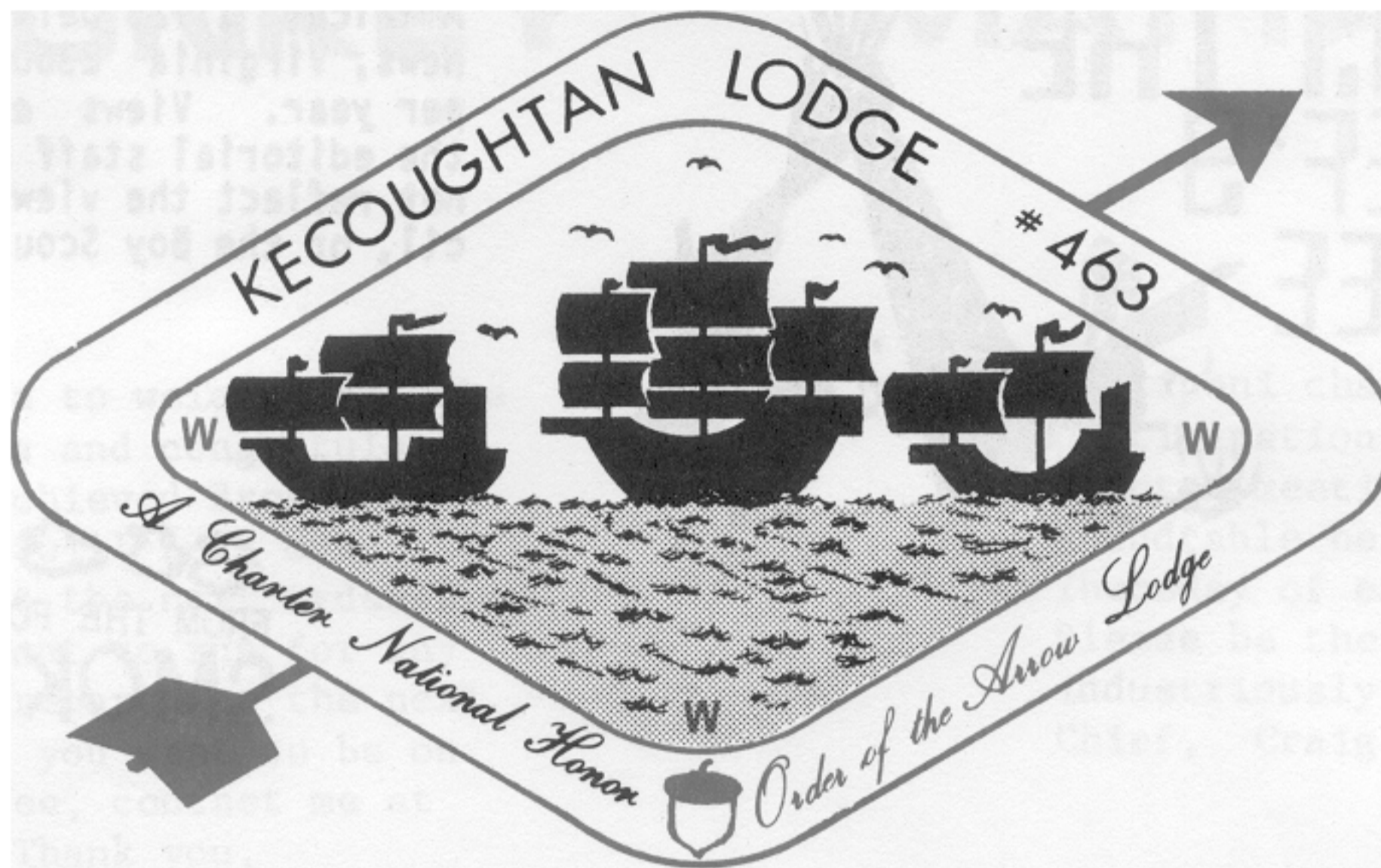


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From the tiny acorn, the mighty oak tree grows

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SUMMER ORDEAL

The Summer Ordeal was a big success. Over a hundred brothers and many candidates worked together to set up the tents for summer camp.

We built and repaired platforms, pounded in stakes, set up tarps, tents, and did other needed work on the camp. With all the help we had the work went quickly, and on Saturday we finished up for a good dinner.

I would like to say that I appreciate the help given by the candidates and our fellow brothers.

Editor, Leigh Robertson



Be Involved!

FROM THE CHIEF'S TEEPEE



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FROM THE FOREST... SMOKESIGNALS

Summer is here and I hope that many of us are involved with Summer Camp and other activities. As you participate, stop and think a moment on how all this came to be. How the camp is always in good shape; how good it is to have a Kryer to read; how nice it is to have been elected into this organization. Then, think of all the people who have donated their time to provide these services. After you've done this think about what you can do and then do it.

Gary Cabbage

It's time. Time to remember that this Kryer is for everyone. If you have a story or message to give the Lodge, the Kryer is here to help you.

I am not being given reports or messages on how the Chapters are doing. I hope that you can try to send me something to show me what you want and what you think.

Please, you decide what the Lodge does. Tell us what you want.

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PAMUNKEY

MATTAPONI

I would like to welcome all the new Brothers and congratulate those who achieved Brotherhood. Our chapter will hold our elections at the next ordeal. So if you want to run for any office be prepared at the next ordeal. If you want to be on any committee, contact me at 838-0993. Thank you,
Sam Cabbage

Mattiponi chapter needs more participation. There is a chapter meeting at the Scout Roundtable held the second Thursday of each month. Please be there. Your industriously trying Chapter Chief, Craig Robertson



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LODGE COMMITTEES

CEREMONIAL TEAM

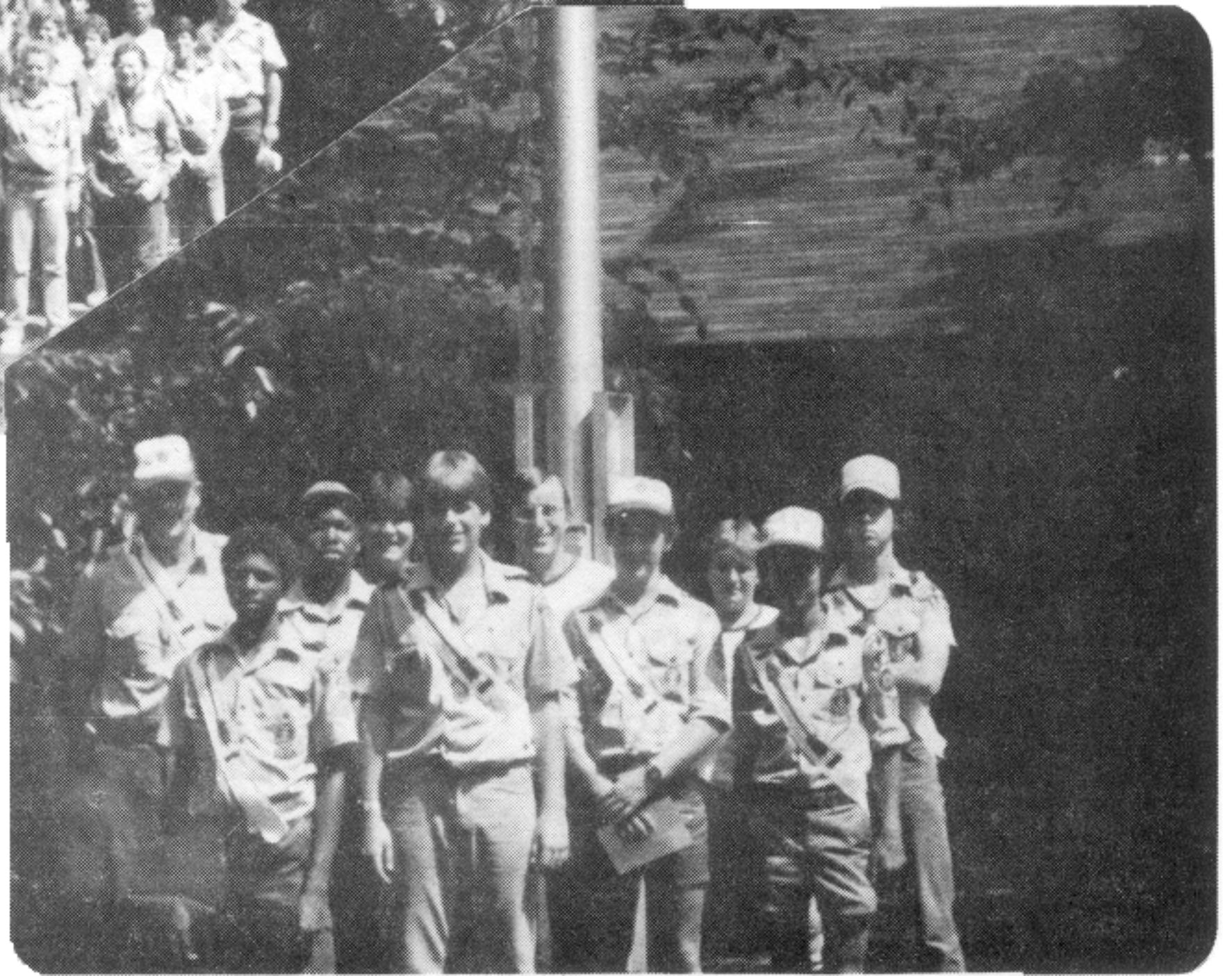
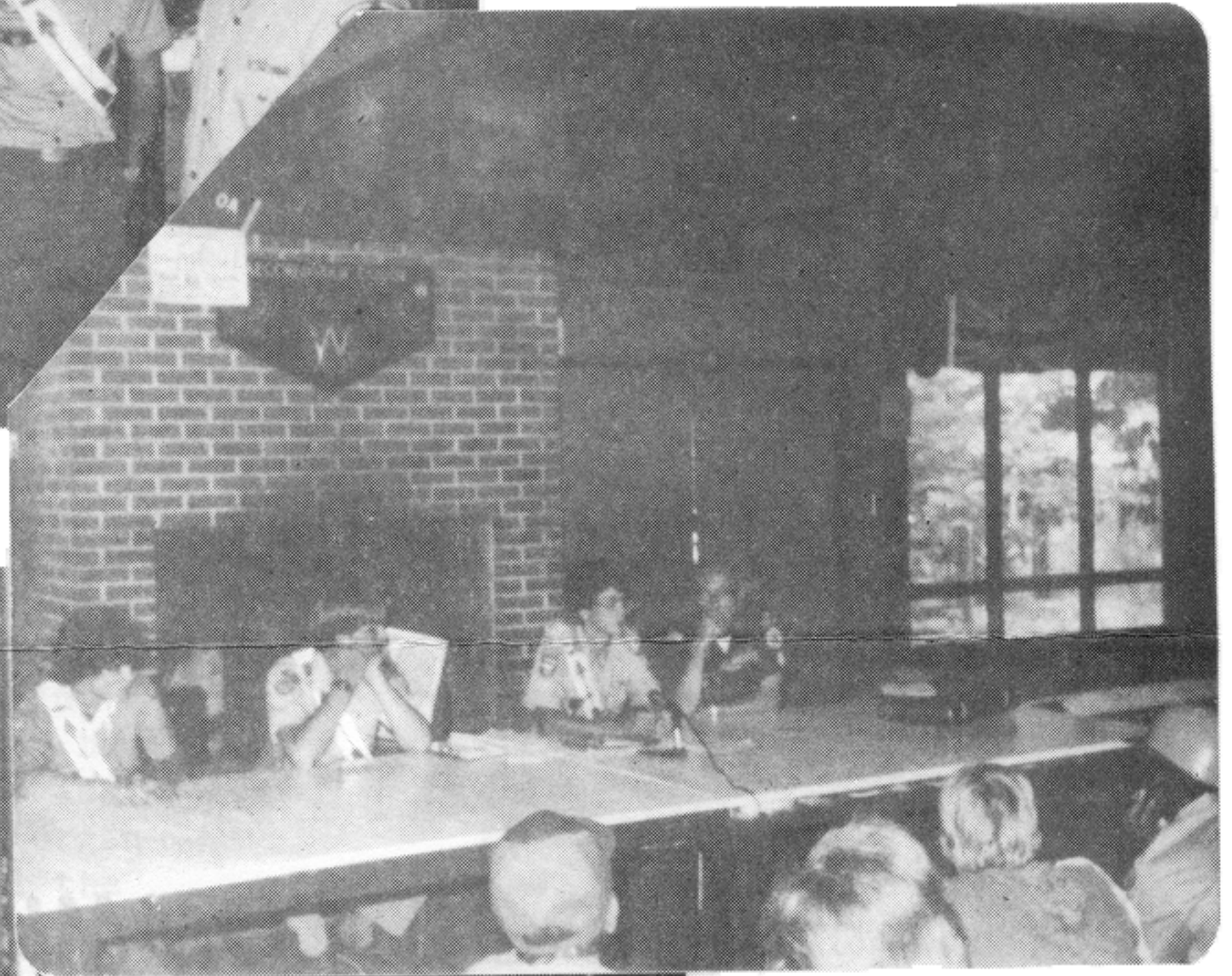
Brothers,

The team is finally on it's feet. We could always use more people though. If you are interested please contact Troy D'Agostino at 874-7408 or Mr. Ailport at 596-0656.

Troy D'Agostino,
Ceremonial Team Chairman

COOKING

Glen Bragg will be the new chairman at the next ordeal. We are doing fine and will do better. If anyone would like to join or help us; just phone Glenn Bragg. Thank you,
Oliver Kinder



THE 1983 CONCLAVE

The First SE-8 Section Conclave was held at Camp Shenandoah located in the rolling hills and mountains of Waynesboro, VA. Aptly called "A New Beginning", this conclave heralded the emergence of our new section.

Thirty-three delegates from Kecoughtan Lodge attended this event, arriving at Camp Shenandoah early Friday evening. After registration was completed, we settled down into our campsite and awaited the opening ceremony. After this suprisingly short ceremony, the delegates enjoyed a fine evening of patch trading and fellowship with fellow Arrowmen while clouds gathered overhead bringing rain, rain, and a whole lot of more rain.

The next day, we awoke to a dismal sky and a dayful of activities. After a rain-shortened assembly, we enjoyed a fine breakfast typical of the excellent food that was served that weekend. After breakfast, delegates either attended the round-robin training sessions on communications, Lodge administration, and programming or worked on the 60 ft. totem pole which proved to be the highlight of the weekend. All day Saturday and even into the evening, delegates could be found gathered around this pole, busily carving a totem for their lodge. Each Lodge was allotted a four ft. section which they could use as they desired. The totem pole was completed and will be painted and raised at a later date. Our Lodge carved an acorn and a ship as the totem.

After lunch our Lodge conducted the Camp Promotions Training Session under the able leadership of Gary Cabbage, Jim Smith, Sam Cabbage and Jim Smith, Jr. After this session, time was allotted for inter Lodge competition in sports and other activities.

As it had been raining for hours, we declined to participate in the volleyball games, but placed second in the camping promotions competition and third in the newsletter division. All in all a fine showing for our Lodge and well deserved recognition for these hard working committees.

Lack of a large central hall hampered activities but the delegates enjoyed another fine meal before convening for the important business of electing Lodge Officers. After several ballots the results were in: Our new Section Officers are:

Chief - Jerry Pifer (Blue Heron)
Vice Chief - Leotis Williams (Chanco)

Due to rain, the evening ceremonies were moved indoors. The evening Section Feast proved to be excellent with our Lodge contributing fried fish to the varied fare. Doughnuts from Nawakwa, apples from Shenshawpotoo and shrimp salad from Blue Heron completed the Feast.

The next morning, we once again awoke to a downpour. Closing ceremonies occupied the morning and included chapel and a section business meeting in which awards were given. All in all, it was a good conclave if you discount the everpresent rain. We are beginning a new Section, a new beginning and we have much to strive for and much to attain. As members of this section we must each do our part.

The following attended the Conclave:

LODGE #3 - NEWAKWA - 43 delegates
LODGE #161 - TUTELO - 43 delegates
LODGE #258 - SHENANDOAH - 28 delegates
and 51 staff
LODGE #276 - SHENSHAWPOTOO - 29 delegates
LODGE #349 - BLUE HERON - 43 delegates
LODGE #463 - KECOUGHTAN - 33 delegates
LODGE #483 - CHANCO - 18 delegates
GUESTS: 10 present

A TOTAL OF 298 present & accounted for

From your Lodge Advisor: Walter Deal

My fellow Arrowmen, Thank You for your cheerful service at the last ordeal. The fellowship, camp improvements and ceremonies were of the highest order of brotherhood.

Attendance at Lodge functions such as ordeals is essential if this Lodge is to continue its successful program. I wish that I could report that attendance has been satisfactory but it would not be true. Lodge, Chapter and fellowship meetings reflect a lack of interest that is appalling.

Where were YOU when your fellow brothers attended that last Lodge or Chapter meeting? Examine your conscience and come to the next meeting or Lodge function,

In cheerful service- ELUWAK

Kecoughtan Lodge

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