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WINTER ORDEAL

The second annual Winter Ordeal of Kecoughtan Lodge set several new and fresh trends. Registration at Camp Chicominy began at 5:00 PM, Friday, February 20th and lasted for two hours, as 257 members and Candidates reported in. Both Brothers and Candidates were to find that February 20-22 was to be another highpoint in the history of the lodge.

At 8:00 PM, the Candidates were led to their place of contemplation. The Brothers meanwhile enjoyed their Friday night crack-barrel, courtesy of the boys who make up our outstanding Cooking Committee. There is no doubt that all Brothers appreciate their efforts and the leadership example of Committee Adviser Mr. Del George, Troop 151 Scoutmaster.

Next morning, the Candidates had their "breakfast", after which the members enjoyed a pancake, sausage and toast winter breakfast. Later, the Lodge leaders welcomed a delegation from Blue Heron Lodge of Norfolk's Tidewater Council. Included in this group were: Tom Webb, Lodge Chief; Mr Chuck Stein, Lay Adviser; Mr Jim Ballard, Vice-Chief Adviser; Frank George, Lodge Treasurer; Bill Brooks, Lodge Secretary; Rick Marriner, Lodge Custodian; Mr Dave

Singletary, Vigil Chairman; Mr Ray Singletary, Adviser; and Mr Richard Crawford, Past Lodge Chief.

Meanwhile, work details were assigned. Candidates repaired winter damage to campsites and, with the help of some of the Brothers, improved the Camp campfire area. Others filled in the road near the Health Lodge, repaired the water pipes in front of the Camp Headquarters, and cleared the public road approaches to camp. Captain Fred Rose, Scoutmaster of Troop 254 and some of his senior boys performed major surgery on the plumbing in the Staff Kitchen and the Camp Headquarters men's room.

Lunchtime came; and the Candidates were "fed" as the veteran members partook of a heartrenderingly hearty winter meal. An orientation session for Candidates was held, after which everyone turned to again tackle the camp maintenance and improvement projects. Additional afternoon work included significant improvements to the O.A. Ring.

That night, everyone enjoyed a large supper and turned their attention toward

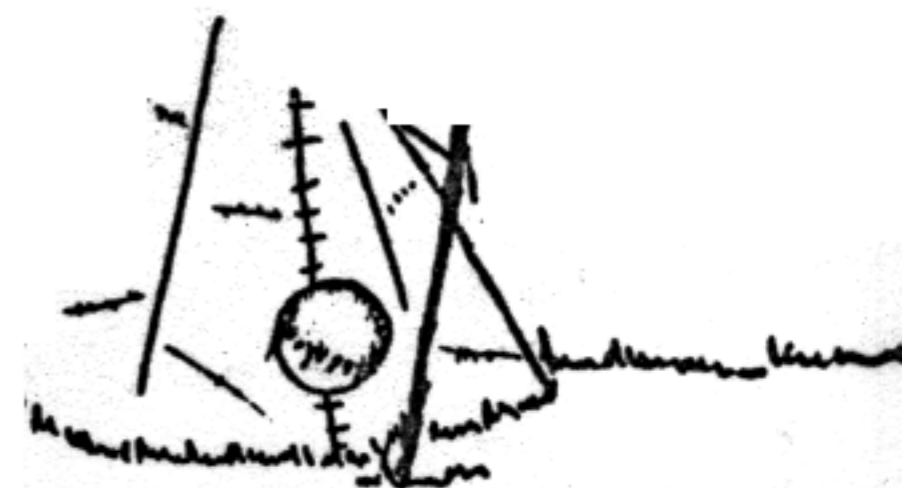
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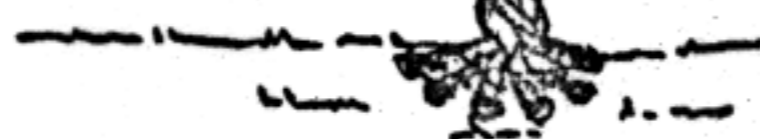
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FROM THE CHIEF'S TEPEE



THE EDITOR'S SMOKESIGNALS



Dear Brothers:

As we are now coming into the spring of the year and into the prime camping season, I would like to remind you of our prime responsibility as members of the Order. This being Camp Promotion, not only for summer camping, but to promote year-round camping in all units. Now is the time to get those units out camping in preparation for that big event at Summer Camp Experience is what is needed to have a successful week long camping trip this summer. Let's shift into high gear now and meet the goal of Col. Carroll A. Edson, our co-founder to get two new Scouts in camp this year who have never been to camp for each and every Arrowman.

Also, in the same light, we are looking forward to the 1970 Spring Ordeal-Fellowship in June. Keep this in mind and prepare to join your brothers in the spirit of service and fellowship.

Keep in mind our obligations to our brothers and I look forward to seeing you all at the Ordeal.

Yours in service,

Larry C. Sutton
Netami Sakima

Fellow Brothers

I have been very pleased with the progress of the chapters in the last few months. Committees of all four are living up to promises made earlier; and things are really moving along. However, we still invite any of you to call your chapter chief or advisor and sign up to help or try and give assistance or advice needed in a certain area. Even as things are moving along, all the committees still can use man power for the coming season.

Let's not forget the upcoming Ordeal in June. There are many of you out there who will be up for, or are eligible for the Brotherhood. If you are eligible, I do encourage you to try for the position because, Brotherhood is what really seals your membership in the Order. The fact that we need a certain percent to achieve the National Standard Lodge Awards should spur you on to try. We are one of only two Lodges in Area III-C to attain this goal; and I am sure you as well as I would like to repeat the performance every year.

Also, Nominees for office will soon be coming out as presented by the Nominating Committee. Keep your eyes peeled for possible candidates for office and be prepared to voice your opinion and cast a vote at the Spring Ordeal. It is your lodge; and you should want the best people running it for you.

Stay active in your home units, strive for the Eagle and keep up the good work.

Yours in Brotherhood
Bruce T. Brown

IN MEMORIUM

Robert A. Goddin, active Explorer and former Treasurer, Post 48, St Andrew's Episcopal Church, Hilton Villiage, and Ordeal member of Kecoughtan Lodge.

WINTER ORDEAL '70



ABOVE (left) The Brotherhood Chain, an ordeal in itself.
 (center) Candidates enjoy their frugal lunch.
 (right) Candidates work on the campfire arena.

BELOW (left) A day in the life of a KRYER stapler.
 (right) Winner of the "Most popular sign in camp" contest.

LEFT "UNCLE Pat wants YOU! Volunteer NOW!"

(photographs by Skip Reynolds, T45)



BROTHERHOOD LETTERS

One requirement for Brotherhood standing is submitting a written statement regarding rededication to the principle of cheerful service to one's fellowmen. Below are reproduced without editing 3 representative statements from among the 44 submitted at the Winter Ordeal.

Those of you who are eligible for Brotherhood (Ordeal in 1969 or earlier) may gain inspiration from them and be better motivated to be Brotherhood candidates at the June 12-14 Spring Ordeal.

We who are now Brotherhood also may be inspired - to keep our own dedication at the same high level expressed by these 3 Brothers.

A 14 YEAR OLD BOY

I feel that service to my fellowmen is and should be important to all Scouts.

When I took the Scout oath I promised to do my duty to God and I consider part of my duty to God being kind and thoughtful to my fellowmen and helping them whenever I can.

It is for this reason I am honored to be a part of the Order of the Arrow. That is also why I love to go to the Order of the Arrow functions. No matter who you are there is always someone to talk to and a lot of fun and fellowship to be had. I feel that this shows a very generous portion of service to your fellowmen for if there is one thing everyone needs its acceptance and the "O.A." provides an undying amount of this quality.

It is for all the above that I feel a responsibility and a want to be a part of those men who search to preserve a "cheerful service to their Fellowmen".

A 17 YEAR OLD BOY

The privilege of being in the Order of the Arrow is a high Honor. It is a select few who have demonstrated leadership. Serving ones followers in a troop or Post requires leadership.

Therefore, if a person is to be worthy of being in the Order of the Arrow, he must exemplify himself by demonstrating

his continuing leadership. By leadership I mean that he must help his fellowman cheerfully, and set the example to be followed by the others. If he cannot do this, then he is not a leader, and does not deserve to belong in the Brotherhood.

Ever since being inducted into the Order of the Arrow, I have continued to serve my fellowman. As a senior member my troop, and now as an Eagle Scout, I always stop and give my fellowman a hand or will show him the right way to do his task. I am a strong believer in this, and fully intend to keep on in the same frame of mind, even in the Coast Guard as an Officer, in the next few years. As a continuing and cheerfully serving leader in my troop, I feel that I also, am one of the select few who are worthy to wear the Arrow.

AN ADULT

The Order of the Arrow to me is a select group of scouts and scouters who are elected by their fellow members as recognition of their past and present service to their units. Before I entered the O. A. I regarded it as something like attaining Eagle Scout rank, not so much the hard work but as an honor not everyone is worthy to be able to claim association. If, like other organizations, the O. A. would allow anyone to just join, it would lose that special significance that it now has, proclaiming the O. A. member as a special sort of person who is willing to put himself out to help another in need. There seems to be a pride when O. A. gets together, no matter what area of the United States, because each one knows that he is someone special. It isn't necessary to brag because the individual's willingness to serve acts as his calling card. To me the meaning of the O. A. dedicates the spirit of scouting over and over to such a degree that they are fully involved to such a point that they are honored by themselves for what they are personally getting out of what they are cheerfully and freely putting into Scouting. First as a candidate and then further as an Honor Camper and as an advocate of Scouting, each Order of the Arrow member should check over what he has done to better his fellow man with his needs. For he alone is willing to serve his fellowmen.....

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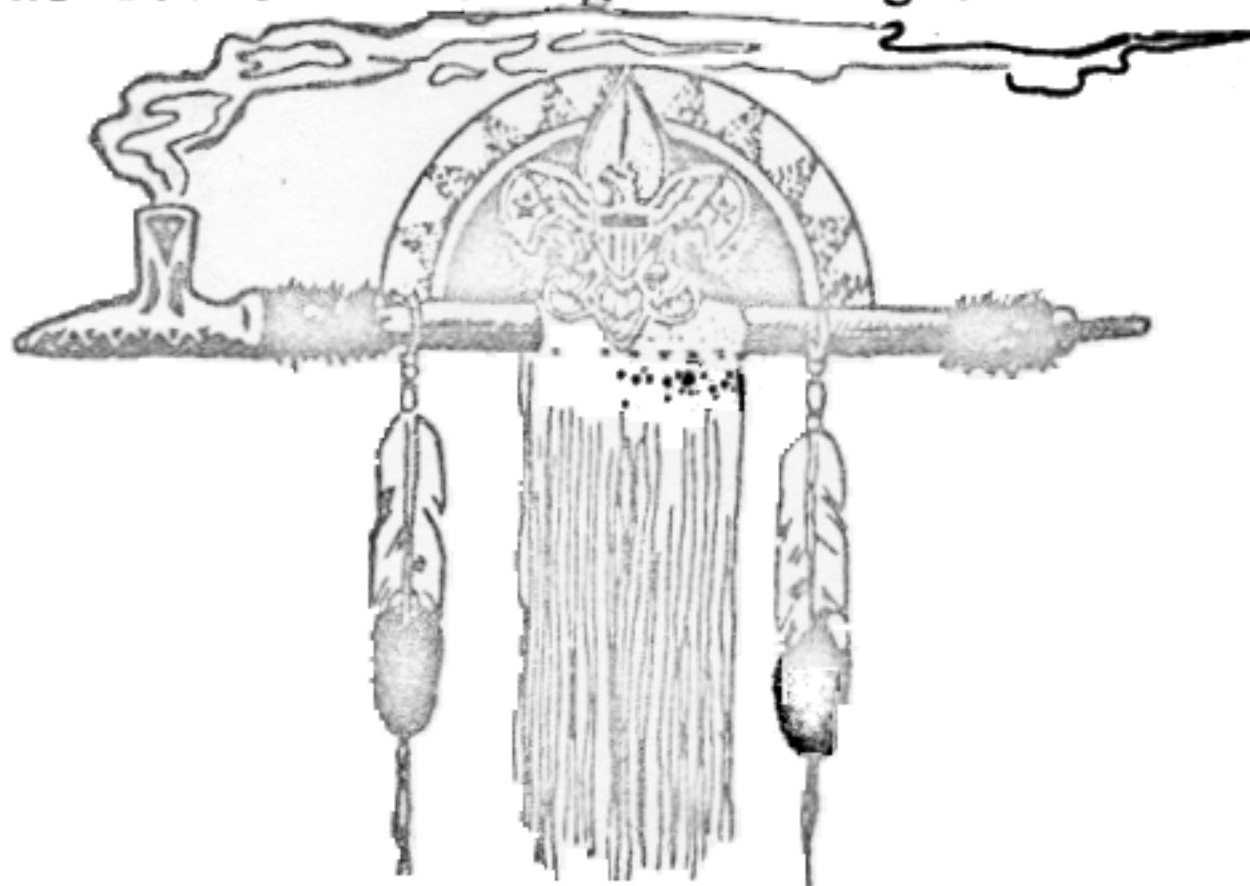
the Ceremonial Ring. First came the Brotherhood Ceremony, in which 49 were elevated. Then the Dance Team introduced the lodge to its newest achievements. The Ordeal Ceremony for 79 Candidates followed. In the eyes of experienced observers, these two ceremonies ranked among the best to be seen anywhere. The Brotherhood Ceremony, in particular, was truly awe-inspiring. Sam Fairchild's flawlessly inspirational METEU set its tone.

During the Crackerbarrel, everyone was talking about what a good job the Ceremonial and Dance Teams had done and what a good job the Brothers had done in preparing the Council Ring.

After the Crackerbarrel, there was a FIRST for Kecoughtan Lodge. The delegation from Blue Heron conducted a Patch Auction. All patches were donated by members, the lodge itself, and even by our unselfish Blue Heron Brothers. This event proved to be a run-away success and may be used again in the near future. Our deepest appreciation is in order for the diligent and cheerful service rendered by the Blue Heron delegation. Proceeds of the auction, \$162.50, have been dedicated to Camp Chickahominy. The specific project will be a weatherproof permanent electrical distribution system for the Staff Area.

After breakfast Sunday morning, Larry Sutton conducted an inspiring chapel service. Kiskiack Chapter then chaired a very effective Unit Elections demonstration as part of a general lodge administration orientation. Next came Chapter meetings to integrate their new members. Finally there was lunch and off for home!

The abiding realization of the weekend was that the concept of an annual Winter Ordeal has set firmly and deeply in the roots of Kecoughtan Lodge.



POW WOW 70

The 1970 Pow-Wow will be a big event in the Area this year. It is to be held on April 24-26 at Camp Sionan near Suffolk, Virginia. At present Kecoughtan Lodge will send a delegation of 21 members, and there is a possibility that another III-C Lodge will give us some more spaces.

This conclave is an annual affair and has members present from the nine Area III-C Lodges plus three or four visiting lodges from neighboring states. This event is the mecca of all Area O. A. members. Numerous training sessions on O.A. matters are held which give the brothers new insights to bring back to their own Lodges and Chapters.

Perhaps the acme of the whole weekend is the Dance team contest held on Saturday night. Kecoughtan Lodge members will want to see our dance team take the 1st place group contest this year, as they did last year.

On the final day of the Pow Wow the elections for Area Chief and Vice Chief are held. This is indeed the most important event of the whole year.

For those lucky ones attending - see you there!

The Kiskiack Chapter of the Kecoughtan Lodge has planned a detailed orientation for the recently inducted members to be held on Sunday, May 10, 1970 at St. Andrews Church. Its purpose will be to thoroughly indoctrinate these new brothers in the purpose and principals of the Order of the Arrow. In addition, the structure of the lodge will be discussed, in particular the purpose of the various lodge and chapter committees. There will be a question and answer period following the orientation.

Yours In Brotherhood
Corky Whitehead
Kiskiack Chapter Chief

CAMPING

Editorial: Camping Promotion

To: Scoutmasters and Brothers

Is your troop going to summer camp? Has it been registered at the Council office? If the answer to either one of these questions is NO, the Camping Promotions Committee would like to come to your troop, present a slide show, and answer any questions pertaining to summer camp. If you need information on Camp Chickahominy contact:

Pete Holman, Camping Promotions
Executive Chairman 877-5583

Hank Hyde - Northern (L.A.) 229-4369

Graham Spady - Eastern (Pamlico)
838-1377

John Cabaniss - Western (Kiskiack)
596-8153

Paul Fournier - Also Western 596-0758

Steve Garber - Central (Allogagan)

Yours in Camping,
Pete Holman
Camping Promotions

1970 should prove to be the most successful year in the history of our own Camp Chickahominy. The camp is nothing, however, without Scout attendance. Most scouts, contrary to popular belief, will not enjoy the pleasure and fun of a summer camp. The Order hopes to change that fact, though. This year, with an All-Arrowman staff, Camp Chickahominy wants to serve a full house. Check in the Scout Center and see if your Troop has signed up. If not DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. This is your obligation. If your Troop is going, make sure most, if not all, of your troop attend. Do your Share.

Sam Fairchild



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Scouts of America, Winter 1970

As stated in the "Statement of Purpose" in the *Order of the Arrow Handbook*, a major responsibility of the Order of the Arrow is to promote Scout camping.

Each individual Arrowman should be the number-one camping-promotion man in his own unit. He is the one who should be first to sign up for a camp-out or summer camp. It's a lot easier to sell others on a weekend trip or a week at camp when he is already registered himself.

Each Arrowman should be prepared to talk about the exciting experiences at summer camp to parents at his own or another troop's parents' night.

Every lodge should train teams of Order of the Arrow members to make camping presentations at troop meetings and parents' nights. Many lodges have developed slide presentations on camping, while some lodges even provide the council camping promotion literature. And, the newly instituted E. Urner Goodman Order of the Arrow Camping Award requires that *every* lodge must produce a "where to go" camping publication in order to be eligible for the award.

However, you must remember that district and council camping and activities committees are responsible for talking to troop leaders and committeemen about their camping responsibilities. This is not a function of the Order of the Arrow, so don't forget it or get involved in this area.

It is the council camping and activities committee that has the primary responsibility for camping promotion. Therefore, all lodge projects and programs related to camping promotion must be cleared with the council camping and activities committee through the lodge adviser and then conducted under its direction.

But, it's up to you if you're going to do your part as local lodges, chapters, and individual Arrowmen in promoting camping. What shall it be: cheerful service to our fellowmen by helping our councils? Or, just being Arrowmen for the thrill of it and the patches you can get? Like we said, men, it's up to you!

ORDER OF THE ARROW
KECOUGHTAN LODGE #463, A NATIONAL STANDARD LODGE
Serving Peninsula Council, Boy Scouts of America

UNIT ELECTIONS CHECK-LIST

- A. BE IN UNIFORM, WITH SASH (and Neckerchief if you have one).
- B. TAKE YOUR O.A. HANDBOOK (1968 printing or later) & THE LODGE FACT SHEET.
- C. TAKE ballots, scoresheets & report forms (double your first estimate).
- D. BE ON TIME. CHECK IN WITH THE SCOUTMASTER and THE SENIOR BOY LEADERS.
- E. REVIEW O.A. HANDBOOK WITH UNIT ADULT & BOY LEADERS (stress pages 16-20).
- F. EXPLAIN ELECTION REPORT TO SCOUTMASTER.
- G. HELP SCOUTMASTER COMPILE LIST OF ELIGIBLE BOYS (see HANDBOOK page 16).
- H. REMOVE FROM LIST NAMES OF ANY BOYS SCOUTMASTER WILL NOT CERTIFY.
- I. ALPHABETIZE THIS FINAL LIST OF 100% ELIGIBLE BOYS.
- J. WHEN THE SPL HAS ASSEMBLED THE ENTIRE TROOP, CONDUCT THE ELECTION AS BELOW:
 1. Tell the O.A. story (HANDBOOK Pages 2-7, or THE O. A. FACT SHEET).
 2. Explain Lodge structure and operations (THE LODGE FACT SHEET).
 3. OPENLY DISPLAY the final list of 100% eligible boys (G, H, & I above)
 4. Explain the "MINIMUM VOTES TO ELECT" procedure (THE LODGE FACT SHEET)
 5. Take show of hands majority-of-those-present vote on this minimum.
 6. Distribute the ballots.
 7. Explain the ballots, and start the voting.
 8. While Troop is voting, write names of eligible boys (3. above) on a UNIT ELECTION SCORESHEET.
 9. Collect ballots and release unit to go on with its meeting.
 10. Post ballots to SCORESHEET (remember the Minimum Votes to Elect cut-off). (Start over with 6. above in case of last place tie).
 11. Fill out front and back of ELECTION REPORT
 - a. By interview with Candidates if results were announced.
 - b. From unit record book of results kept secret.
 12. Destroy or carry away all ballots, scoresheets and notes.
 13. Mail or deliver ELECTION REPORT to Scout Office promptly.
 14. Report the election to your Chapter Unit Elections Chairman or his designated representative.
- K. REMEMBER - An election is worth absolutely zero until it has been reported to both the Scout Office and the Chapter.

54th ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS: "OUR JOB AHEAD"

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Being aware of the problems which our country faces and being part of a concerned generation, we the delegates to the 54th Anniversary National Conference of the Order of the Arrow, do hereby resolve to dedicate ourselves to the path of service in the points listed here, as well as in individual quests of conscience.

We have a concern for the lack of communication in our communities as evidenced by such things as racial strife, riots, generation gap, disrespect for authority, and misunderstandings between religious and ethnic groups and in our educational institutions.

We have a concern for the loss of our natural resources as evidenced by the pollution of our streams, lakes, and the air we breathe: the diminishing wildlife, plants and trees, and the erosion of our soil.

We have a concern for the weakening of our self-respect and that of other young people with whom we associate as evidenced by the increasing use of drugs, which can do physical, mental, and/or emotional harm. We have a concern for a lack of community pride as evidenced by the lack of political and educational involvement and the maintenance of buildings and streets.

We are concerned with Scouting's relationship to the community and in particular its interest in trying to solve some of the problems of underprivileged youth.

We are concerned about the lack of youth involvement in helping to make the Scout program more meaningful.

We are concerned about the public image of the Boy Scouts of America.

EACH LODGE SHALL STRIVE TO:

- serve the Nation through participation, involvement, and creation of local lodge programs to provide opportunities to serve the inner-city and underprivileged

- promote, support, and achieve the goals of the BOYPOWER—"Arrowpower" program
- continue to emphasize our objective to bring all lodges into harmony with national policies and procedures
- increase the number of Arrowmen voluntarily sealing their bond in the Order by attaining Brotherhood membership
- promote leadership and participation among young members
- hold an annual lodge and chapter officers' training conference and attempt to have 100 percent trained leaders
- complete significant improvements in every council camp
- do its share to achieve representation of every lodge in our 56th anniversary conference in 1971
- promote professional Scouting as a career
- maintain a camping promotion committee for the purpose of helping to carry out the council camping program plan emphasizing camping promotion through close cooperation with council and district camping committees, providing an up-to-date where-to-go camping booklet, and highlighting the responsibility of each individual Arrowman to lead his own unit to camp and earn its National Camping Award

EACH AREA SHALL STRIVE TO:

- conduct an area fellowship training conference every 2 years with emphasis placed on the national Order of the Arrow training program, improving interlodge relations, and camping promotion and service to camping

THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION SHALL STRIVE TO:

- provide training aids, general information, professional Scouting materials, and other necessary assistance to all lodges

SILVER BEAVER



At the April 22 Peninsula Council Recognition Dinner the Silver Beaver Award for distinguished service to boys was awarded to Kecoughtan Lodge Lay Adviser E. Bailey Tudder. The Silver Beaver is the highest possible form of recognition that may be given for Scouter service at unit, district or council level.

Mr. Tudder's award was based on Scoutmaster service in Indiana and France; district committee and commissioner service in Hampton, France, and Fort Lee; service on the Peninsula Council Boy Scout Committee; and Order of the Arrow leadership in Transatlantic Council's Black Eagle Lodge and our own lodge. He holds the Scoutmaster's Key, Woodbadge, National Camping School Camp Administration Certification, and is a Vigil Honor Arrowman.

A retired Regular Army Lieutenant Colonel, Mr. Tudder is employed in the Finance Division of Noland Company's Newport News General Office as Systems Analyst. He is a Lay Leader in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Hilton Village, and is a member of the Newport News Kiwanis Club and the Harvard Club of Virginia.

Service Committee

The Service Committee is a pillar in the Lodge. You were elected by your fellow scouts by your service; now continue your service into the lodge.

Working in Service Committee will allow you to do the jobs you always wanted. You can be that cruel, whip-wielding taskmaster with an angel face, or design those groovy looking patches so you can brag to your O. A. buddies. You can help plan all those needed tasks for Camp improvement.

Brothers, join the service committee and continue your service in a new way.

Allogagan Chapter

My Brothers,

An Executive Board Meeting of the Allogagan Chapter was held March 3 at Dann Pritchard's house. The Chapter Secretary/Treasurer, Chapter Vice-Chief, and Chapter Advisor were present. We discussed the following items:

1. It was to our concern that all of the old members have not as yet paid their dues (48 boys and 13 adults).
2. The Camping Promotions Committee is now under the leadership of Steve Garber. The Order was founded on the basis of promoting the camping program. You can do this best by giving Steve all of the support you can. His phone number is 826-9371.
3. The Unit Elections Committee is headed up by Drew Hagemann. If you would like to help the Chapter by conducting elections, please contact Drew at 851-0688.

I would personally like to thank all the arrowmen who helped make the Central District First Aid Meet a success.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Delwin Croom
Chapter Vice-Chief





The lead story in this issue is a report on Kecoughtan's second "annual" Winter Ordeal.

I, too, have something to report. It is the receipt of our second "annual NATIONAL STANDARD LODGE CHARTER. Last year, Kecoughtan was one of 25 lodges in the entire Boy Scouts of America to receive 1969 National Standard Lodge Charters. The presentation was made in the closing ceremonies of the 54th Anniversary National Conference of the Order of the Arrow.

This year, as your Lodge Chief and I prepared the application for our 1970 Charter, it was apparent that we again qualified as NATIONAL STANDARD! In March our conclusions were verified by the arrival of the second special charter. What is really significant, though, is that less than 50 of the approximately

600 lodges have received even one National Standard Lodge Charter. Dave Boshea, the National Secretary of the Order of the Arrow was an instructor in the National Camping School Pret Haines and I attended at Schiff the last week in March. Dave spoke on this point during his instruction.

When Larry Sutton and I step forward at the April 22 Peninsula Council Recognition Dinner to receive the formal presentation of our current NATIONAL STANDARD LODGE CHARTER, we will not view it as an achievement. We are of one mind that it is a challenge. It is a challenge to us to so lead this lodge that its service to Scouting in Peninsula Council will always meet or beat the national standard.

Yours in Brotherhood

Bailey Tudger

Bailey Tudger, Lodge Adviser

CHECK YOUR ADDRESS LABEL

Is all the information correct? If not, contact your Chapter Secretary. His name, address and phone number were in the last issue of the KRYER.

IN PARTICULAR look at the digit in the right hand position on the top line. That indicates the year your dues are paid through; "9" means you are carried on our books as delinquent in dues. If you do not agree, contact your Chapter Secretary NOW! If the 9 is correct, please pay \$2.00 to: Peninsula Council BSA,
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