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

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Christmas Banquet

The annual Kecoughtan Lodge Christmas banquet, attended by 210 arrowmen was held December 20th at the Hampton Elks Club.

After a short social hour, Sam Fairchild, Lodge Chief, called the meeting to order and everyone lined up for a fine roast



beef dinner.
There was plenty
of food for
seconds and the
Elks should be
commended for the
fine meal.

After dinner, the visiting delegates from Blue Heron, Chanco, Shenshapatoo, Nawakwa, and Shenandoah Lodges were introduced. At this time the colorful banquet patch was (con't p. 8)

Annual

TRAINING SESSION

Despite the rainy weather, Kecoughtan Lodge's THIRD annual training session was a great success.

Forty brave arrowmen collected at Camp Chickahomany October 23rd for Kecoughtan Lodge's third annual overnight training session. The training session, now a requirement for National Standard Achievement, went a long way to further the trainees understanding of lodge operation, purpose and administration.

Because arrowmen were there for training only, the session was relaxed and discussion informal. Many questions were asked and it became obvious that an effort should be made to expand this program next year because most arrowmen know little about lodge administration. Hardly anyone was aware of the job each lodge officer and committe chairman preform.

The discussion groups touched on subjects such as lodge administration, organization, the Ordeal ceremony, lodge officers and co-ed OA amoung others.

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THE EDITOR'S SMOKESIGNALS

Brothers,

As the Scouting movement in our Council grows, some things seem to get out of proportion. Are we overlooking our primary obligation to Scouting? Do we let OA activities get in the way of our Troop activites?

As an Ordeal candiate we were taught that our Troop comes first. As the older members in the Troop, we have an obligation to instill our Scouting knowledge in the younger boys. "If you give a man a fish you may feed him for a day, but if you teach a man to fish, you may feed him for a lifetime," the same goes for a Scout, take time out to teach him.

The Order of the Arrow was initiated to supplement Scouting, not to take it's place. We must not overlook this, because sooner or later OA meetings interfere with our Troop commitments.

Mours in Service,

Bruce Robinson Netami Lehiket

OU CAN TELL AN OUTDOORSMAN BY HIS ABILITY TO TIE THE RIGHT KNOT AT THE RIGHT TIME. A SCOUT KNOWS SEVERAL KNOTS AND THE PURPOSE OF EACH. HE CAN TIE THEM IN THE DARK OR IN THE DAYLIGHT...HERE ARE THE TESTS OF A GOOD KNOT: 1. SERVES ITS PURPOSE. 2. HOLDS UNTIL UNTIED. 3. EASILY TIED. 4. EASILY UNTIED...TIPS ON KNOT-TYING: USE A SIX-FOOT PIECE OF M OR 1/2 INCH ROPENOT TWINE OR STRING! PRACTICE TYING EACH KNOT IN THE SITUATION IN WHICH IT WILL BE USED.



My Brothers,

Kecoughtan Lodge is the business of promoting the outdoor program of the Boy Scouts of America. This year Howard Hoover is coordinating a Camping Promotins schedule that will contact every willing troop in the Councill. This will be organized on a chapter basis, with a chapter chairman coordinating visits within his own district. It is EXTREMELY IMPORTANT, though, that these chapter chairman recieve help. That is where you come in.

Each chapter will have a camping promotion teams, consisting of youand a fellow brother, who will visit troops on their meeting night and present a program. Although this program concentrates on summer camp, it also deals with year round camping. Work of this type is neither boring or timestealing, and is necessary.

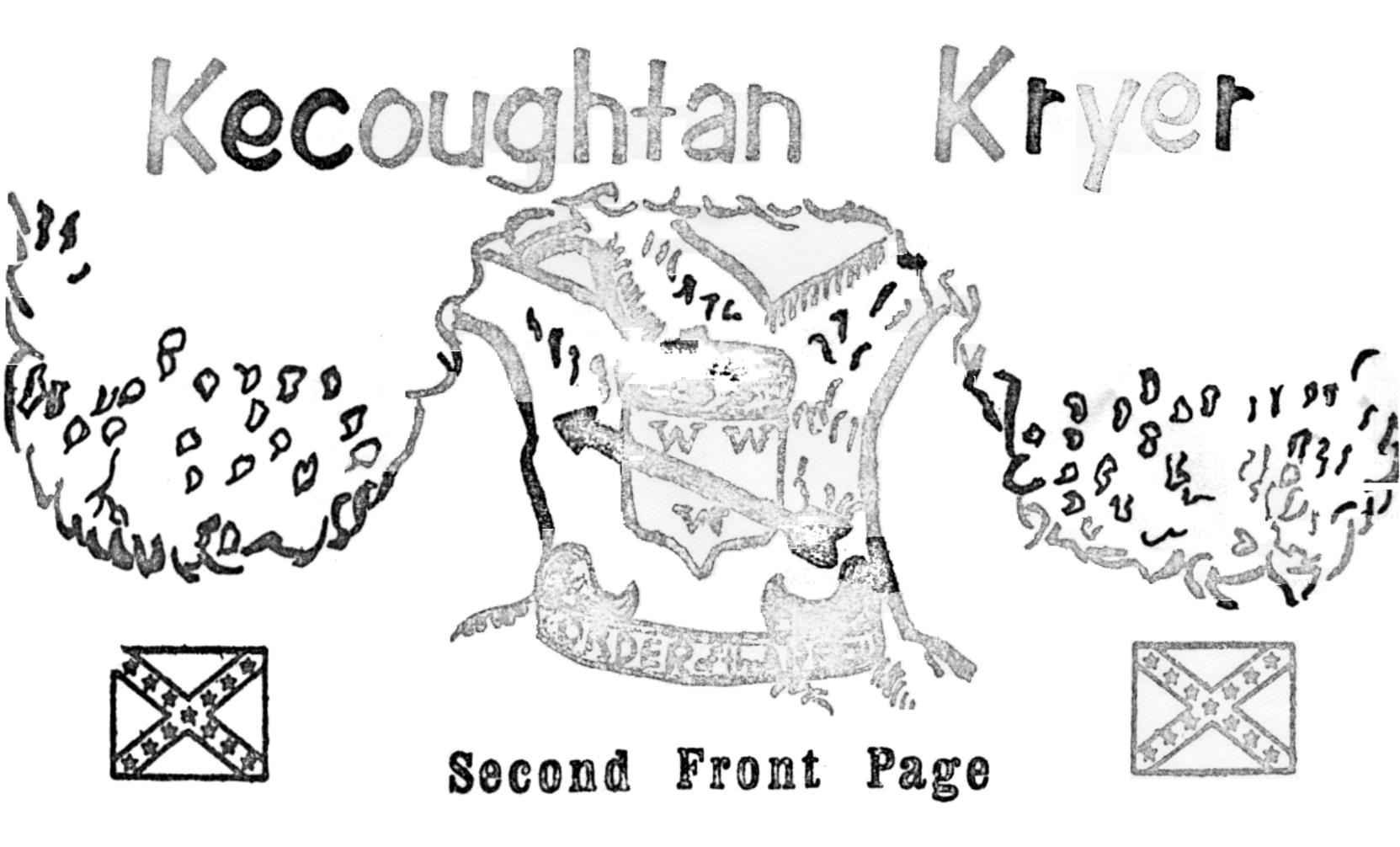
I want everyone who even cares about the Order of the Arrow to call me at 877-1139, immediately, and tell me you want to work with Camping Promotions. I hope that all I will be doing for the next two weeks is anwsering the phone. We need YOU!

> Yours in Camping Promotion, Sam Fairchild Netami Sakima

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

At our annual Christmas Banquet, there was a display of several Lodge flap patches. One of these flaps, the earliest from our Lodge, was removed from this display. If an arrowman did this act, it goes against all Scouting and Order of the Arrow ideals. If you know anything about this, see to it that this patch is mailed to our Lodge Chief.

THE MANAGEMENT



HERE WE ARE WITH MORE BIG NEWS ON ANOTHER SECOND FRONT PAGE! HI AGAIN!

Pow-Wow

Editors Note: The Kitchen Kabinet meeting is an annual assembly of the officers of

Fifty-Four representatives from the Lodges in Area III-C gathered together at Howard Johnsons Restaurant in Richmond on November 20th, 1971.

comming year particularly the annual Pow-Wow.

the 9 lodges in Area III-C to plan the

The first items after opening formalities was the Area Chief's report in which Direction '72 was introduced. The purpose of this new program is: reassesment of our purpose at the Area level, a drive for complete National Standard Achievement, lodge newsletter aids (including an advisory committee and publication suggestion booklet), statewide public relations campaign, and completion of an area information booklet on lodge statistics.

Further old business included a ten minute narrated slide show of the 1971 Pow-Wow and a synopsis of Blue Heron's 25th Anniversary Celebration.

Awards recognition followed including last years Pow-Wow awards, E. Urner Googman Camping Awards, National Standard Lodge

Planning

recognition, and the presentation of the Area Chief and Area Lay Adviser with two doughnuts brought all the way from downtown Hampton.

New business was taken care of and everyone adjourned for lunch two minutes early (a new Area record).

The first thing following lunch was the 1972 Pow-Wow presentation by Alan Spaulding Pow-Wow coordinator of Kecoughtan Lodge.

It was announced that permission to hold the bi-annual training conference had been denied obliterating hopes for an overnight Kitchen Kabinet meeting. Delegates were unhappy and voted to send a formal complaint to National.

A committee was formed to look into problems (particularly transportation) concerning the 1973 National Conference in Santa Barber California.

The meeting was closed as Area Professional Adviser, Mr. Dillard, gave the closing challange and everyone joined hands for the Order of the Arrow song.

The next Kitchen Kabinet meeting will

be held in November, 1972.

PHILMONT Breeds ADVENTURE

These towering peaks throw down a mighty challenge!

It's a challenge that means rugged he-man adventure in the tradition of the mountainmen!

It's a challenge that means back-packing into the towering Sangre de Cristo mountains and living on your Scouting skills!

It means a chance to do more and go farther than you ever thought you could!

It's a challenge that means PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH AND EXPLORER BASE, the 214 square miles of mountaintop adventure that you've heard about ever since you became a Scout!

The Indians, the mountainmen and the miners of the Old West accepted the Challenge of the Sangre de Cristos. So have more than 300,000 Scouts and Explorers. Why not YOU? Reach for the Big One! Tackle the peaks of Philmont — the superactivity that towers above them all!

Just imagine! YOU hiking rocky trails high above timberline with your head in the clouds — YOU watching a herd of deer or elk disappearing among the towering Ponderosa Pine — or YOU bedding down in a high mountain meadow after a back-breaking day on the trail and listening to the liquid chatter of a stream as it talks its way down the mountainside!

If you're 14 years old or older, a registered Scout or Explorer and an able-bodied red-blooded young American, the Philmont challenge is for YOU!



TONERARY FOR 1972

See the great South and Southwest.
Travel by air conditioned bus to: Atlanta,
Georgia-the land of "Gone with the Wind"
New Orleans, La.-the home of Dixieland
Jazz, Basin St. and French America
Houstan and Dallas, Texas-the land of wide
open spaces and the big sky, and a chance

to see the Astrodome and/or the Space Center and visit one of the biggest amusement parks in America: Six Flags over Texas.

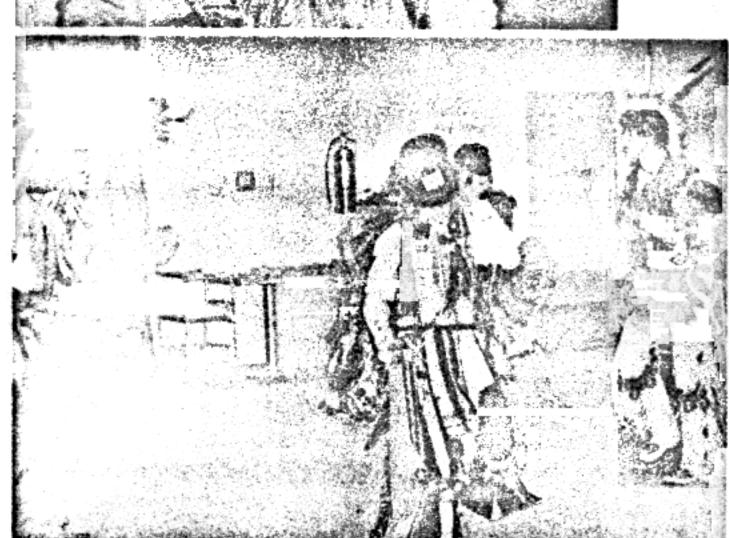
We will also see New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, South Carolina and North Carolina.

All of this and twelve days of hiking in the wilderness of Philmont Scout Ranch for only \$275.00

SEND YOUR REGISTRATION INTO THE SERVICE CENTER BY MARCH 1st. Registration fee: \$25.00

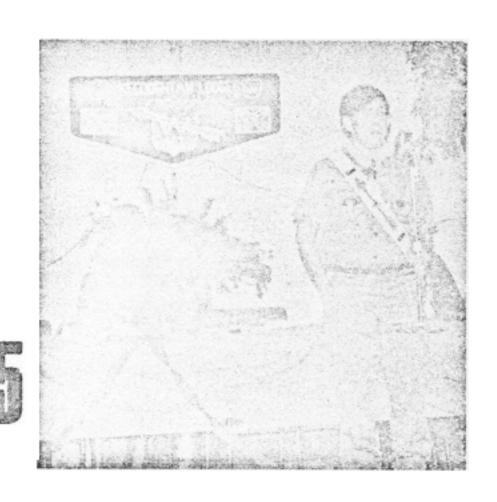
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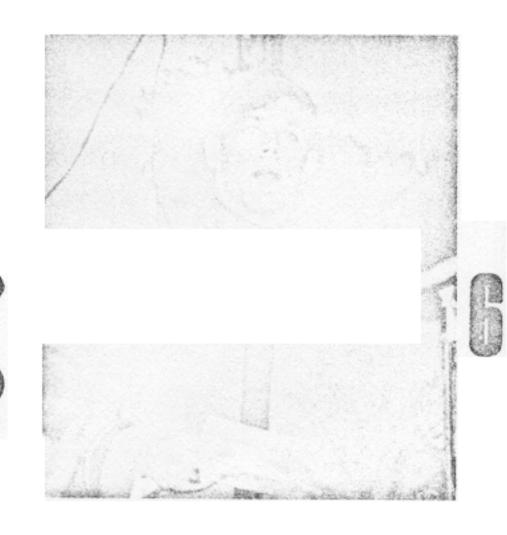




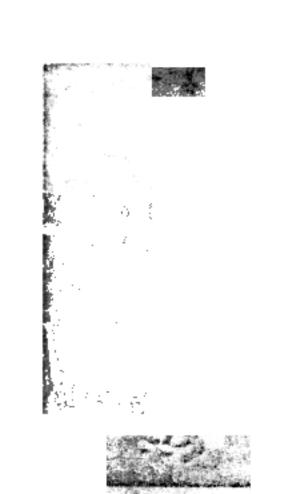


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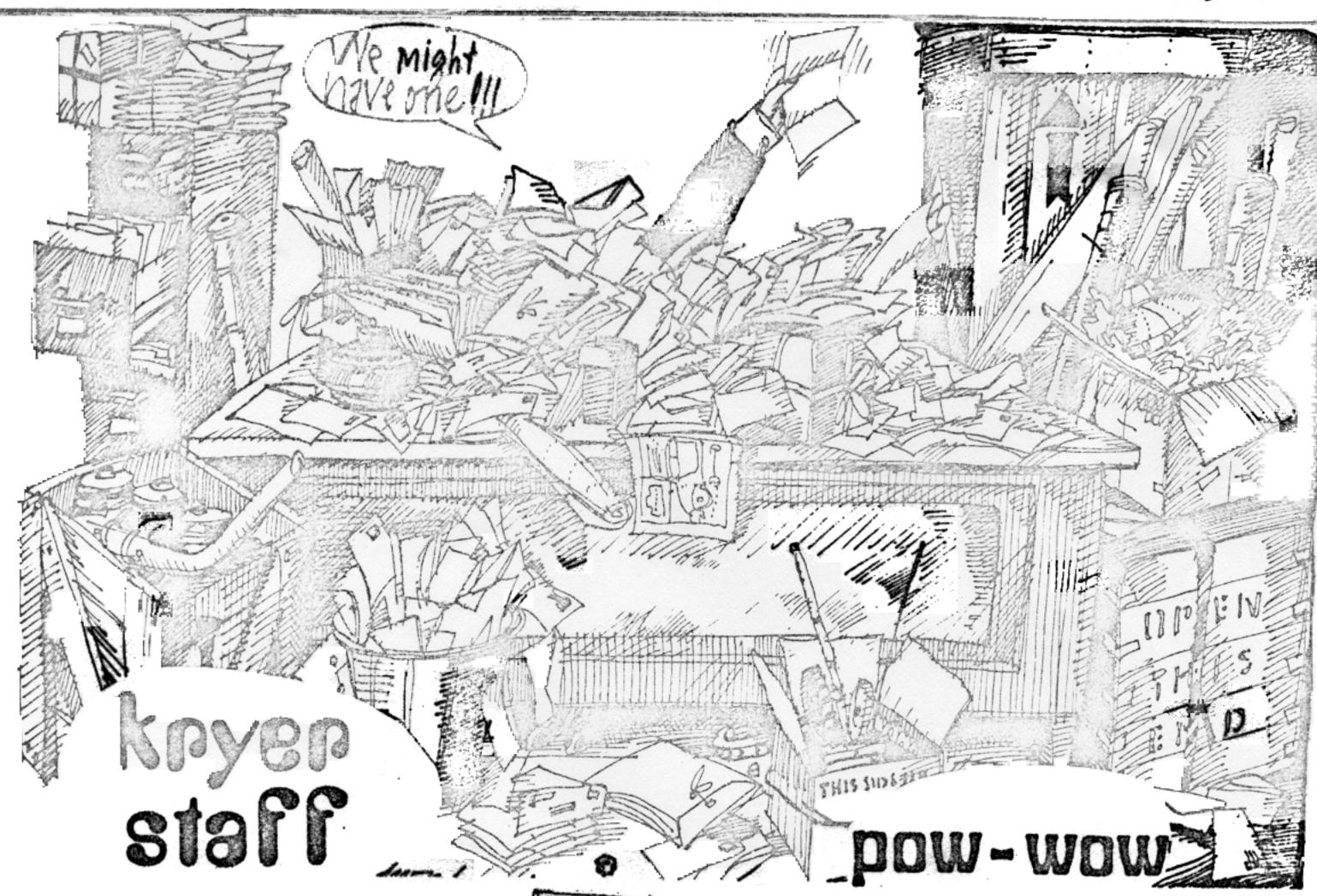
- 1. Registration
- 2. Food for thought 3. AND THE BEAT GOES ON
- 4. 9 of the 10 new vigils
- A memory
 Dave Roemer, guest speaker, West Point.
- 7. Mr. Service Coordinator...SIR!
- 8. ... Gather the clan...











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David Hansen Jeff Daniels The Pow Wow Committee still needs help. Call us, don't delay. We need lodge guides, waiters, sanitation technicians, and other workers. Staffers recieve a delegate's packet. Here is your big chance to go to the Pow Wow, the annual meeting of the lodges in the state of Virginia. April 21-23.

WINTER

WE MUST HAVE YOU SIGNED UP BY FEBRUARY 4th. NO EXCEPTIONS:

ORDEAL PAY UP.....DON'T DELAY

Name _____ Troop #

\$3.75 Basic Fee

\$0.75 Patch

WE NEED PICKUP TRUCKS.

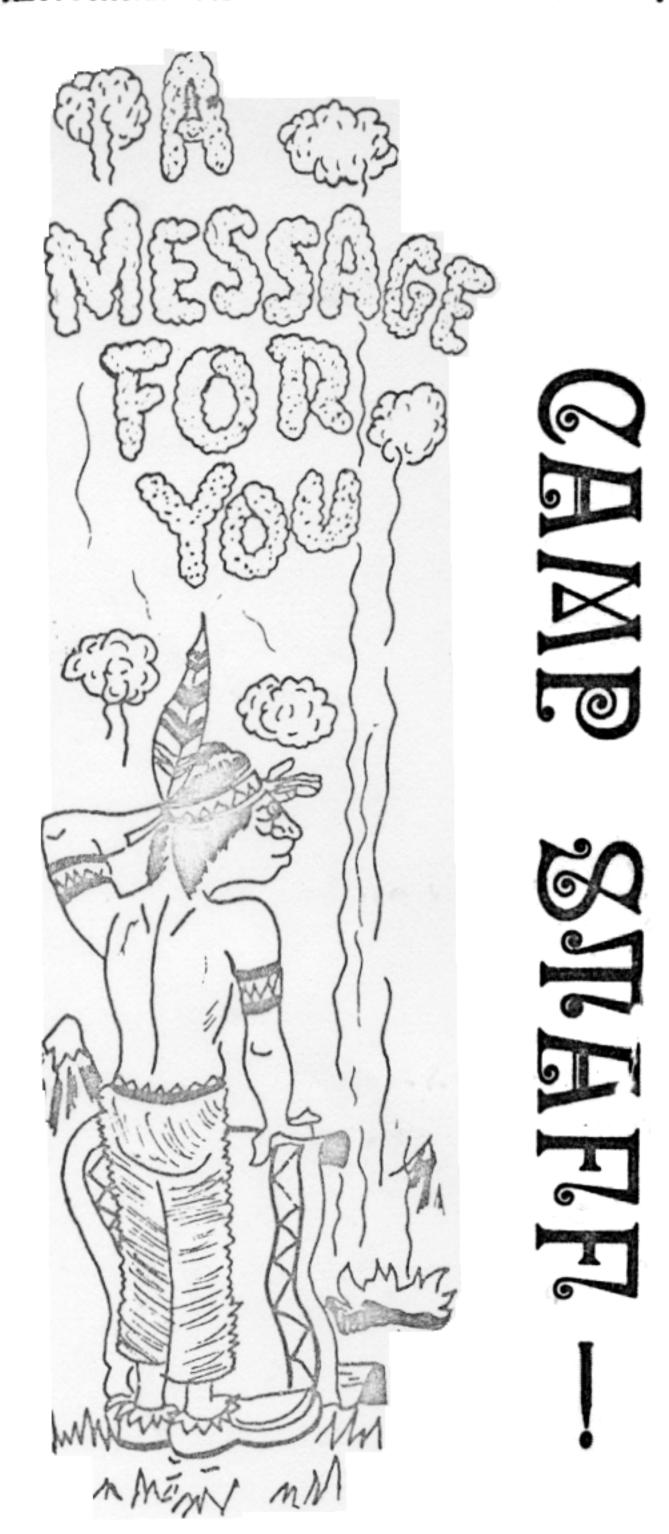
ANYTHING NOT HAULED IN TRUCKS MUST BE CARRIED IN BY HAND

The Management.

\$1.35 Brotherhood

\$2.00 1972 Dues

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Peninsula Council, BSA.



If you are an Eagle Scout, have special skills, like living in the out-of-doors, like to work with younger scouts and want to have fun all summer...stop in the Scout Service Center and get a camp staff application.

Take it to your Scoutmaster and talk to him about your working at camp as a camp staff member. You must be 15 years old to be a counselor-in-training and 16 years old to be on staff. If you have a skill and your Scoutmaster recommends you...you're the one for us! Staff interviews will be held during Easter Vacation.



- GOLDEN CORN BREAD -

AT HOME: sift together

1 cup corn meal

1 cup sifter all-purpose flour

t cup sugar

teaspoon salt

4 teaspoons baking powder

IN THE FIELD: add

l egg

1 cup milk

d cup soft shortening or butter

Beat untill smooth. Bake in greased fry pan (either one from Boy Scout mess kit will work IF it fits Dutch Oven). Place greased fry pan with batter in it inside Dutch Oven. Bake at approx 425° for 20-25 minutes or untill golden brown.

Recipe from Quaker Oats. Tried and tested by Kryer Staff.

All Lodge members are invited to contribute material for the Kryer. We prefer material to be typewritten. If writing in long-hand, please double space. Articles or letters should be recived by the 15th of the month preceeding publication. Mail your material to:

Bruce Robinson 123 Sandpiper St. Newport News, Va. 23602 or call 877-5645.

BANQUET con't

distributed. This patch commemorated twenty years of service as a lodge, depicting an arrowhead like the one on our first lodge flap in 1951.

Dave Romer, the guest speaker from West Point Military Academy, held the attention of everyone with a fine talk on West Point. Dave, a sophomore there, described the aspects of cadet life and encouraged Scouts and Explorers to consider this school.

Our dance team, not to be outdone, put on a fine show consisting of several authentic Indian Dances.

They were followed by the Vigil presentation to ten members of our lodge. They are:
Mike Barroso, Mr. Doug Braxton, Sam Fairchild, Andy Hess, Mr. Don Holland, Mr. Andy
Kurtz, Larry Lee, Mr. Carlon Lewis, Dave
Mulvey, and Kenny Nourse. The Vigil Honor is
bestowed to outstanding arrowmen for their
contribution to Scouting and the Order of the
Arrow.

The ceremonial team then lead the membership rededication and the meeting closed with the words "...that binds in Brotherhood. Wimachtendienk!

TRAINING SESSION

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It was pointed out that our lodge needs to cut down on administration hassle. The idea of a lodge custodian, or person to handle the treasurers supplies, was suggested. There was much discussion on the new National ruling abolishing arrow notching, and giving the candidate more food. It was generaly thought this might detract from the meaning of the Ordeal.

Obviously the most contraversial topic was co-ed OA. Although many people liked the idea, it was generaly agreed that the Ordeal would have to be changed too much to accomidate females.

PLEASE HELP! PLEASE HELP! PLEASE HELP!

The Kryer Staff is in need of typists.

If you can type, please call Bruce Robinson,
877-5645, and volunteer your help. We usually
work on Sundays, including Super Bowl Sunday.

Of course, all time spent on the Kryer is
good for hours. PLEASE HELP!

GRAVIL

COMMITTEE

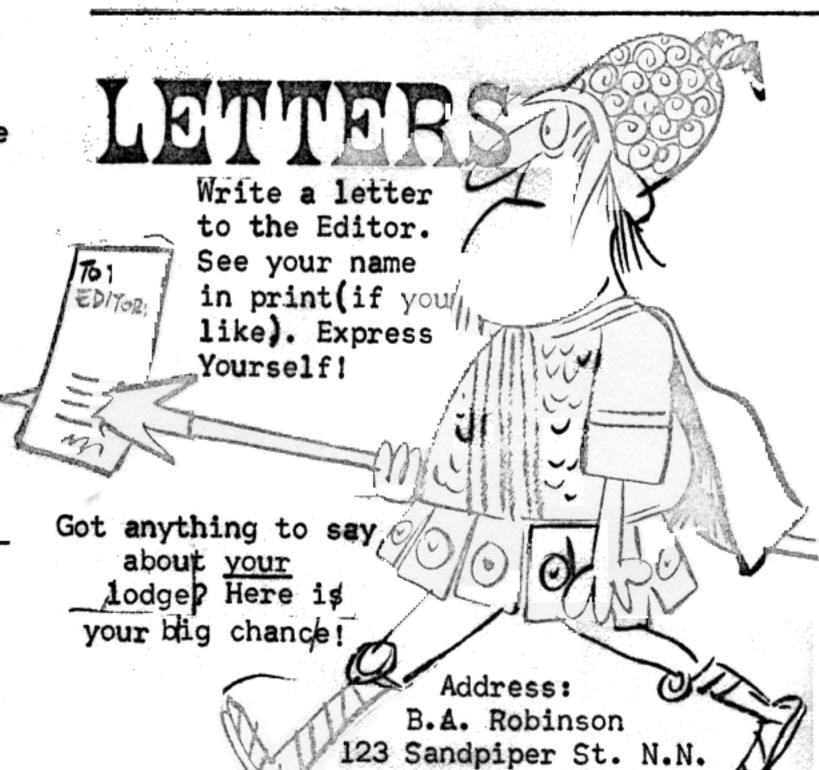
As the new chairman of the Engraving Committee, I have found that most people in our lodge don't fully understand the committee's function.

My committee, as the name implies, does engraving work. We are basically concerned with making name tags for people, however we are extending our area of operation to include metal engraving.

The question I am asked most often is "What do you do with the money?". We turn the money over to the Lodge Treasury, billing them only for materials. The "profit" is used to finance various projects. At the present time, the money we make is being put into the dining hall at Camp Chickahomony.

We are now reforming our committee in preparation for the Pow-Wow. If you are interested in joining the committee, or have any questions concerning the committee, or its operation, feel free to call either myself (596-3695) or Mr. Andy Kurtz (722-7686).

Duane Winn Engraving Committee



23602

CHAPTER CHATTER

KISKIACK

Gary LeBlanc has moved up from the Vice-Chief slot to fill the vacancy left when Clark Nickerson recently resigned as Chief. Joe Roudabush has been appointed Vice-Chief until one can be elected.

Our Chapter Dance Team continues to dance its way into the heart of Peninsula People. If you would like to become a member of this group of reformed palefaces, call Jackie Fields at 887-2890.

Chapter meeting coming soon - we will be taking members for the Unit Elections, Camping Promotions, and Telephone Committees. Questions? Call Gary LeBlanc at 877-76'9.

PAMUNKEY

We would like to see all Chapter members at the Winter Ordeal. If you have a shovel or chain saw please bring it. We must have all broiler pan money.

Any Scoutmaster that would like a Camping Promotions demonstration, contact Mike Barrosso, 851-0610. If you would like a Unit Election for your troop, contact Mike Lovell, 851-1935. It is every arrowmen's job to get his troop to go camping often.

We are planning to go to some of the Beaver Days as a Chapter. We need everyone to come. You will recieve Chapter hours for this. You need sexteen hours for each additional Chapter patch. We still have a few Chapter patches left.

Keep our Chapter Number 1 !
Andy Hess

STOP YOUMISSED IT

Turn back to Page 6 for full information on on how you can join the Pow-Wow staff. Staff members recieve a delegates packet!

LOWEAU ALLANQUE

Lowneau Allanque is now kicking off what we hope to be one of the best years in our Chapters history. We have several goals for the upcoming year. They are:

- To hold unit elections and camping promotions programs in every troop.
- 2) To have all eligible Ordeal members become Brotherhood.
 - 3) To hold chapter fellowship banquet.
 - 4) To get a chapter patch.
 - 5) To get a chapter dance team.

We now have a telephone committee and chairman, a unit elections committee headed by Del Stokes, and a camping promotions committee headed by Tommy Moul.

As Chief, I would like to congradulate the new Vigils, especially Larry Lee and Mr. Don Holland, the first Vigil members from our chapter. I hope to see everyone from our chapter at the Winter Ordeal.

Craig Rascoe

WENDAMEN

Organization of the Camping Promotions and Unit Elections Committees is rapidly being improved. Wendamen Chapter has started a string of visits to the troops in Northern Star District. Tentative schedules have been drafted for future visits.

Mr. Brian Harmon, a Vigil arrowmen, has been appointed Chapter Advisor. He is also the Scoutmaster of the newly organized troop at Gloucester Court House.

All Chapter members are reminded to urge their troops to participate in the "Great Adventure", summer camp at Camp Chicahominy.

Lee Brown



Has your troop signed up for summer camp?
At press time there were only 24 open
camp site left. Don't let your troop down.
Sign up NOW and make the \$25 deposit.



What is a Pow Wow? In Area III-C of the Order of the Arrow, it is a gathering of about 350 carefully chosen delegates from the 9 Lodges that serve Scouting in Virginia and parts of D.C., Maryland, and No. Carlonia. The Pow Wow is an annual event, always the 4th weekend in April. This year, the dates are April 21-23; and our lodge, for the first time since Area III-C began, will be the Host Lodge.

The purposes of Pow Wows are four-fold:

First, it is an Area Training-Fellowship event of the type described on pages 69-74 of your O.A. Handbook.

Second, it is a way of focusing each of the Lodges' attention on a specific part of good operations. By that I mean that every Lodge takes an active part in the training. Each prepares an agreed upon topic from the Handbook. "Everybody" knows that the best way to learn a subjest is to teach it. So- Area III-C lodges learn a lot about how to run themselves as they do their shares of Pow Wow training. Our topic this year is "Conducting the Ordeal." Although we have been having pretty good Ordeals, wait until you see the improvements in the Winter Ordeal, Feb 11-13! The great ideas are a direct spin-off from the research our Pow Wow training Committee has been doing since we got that topic. Past improvements in our newsletter, records, camp promotion, and ceremonies have been initiated in that same way.

Third, it is a way to get acquainted with active, dedicated Arrowmen from across the Area. These are guys who "talk our language." They are fun to

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The mailing label may not show it if you have, because we are thrifty, and are using up the labels we have. BUT YOU KNOW IF YOU PAID.

Act now! Renew your membership in the greatest BOY-POWER organization in the world - THE ORDER OF THE ARROW!!

This must be our last notice for you to pay up at the regular \$2.00 rate. The rules require that memberships which lapse cost \$2.00 additional to reinstate. DON'T GET CAUGHT IN THE RULES TRAP

be with. Many lasting friendships are formed at Area III-C Pow Wows.

Fourth, it is a way to show off the Host Lodge's Scout Camp and demonstrate its hospitality. We know we have the best camp and the sharpest lodge in the whole B.S.A.! This year's Pow Wow gives us a chance to prove it to the 317 Arrowmen who will be our guests from April 21st to the 23rd.

So that is what a Pow Wow is. We can see plainly that being Host Lodge requires a lot of extra effort, particularly in the way of getting camp up to summer camp condition early in the Spring. For instance, tents and cots must be put up for our guests (and taken down afterwards).

Our "Host" preparations started long ago, as the various Pow Wow commmittees under Coordinator Alan Spaulding zeroed in on their jobs. Now it is time for the whole Lodge to get behind them and finish off those jobs! Our Winter Ordeal is the main chance for us all. We will get as much done as your attendance permits. To make sure it is all done on time, we have scheduled 3 additional Beaver Days and a final "Put-up-the-canvas-day". The dates are Feb 26, Mar 4, Mar 18, and Apr 15.

We know that few, if any, of you can make all 5 dates. We will always insist that your troop or post must come first. Even so - if you are really worthy to wear the Arrow, you will pitch in whenever and however you can.

Remember: Feb 11-13, Feb 26, Mar 4, Mar 18, Apr 15, and----April 21-23 Pow Wow!

In the bounds of Cheerful Service,

The Lodge Adviser

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