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"FROM THE LITTLE ACORN, THE MIGHTY OAK TREE GROWS"

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CAMP CHICKAHOMINY 1969

Another season of summer camp has passed at Camp Chickahominy. Once again more than a thousand campers have 1 ft with satisfied smiles on their faces, signifying hopes of returning next summer to an even better time at camp.

Every Sunday afternoon between one and two o'clock troops checked in to begin a busy but fun-filled week. The opening day at camp was scheduled for the troops to take a full guided tour. Sunday nights gave the campers a chance to meet most of the staff that they would become acquainted with during the week. Almost ninety percent of the Staff were O/A members at the beginning of summer, and in the upcoming Ordeal, more will be inducted into our Lodge. After the campfire, the most popular area in camp, the Trading Post, was opened.

Monday mornings brought about registration for instruction in the various merit badge program areas and the beginning of a full week of hard work.

During the next two days of the week, troops could plan numerous activities such as canoe trips on the Chickahominy River, outpost camp trips, hikes, and even their own troop swims separate from the regular swimming area.

Thursday afternoons brought the Pancake Toss, the Water Carnival, and the Turtle race. No matter how hard the Staff tried, the troops always came across to win every race and competition. After all the separate races had been run, the troops prepared their supper in front of the Service Center by cooking aluminum foil zip packs. Though a few scouts said they didn't like the meal, most said they enjoyed it because they were busy consuming what they had cooked themselves, and they had mastered the skill of "utensilless" cooking.

Friday brought a busy day for all, because this was when many requirements for the harder merit badges had to be completed.

Friday night campfires brought out a feeling of accomplishment for both the campers and the Staff. The Staff knew they had aided many boys in becoming more able scouts. The campers knew they had learned more of the ability to live in peace with one another, and to live in the spirit of Brotherhood, a quality upon which our Order is founded. Each Friday night was memorably concluded with the Order of the Arrow tap out.

Saturday mornings came and the troops were ready to get home. So, after the checkout, the closing ceremonies, and a lunch prepared by the Staff, camp was dismissed. All of the campers headed home with tired but happy smiles on their faces.

by George Barnes.

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THE EDITOR'S SIGNALS

Brothers

Once again another year has passed, and another slate of officers will officially be taking office in another few weeks. Several of the old officers will become chapter or even Lodge officers, and several will be going away to college.

Most of the officers, myself included, have immensely enjoyed their terms. I know for myself, that it has been an experience I shall never forget. I can honestly say that the issues I edited, especially this one, have been the best I could have produced.

It has been a long year, and although we didn't win the newsletter competition, I know the Kryer Staff has done their best.

This year's Staff has really outdone themselves. They are the ones who deserve the credit for the newspaper. They have written articles, drawn cartoons, and generally have done everything to make this the best newspaper ever in the lodges' history. I would personally and publicly like to thank them. They are:

Sam Fairchild George Barnes Bruce Brown Donald Leiss Jay Ward

I hope all of these brothers will continue to work on the newspaper under Bruce Brown, as I will. I hope they and everyone will give Bruce as much cooperation as they have given me this year.

Yours in Brotherhood, Corky Whitehead FROM THE CHIEF'S TEPEE



As my first duty as incoming chief, I would like to thank all of you who supported me in the election and in the past year. Without all of your help, we would not have been able to have such a successful year just gone by. By the same token, it will take the same, and more, cooperation in the coming year to do an even better job in our lodge.

In September we will be having our first event of the new year and I hope to see as many brothers there as possible. Plans are to work on the lake after the Ranger, Mr. Pyle, lowers the water level 4 feet, and clear the areas of brush. Other projects to be completed include: work on the Ceremonial ring, a water-line to the council-fire circle, work in the campsites, and all around worthwhile projects to improve camp for ourselves and our fellow Scouts.

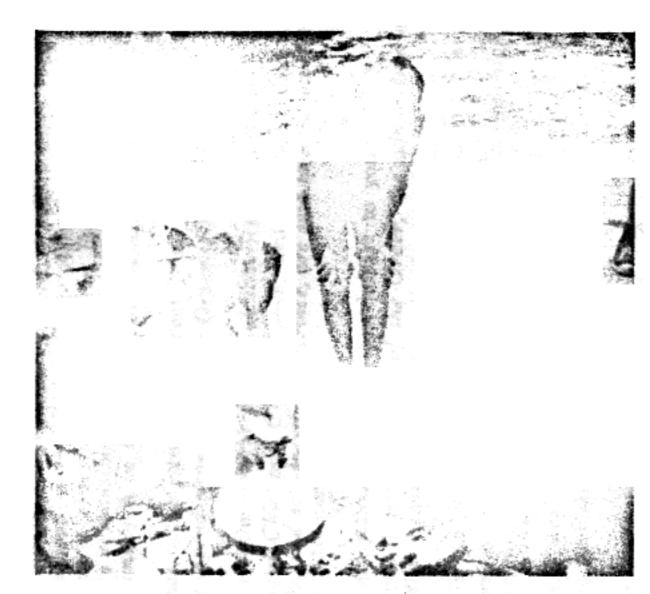
Also at the Ordeal-Fellowship we will induct new Brotherhood members into the lodge and I would like to see all of you who are eligible to attain this honor. As a part of the Project 76 and the National Standard Lodge, we must have 50% of our members Brotherhood so let's strive for that this year.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Ordeal-Fellowship and all of the other events in the coming year so this will be truly the best year Kecoughtan has ever had.

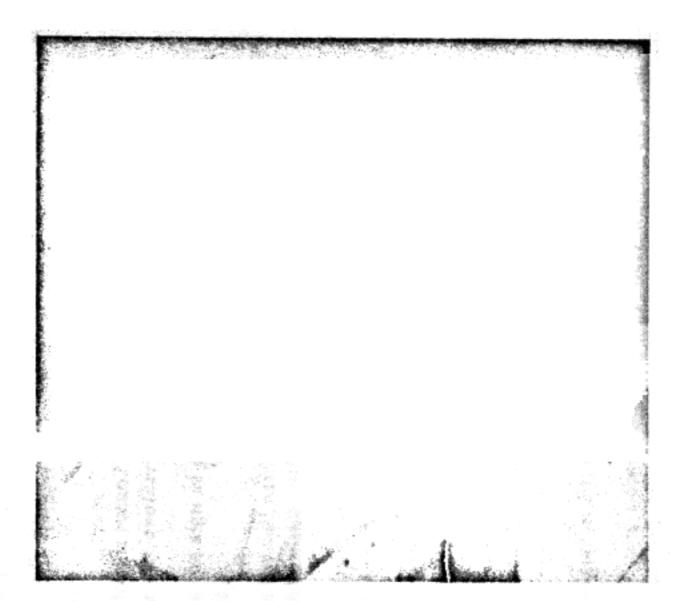
Yours in service,

Larry C. Sutton, Chief Elect

HIGHLIGHTS OF SUMMER CAMP



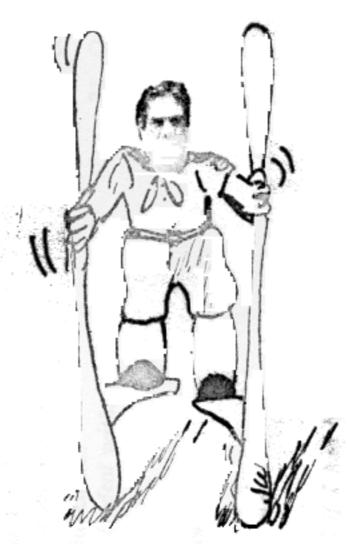
"Burn, Fire, Burn!"



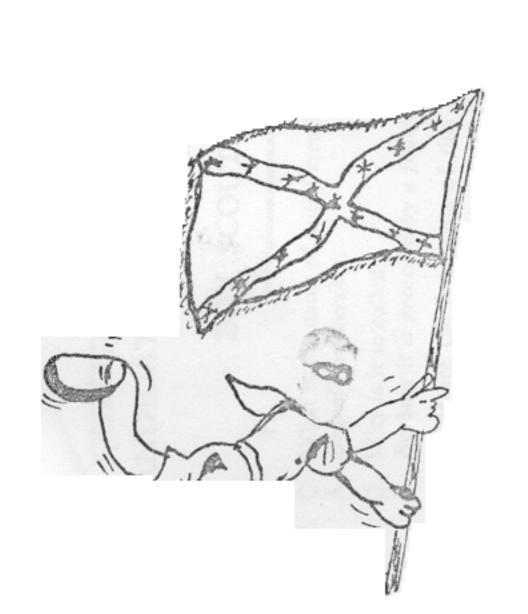
"Would you believe Allowat Sakima?"



"It's my ball and we play by my rules.



Gee, Mate, you didn't have to throw it so hard!"



"Well, Ed, nonody's perfect."

Page CANDIDATES for BROTHERHOOD MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONNAIRE FOR EXAMINATION OF BOY ORDER OF THE ARROW SCOUTS Q

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- Ö What is the name of initial membership in the Order of the Arrow? Ordeal membership
- Ö Why is it so called?

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- Because it is preceded by a fourfold Ordeal.
- ç What are the four parts of this Ordeal and their respective purposes? A night of camping
- twenty-four and a like crduous hours s of scant food, to period of sile aione under the heavens, to prove my self-reliance; toil, to indicate my willingness to serve others; of scant food, to demonstrate my power of selfto turn my thoughts inward.
- ٠ Ö How were you prepared for the Ordeal?
- > I was led by Kichkinet to the north end of the camp, significance of the Arrow was first revealed as I tested the where
- 'n When you had completed the Ordeal, how were you dealt with?
- I was placed on the trail which leads to the circle of the lodge.
- ö **≥** Ø By whom were you first stopped as you approached the circle?
- By Nutiket, the guard, who asked if I had passed the Ordeal without
- Ö Who next barred your further progress?
- > Meteu, who inquired if I had been given the admonition
- Ö Had you been given the admonition?
- > I had not, but Kichkinet, my guide had, and gave it for me.
- Ö Before whom did you then at last arrive?

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- > Before Allowat Sakima, the chief of the fire, who asked if I had been completely prepared to receive the Obligation.
- Ö What was Kichkinet's reply to this inquiry?

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- > Only in the binding of them together.
- Ξ Ö How did Kichkinet call the attention of each of these officers to your
- ? By three taps of the hand upon the right shoulder
- 12 0 What did these three taps signify?
- The three parts of the Scout Oath or Promise
- 13. O How did each of the others respond to Kichkinet's taps?
- P By one tap, followed by two taps, on the right shoulder.
- 7 0 What did these taps represent?
- The twelve points of the Scout Law.
- 5. How were you and your companions bound together?
- which, until we took the Obligation, represented our tie to
- ĕ How was your preparation for the Obligation completed?
- Nutiket directed me to hold my right hand at the Scout sign and repeat the Obligation after Allowat Sakima.

- 17 Q. A. Repeat the Obligation.
- I do her-hy promise on my honor as a Scout, that I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the traditions of the Order of the Arrow, WIMACHTENDIENK, WINGOLAUCHSIK, WITAHE-MUI, which I have now received. I will a ways regard the ties of Brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow as lasting, and will seek to preserve a cheerful spirit even in the midit of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, and will endeavor, so far as in my power lies, to be unselfish in service and devotion to the welfare of others.
- Ö In what did Meteu then instruct you?
- In the legend upon which our Order is founded.
- 19. Ö Who are the central figures of that legend?
- > The aged Chieftain, Chingachgook, and his son, Uncas, who by their cheerful and self-sacrificing service, are said to have saved the Delaware lodges from annihilation.
- 8 > 10 What did Allowat Sakima then impart to you?
- The symbol and handclast of the Order, the admonition and the sign Ordeal membership.
- 21. Ö What is the symbol of the Order?
- > The arrow, u whose underiating course when aimed high is 0 token
- 2 How is it worn?
- Pointing over the right shoulder
- Ö Give me the handclasp of our Order.

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- (Give it.)
- Ö ? How must the admonition always be given? Whispered in the ear.
- 23 Ö What is the admonition?
- > (Grove st.)
- O What does it mean?
- To love one another.
- Ö What is the sign of the Ordeal?
- > (Give it.)
- What is the full name of our Order?
- Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui.
- છ Ö In what language is it given?
- In the language of the Delaware Indians, the Lenni Lenape.
- Ö What is its meaning in English?
- The Brotherhood of Cheerful Service.
- Give the words (or sing) the Song of the Order.
- Firm bound in Brotherhood, gather the clan, That cheerful service brings to fellow man. Circle our council fire, weld tightly every link, That binds us in Brotherhood, Wi-mach-ten-dienk.

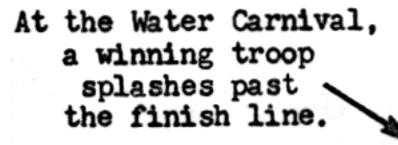
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Nature Director, performs the "Big Little" dance.

Right-Jerry Sims, Camp Medic, takes a break, t the waterfront.





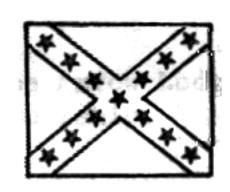




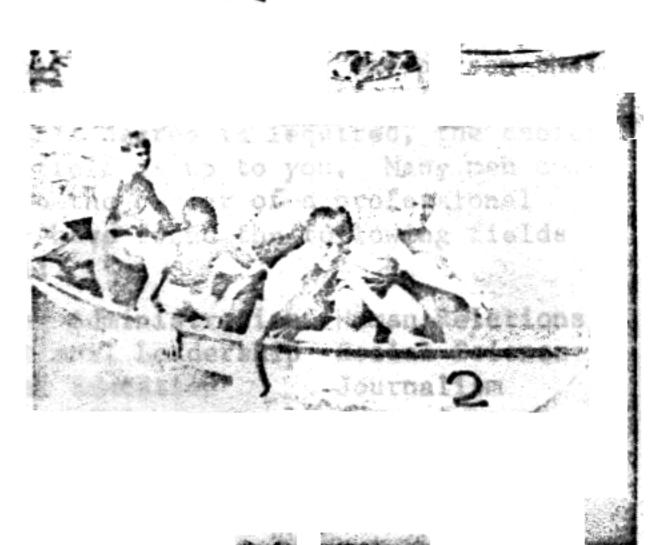


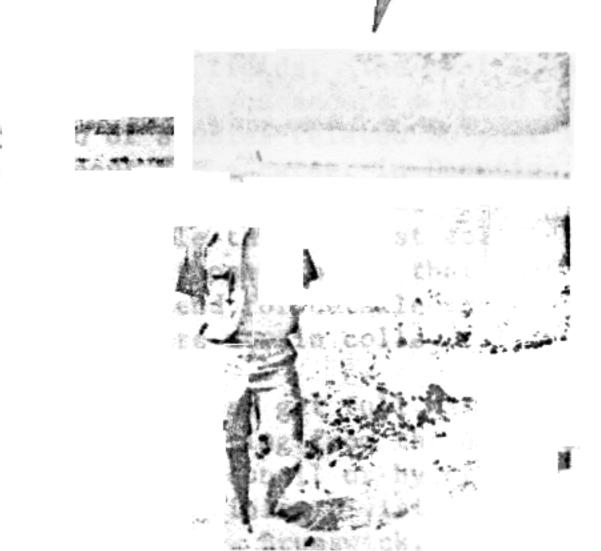


Above-Jay Essie Ward, Camp Commissioner, displays his dancing technique.



A beautiful face to fit a beautiful 'scene





TO: Ordeal Members with Membership Numbers Lower than 600

It has been at least 10 months since your induction into Ordeal membership.

If you have continued faithfully to serve your fellow men and meet the following requirements, you may now seal your membership in the Order of the Arrow through the Brotherhood Ceremony:

Registered active membership in Scouting

Registered active membership in the Order of the Arrow

Know the answers to the questions in the Brotherhood Questionnaire in a general way and be able to recite from memory "The Obligation" and "The Official Song".

Submit a written statement of from 100 to 200 words expressing your rededication to the principle of cheerful service to your fellow men, "He alone is worthy to wear the Arrow who will continue faithfully to serve his fellow Men".

An opportunity to reach full standing in our Order will be provided during the 1969 Summer Ordeal-Fellowship. It will be held on September 5-6-7 at Camp Chickahominy. Full details have been sent in a special mailing.

If you are prepared to grasp this opportunity, so mark the reservation form on that bulletin and return it with your fee to the Scout Office.

Please bring your written statement to camp. We do not expect a "school theme" kind of paper. Just tell us in simple words how you have an i will actually continue to serve Scouting and, through it, your fellow men.

Do your part in making Kecoughtan 463 a National Standard Order of the Arrow Lodge in BOYPOWER '76. Help us get and keep at least 50 percent Brotherhood membership.

This applies to both boys and adults.

From:

Your Lodge & Chapter Officers

PROFESSIONAL SCOUTING

Have you ever thought of becoming a professional scouter?

The requirements for becoming a professional aren't hard for any person that is willing to apply himself. Although a bachelor's degree is required, the choice of the field is up to you. Many men coming into the career of a professional Scouter have found the following fields helpful:

Business Administration Recreational Leadership Physical Education Political Science Public Relations Youth Leadership

Human Relations
Social Science
Journalism
Economics
Education
English

Other suggested areas of study might include accounting, biology, geography, government, history, humanities, and many various fields. The most important thing is that you secure a broad background of studies related to your interest and needs for a career in Scouting.

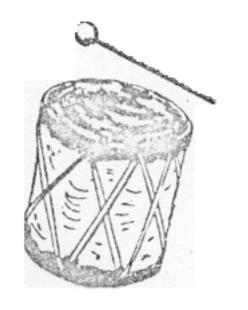
Scholarships and student aid programs are available through most colleges. Check with those schools that you would like to attend for detailed information; or if you are now in college, see your advisor.

You can also get full details about a career in Scouting from the Scout executive of the council or by writing to Personnel and Training Division, Boy Scouts of America, New Brunswick, N. J. 08903

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'YES, already 1970, the '69 camping season is now history. I would like to thank all members of the Kecoughtan Lodge for their help in making '69 a good season. The Winter ordeal and the spring ordeal surpassed all expectations in both attendance and work accomplished - this enabled our camp staff to devote more time to being a camp staff and less time to being a labor force - or perhaps I should say forced labor. Thanks also to those arrowmen who served on our campstaff you did a tremendous job. BUT lets look ahead instead of behind. We all must do an even better job during 1970 for our Lodge our Camp and our Council since progress is not made by standing still. As we begin to prepair for 1970 I would like to share with you a thought ... " It is to be hoped that one of our (O of A) greatest achievements will be the strengthening of the Scout movement as an out-of-door experience. In this respect we have a double task: We have a quant ty job to do, for still too large a percent of our troops and boys are NOT CAMPING. "e have a quality job to do to secure genuine camping that produces self-reliance in the individual camper. For out of life in the open comes a precious ingredient which our country needs if it is to survive--self-reliance that makes men strong in any time of stress.....In the Order each member is important, for what each member does counts in establishing the Order' success."..... look familiar it should, Written by E. Urner Goodman and found in the foreword of the O of A HANDBOOK. It would be a good idea if all Arrowmen read these two complete pages--then decide what YOU are going to do to make YOUR LODGE, CHAPTER, and most important YOUR SCOUT UNIT a better organization than it was during 1969.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Cliff Sleeman, past Kecoughtan Kryer editor, is a Disk Jockey for WTVR radio in Richmond on Sundays from 9:00 to 1:00;

Mr. Keith McGibbon, 1968 Camp Chickahominy Program Director, has started a chapter newsletter for Black Eagle Lodge in Transatlantic Council. He is staioned in Germany.

Charley Howe, Vigil Honor member of our lodge, now in cillege in Ohio, is an aide to the Talent Show Director in this year's 54th Anniversary National Order of the Arrow Conference. (We are sending 15 boys)

Mr Doug Braxton, an original member of Kecoughtan Lodge, is still active in Scouting and registered in the Lodge.

SPRING ORDEAL

This year's Summer Ordeal-fellowship will be held from September 5 to 7 at Camp Chickahominy. The main project for candidates and brothers alike will be improving the lake shore. As this should be the largest Ordeal in Kecoughtan history, with all the Scouts who were tapped out at Summer Camp participating, everyone will be anxious to attend.

There is a good chance that a delegation from Shenshawpotoo #276 may attend, as well as the Area III-C Chief and Vice-Chief.

On Sunday morning, after Chapter Meetings, we will hold one of our semi-annual lodge business meetings. This will be THE most important meeting of the year. Also at this meeting, the new officers of the lodge will be sworn in.





I'd like to lay to rest one of the more persistant rumors which circulate in our Order.

This one concerns wearing of O. A. insignia. Some people claim that it is improper to wear the ribbon arrow while wearing a lodge pocket flap patch. I have heard earnest and spirited arguments over this point.

Anyone really wanting to discover how to wear Order of the Arrow insignia has the answers easily available. In Kecoughtan Lodge each new Ordeal member is given a Hand-

book in his orientation packet.

Let's look at Chapter 10. On page 100 of the 1968 printing we find the following: "Universal Arrow Badge. The Universal Arrow Badge is a silver arrow suspended from a red and white ribbon. It is worn hanging from the button of the right breast pocket of the uniform shirt or coat. This badge is worn by all members of the Order-Ordeal, Brotherhood, or Vigil members." On page 103 we find, "Lodge pocket flap patch. Cloth lodge emblems are made available by most local lodges. They are usually embroidered, showing the name and totem of the lodge. It is required by the Insignia and Uniform Committee that these emblems be made to fit the shape of the right shirt pocket flap. The fact that the committee reserves this part of the uniform for an Arrow patch is a compliment to the Order of the Arrow..."

Those paragraphs are the official BSA position: Everybody wears the ribbon arrow, for it is "the Universal Arrow Badge"; those who wish to do so may wear the lodge flap. In practice, it usually works the other way around. Most members always wear the pocket flap, adding the arrow ribbon for dressy occasions. Either emphasis includes

both insignia as official.

If any diehard doubt persists, we can refer to "Official Uniforms & Insignia, Boy Scouts of America" (No. 3702). On page 27 we find O. A. insignia. Concerning the ribbon pin, it reads, "a minature silver arrow on a narrow ribbon of red and white, worn suspended from the button of the right breast pocket of the uniform. No. 5001". On page 22, under "Badges of Identification and Tenure", there is, "Lodge Insignia. Shaped to conform to the size of the flap on the pocket of the shirt. Worn on the

right pocket completely covering the flap. Design to be approved by the local council. Such insignia must not be worn on Scouters

or Sea Explorer leader's coat,"

That really wraps up the subject. But, just to give a solid kick to a dead horse, I will repeat the remark made by Martin Mockford, until recently the National Secretary of the Order of the Arrow, when this question was put to him at last year's Area III-C Training Conference at Camp Rock Enon. Never one to mince words, Martin said, "The real business of the Order of the Arrow is to promote and staff the camping program. It is not to argue over patches and ribbons. It is all perfectly clear in your Handbook".

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