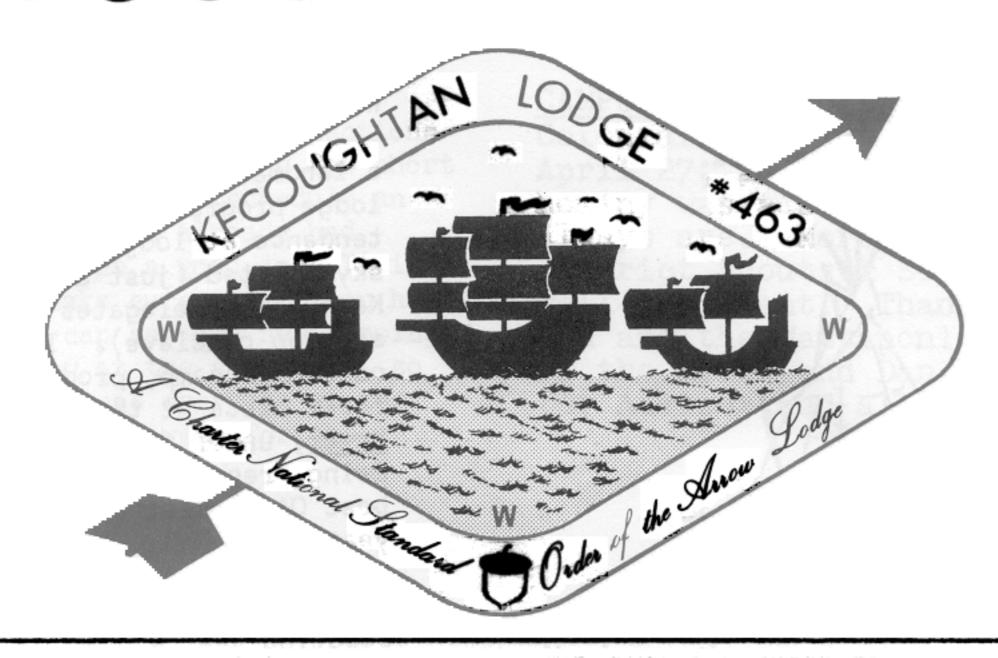
KECOUGHTAN KRYER



MAY 1979

From the tiny acorn, the mighty oak tree grows

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CONCLAVE 1979 DIGGS NO.1

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CHIEF SE-I

On April 20, 1979, 45 Kecoughtan Arrowmen left the Scout Service Center at 7:30 p.m. for the annual Section Conclave, hosted by Nawakwa Lodge, of Fort A. P. Hill.

Using Troop's 2 bus, driven by Andy Hess, we arrived a little shaken but in good spirits ready for the crackerbarrel.

The Display Committee started work immediately on the lodge display. As it turned out, it took all night to set every little detail right. It looked like a masterpiece! Every lodge could see it as they passed by for breakfast in the morning.

Breakfast was a disaster-need I say more.

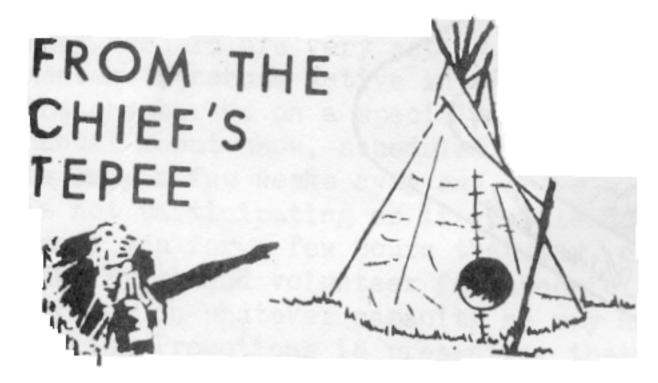
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Training sessions were good, as brothers shared ideas. We attended two lectures before lunch and one after lunch. Delegates could pick from many sessions. Three that I attended were objective planning, finances, and resources. At lunch, we all made our own hamburgers, and had beans, mash peas, bread, peaches and bug juice. After all the training sessions, it was time to hit the lodge competitions. We entered every event. The first competition was earthball. Our lodge was ready to take on any lodge. We played two lodges and rolled them over. We made the finals-four lodges left. We had to take on Shenandoah Lodge. That ball went back and forth. Continue on Page 6

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Fellow Brothers,

It is with both sorrow and happiness that I write this, my last Chief's Tepee. It is a sorrowful occasion to relinquish my position as Lodge Chief yet I am happy and have very much enjoyed working with the best officers and executive committee found anywhere, and I'm looking forward to working with all of you on the section level. I would like to thank the entire lodge for the support I received this last year and I hope your support will continue this next year. Although I am now SE-1 Chief, I will always be working with Kecoughtan Lodge. If I can be of any assistance, please let me know. My last request concerns the 1979 Lodge Officer elections. Elections are very, very important and I hope you will consider each candidate seriously. They are all great guys but only one mill be your chief next year. Please attend the Spring Ordeal and cast your vote. I'll be seeing you on June 9th, at Camp Chickahominy.

> Yours in Brotherhood Gus Diggs

Herman a Digge





My Brothers,

First of all, I would like to congratulate Gus Diggs on his spectacular win as Section Chief at the Conclave. I'm sure Gus will do a great job, and we're with him all the way.

Our lodge is presently well into a landmark year. Participation in the lodge program is on the upswing, and attendance at lodge and section events has skyrocketed (just ask one of the fifty Kecoughtan delegates who attended the section conclave). The lodge slide show on summer camp, produced by Pat Crow, won first place at the conclave; and our own Kryer, under the able direction of Tim Ewing, received an award for being the best OA newsletter in Virginia this past year.

But let's not stop now, because we're entering the most important season of the Scouting year - SUMMER CAMP! As the new Hampton Roads Scout Camping program enters its second year, all systems are go for another fun and rewarding summer at Camp Chickahominy. I hope your troop is planning to go so it won't miss out on the action. By the way, there will be an OA fellowship every Thursday night in the mess hall, open to all Arrowmen from any lodge. I hope to meet each of you at Chickahominy this summer. Until then - THINK SUMMER CAMP!

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CHAPTER CHATTER

KISKIACK

Please! If your troop has not had elections please do so now. There are only a few short days left. Give me a call and schedule an election. If your troop has already had elections, you have done a good job. It is your obligation to make sure your troop has elections. Plus you can see our new camping promotions slide show at the same time, so call me now. I hope to see everyone at the ordeal. Thanks for a good year for the chapter.

In Brotherhood,

David Necne

David Hume

Kiskiack Chief

595-1084

PAMUNKEY

Dear Brothers, Dear Brothers. We are starting a new program in the chapter, the B.C.P. (Better Camping Promotions). It is designed to help troops build their camping program. Any one interested in working on this program, call Gray Cubbage at 838-0993. This is the present Pamunkey Chapter Executive Committee Roster. Chief-Barry Spady 898-3960 Vice Chief Kevin Smith 722-0926 Sec. & Treas. --- Mike Sullivan 898-1166 Unit Elections --- Dave Reese 891-1799 Camping Promotions Gary Cubbage 838-0993 Communications --- Mike Sullivan 891-1166 Advisers Chapter---- Dave Shutt 868-9331 Communications --- Dave McCurdy 851-1759 Unit Elections ---- Andy Hess 877-1249 Camping Promotions Herb Sullivan 891-1166 The following people have been nominated for chapter office during the year between SEPT. 1979-SEPT. 1980. Chief ---- Mike Sullivan & Frank Seddio Vice Chief- Mike Sullivan, Frank Seddio, Dave Reese & Joe Stopski Sec.& Treas. Gary Cubbage & Joe Seddio We would appresiate any nominated you have for these offices. Give your support to these brothers by coming out and vote.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Barry Speds

Barry Spady

MATTAPONI

CAMPOREE A SUCCESS: The Ninth Annual Colonial District held the weekend of April 27, 28 and 29th at Camp Chickahominy was a success as our Camporee's always are. More than 250 Colonial District Scouts & Scouters enjoyed this well-run event. Thanks to Ronnie Carden and the Mattaponi Chapter, Order of the Arrow and Dan Thompson, Chapter Advisor and all who helped.

WENDAMEN

Fellow Arrowmen,

Wendamen Chapter is presently involved in deminstrating camping promotion slides to the three of our five troops. Our deadline for this is May 15. If your troop has not seen the new camping promotion slide show then give me a call now. My number is 693-2167 and I will see you get to see it. Hope to see members of the chapter at the ordeal.

In Brotherhood, Belly Fletcher Billy Fletcher

Correction Noted.

In the March issue our reporter for the Winter Ordeal made a grave error in his report by stating that Dan Thompson was a member of Pamunkey Chapter. Everyone knows Dan is a member of the Mattaponi Chapter. Our apologies Dan and thanks to the members of Pamunkey Chapter for the 34 phone calls bringing the error to our attention.

SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT: Every Unit should appoint an S.M.E. Chairman. Sustaining Enrollment is the enrollment of families and friends of Scouting, with their financial support to the Peninsula Council. Fellow Brothers. I would like to start off by saying congratulations to Gus Diggs for becoming the 8th Southeast Area 1 Section Chief. Congratulations from the whole staff and all the members of the lodge. Congratulations is also due to Pat Crow, for winning the best Camping Promotions Slide Show for Summer Camp. Congratulations to you Pat from the staff and the whole lodge. Now for the good news. The Editor and staff of your Kecoughtan Kryer are pleased to bring home the 1st place plaque for the Virginia Press Association Best Newsletter

Award. In competition with newsletters from all over the state of Viriginia. This is the 5th time Kecoughtan has brought back the first place award. Here is a little history on how many times the Kryer has won the first place Award.

1968..... Cliff Sleeman Troop 49

1971..... Sam Fairchild Troop 345 1972..... Sam Fairchild Troop 345

1976..... Tommy and Dicky Wiggs Troop 19

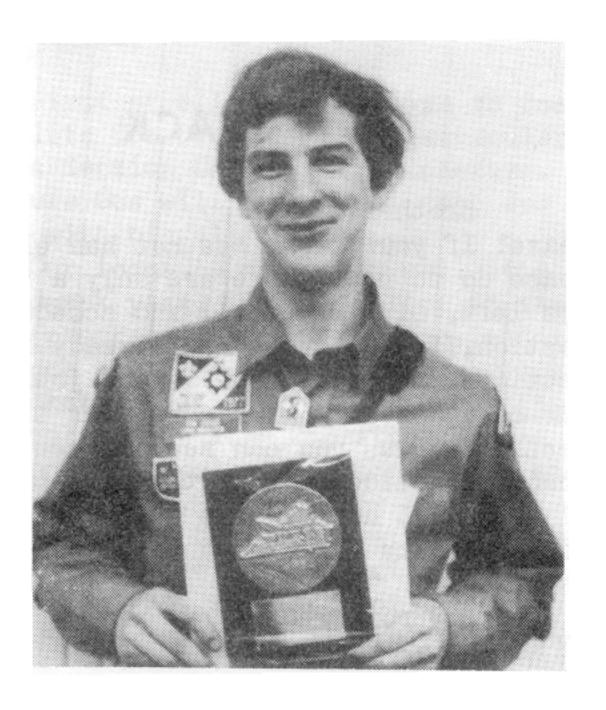
1979 Tim Ewing Troop 43

This editor hopes that, with your help, we all can make this a healthy habit. If we are to remain the No. 1 lodge and the No. 1 Newsletter in the section, we need to know what you want to know and what you feel about each issue. You have as a lodge member have two important responsibilities this spring : both require your attendance at the Spring Ordeal. You, as an honor camper, as a member of the order of the arrow are responsible for aiding the camping program : specifically for helping to prepare summer camp for the season. I have heard many complants about the leadership of the lodge that now heads. Well, as a Kecoughtan lodge member, you are responsible for choosing effective leadership for your lodge. Vote for the person of your choice, who you think will do a good job and keep our lodge a number one lodge. Take these responsibilities that requires you to attend the Spring Ordeal, work Saturday to prepare summer camp and vote Saturday night in the lodge elections. So, send in your \$7.00 to the Scout Office before June 1st 1979, and fullfill your responsibilities as a member of Kecoughtan Lodge 463. If you know of anyone who is not recieving the Kryer, notify the Lodge Secretary, Mike Myers (877-1633)

> In Brotherhood may we keep, for carry

Tim Ewing

Editor



Beginning with this issue, complimentary copies of the Kryer are being sent to every Scoutmaster in the Peninsula Council, even though some are not members of the O/A. We feel that to insure effective communications, scoutmasters must know what we are doing and planning and perhaps in turn, they will inform us as to what they are doing and planning. Sometimes, success is a two way street, so lets plan together.

TO: Scoutmasters and Brothers of the lodge

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 new slide show, and answer any questions pertaining to summer camp. If you need information on Camp Chickahominy contact: Pat Crow, Camping Promotions Chairman, 36 Dodd Blvd. Langley AFB, 23665 Phone..... 851-8744

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Barry Spady ••••• Phone 898-3960

Northern Star District

·Billy N. Fletcher ... Phone 693-2167

Western District

David Hume Phone 595-1084

Yours in Camping, Pat Grow

Pat Crow

Camping Promotions



SCOUT-A-THON

June 2, 1979

PRIZES!! COMMISSIONS!! Ticket Sales are going great, and commissions

are piling up! Mystery Prizes are being picked up all over! Don't forget to turn in your ticket stubs and money each week for the prize drawings. All kinds of prizes are available for boys selling tickets. WHAT WILL YOU SEE AT THE SHOW? All kinds of programs - GRAND PRIX, RAIN GUT-TER REGATTA, SPACE DERBY, MCDONALD'S RONALD MCDONALD CLOWN SHOW is back, SKY DIVING, F-15 FLYING SHOW, STATIC AIRCRAFT DISPLAY and much, much more to bring people out to see the real stars of the Show - YOUR SEE'N'DO EXHIBITS, where people can see Scouting come alive!

ARE YOU SIGNED UP FOR CAMP? Has your troop signed up for Summer Camp? At press time there were many slots left. So for you slow troops who have not sighed up, do so now before it is to late. I have heared many times from my scoutmaster say, I have never met a boy who did not go to camp, become a eagle scout. Summer camp is a easy place to pick up 4 or 5 or maybe more then getting merit badges at one time at summer camp. Thank goodness there is a place where boys can earn merit badges. So if you want your boys on thier way to eagle, then sign up for summer camp and go to the best camp around at Camp Chickahomany.

1979 should prove to be a another successful year at our own Camp Chickahominy. The camp is nothing, however, without Scout attendance. Most scouts, contray 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 great staff of over half arrowman, Camp Chickahominy wants to serve a full house each week. 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 attends. Do your Share.

SEE YOU THERE

Proposed Change to the Lodge Rules . . .

The executive committee, at the regular meeting on 6 Lay 1979, approved the following motion and directed it be mailed to the lodge membership to be voted on at the general membership meeting on June 9th. "That Section II, Election and Membership, paragraph C, be deleted and the following substituted therefore - C. All Order of the Arrow elections must be cleared through the Lodge Unit Dections Committee. There must be present at each election a trained unit elections team from the Chapter or the Lodg The Unit Elections year begins on 1 January and runs through 31 December of each year."

Lodge Officer Nominations

The following scouts have been nominated for Lodge office for the 1979-1980 year.

For Chief. . . Ronald Carden, Mattaponi Pat Crow, Pamunkey R. Morris Friedman, Kiskiac

For Vice Chief. Jeff Doyon, Mattaponi Barry Spady, Pamunkey

For Treasurer . Wade Johnson, Kiskiack For Secretary . Mike Myers, Kiskiack

Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the time of election provided they are submitted in accordance with the Lodge Rules.

Invitations to the Ordeal in June have been mailed to all known candidates. If you know of any scout who has been elected and has not received his letter, please contact the Lodge Secretary, Mike Myers, at 877-1633.

DEADLINE

AUG.5,79 FOR MEXT CHATTER REPORTS

As heavy weights, John Hankins, Andy Hess, Wayde Glover, Herb Sullivan and Dan Thompson put all they had into it, our boys held on for life. It ended in a tie, no one scored in 10 minutes. In overtime, that ball did not move an "inch" over the line in 5 minutes but the decision was given to Shenandoah! How can you tell an inch in earthball? Shenandoah lost in the final match.

Asking Dan Thompson how he felt, he said, it was fun; it made me fill young again but my body tells me I am to old for this kind of play. Dan Thompson was hit and laid flat by that 8-foot ball.

It was time for volley ball. We made the finals. It was a back and forth game taking the lead by six, then behind till after 10-minutes of play; we had the ball, two more points to win. We got one point! Only one point more! The ball was hit and went over the net. It was returned to John Hankins, who went up to spike the ball but Milton Skolant of Shenandoah jumped up and blocked it, that was the last time we would see the ball. As Shenandoah came back to win the game 15 to 13. The winner over all was Tutelo Lodge as they beat everyone at their own game.

In frisbee, no one would take on fast hands Diggs, so we claimed victory. Also, no one would take on our crab soccer team, made up of small boys like our little James Michener. So we claimed victory again.

While delegates were playing games, our display and camping promotions side show was being judged. Both looked good; however, we had to wait for the judges

After dinner (baked turkey), went into the stage room for section awards. Mike Wagner, Section Chief, gave out the Award for the different competitions. In the Lodge Displays, it was third place Kecoughtan, second place Ahtuhguos and first place, Tutelo.

It is said by many, that Kecoughtan had the best display and it is one that the whole section can use as a source to help each lodge and a display that will be remembered.

In volleyball, it was Tutelo and in earthball it was Amangamek Wipit winning it.

In the Newsletter competitions for best Newsletter in Virginia, it was the Kecoughtan KRYER. As Mr. Meyers was not there to present the award, Mike Wagner presented it to the Editor, Tim Ewing. CONGRATULATIONS from your staff and the lodge itself.

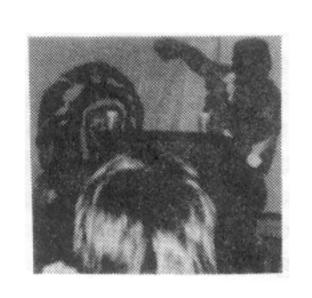
After that, everyone went to the 1979 Conclave festival show put on by Nowakwa lodge. The show depicted the past, present and future of scouting. It was a pretty good show and ended with a bang, as a cannon was shot. rededication ceremony followed. it was done by our own ceremony team of Kecoughtan. It was great and everyone enjoyed it. We all left for the biggest feast anywhere in the states. The Section feast is where you could eat anything from peanuts (Chanco) to Clam Chowder (Kecoughtan) to Apple Juice from (Shenshawpotoo). All arrowmen made pigs of themselves.

A section patch auction was started by that famous auctioneer, Dan Thompson. The highest item was a Shenandoah Honor flap, (\$25) and the lowest by H. C. Ewing to buy back Mr. Deals hat -- who cares! for \$2.50. The patch trading lasted throughout the night.

After church, all the lodges went to the section business meeting. Nentico, the host lodge for the Indian seminar. budget was turned down by the chiefs, so they said they would not host it. We are thinking about taking it this year. The camping promotions awards were next as Pat Crow of Kecoughtan was awarded first place for the best camping promotions slide show for troops. Pat Crow also got Honor of Merit for visiting troops in the Council. Nawakwa Lodge took first place for over-all camping promotions. Then time came to vote for our section leaders for the next year. For Section Chief the names were: Gus Diggs, Kevin Hall, J. J. Smith, Jay Squires, and Mike Wagner. It took five rounds of voting to elect a section chief. Each lodge had 10 votes and on the fifth ballot, it was between Gus and Kevin. Kevin was the leader till the last three lodges. Gus was ahead two votes and one lodge to vote. Tutelo lodge gave each person five votes; Gus Diggs won by two votes. After that close race, it was time to vote for Section Vice Chief and Secretary. Both were a close race but J. J. Smith of Shenandoah Lodge won Section Vice Chief and Peter Hanes of Amangamek Wipit won Section Secretary. After that, everyone went to the closing ceremony where SE1 Chief, Mike Wagner, of Troop 2, handed to Gus Diggs of Troop 2, the Section Chief Beads. It looks like we will have a strong section

with these three arrowmen leading the

way.

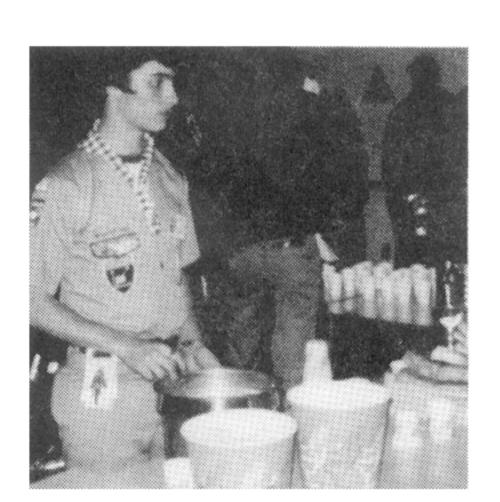






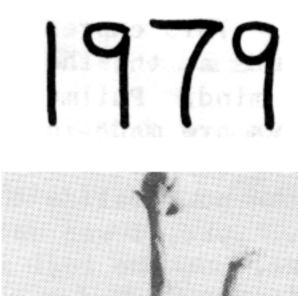










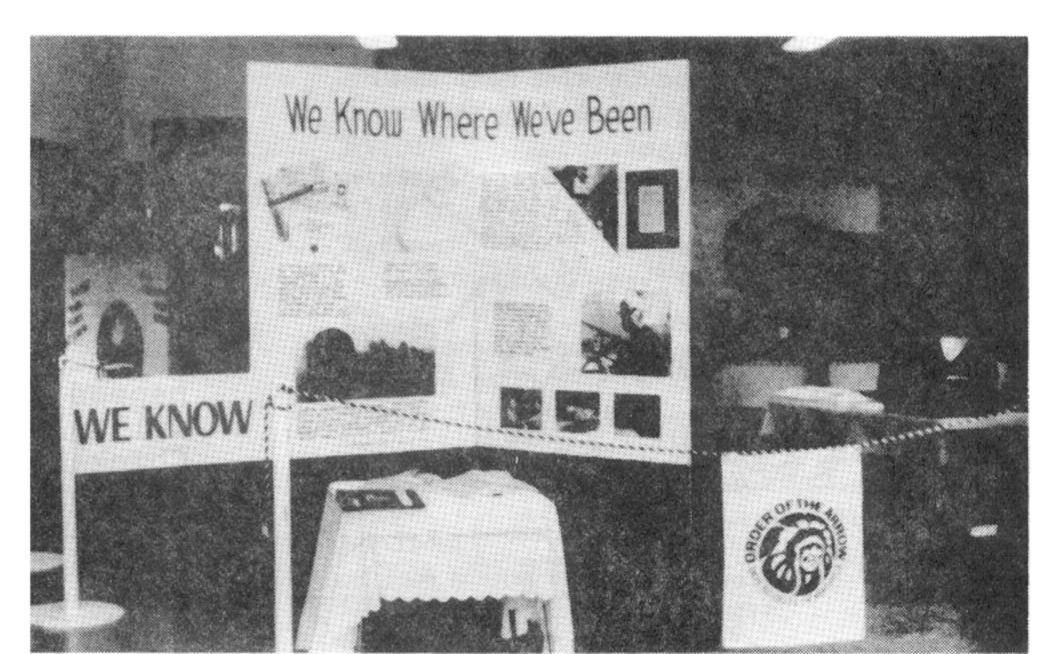












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"Yes, sirl I've trin:med it down to bare essentials."

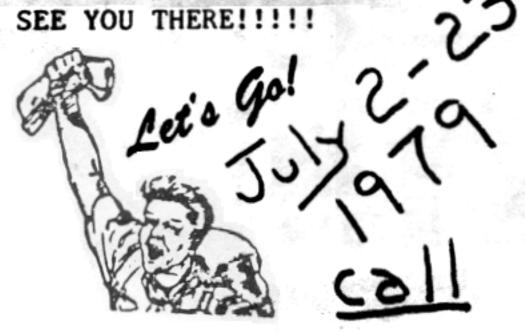
If you haven't been there you should go, if you have been there you'll want to go again. This expresses the feelings of most scouts as the thought of Philmont comes to mind. Philmont is the place where boys are made into men.

Having been to this mountain wonderland I can now realize the ways it changed my life. Sure, I was out of town for a few weeks, but the real rewards are kept for a lifetime. Undying friendships are made, some with people, the rest with this wonderful world we live in.

This year's Philmont bus is now boarding, so hurry up and get your name on the list. The highlight of the trip is a twelve day hike over Philmont's beautiful trails. The total cost for the entire trip is only \$350, a small amount when you consider what you get.

The twelve days at Philmont will be ones which you will never forget. The Tooth of Time, Baldy Mountain, the various camps along the trail, mountain streams, and just being in the wide open country will be remembered for many years to come.

So fellows, get down to the scout office and get your name on the roll call for adventure. It will be an experience that you will never forget.



Scout Office 595-3356 Bill Gerber 898-4684

Pete Simmons 595-3356 H. C. Ewing 599-3906 Are you eligible for brotherhood? Do you have more than ten months membership in the lodge? Then get out your O/A handbook and look up the section on becoming a brotherhood member. If you read carefully, you have not sealed your membership in the Order of the Arrow until you attain Brotherhood. Too many ordeal members remain just ordeal members and they are effectively keeping the lodge from progressing in the Lodge Achievement Program as well. All brotherhood members should review the Big Brother program and become involved in its application.

BOYS STILL NEFDED FOR SUMMER CAMP STAFF.

If you are an eagle scout or life 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 and fill it out and turn it in right away. Still need about ten boys for camp staff. You must be 15 years old, to be a counselor in training and 16 years old or older, to be on staff. Call the Scout Center now at 595-3356 for your chance to have your name on the list of staff members.

To the /igil Honor and Brotherhood Members
EDITORIAL

Are you personally aware of the Big Brother program? And how it is supposed to function in our lodge? Did you know that of the 87 new members who were inducted into our lodge in 1977, only 55 rejoined in 1978, that of these 55, only 24 rejoined in 1979, and of the entire 87, only 3 achieved brotherhood? Did you know that of the 87 new members who were inducted in 1978, only 54 rejoined in 1979, and not one has achieved brotherhood? Why are we losing our newest members at a time when they should not only be active but seeking the brotherhood to seal their membership in the Order of the Arrow?

SUMMER CAMP: "A Camping Troop is an advancing Troop". Advancements just happen when a Scout becomes part of a well planned outdoor program. Camp Chickahominy will offer a high-quality outdoor experience for boys this summer, and many units have already reserved space. If your Troop hasn't decided on a BIG Adventure yet, give Chickahominy a try --- but do it NOW! Space is getting limited!

Ever since his induction into the Order of the Arrow Pat Crow has been a brother truly dedicated to Brotherhood, Cheerfullness, and Service.

Pat has faithfully attended every ordeal since his induction except one. He has served as a member of the cooking committee, an elangomat, and in ceremonies. Pat received his Brotherhood in September of 1978.

In June of '78 Pat was selected to serve as chairman of the camping promotions committee. Camping promotions is one of the most important services a lodge performs. In this position Pat has gained a great deal of knowledge and experiance. He has learned how the OA works and how to run an effective program in the OA. Pat has also attended a lodge officers training event, a National Leadership Seminar, and a Conclave, gaining valuble training.

In the summer of 1978 Pat served as a member of the Camp Chickahominy summer camp staff. At camp Pat conducted unit elections, performed in ceremonies, and assisted in organizing OA fellowships and campfires.

In October of '78 Pat was selected to be one of two scouts on the Peninsula Council Executive Board.

Pat has been a camporee co-chairman and has served on three camporee staffs. He is an active member of Troop 454.

Pat ranks fifth in the sophomore class at Pembroke High School.

Pat Crow is a hardwoking brother intent upon fulfilling the Obligation of the Order of the Arrow.

The CP committee has been very active, working on the " Where to go Camping " booklet and making summer camp presentations. The booklet should be ready for distibution in early June.

I must cogratulate the chapters on unit visitations. Mattaponi has reached nearly 100%. Pamukey has four troops left to visit, Wendamen is almost through and we hope Kiskiack will make some more visitations.

This year has been good for camp promotion we hope next year will be better. At the conclave our slide show was chosen as the best audio visual presentation and the Lodge received an hongrable mention in the camp promotion , competition

I hope I will see you at summer camp!



Candidate

PROFILES CHIEF'S



Candidate for Lodge Chief - Morris Friedman

Morris is an Eagle Scout in Troop 43 and serves his troop as JASM. Over the years he has held nearly every leadership office in his unit. In addition to this, Morris is a member of 2 Explorer posts. He is an honors student at Hampton Roads Academy, where he will be a senior next year. Since his induction into the OA in 1975, Morris has served the lodge in a wide variety of positions. He is a past chief of Kiskiack Chapter and past Lodge Vice-Chief. He is currently serving as Lodge Chief since that position was vacated at the May executive committee meeting. Morris has attended the 1977 National Jamboree, the 1977 National OA Conference, the 1978 SE-1 Indian Seminar and the past four section conclaves. This past year he chaired the ad hoc Lodge Survey Committee.

Morris feels that his extensive training and past experience help to qualify him for the position of Lodge Chief. As chief, Morris plans to promote improved efficiency and communications within the Lodge, as well as working towards better Lodge-troop relations. He also plans for Kecoughtan Lodge to be a National Honor Lodge in 1980.

Morris is greatly encouraged by the increased brother participation and ordeal attendance over the past year, for it is only through others that we can each strive to realize the ideals of brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service. Morris will continue to work towards bringing us all closer together in the Wimachtendienk.

A young man with dedication, experience and leadership ability - Morris Friedman. Let's elect him to lead us

next year.

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From the Lodge Adviser,

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As you read the articles in this issue you will note the Lodge is again excelling in many areas. I sincerely believe the results are because of the increased participation by lodge members in lodge events. Although many members are very active, we need EVERY member to become active in the lodge and the chapter or on a special committee. The annual scout show, scheduled for June 2nd, is only a few weeks away and if your unit is not participating or if your leader can spare you for a few hours that day, call Mike Myers and volunteer for cheerful service in whatever capacity he may need. Camping Promotions is presenting their award winning slide show and the Engraving Committee will be making nametags. Both of these committees need help in their work. Please join us in this support of Scouting.

Bill Leighty
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Kecoughtan Lodge

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PENINSULA COUNCIL, BSA 11725 JEFFERSON AVENUE NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA 23606

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CALENDAR

| | MAY |
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| 31 | Regional Biennial Meeting JUNE |
| na 2 | Council Scout Show |
| 8-10 | Spring Ordeal |
| 10 | Executive Committee Meeting |
| 15-17 | Explorer Weekend at Camp |
| 24 | 1st Week of Summer Camp JULY |
| 1 | Executive Committee Meeting |
| 2 | Philmont Expedition Leaves |
| 21-23 | Webelos Fun Day at Camp |
| 23 | Philmont Expedition Returns AUGUST |
| - 5 | Executive Committee Meeting |
| 12 | Vigil Honor Meeting |
| 13 | National O.A. Conference |
| 15-18 | Webelos Adventure Dave |

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