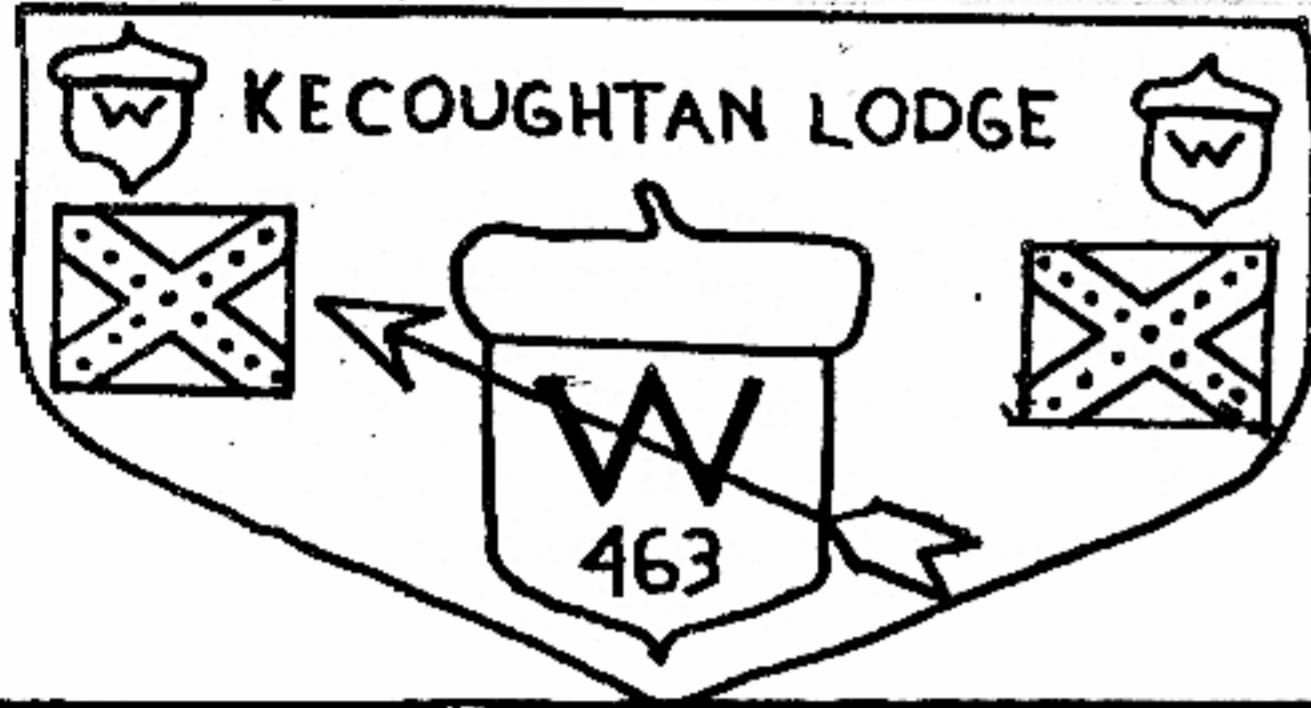
All the things I mentioned above are necessary to make our Lodge run smoothly. The new slate of officers is a great one. Support them! With your help Kecoughtan Lodge will become the best Lodge in Area III-C.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Chris Smith
Lodge Chief

WHAT YOUR LODGE FLAP PATCH MEANS

The chain of brotherhood, signified by the unbroken stitch bordering our patch, is also shown in the three "W's" imposed on its face. The red arrow pointing toward the right shoulder reminds us of the nationwide Order of the Arrow to which we belong. They also remind us to live up to the Admonition. The black background stands for the secrecy of the traditions of the Order and willingness to keep them within the Order.

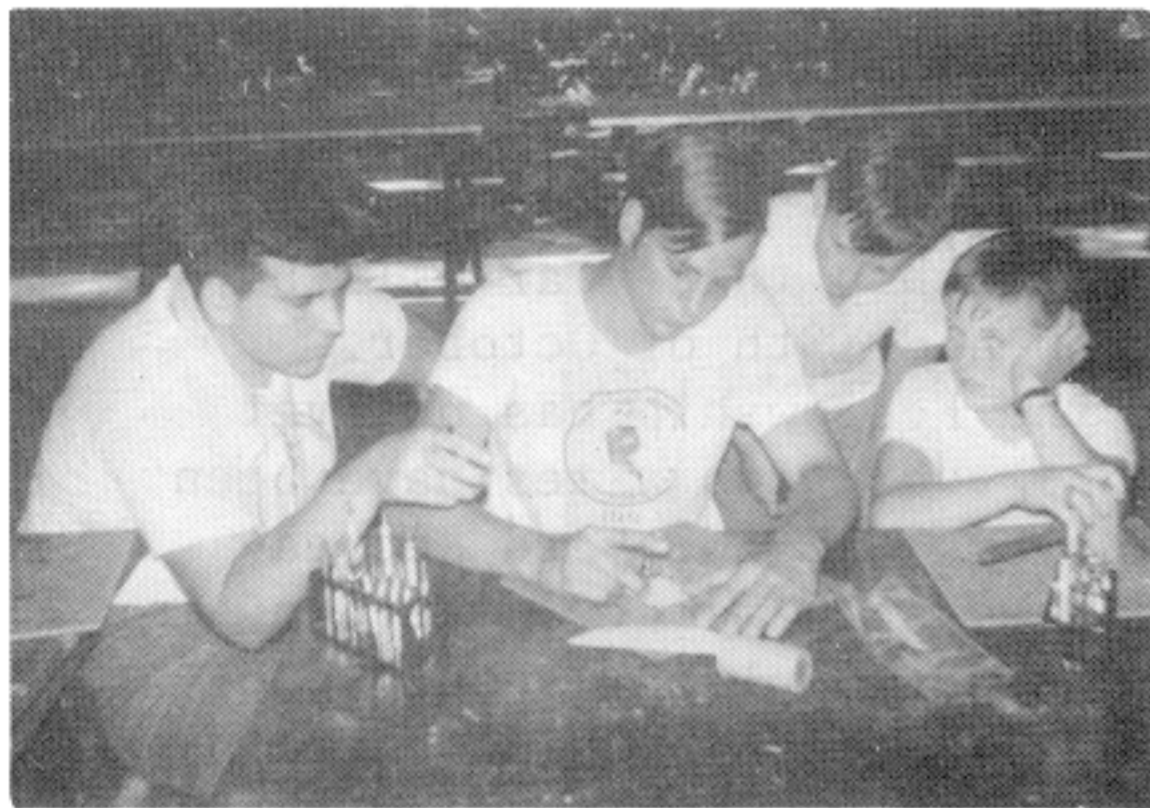
In the center and top corners there are three acorns. The three stands for the three points of the Scout Oath and W.W.W. which we, as Scouts and brothers, promise to uphold. The acorns signify the forests of oak that were so bountiful in this region. They also symbolize that from small deeds and thoughtfulness great things grow.



The silver lettering stands for the brightness of our deeds that we will not tarnish in our striving and endeavors. We will always be guided by cheerful service to others rather than to ourselves.

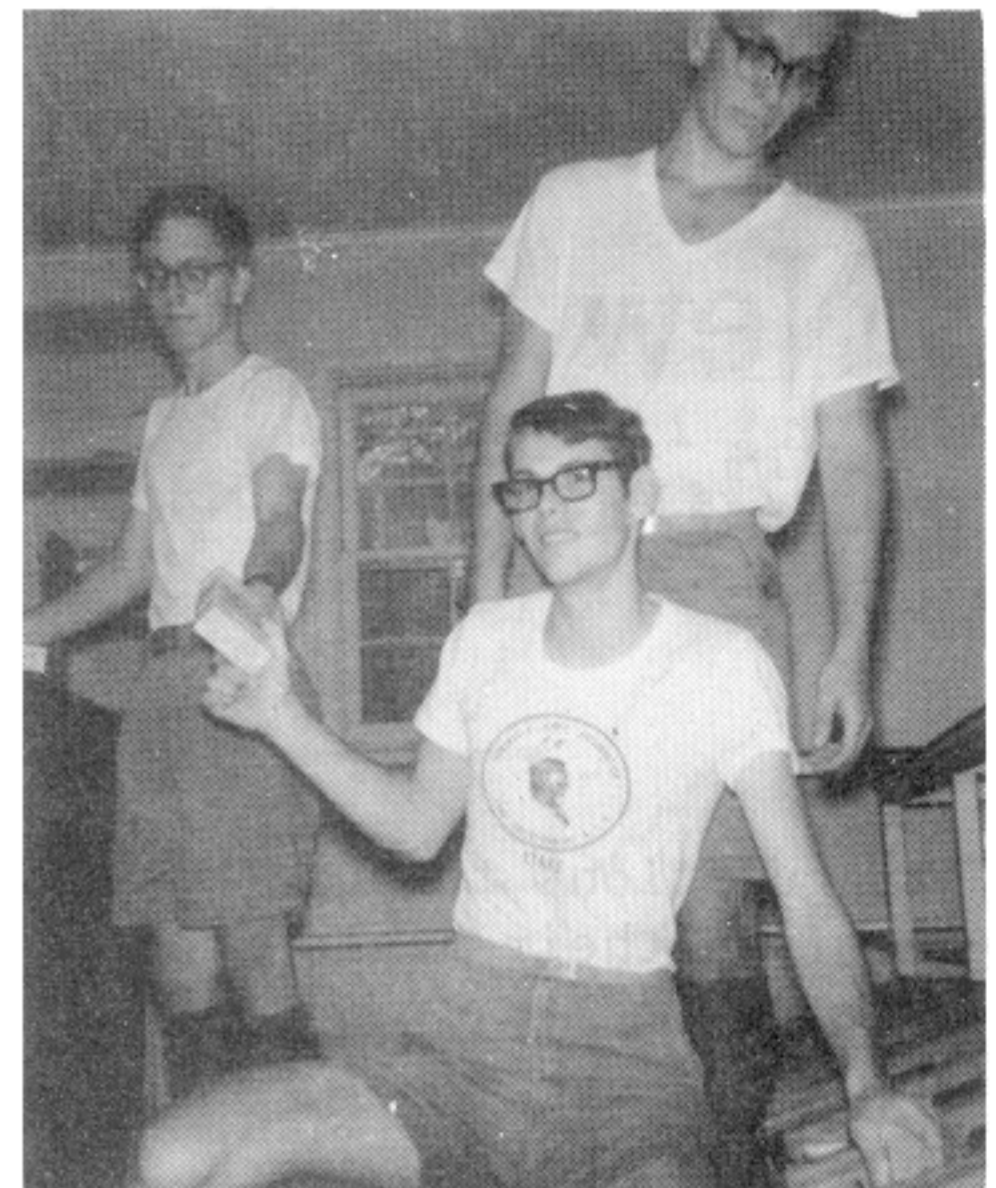
The two Confederate flags symbolize Southern heritage and traditions of bravery and gallantry which in all ages keep man true to their individual beliefs, even against overwhelming odds.

SUMMER CAMP



LEFT- Donnie Buck and John Moore show two scouts the basics of leathercraft merit badge.

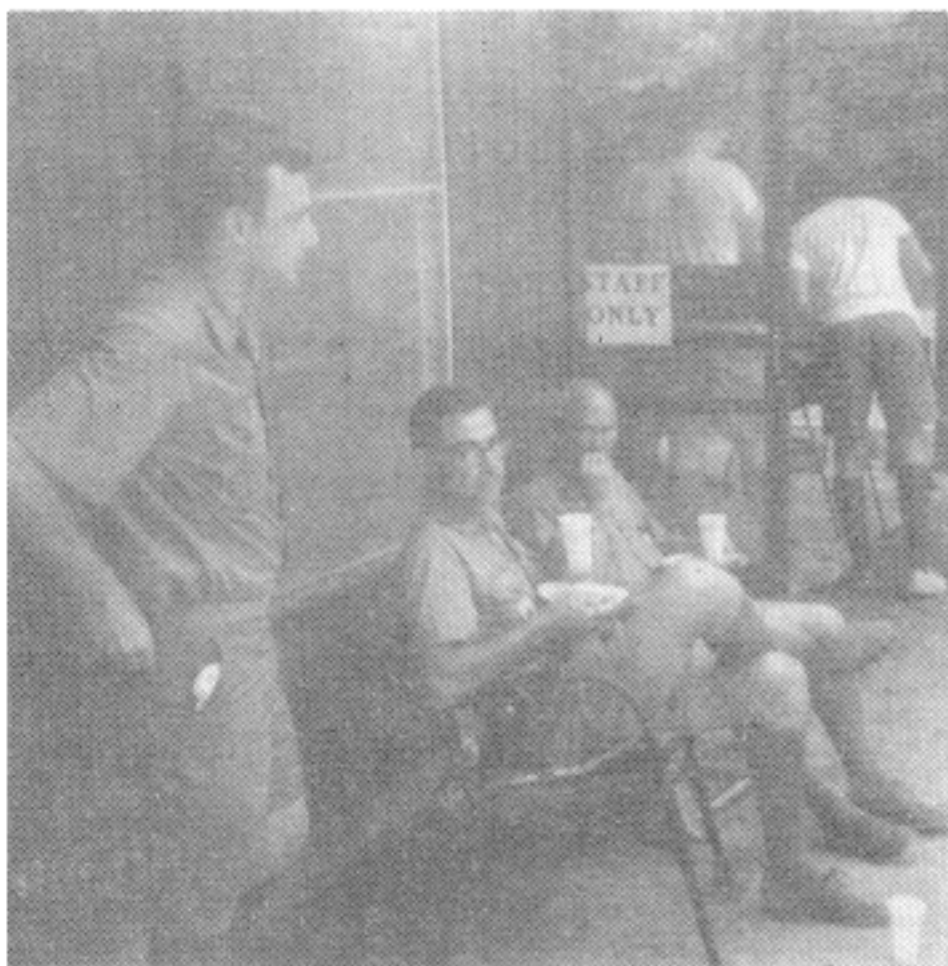
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ABOVE RIGHT →

John Bishop, Dale Lewis, and Kirby Salada (kneeling) help pack the food for the hungry campers.

LEFT- Jim Allen, Mr. Nolan, and Mr. Quick ponder over their Japanese dinner.



notice!

A new ceremonial team has been formed within Kecoughtan Lodge. This team will be responsible for all tap-outs, Ordeal Ceremonies, and all Brotherhood Ceremonies. This team DOES NOT replace the dance team.

Materials have been ordered to make costumes which will be as closely related to the Kecoughtan Indians as possible. This is going to be a big job and help will be appreciated.

Also, understudies for all parts will be needed as well as some minor parts to be filled. It is hoped that more members of the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service will respond and help out this newly-formed team. If you are interested in becoming a member of this group contact Tommy Long, whose phone number is 596-1887.

KNOW YOUR LODGE OFFICERS

Bob Barclay - Treasurer

Bob Barclay joined Boy Scouts in 1959 and became an Ordeal member of Kecoughtan Lodge in 1961. Not long afterward he received his Eagle Scout Award. In 1966 he obtained his Vigil Honor after seven years of cheerful service to Scouting.

Bob has attended five Area III-C Pow-Wows and the 1965 National O. A. Conference. In addition, he attended the National Jamboree at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. He has held the offices of Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Lodge Chief, and is now Treasurer.

Bob will be at the Commonwealth of Virginia University again this year, but he has yet to miss a Lodge Meeting.

New Eagles



Contragulations to our brothers who have received their Eagle Scout Award. They are:

Linwood Mayo - Troop 75
Daniel Pritchard - Troop 127
Richard W. Reaves - Troop 75

This award represents a goal which they have reached. How many of you brothers will reach this goal?

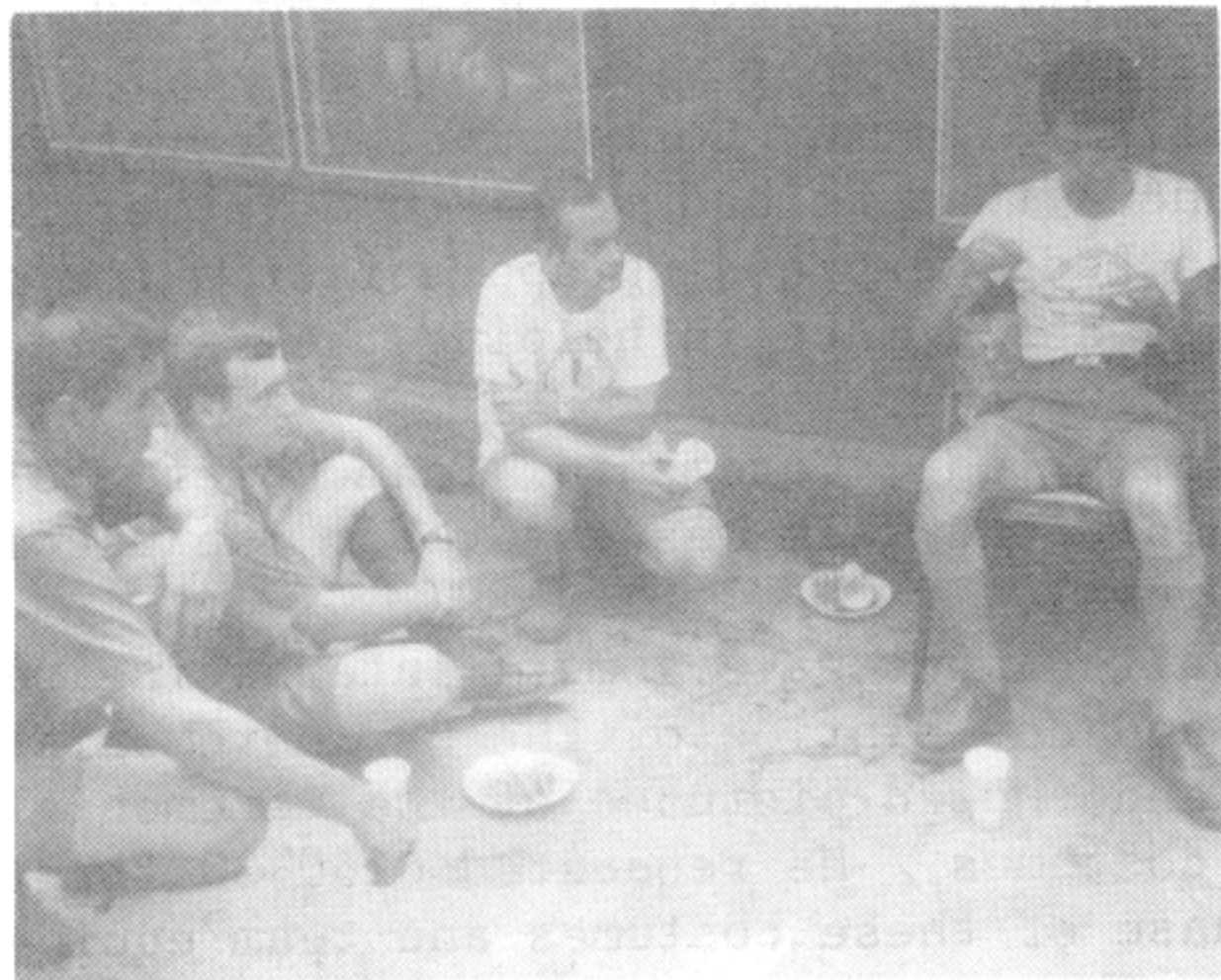
FALL FELLOWSHIP APPROACHES

The Fall Fellowship this year will be held on the 12th and 13th of October. The place for the Fellowship has not yet been decided; however, two sites have been proposed. They are the Shipyard Recreation Area and the 4-H Camp at Jamestown.

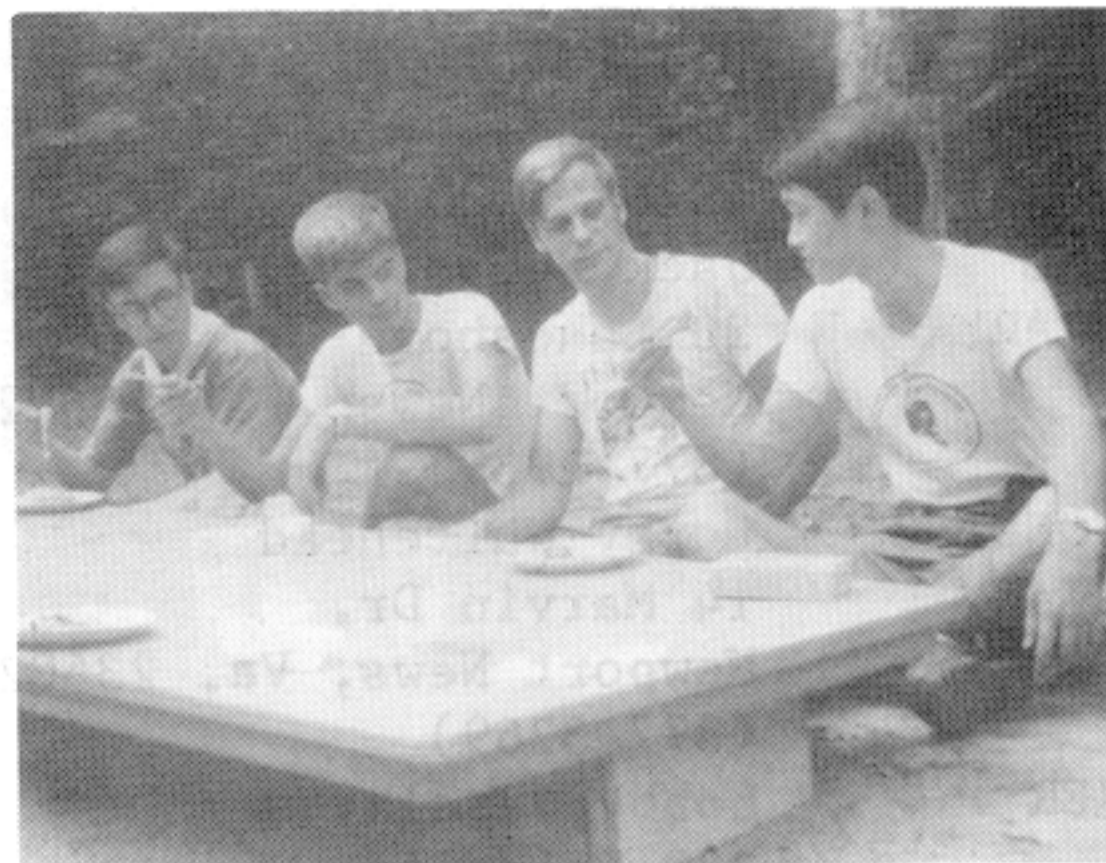
Either of these two places should produce a whiz-bang Fellowship which certainly will be remembered. Keep in mind that in order to remain active you must attend either the Fall Fellowship or the Christmas Banquet, which will be on the 27th of December. Of course you won't want to miss either of them since they are both strictly fun get-togethers.

Patches for both of these events have already been designed by the newly-formed Service Committee. Both patches look to be some of the best designed in several years.

THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR HAD TO HIDE HIS FISH

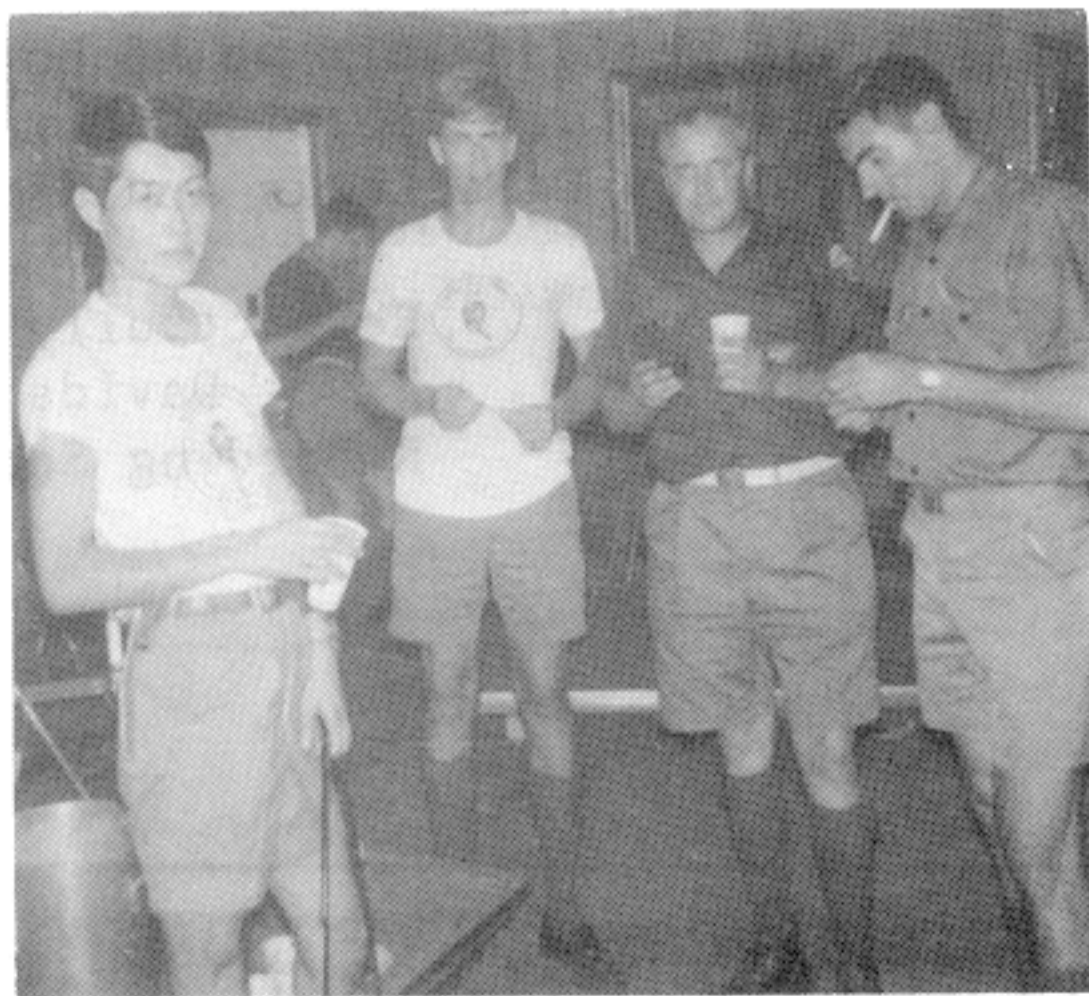


Larry Hayes, Jim Allen, Dave (Doc) Horton watch Masanori Fujimura consume his meal with ease.



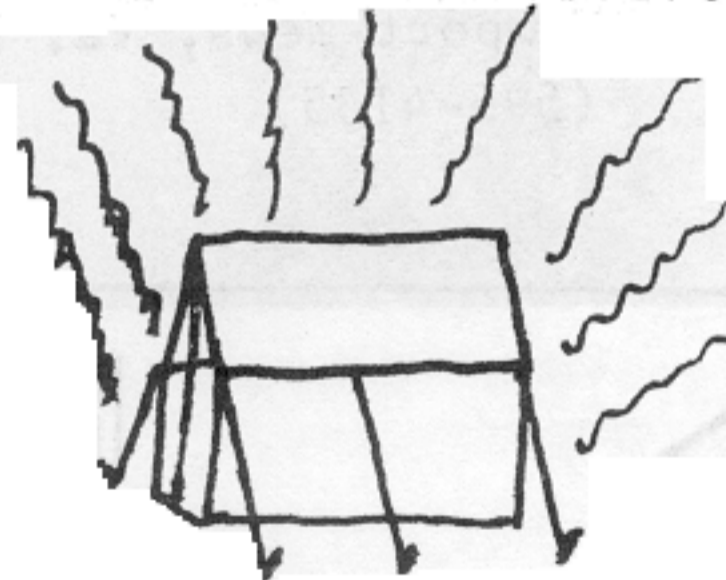
Masanori shows John Moore, Bruce Davidson and John Bishop the proper way to handle chopsticks.

UNDER HIS TENT PLATFORM

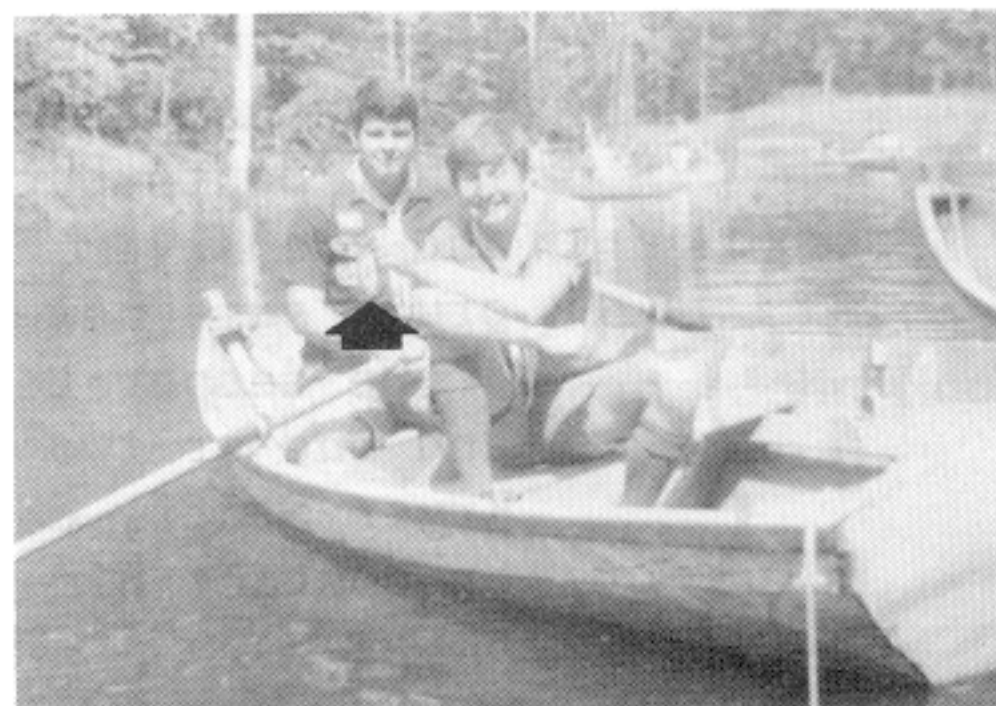


← (R. to L.) Larry Hayes, Bill Bailey Cliff Sleeman and Masanori relax after their oriental dinner.

TO KEEP THE



RIGHT- Tommy Long and Bruce Venable show that they are better boatmen than fisherman. (Tommy is holding the, fish?)



HUNGRY STAFF AWAY FROM THEM...

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AUGUST EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES

The August Executive Board Meeting was held on August 6, 1968 at Camp Chickahominy. The meeting was opened with the Obligation, lead by Lodge Chief, Chris Smith. The minutes of the last meeting were then read, corrected, and approved.

Cliff Sleeman, Corresponding Secretary, announced that he had received a letter from Tipisa Lodge expressing appreciation for our Lodge's assistance in helping them start their newspaper.

Tommy Long, Ceremonial Team Chief, told the board the team was ready for the upcoming Ordeal.

Walt Davies gave a most interesting report and description of the new Ceremonial Ring and showed pictures of the Ceremonial Team costumes. He requested \$160.00 for the purchase of these costumes and team equipment. The request was approved.

Lodge Chief Chris Smith informed the board that an Area III-C Training Conference will be held September 13 - 15 at Camp Rock Enon for the purpose of training newly elected officers and committeemen.

It was pointed out that there is a need for someone to design future Lodge patches. It was decided this would be the responsibility of the Service Committee, Co-Chaired by Dale Lewis and Kirby Salada.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Davidson
Recording Secretary, '67-'68

KRYER STAFF KRYES FOR HELP!!

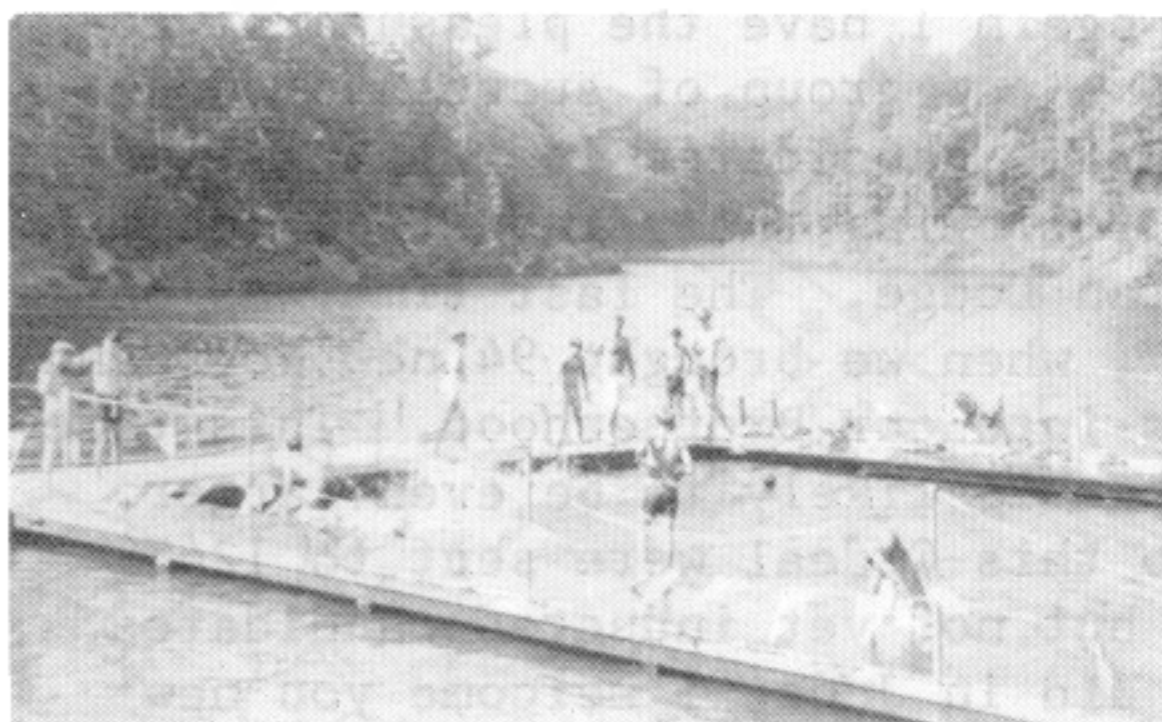
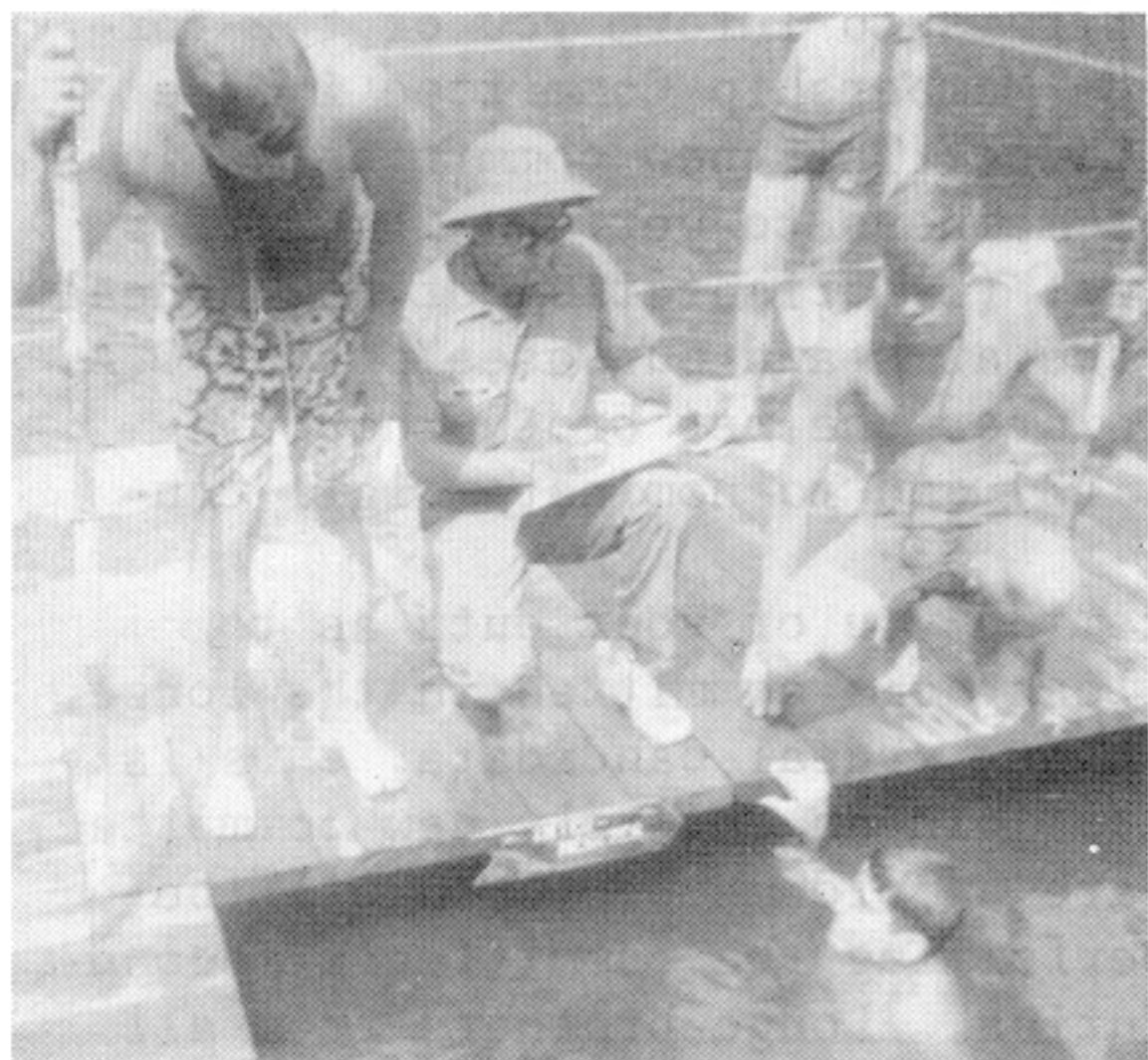
The '67 - '68 Kryer Staff worked with great diligence the past year to make our Lodge newspaper the best in Area III-C - a goal which they accomplished through a lot of hard work.

By September our membership will have doubled since last year and the Kryer Staff will be greatly handicapped unless we can recruit some new members to help us.

We desperately need a cartoonist, several writers, a photographer, and one or two good typists. If anyone is interested in joining the Kryer Staff, call Corky Whitehead, whose phone number is on this page, or contact him at the Ordeal on September 6 - 7.

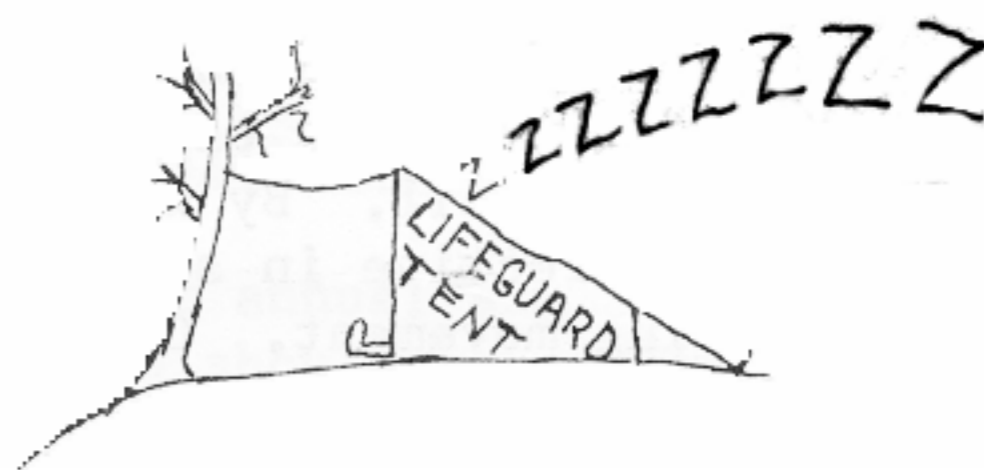


THE ALERT WATERFRONT STAFF MADE SURE EVERYONE
MADE IT BACK TO SHORE,

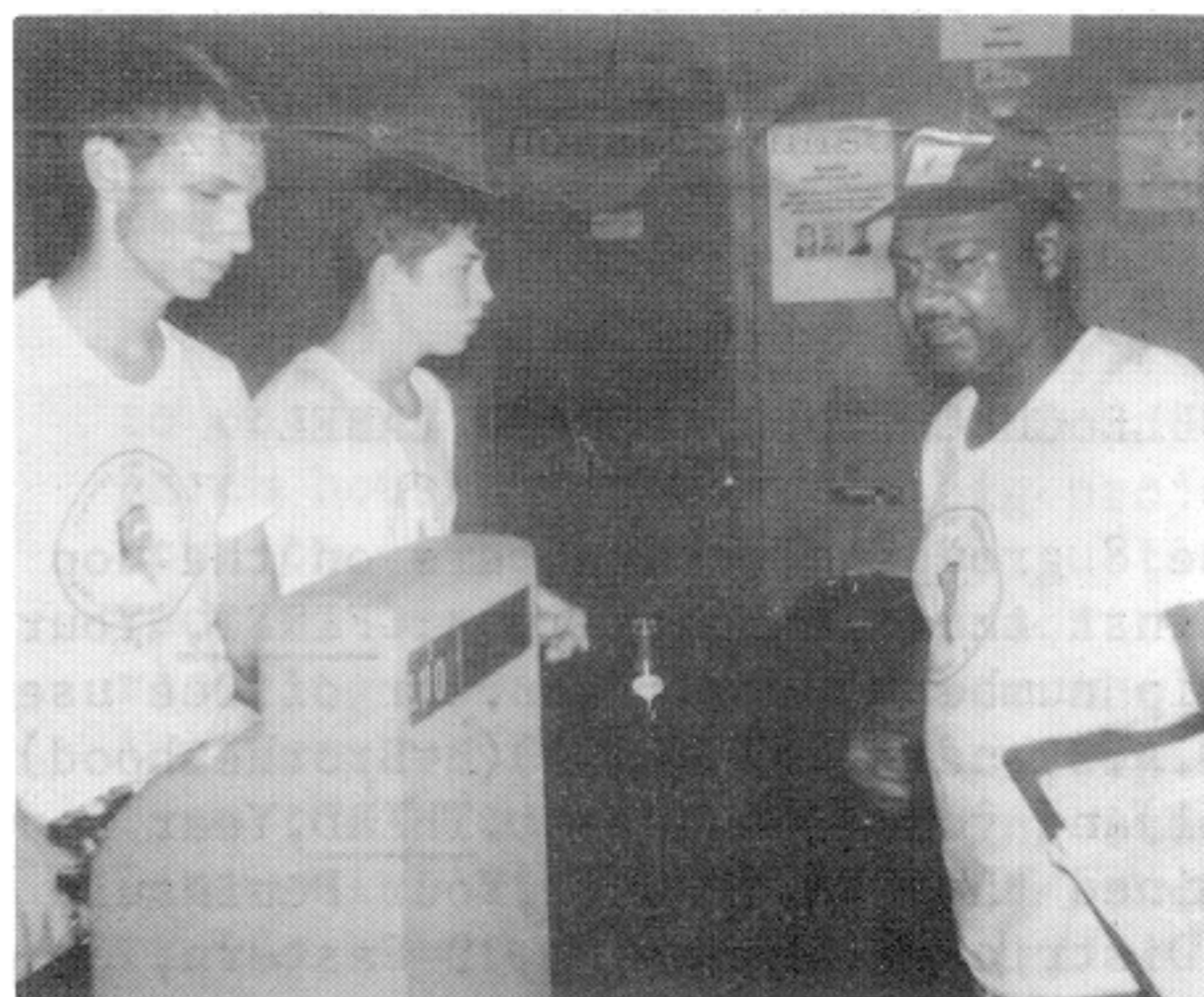


The swimming area at Camp Chickahominy.

ABOVE- Pat Armstrong, Joe Langford and Cliff Sleeman kept watchful eyes over the troop swims during the camp.

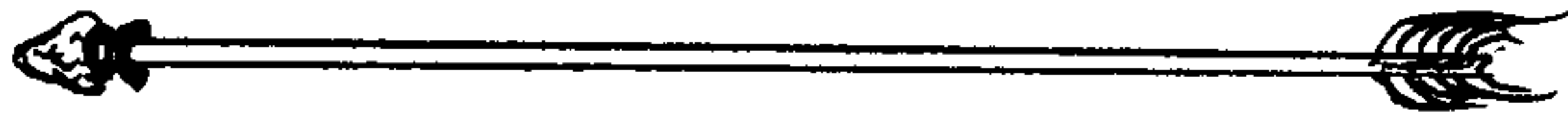


RIGHT - (L. to R.) Bill Notbohm and Ricky Thortan make a sale to Mr. Holmes in the Trading Post.



← LEFT - Staff members enjoy their stew at the chopstick dinner. (L. to R.) Bruce Davidson, Larry Hayes, Ed Richardson, Eric Plikard, Larry Sutton, Danny Pritchard, Joe Langford, Corkey Whitehead, John Moore.

WITAWEMATPANNI GEGEYJUMHET



Once again I have the pleasure of addressing a new group of successful Order of the Arrow candidates in writing immediately following their induction into Kecoughtan Lodge. The last time was on June 15th, when we brought 94 new boys and Scouters into our Brotherhood. This time the number is likely to be even larger. Calls to this Ordeal were sent to 124 elected but not yet inducted candidates.

As I did in June, I welcome you new members into your lodge. Again I urge all members, both the oldest and newest, to seek ways in which the Order of the Arrow can make Scouting better for more boys. The most sure way is to take an active part in organizing and administering the chapter we hope to see emerge in each district of Peninsula Council. By working together we are more effective in support of the outdoor Scouting movement. Great things are ahead for the Boy Scouts of America. Let's put Kecoughtan Lodge in the vanguard!

Bailey Tudor
Lodge Adviser

Dear Brothers,

This letter is to inform you of the formation of the Membership Committee in the Kecoughtan Lodge. This new committee is in dire need of members to perform its duties which include: (1) orientation of new ordeal members to the aims and purposes of the O.A. (2) to administer the new brotherhood requirements, (3) and to nominate vigil candidates.

Let me remind you of your duty as to joining at least one committee in the lodge. If you are a new ordeal candidate, this is the chance to join an entirely new committee, and if you are an old member, you will be needed in performing the committee's second and third duties. Lodge brothers from all four districts are needed in this committee.

If you are interested in joining this committee, contact either Lew Andrews (128 Botetourt Rd., Newport News, 23601, phone 596-1180) or me (142 Alleghany Rd., Hampton, 23361, phone 722-7321).

Thank you,
Parry Bragg



DOUBLE CHECK YOUR ADDRESS LABEL

Check the 8 groups of characters on the top line against these explanations: FIRST, Your membership number. It is for our office use. SECOND, O.A. standing. (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 Scouting job. SIXTH, Month & year of your birth. SEVENTH, O.A. job, if any. EIGHTH, last digit of the year for which dues are paid.

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

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

HELP US KEEP YOU INFORMED. Please send or phone corrections and information to replace those asterisks to your Recording Secretary, Jack Leiss, 20 Lakeshore Dr., Newport News, Va. 23602, phone 877-2939.

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