

KECOUGHTAN ★ KRYER ★



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NATIONAL O.A. CONFERENCE

On Thursday morning, August 21st, a chartered bus left our Council office carrying 39 Arrowmen from Kecoughtan and Blue Heron Lodges to the most spectacular of all Order of the Arrow events, a National Conference. This year's 54th Anniversary Conference was at Indiana University in Bloomington.

When we finally arrived at I.U. on Saturday morning, it was indeed a momentous occasion. After 2 days of travel, with stops at Fort Detrick, Md. and Fort Benjamin Harrison Ind. for Thursday and Friday nights, we finally reached our destination with memories a morning visit to the famed Indianapolis Motor Speedway still fresh in our minds.

Amid a labyrinth of modern buildings, and dazed by the magnitude of the campus, we located our lodgings in Wendell Willkie Dormitory, on the eleventh floor!

The first of 4 great days had begun. The rest of Saturday was spent in looking over the campus, trading patches, swimming and other pre-conference, get-acquainted activities.

The biennial conference officially opened Saturday night in the huge Athletic Field House. Dr. Tom Haggai was the keynote speaker. Perhaps the most memorable event of the evening was the transfer of the National

Conference Chief bonnet from 1967 Chief Robert F. Szczys to his successor, Thomas E. Fielder of Paducah, Ky.

Protestant, Roman Catholic, "Mormon", Quaker and Jewish religious services were held on campus the next day. Almost immediately, was the 1st flight of the "Arrowdynamics" Training Program. "Pee Wee Harris" and his pal "Westy" from Boys' Life dropped in to host Camping Promotions in the University Auditorium, an exquisitely beautiful structure. For the second flight, Lodge Administration, delegates were formed into small groups which met in classrooms.

After a delicious dinner in our dormitory cafeteria, we assembled once again in the auditorium for the Talent Show. National Conference Chief Tom Fielder and Vice-Chief Phil Chabot hosted an hilarious take off on "Laugh-In" in which Kecoughtan's own Charlie Howe played a key role.

Monday morning brought the 3rd and final training flight, which concerned lodge calendars, ceremonies, and service projects. In the afternoon came "Exponic '69", almost a National O.A. Fair. Exhibits, dance team eliminations, a Lacrosse match, a fried rattlesnake meat booth, sand painting, and a wide game were but a few of hundreds of events in this fun extravaganza. The wide game, open to
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THE EDITOR'S SMOKESIGNALS



Fellow Brothers,

Congratulations are in store for all who attended the Fall Ordeal. The outstanding camp clean-up and waterfront improvement program typified the willingness on the part of everyone to pitch in where needed. Also the behavior of all present was commendable. On the other hand, one aspect of the weekend was somewhat depressing; namely, the spreading of litter around our outdoor "dining room" at the Service Building. Supposedly, we are the "cream-of-the-crop" among scouts and as such should set the example in all aspects of our scouting lives. So on our next outing, let's improve on the "litter problem." Sure, we got it cleaned up, but why drop it in the first place?

The number of volunteers for Lodge and Chapter committees was very gratifying. Still others are needed and many of you are not actively engaged in committee work. Likewise, we need additional stimulation for more participation in general lodge functions. If you are not now active, call your Lodge Chief and reassure him of your future support.

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FROM THE CHIEF'S TEPEE



Dear Brothers,

At the National Order of the Arrow Conference last August the Kecoughtan Lodge was named the National Standard Lodge Chapter. This National Standard Lodge is based upon our activities and membership attaining the classification of brotherhood.

One of the requirements to become a National Standard Lodge is the promotion of Scout Camping within our council. This year, the Camping Promotions Committee of the lodge has completed the "Where to go Camping" booklet and it will be distributed to the Troops, and Posts in the council before the year is out. This is a long step toward maintaining our National Standard classification but alone, it will do nothing. This year I am calling on all of the brothers of the Kecoughtan Lodge to join in with the Camping Promotions committee and help us get these troops out-to-camp this year.

One of the challenges made to us at the National Conference by one of our founders was for each arrowman to get two Scouts to go to summer camp this year who did not go last year. This is a personal challenge to all of us to strive for this goal in our promotion of camp.

Another of the requirements is for, by 1976, 50% of the members in our lodge attain the classification of Brotherhood. This is something which all brothers can accomplish after

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Kecoughtan Lodge is now a growing and progressing lodge. Each new member is encouraged to actively take part in all lodge activities and to voice his opinion in all matters. With the support of every brother, both new and old, we can enjoy being the best lodge in Area 3-C.

Yours in Brotherhood

Bruce Brown

ORDEAL SPECTACLE

Wow! Gee! Great!...These adjectives do not do justice to such a spectacular Summer Ordeal-Fellowship.

A record number of 122 Ordeal candidates were inducted into the Order, with an added number of 40 brotherhood candidates. It was a busy weekend for our ceremonial team!

Another highlight of the Ordeal was the installation of officers. Our most competent leaders include Larry Sutton, Chief; Bob Masie, Vice-Chief; David Shutt, Recording Secretary; Bruce Brown, Corresponding Secretary; and Donny Buck, Treasurer. Also, new committee chairmen are: Dance Team, Kenny Nourse; Cooking, Larry Hansen; and Service, George Barnes.

As a result of hard work, the lake shore was completely cleared of unwanted growth and the water front beaches were restored. We most heartily thank the brothers for their cheerful service.

The lodge business meeting concluded the Ordeal with approved revision of our lodge constitution. After lunch Sunday, we returned home with happy memories of the Kecoughtan Lodge Summer Ordeal.

Blake Morant

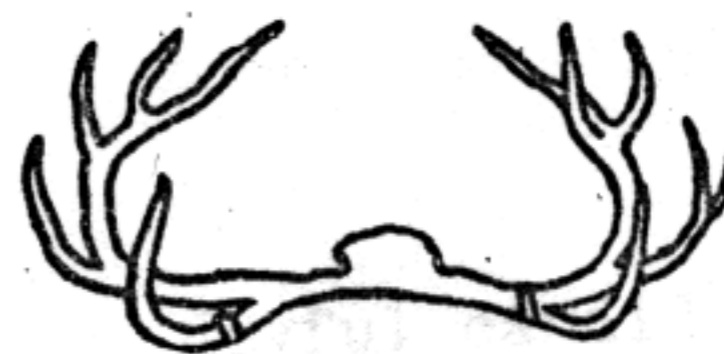
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they have served for 10 months as an Ordeal member. The brotherhood is a sealing of your membership in the O.A. and should be one of your goals.

This year can be the biggest and best ever in the history of the Kecoughtan Lodge, but only so with your efforts and desire for it to be so. I call on all of you to support your lodge with your time and dedication and let's all strive to make this year another National Standard Year.

Yours in brotherhood

Larry C. Sutton



PHILMONT 69

The trip to Philmont this summer was attended by thirty scouts from our Peninsula Council heading up the expedition were "Smokey" Wilsted and "Daddy" Dick Fleming.

The expedition was divided into two crews "The Swamp Stompers" and "The Tigerpaws", each crew went their own ways.

"The Tigerpaws" learned how to pack a mountain cannary after ten days on the trail.

"The Swamp Stompers" set a record of climbing Mt. Baldy at 3:00 o'clock in the morning to see the sunrise.

Our bus driver Alex Stuart said, "This was my best trip to Philmont in nineteen years."

Bob Sheppard

FALL ORDEAL



Brothers assemble pamphlets Friday night



Joyful candidates work at waterfront

Danny Pritchard with his reliable tent



George Barnes enjoys a good night's sleep



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all boy delegates, was the kind made familiar by the recent World and National Jamborees. Cards spelling out "Exponic '69" were given out in the cafeteria lunch lines, a different character in each line. Arrowmen tried to find others whose cards would complete the message. When complete, the team reported, arms linked, to receive Order of the Arrow belt loops. The basis for many lasting friendships was sown as names and addresses were written on the backs of all team cards.

The last night of the conference was perhaps the most exciting of all, with the Indian Pageant "Nete-a-Mani" which means, "conclve of many dancers." The pageant was preceded by an address by Col. Carroll A. Edson, who with Dr. E. Urner Goodman founded our order during the summer of 1915.

A beautiful sylvan background 40 feet high, complete with a waterfall, set the mood for "Nete-a-Mani." It was from this woods-like scene that the aged chieftan tells his grandson of the legendary "Nete-a-Mani" he had witnessed as a young brave. Then the finalists in the lodge dance team competition performed, one by one. at the conclusion all solo competitors danced "en masse". This was by far the most beautiful of all. Hundreds

of prancing, gyrating warriors in costumes from across the nation, with colors clashing and contrasting, made the finale of "Nete-a-Mani" a truly unforgettable experience.

Drearily, everyone awakened early Tuesday morning for the last day of the conference. The University Auditorium was the site of the Closing Assembly, the final meeting of delegates until passage of another 2 years would bring some of them together again at the University of Illinois.

At this assembly, 14 adult Arrowmen from all over the nation were presented the coveted Distinguished Service Award. One of these was our last Area III-C Chief, Pete Osina. Then came the announcement of the first year National Standard Lodges. Only 25 lodges in all the 500 plus which comprise the Order of the Arrow were so honored. Kecoughtan is among the top 25!

Lastly came the final address of the conference. delivered as a challenge by founder E. Urner Goodman.

Then, and only with great reluctance, our delegates embarked with thoughts of greater "Pathways to Service" in their minds and after good-byes of, "See you in '71."

Ask your Scoutmaster -

Has your troop registered a patrol of adults for the Council SHOWANDO?

This training session for Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters and Troop Committeemen still has room for them. SHOWANDO is Saturday, November 8, 9:00 A.M. to about 8:00 P.M. in the Newport News Park. Fee is only \$2.00 per person which includes supper, handouts, etc. Participants bring their own lunch.

Tell them to register with your District Boy Scout Committee Chairman:
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Order of the Arrow and BOYPOWER '76

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A National Standard Order of the Arrow Lodge will be one that achieves the following goals by 1976:

- a. 50 percent of total lodge membership to qualify as Brotherhood members.
- b. Camping promotion committee in each lodge to help carry out the council camping promotion plan.
- c. Hold an annual lodge (and chapter) officers' training conference.
- d. Have a current where-to-go-camping publication.
- e. Publish a regular (at least quarterly) bulletin or newsletter.
- f. Maintain current membership and financial records.
- g. Hold annual membership elections in every eligible unit.
- h. Have representatives attend national Order of the Arrow conference and area fellowship training conference.
- i. Place emphasis on the following objectives—
 - 1. A Scout or Explorer today, a Scouter tomorrow.
 - 2. Advancement beyond First Class.
 - 3. Each Arrowman to recruit one new boy into Scouting annually.
 - 4. Correct wearing of the uniform through personal example.
 - 5. Perpetuate authentic American Indian culture and traditions.
 - 6. Improvement of Ordeal, Brotherhood, and Vigil ceremonies.
 - 7. Promotion of professional Scouting as a career.

In the years ahead the Order of the Arrow is challenged to help strengthen the Scout movement by encouraging advancement, promoting camping, holding the interests of boys in their own units, and helping new boys to join in the fun and adventure of Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, and Exploring.

The future leadership of the Scout movement, to a large degree, will come from boys now active as Arrowmen.

The Order of the Arrow must meet the challenge of BOYPOWER '76 by making sure that every Arrowman, every chapter, and every lodge is prepared to do their part.

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CHRISTMAS BANQUET \$2.75
 Langley Air Force Base NCO Club, 6:30 P.M. December 29, 1969
1970 DUES \$1.00

Why not get these details out of the way with a check payable to:
 "Peninsula Council, BSA" mailed to 11725 Jefferson Ave, Newport News 23606

December 29th, the date of the super-duper banquet is not all that far and 1970 Dues are supposed to be paid by January 1st, 1970.

Name _____

Unit _____

KECOUGHTAN LODGE O.A. CALENDAR 1969 - 1970

- Dec 29, 1969 ----- Chr stmas Banquet (a)
Langley A.F.B. NCO Club
- Feb 20-22, 1970----- Winter Ordeal-Fellowship (a)
Camp Chickahominy
- Apr 24-26, 1970----- Area 1:1-C Pow Wow (b)
Siouan Scout Reservation
- Jun 12-14, 1970----- Spring Ordeal-Fellowship (a)
Camp Chickahominy
- Tap Out Ceremonies — every Friday night during
Summer Camp
- Sep 1 13, 1970----- Summer Ordeal-Fellowship (a)
Camp Chickahominy
- Oct 31-Nov 1, 1970-- Fall Fellowship (a)
Location to be announced
- Nov 4, 1970----- Area 1:1-C Kitchen Kabinet(b)
Richmond
- Dec 18, 1970----- Christmas Banquet (a)
Location to be announced

Notes: (a) All members are urged to attend these functions.
(b) Official Delegates only

1969 Fall Fellowship patches have been mailed to everyone who paid the event fee and signed in. If you did not get yours, please write Donny Buck a short note. His address is on page 5. Be sure to tell him when and to whom you paid the fee.

Patches 75¢

EXTRA PATCHES ARE ON SALE
AT THE SCOUT SERVICE CENTER
11725 JEFFERSON AVENUE

The Boy Scouts of America hereby grants this special NATIONAL STANDARD LODGE CHARTER in recognition of meeting BOYPOWER '76 national standards...

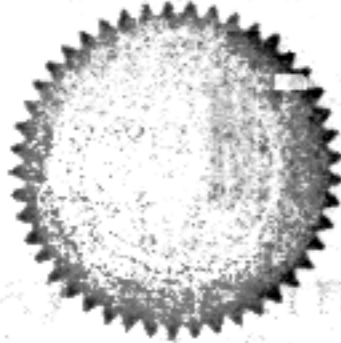


Service Above Self

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...to the KE COUGHTAN Lodge of the PENINSULA Council for the year ending December 31, 1969

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Do you accept them? Adults, please let me know if you intend to help me with the coaching. Boys, tell your Chapter and Lodge Chiefs you are behind them! In Brotherhood, I remain -

Bailey Tudder Your Lodge Adviser



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At left you see both a reward and a challenge. It is a copy of our 1969 lodge charter which was brought back from the National Conference. We have one of only 25 such National Standard Lodge Charters granted in this, the first, year of the BOYPOWER '76 program of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America. We have it as a reward for meeting the first year goals. BOYPOWER '76 is an 8 year program; therein lies the challenge.

In each of the remaining 7 years we must meet increasingly demanding goals or lose our standing as a National Standard Lodge. As your Lodge Adviser, I say to you, "You are the boys and men who earned it; and only you can deliver the service that will be required for us to keep it!"

My job is to keep the issue before you and to coach you in policies, procedures and techniques which will help you achieve the goals you accept. They are listed on page 8.

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