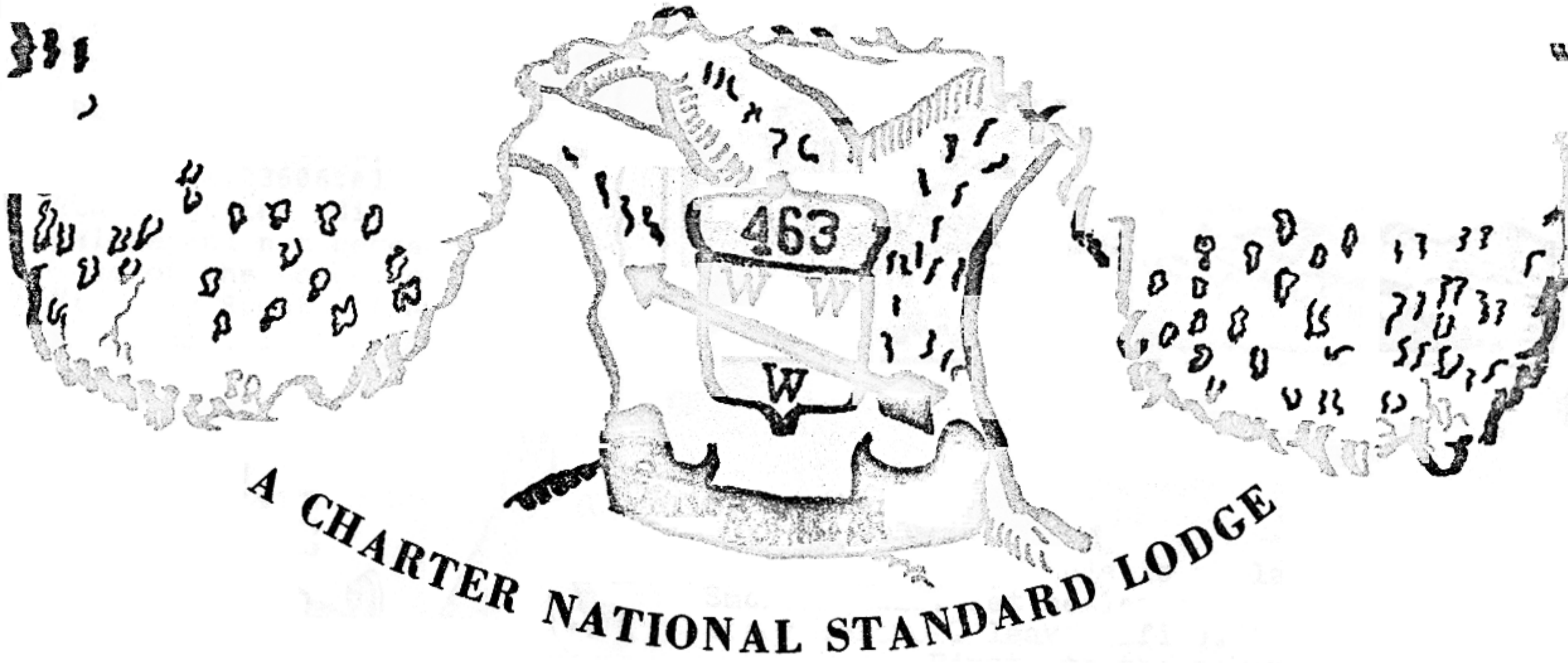


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"FROM THE LITTLE ACORN, THE MIGHTY OAK TREE GROWS"

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YULETIDE BANQUET 27 DEC.

Where are you going during Christmas vacation this year? Bermuda? Hong-Kong? Hawaii? Hidenwood Presbyterian Church? HIDDENWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH !! Yes, Fathers and Sons, one and all, give up your drab trips to the four corners of the world. This year enjoy the Kecoughtan-Lodge 1974 Christmas Extravaganza!

Mike Kinzie and his Entertainment Committee are well on the way to holding the most incredible, extroindinary, unbelievable Father and Son Banquet in the History of the Lodge. This year's program promises to make last year's look like Show-N-Tell. You will be entertained by a cast of thousands; all highly - trained in the field of entertainment. The Senior Prom won't be able to touch this year's show.

In addition to the Fun and Festivities, the lodge year will be highlighted with the presentation of the new Vigil Honor members of Kecoughtan Lodge and three special presentations from the 25th Anniversary Committee. And, as always, we will be rededicated to the high aims and purposes of the Order of the Arrow.

Brothers, seriously, this is going to be an event you will regret missing. Much planning has already been accomplished and much cheerfultservice is being done by your fellow brothers. Here's the half - time statistics: Place: Hidenwood Presbyterian Church, Hiden Blvd. (Newport News); Date:

December 27, 1974; Time: Registration begins at 6:30 PM.; Attendance: Arrowmen of Kecoughtan Lodge with either their Fathers or Sons, depending on the Arrowman's age!

When the invitations arrive in the mail, commit yourself to a night you'll never forget: The 1974 KECOUGHTAN LODGE YULETIDE BANQUET EXTROIDINAIRE!!!

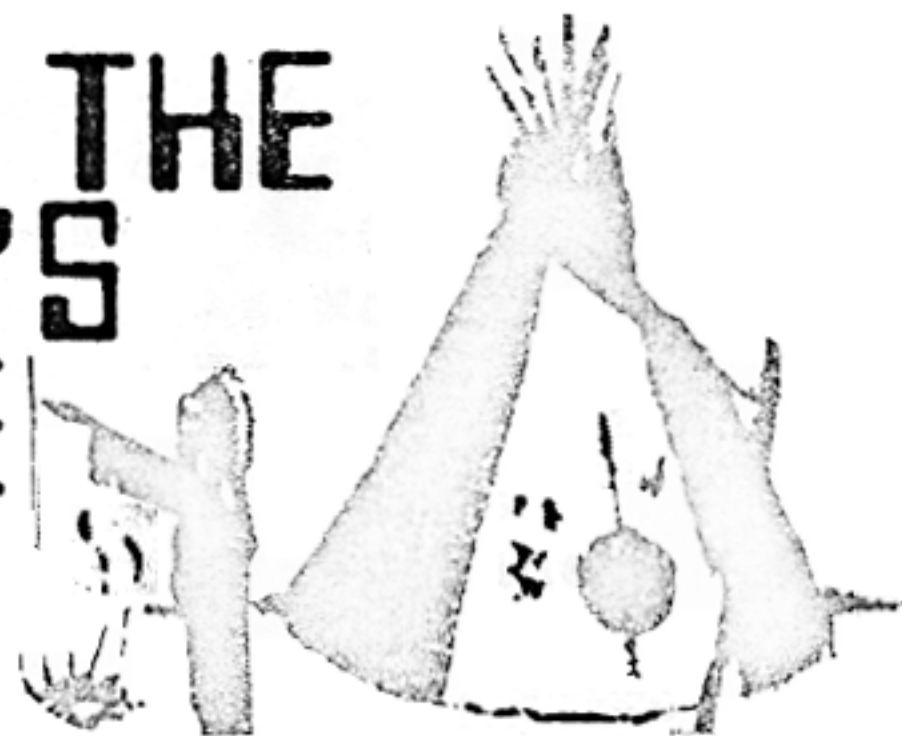
'74 ELECTION RESULTS

Campaign posters, flags, banners, buttons and flyers adorned trees and walls at Camp Chickahominy the weekend of May 17 at the Annual Kecoughtan Lodge Spring Ordeal and Fellowship. But in the final election, Ed Dadez, former Chapter Chief of Kiskiack Chapter, beat out Mike Kinzie for the office of Lodge Chief, and Rone Baldwin was elected Vice Chief over competition from Dave Carroll and Bill Irwin. In other elections, incumbent Norman Effinger was elected to an unprecedented second term, and Chip Hager was appointed Treasurer by acclamation. No candidates were nominated for the office of Corresponding Secretary, so this office will be filled at a later date by appointment of the Lodge Chief, Ed Dadez.

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FROM THE CHIEF'S TEPEE



My Brothers;

I am in great distress over certain items that have risen since I became Chief of this Lodge. One of these items is the lack of participation of most Kecoughtan Lodge members. If you look at our lodge, you will see only 50 active members. Are you in this group?

So I ask you, my brothers in the Order of the Arrow, to look inward and try to fit the Order of the Arrow into your schedule at least one night per week. Even working one night at an Unit Election, Camping Promotion presentation, or Dance Team performance would help to alleviate OUR problem of lack of participation. If you need any help in selecting a committee on which to serve, please call me and I will try to help you.

Let all Kecoughtan Arrowmen work together for another successful year of cheerful service.

Yours in Camping;

Ed Dadez
Ed Dadez
Lodge Chief

My Brothers,

Since this is my last Smokesignals, let me leave two messages before I leave office.

First, to the newer Order members: This is indeed a GREAT lodge. Almost a quarter century of leadership and dedication to purpose have gone into its making - not without reward. The most important thing to realize, though, is that you are the leadership of the future. Much like a baseball team must depend on new rookies, so must our lodge look to new members for leadership and ambition. The opportunity is there NOW - step forward and take advantage of it.

Second - to the "older" members of 463: It is our duty to train and support, urge and encourage our younger brothers. Be there when they need you, your efforts will not go unnoticed. And for now make our Lodge the best it can be.

Finally, my deepest and most personal thanks to everyone in Kecoughtan for making my term a truly enjoyable experience, one worthwhile of its many hours work. Ed, Ray, and many others deserve credit that I can never repay - thanks.

Yours in W.W.W.,

Glenn Chase
Glenn Chase
Editor

KECOUGHTAN

GRATULATIONS, NEW BROTHERHOOD MEMBERS

The following people have made clear their intention to always to their best to live a life of cheerful service. They have passed a series of test to prove themselves worthy of being a Brotherhood member in the Order of the Arrow.

Larry Armstrong
Tommy Bennett
Bobby Crittenden
Frank Delph
Mike Duffey
Trey Easterwood
David Johnson
Mr. Marshall Johnson
Garrott McGowan
Mr. Mike McKenzie
Garry McSmith
Fred O'Dorsio
Mr. Bill Owens
Scott Strickland
David Taylor



COUNCIL of CHIEFS

The Battlefield Room of the Sheraton Inn in Fredericksburg will be the site of the November Council of Chiefs meeting for Section SE 1. Bruce Saunders, SE 1 Chief, will host this planning meeting of Section lodges for the 1975 Conclave. Various proposals that affect you will be on the agenda.

The Council of Chiefs is a planning body that consists of the twelve lodges from the states of Virginia, Maryland, and Delaware. The Council is responsible for many decisions that concern the operation of the Section. Kecoughtan Lodge Chief, Ed Dadez, will propose to hold an Indian Seminar separate from the Conclave, and if approved, he will bid on Kecoughtan Lodge as the 1975 host. If this proposal is accepted, the seminar will probably be held in the latter part of March at our own Camp Chickahominy. Mike Kinzie, Vigil Nominating Committee Chairman, has been appointed to start work on the physical arrangements.

At the November meeting, hosted by the Tutelo Lodge, topics concerning the 1975 Conclave will be discussed. Those topics affecting you directly are: training sessions, Lodge delegation quotas, and competition arrangements.

September Ordeal

Bad weather hampered many of the days cheerfull service events but candidates and brothers enjoyed themselves. They cleaned out the canoe base and the swimming area. This task was made easier by lowering the lake. Due to the rain the painting of the dining hall was cansueled, however the ordeal candidates were kept busy doing other tasks.



The cooking commitee came through with excellent food. The food served include barb-b-q, french toast, and pizza.

Do to the rain the brotherhood and ordeal ceremonies were held inside. As usual our cerimonial team did a great job.

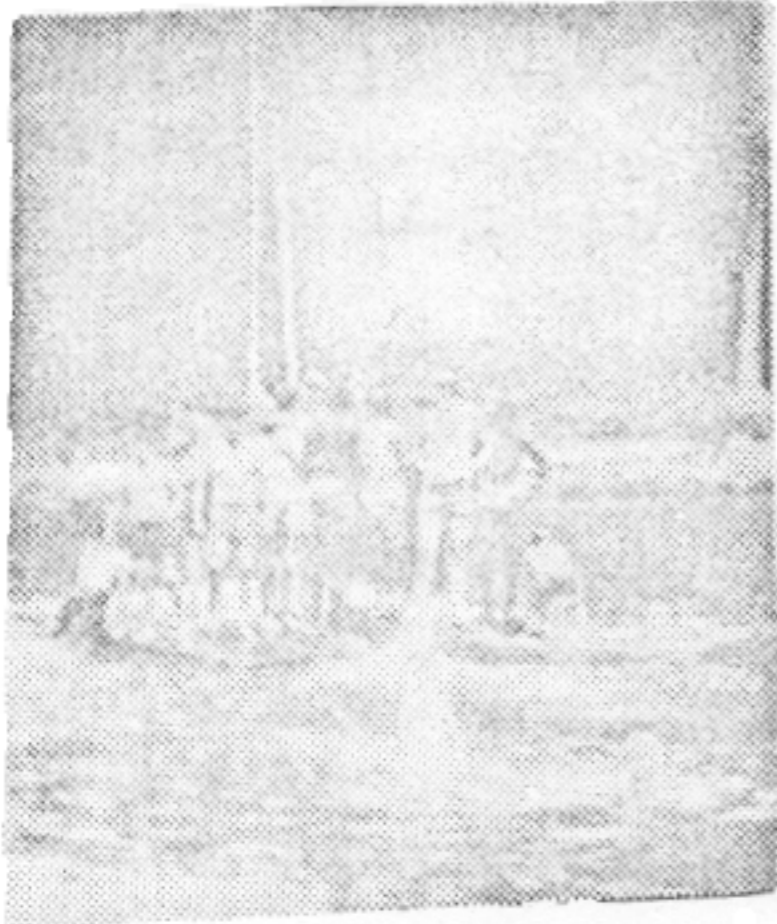
The (Kinzie) commitee came through with other forms of entertainment like ping-pong, and cards.

A few new things came about, among them were the forming of some new commitees, and the dance team introduced some new dances.

All things considered it was an excellent ordeal and I hope to see you all there at the next ordeal.

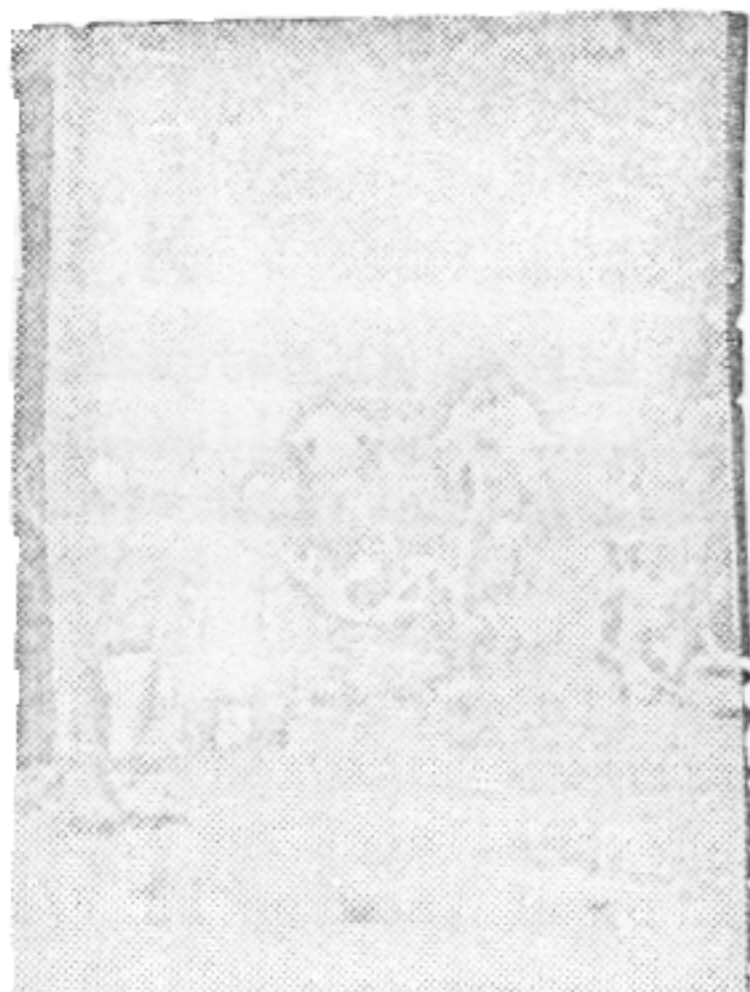
Summer Camp Highlights: 1974

Good times were had by all campers and thier guests who attended CAMP CHICKAHOMANY during its 1974 summer camp season. Young scouts as well as old scouts were keep busy by one of the most active and varried programs in the history of the camp .



Each day featured some 35 merit badge classes were ofered along with skill award classes. As the day progressed other special events took place with troop vs. troop and troop vs. staff as the themes. One of the favorite games was the water carnavel which included a watermelon for the winner. Other events included indian war club race and the camp wide games.

On Wensdays parents came to camp and, after a turkey and dressing meal were intertained by skits, songs, and a exciting tap out cerimony.



This year Camp Chickahomany saw many out of state troops from as far away as Michagan. This just goes to show what a good camp we have.

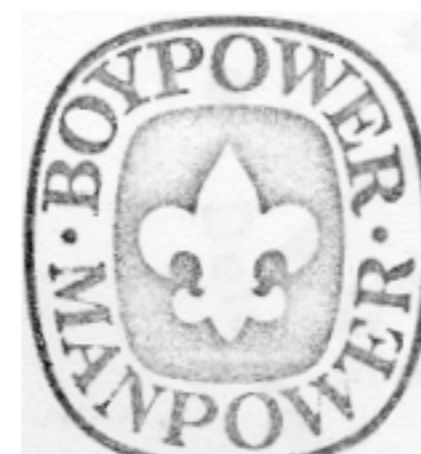
Camp Chickahomany closed after eight weeks of fun, advancement and action. Hope to see you there when summer camp rolls around again.

TRAINING INSTITUTE

The eventfull day of October 5 brought 25 Arrowmen, ready for training and fellowship, to the Church of Jesus of the Later Day Saints. This annual lodge training institute is held to train the Officers and the Newmembers of the Lodge on how The Order Of The Arrow functions. The training included yopics such as The Explanation of The Committees and The Purpose of The Order. The training began at 10:00 AM and concluded at 2:30 PM with lunch at noon. On the whole, even though attendance was low, the training conference was a success.

GET INVOLVED

Want to help your lodge ?????????? Then join a committee. There are many to choose from-----such as camping promotions, newspaper and dance team. Call Trey Easterwood 874-5207



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CHAPTER CHATTER

Mattaponi

My Brothers

Mattaponi Chapter had a meeting on October 26. We discussed the reorganization of our ceremonial team. Our new officers are:

Chief-----Joe Carrol
Vice Chief-----Hubie Alexander
Secretary Trs.--Scott Robinson

Yours in service

Joe Carrol

Pamunkey

This year the Pamunkey Chapter will have two new committees joining the existing ones. Vince West is molding a chapter ceremonial team for tap outs and other essential duties. Vince will act as chairman until November when he turns 21 and becomes advisor. Also added to these committees will be a communications committee which will be responsible for chapter publications and Kryer articles about the chapter. Pamunkey back patches are on sale now, with the usual restrictions, for \$4.00 each. There will be a Pamunkey Chapter meeting for all members on Sunday Nov. 10 at 6:30 PM. The place is not firm at this time but keep that date in mind.

Gary McSmith

Kiskiack

Kiskiack chapter is on its way to another fantastic year. September and October have been our big organizational periods.

There is a meeting for all Kiskiack members at the GRACE MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH on Shoe Lane. Refreshments will be served. Important that you attend.

A chapter newsletter will be published every two months to keep you informed of all events.

One hundred per cent unit elections and camping promotions are the chapters main objectives. With your participation these goals are within our reach .

Yours in Brotherhood

Bill Irwin

BROTHERHOOD BEAVER DAY

Come one come all to a day of fellowship and service projects. The service projects include work on the ceremonial ring and the ceiling of the administration building at Camp Chickahominy. All ordeal members who were inducted before Feb. 74, you are eligible for Brotherhood. You must know the O.A. song, handclasp, obliteration ordeal sign and have a letter written up that explains what the obliteration means to you, how you have lived up to it in your troop or post and describe your future plans in fulfillment of your obliteration. Registration starts at 8:30 work at 9:00 to 4:30. Lunch is \$1.50 and Brotherhood members an extra \$1.50 for sash. Your MONEY must be in by NOV. 28. Mail to Scout Office.

See you there



LEADERSHIP

TROOP CONTACT

Kecoughtan Lodge is now instituting a badly needed new program. One thing missing in our Lodge is a personalized approach in the orientation and Brotherhood promotion of new members of the Order. Rone Baldwin, your new Lodge Vice-Chief, is instigating a vital, new system to alleviate this problem.

HOWEVER: before you are told about the system, Rone needs your pledge of support with cheerful service! The system can only survive if it is supported by a portion of Kecoughtan Lodge's membership.

What Rone wants to do is to select one outstanding Arrowman in every troop and post with three or more O/A members in it to be a TROOP CONTACT. He will be responsible for instituting a section of the lodge program in his own troop. He must meet four (4) qualifications:

1. Scoutmasters approval
2. Parent's approval
3. Troop Contact Review Board approval

4. Active member of Kecoughtan Lodge and active member of troop or post.

Once the troop contacts are selected, Rone will train them on how to answer questions and guide those new Arrowmen from their respective troops who need help in their quest of the Spirit of the Arrow. Troop contacts will also be responsible for encouraging O/A member participation in lodge activities and will serve as a co-ordinator for camping promotions and unit elections in their troop.

Troop contacts will receive hours for their work. These will be handled by Rone.

THE TROOP CONTACT IS A VERY SPECIAL ARROWMAN. THE SUCCESS OF MUCH OF KECOUGHTAN LODGE'S PROGRAM WILL REST ON HIS SHOULDERS. IF YOU THINK THAT YOU CAN HANDLE THE JOB AS O/A CONTACT IN YOUR TROOP, fill in the application blank below and send it off to the Scout Center AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! SELECTION PROCEDURES WILL START SOON.

Remember: A BROTHERHOOD OF CHEERFUL SERVICE

IMPORTANT: Troop Contact System



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APPLICATION FOR POSITION OF TROOP CONTACT

mail to: Troop Contact Review Board
11725 Jefferson Avenue
Newport News, Va. 23606

NAME _____

Address _____ Phone _____

TROOP _____ SCOUTMASTER _____ phone _____

Parent's signature _____

Ordeal / / Brotherhood / / Vigil Honor / /

Scout Rank _____ Present Troop Office _____

BEAVER DAY 1974

December 7, 1974

You are invited to attend a day of cheerful service. This will be at Camp Chickahominy on December 7. The day will begin with registration at 8:30 at the Administration Building. Service will start at 9:00. Lunch will be provided for a cost of \$1.50. After lunch, service will continue until 4:30. This day will also be the last chance for ordeal members to become Brotherhood at the present low prices!

You are eligible for Brotherhood if you became an ordeal member on or before February, 1974. This is your last chance to become a brotherhood member at the current price as the brotherhood fee will increase on January 1st.

Brotherhood candidates must know the obligation, sign of ordeal membership, song, and the O.A. handclasp. You must write a letter to the recording secretary that explains what you think the obligation means, how you have been fulfilling this obligation in your troop or post and how you have used your understanding of the traditions of the ordeal to aid you in your service. Also describe the specific plans you have for rendering service to the lodge in fulfillment of the new pledge you expect to take.

This letter should be brought with you when you register at Beaver Day.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU SEND IN YOUR MONEY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! IT MUST BE IN THE SCOUT OFFICE ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 28, 1974.

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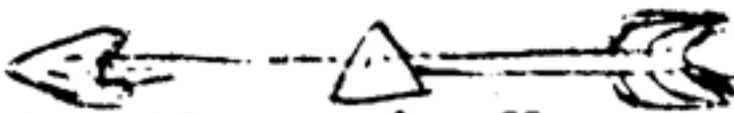
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Name- - - - -

Lunch, \$1.50- - - - -

Brotherhood fee, \$1.50-

Total amount enclosed-



My brothers in Kecoughtan Lodge, Order of the Arrow, it has been my privilege these past 7 years to serve you as Lay Adviser. To those who have been close, and I hope in some measure to all of you, it must be clear that "serve" may not be an accurate way to characterize what I did. Actually, I was having a wonderful time! We have done a lot of work in those years, but we had an awfully good time doing it.

But what I will always cherish most are the some two thousand new brothers I gained in those 7 years. How exciting it is to think on what each may have received by being an Arrowman, no matter how briefly. Too, a great number truly grew toward finer manhood as they enriched the lives of those who shared our circle. I speak of the young men who filled leadership positions in both Lodge and Chapter offices and committees. No less distinctive in my memory are the faithful hundreds who came again and again to give cheerful

service building and maintaining Camp Chickahominy. Too, the good freinds who have shared the adviser role command my undying admiration.

What I am trying to say, in case you haven't heard, is that I have been enjoying myself too much, and too long, at the expense of my family. Now I must serve them, before it is too late. When I get that part of my life in as good shape as the Lodge now is in, I'll be back, looking for a way to help out. In the meantime, may I be an "elder statesman?"

Let me lay a little of that on you right now: In the words of our founder, taken from the Handbook.. .."The Order of the Arrow is a thing of the individual, rather than the mass....of the out-of-doors rather than the indoors....of the spirit rather than of mechanics..." Keep up the good work!

Bailey Tudor
Bailey Tudder

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