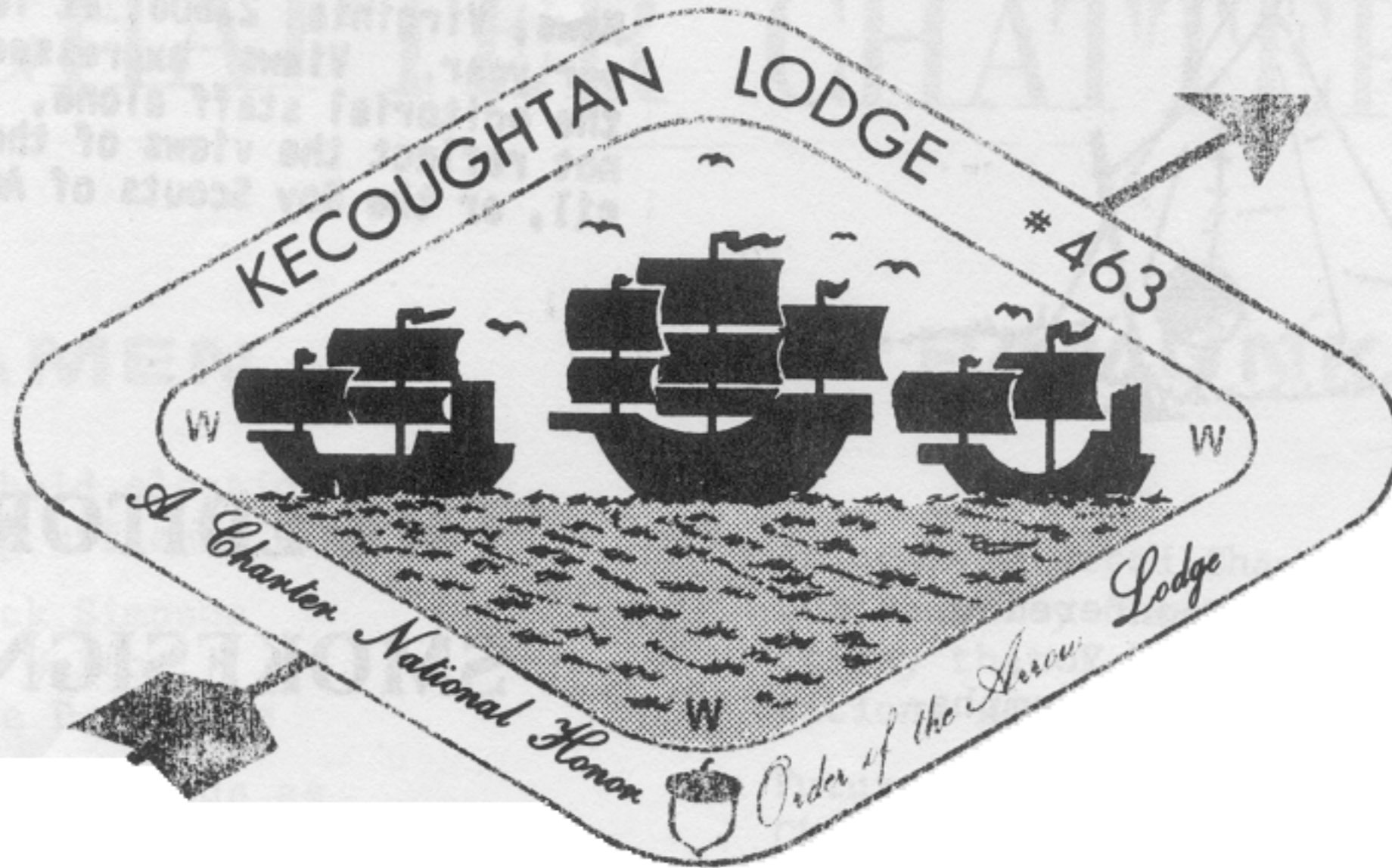


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From the tiny acorn, the mighty oak tree grows

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 ORDER OF THE
ARROW

FROM THE CHIEF'S TEPEE



Dear Brothers,

At the recent national conference the theme "Those Who Chose You, Really Need You" was used to emphasize the need for an arrowman to continue his service to his home unit. I'd like to twist that theme a bit until it says "Your Lodge Needs You", for an arrowman must also serve his lodge so that it can continue its service to the council. Our lodge is at a turning point in our history. Behind us lie past accomplishments as well as unfulfilled goals and a small glimmer of hope. We must now kindle this glow with our spirit and leadership until it can grow into a roaring fire.

I ask each of you to look at yourselves and ask the question, "What can I do?" Every skill, no matter how small, is in urgent demand. Do you enjoy the challenges of leadership? Try running for a lodge or chapter office. Do you enjoy camping? Then help out our camping promotions committee. Do you enjoy Indian Lore? Then become a member of the ceremonial or dance team committees. You see, the need is there if only you look. Dedicate yourself to helping our lodge attain new heights this year.

Our new officers will need your help. Do not fail yourselves or our lodge. I have served in several ways since I first completed my ordeal four years ago. Each job was a new experience a new challenge. I accepted the obligation and its challenges. Will You??

In brotherhood,

Apendamen Kotschemunk

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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 activities?

As an Ordeal candidate 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 its place. We must not overlook this, because sooner or later OA meetings interfere with our Troop commitments.

The following people were elected as the Chapter Chiefs:

KISKIAK - Dennis Dabny
MATTAPONI - Craig Robertson
PAMUNKEY - Vincent Kidd
WENDAMEN - Pat Simpson

I wish to thank all the Brothers who attended the Ordeal and made it a success.

Leigh Robertson, Editor

CHAPTER CHATTER

WENDAMEN

Wendamen Chapter held elections with the following officers elected.

CHIEF Patrick Simpson
 VICE CHIEF Keith Walton
 SEC/TREAS Billie Dandridge

Appointed was Will Richards as Unit Elections Chairman and John Baird as Camping Promotions Chairman. The Chief would like to congratulate all members that attained Brotherhood at the past Ordeal.

I urge all members to attend the next chapter meeting at First Presbyterian Church on 2nd Tues. of October.

Patrick Simpson
 Chapter Chief

KISKIACK

My Brothers,

This is the year Kiskiack Chapter will really get moving. With the election of a new Chapter Chief and activity planning firmly underway, I believe the future is bright for Kiskiack Chapter. If you would like to help in planning these activities contact me.

Dennis Dabney
 Kiskiack Chapter
 877-3529

PAMUNKEY

As newly-elected Chapter Chief for the Pamunkey Chapter, I would like to say that I have very high expectations for the future.

Future plans include starting a Chapter Ceremony and Election team, also plans for a Lodge Dance team are underway. All O.A. members in the Pamunkey Chapter will be contacted in the near future for a chapter meeting. The meeting will include a more detailed discussion on future plans and information will be given about future events.

One important event will be the O.A. Banquet on December 15, I hope to see you there.

If you have any questions or if you would like more information about anything please contact me. Also, if you would like to become a part of any of the above teams please write me, include in you letter which team you would like to join, if you have any experience and any other important information.

The name of our newly elected Vice-Chief is Rob Tkach. The names of other Pamunkey Chapter officers will be released at a later date.

Chapter Chief - Vince Kidd
 164 Chickamauga Pike, Hampton, VA
 23669 851-1144

Vice-Chief - Rob Tkach
 1779 11th Avenue, LAFB, VA
 23665 865-0086

Mattaponi Chapter Meeting
 Nov. 20th - 2:30
 Navel Weapons Station

FALL ORDEAL

It's finally cooling off, and you would not get a better example than the Fall Ordeal to prove it. Friday night was the coldest in months, a chilling 42° that sent us to our sleeping bags and made us burrow in our blankets.

The next morning started out cold. A fire was started to warm up the dining hall and everyone wore jackets or sweaters. The change was astonishing as the day passed from cold to a warm 85° in the afternoon.

During the day work was done on many projects, from clearing entrances to landscaping, digging ditches, putting up flag poles, and reinforcing platforms.

That night we feasted on large meatballs with potatoes and gravy. After putting away as much as we could hold, we got ready for the ordeal ceremony.

The ceremony was well done and impressed all who saw it. After the ceremonies, our Brothers accompanied us to the dining hall for a cracker barrel.

Sunday morning was warm and sunny. A perfect day. After a good breakfast there was a chapel service to give thanks for a lovely weekend.

The election for Lodge Officers was held and the following were elected the the new year:

LODGE CHIEF - James Friesz
 VICE CHIEF - Branden Baca
 MEMBERSHIP SEC. - Sam Cubbage
 RECORDING SEC. - Leigh Robertson
 TREASURER - Glenn Brag

YOU 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 1/4 OR 1/2 INCH ROPE - NOT TWINE OR STRING! PRACTICE TYING EACH KNOT IN THE SITUATION IN WHICH IT WILL BE USED.

MATTAPONI

I'd like to congratulate the Lodge's and Chapter's new members. I expect to see all my new Brothers at the next O/A event. Also, congratulations to the new Brotherhood members.

At the Chapter elections we held during the last Ordeal, we elected a new Vice-Chief, a new Unit Elections Chairman, and a new Secretary/Treasurer. I am expecting them to be talking to those who wish to help them with their committees.

Yours in Brotherhood,
 Craig Robertson, Chapter Chief

Former Lodge Chief Passes

Larry Sutton, Lodge Chief 1969-1970, died Aug. 30, 1983 at Emory University Hospital. Larry graduated from Bethel High School and received his bachelor degree from East Tennessee State University. He had been an athletic trainer at Clemson University for the past seven years. He received the Vigil Honor in 1969 and was called Lilchpin meaning Diligent One. Although he had been away attending school and working, he always found time to write and visit during the holidays.

LODGE OFFICERS

Lodge Chief - James Friesz 838-8003
 Vice-Chief - Branden Baca 867-8528
 Treasurer - Glenn Brag
 Recording Sec. - L. Robertson 898-9049
 Membership Sec. - Sam Cubbage 838-0993
 Camping Promo. - Jim Smith 220-0170
 Ceremonial - Troy D'Agostino 874-7408
 Cooking - Glenn Brag
 Newsletter - L. Robertson 898-9049
 Service - Mr. D'Agostino 877-2811
 Unit Elections - Branden Baca 867-8528
 Kiskiack Chief - Dennis Dabney 877-3529
 Mattaponi Chief - Craig Robertson 898-9049
 Pamunkey Chief - Vincent Kidd 851-1144
 Wendamen Chief - Art Simpson 692-4527

JNAL CONFERENCE

Early in the morning on Sunday, August 14, a sleepy-eyed delegation of fourteen Kecoughtan Lodge members embarked on a journey to Treasure Island and Rutgers University to participate in one of the largest gatherings of scouts in the world - the 1983 National Order of the Arrow Conference.

After a rather lengthy van ride, we arrived at the Treasure Island Scout Camp located near Philadelphia, PA. Many may recognise this as the founding place of our order, and we were treated to a reenactment of the original ceremony as performed by Dr. E Urner Goodman and Carroll Edson in 1915. After this inspirational presentation, the delegates bedded down in their warm(?) tents for a chilly night on the Delaware River.

The next morning dawned bright and clear and after a hearty breakfast served by the host, Unami Lodge 1, we were off to a brief tour of Philadelphia and eventually Rutgers and the NOAC. Ninety miles and three U-turns later, we arrived at the conference and immediately registered, settled into our dorms, and joined the long, long line for supper. This meal, as well as all that followed, offered us an unlimited quantity of excellent quality food.

After the evening meal each night, a show of some sort was scheduled. These productions proved to be one of the highlights of this conference. They were, in one word; fantastic. The opening show Monday night provided a variety of entertainment. Singers, and an appearance by Miss New Jersey formed the lighter part of the program, and the installation of our new National Chief, Bob Wade, and Vice Chief, William O'Tuel, as well as a presentation on the history of our order inspired all those who attended. Each night, there was plenty of free time after the shows to spend as each delegate saw fit.

Tuesday morning found us up early to avoid long meal lines and pondering over the absence of our lodge flap display. It seems that during the night some illustrious members of TopaTopa Lodge decided to take it as a souvenir of their trip. However, the super sleuthing abilities of J.J. Maufas in the depths of a video arcade led to its safe return. Tuesday morning was left open for recreation which to many arrowmen means patch trading and visiting the trading post. In the afternoon the training sessions began, and alternated between good and bad. This, at least to this writer, was the low point of the entire conference. Many of the trainers were called in at the last minute and did exactly the job that could be expected of them; poor. However, for every poor session that one attended, one would hit an excellent one that would provide many ideas to bring back to the lodges.



Tuesday evening, we attended the Dixie Extravaganza, alias the Southeast Region meeting but left early to attend the ice cream social and listen to Mach 1, the Air Force rock band. Wednesday proved to be much the same except for the Indian show in the evening. The spectacular costumes of the dancers in the national competition inspired some talk about restarting such a team in our lodge. Afterwards it was, in the words of one of our delegates, "time for some heavy trading!"

Thursday morning presented us with the Founders Day Festival and the Arrowman's 3-km run. Ron Carden distinguished himself in this event, placing 39th out of well over 120 participants. The festival provided many displays and treats to interest and feed the delegates. An Indian dance pow wow highlighted this event. The theme show in the evening emphasized the theme of this conference; "Those Who Chose You, Need You" with a skit on the questionable service of a lodge who is brought to trial by it's council. The skit was humorous but it did bring out the point that an arrowman is expected to continue his service to his home troop.

All that was left to do Friday morning was to pack up and attend the closing show. We left Rutgers at 11 am and after some lengthy escapades on the N.J. Turnpike, we arrived home at 11 pm tired, but truly inspired by the event we had just attended. The next conference is in 1986 in Michigan, and every arrowman in this lodge sincere about his work for the lodge should make every effort to attend this great event. It does wonders for enthusiasm and spirit for the Order of the Arrow.

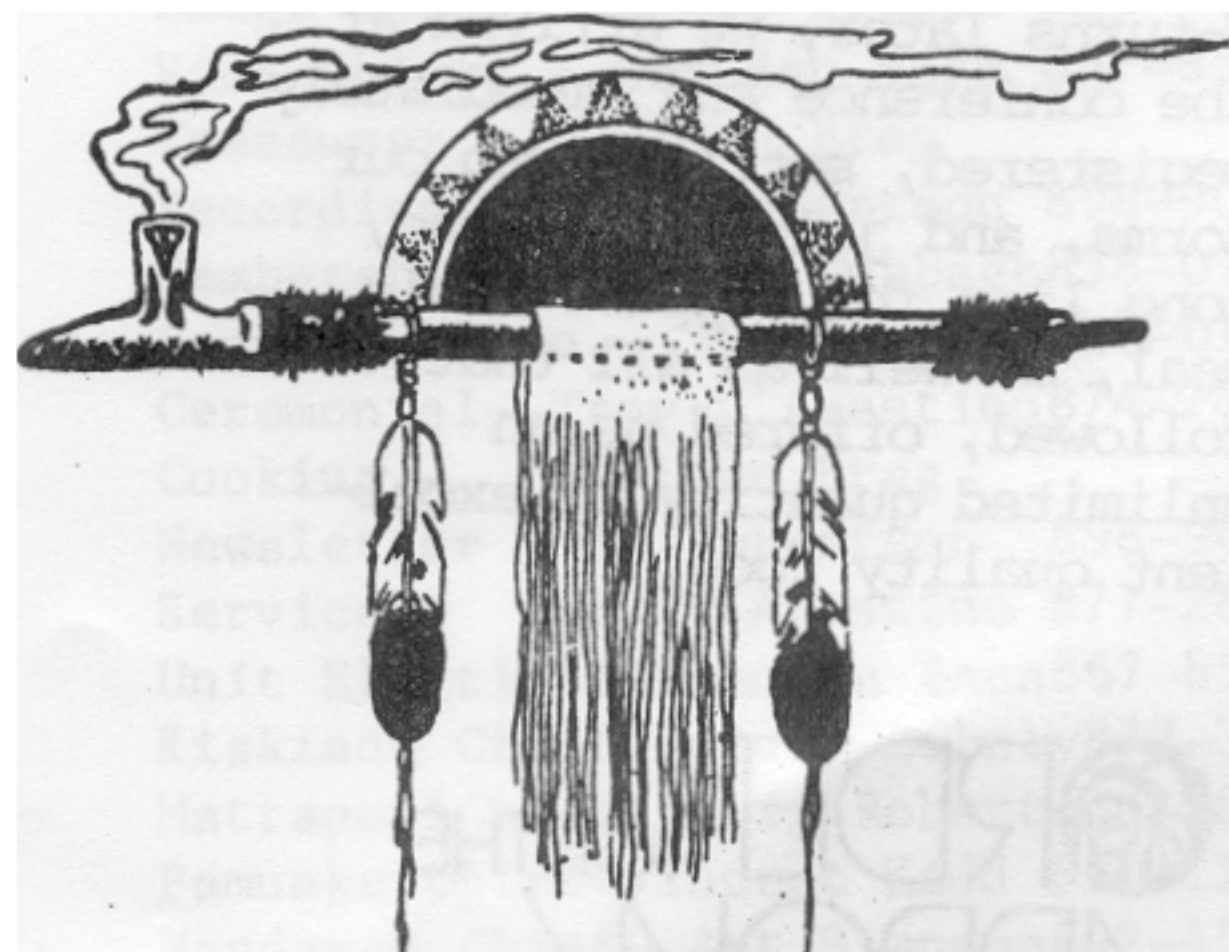
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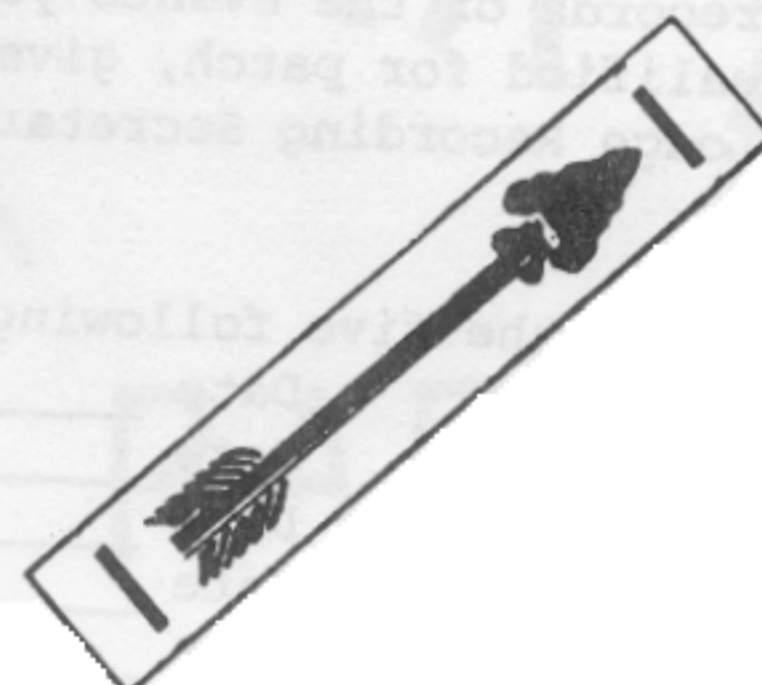
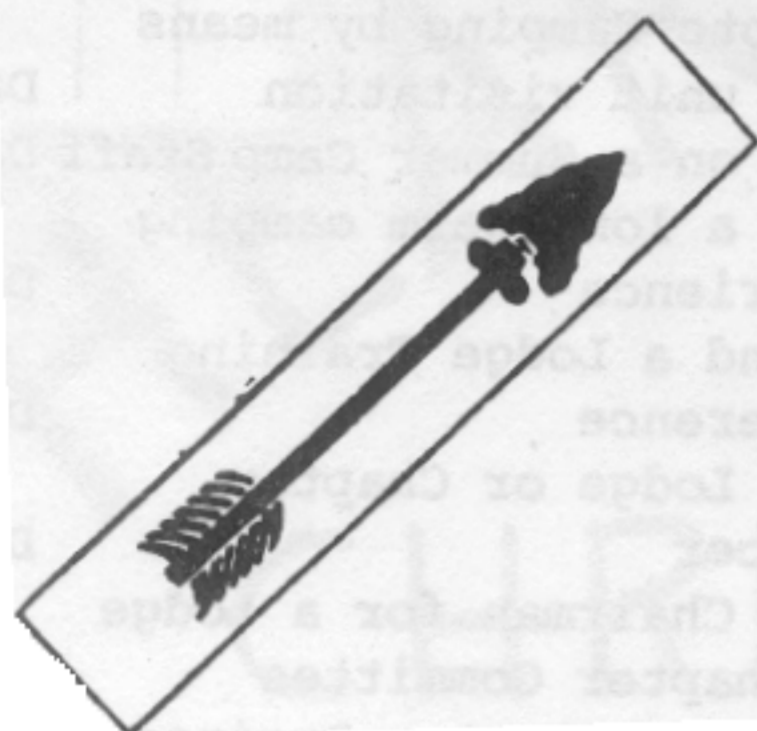
I would like to welcome the new Brothers. I am compiling a new roster for the Lodge which will be available by the Christmas Banquet. If any Chapter Chief would like a roster for their Chapter, let me know. Thank you.

Sam Cabbage 838-0993

CALENDAR

- NOV 6 - Executive Meeting
- DEC 4 - Executive Meeting
- 10 - O/A Vigil
- 15 - Christmas Banquet
- JAN 8 - Executive Meeting
- FEB 5 - Scout Sunday
- 5 - Executive Meeting
- 24,25,26 - Winter Ordeal
- MAR 4 - Executive Meeting
- APR 1 - Executive Meeting
- MAY 6 - Executive Meeting
- JUN 3 - Executive Meeting
- 8,9,10 - Summer Ordeal
- JUL 8 - Executive Meeting
- AUG 5 - Executive Meeting
- SEP 7,8,9 - Fall Ordeal
- OCT 7 - Executive Meeting



CONGRATULATIONS**ARROWMEN****NEW MEMBERS - FALL ORDEAL 1983**

Akers, John
 Annis, Glenn
 Annis, Micheal
 Andrews, Ralph
 Borngasser, Douglas
 Booth, Richard
 Brown, Richard
 Carver, Kenneth
 Christopher, William
 Chandler, Robert
 Dupree, Hugh
 Fisher, Micheal
 Gibson, Lee
 Holden, Roy
 Hart, Arthur
 Jellerson, Alvah
 Kennington, Paul
 King, Chris
 Kosmicki, Duane
 Mulligan, John
 McCulley, George
 McCuistion, Jeffery
 Mitchell, Robert
 Miller, Mark
 Murphy, George
 Perry, Calvin
 Preepaiboon, Detchat
 Randall, Richard
 Koe, Keith
 Starnes, James
 Snyder, Larry
 Thrower, Robert
 Trechter, Joe
 Wyks, Scott
 Whitford, Charles

NEW BROTHERS - FALL 1983

Baird, John
 Chandler, Robert
 Coburn, Micheal
 Davenport, Junius
 Delk, D. K.
 Delk, Eric
 Graham, Ted
 Hudgins, Noel
 Muehlbauer, Bernard
 Rew, Taylor
 Robertson, Eric
 Rideout, Marvin
 Seifert, Robert
 Petrine, Steve

New Brotherhood members to be
 presented their certificates
 at Christmas Banquet.



1984 HONOR MEMBER PATCH

Now is the time to look over the requirements for the Honor Patch for the coming year. All of the requirements must be completed between January 1st and December 17th, 1984. Keep your own records of the events you attend; when qualified for patch, give your record to the Lodge Recording Secretary for approval.

A. Attend three of the five following:

- Beaver Day Date _____
- Summer Ordeal Date _____
- Spring Ordeal Date _____
- Winter Ordeal Date _____
- Christmas Banquet Date _____

B. Participate in at least your Chapter election or in the Annual Lodge elections. (Boy only) Date _____

C. Earn Brotherhood, if eligible. Date _____

D. Accomplish a minimum of five of the following:

- 1. Attend a Section Conclave Date _____
- 2. Attend a Section Seminar Date _____
- 3. Attend a National Conf. Date _____
- 4. Attend a National Indian Seminar Date _____
- 5. Attend a Lodge Business Meeting Date _____
- 6. Attend a Council of Chief's Meeting Date _____

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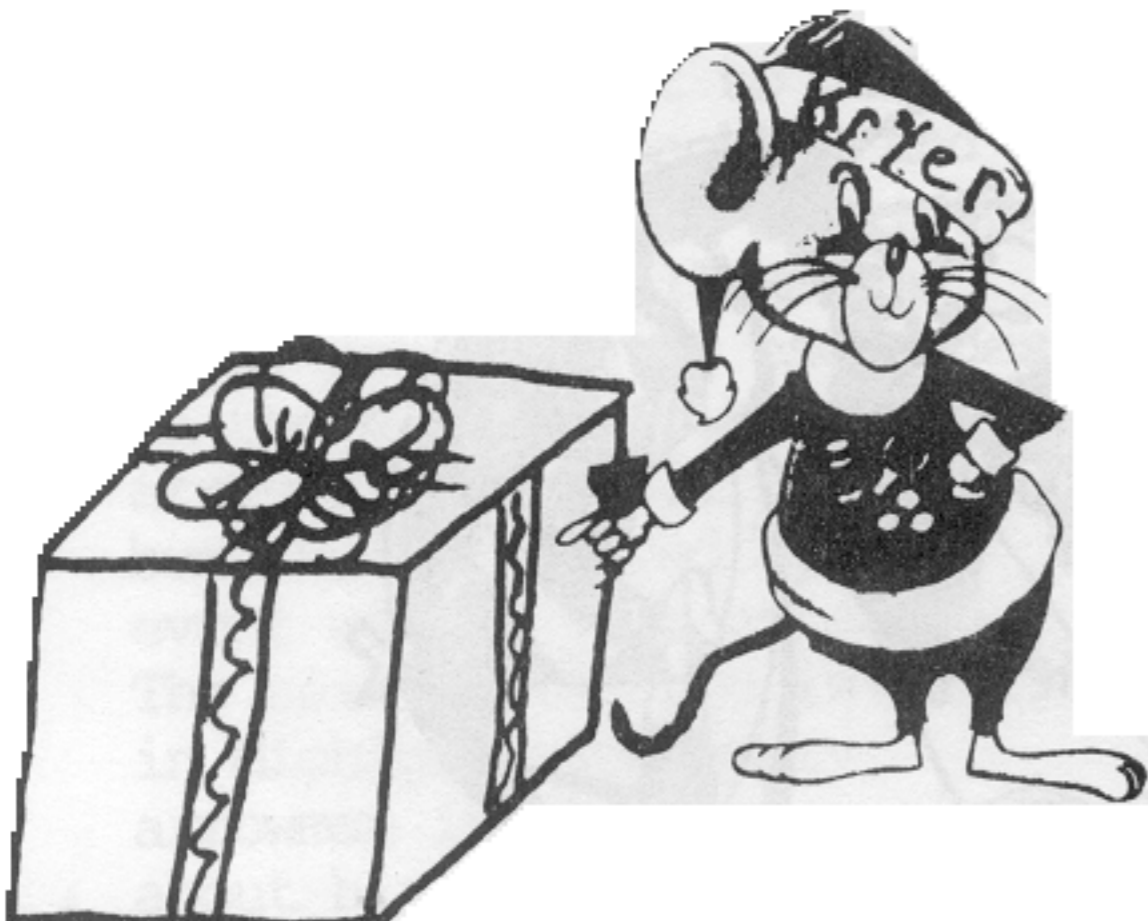
- 7. Have a visitation of an outside Lodge function Date _____
 - 8. Promote Camping by means of a unit visitation Date _____
 - 9. Work on a Summer Camp Staff Date _____
 - 10. Have a long term camping experience Date _____
 - 11. Attend a Lodge Training Conference Date _____
 - 12. Be a Lodge or Chapter Officer Date _____
 - 13. Be a Chairman for a Lodge or Chapter Committee Date _____
 - 14. Attend a Chapter Business Meeting Date _____
 - 15. Work on a Lodge or Chapter Committee Date _____
 - 16. Be a Lodge or Chapter Adviser Date _____
 - 17. Have a Visitation by the Unit Elections Team to your Unit Date _____
 - 18. Attend a Chapter event Date _____
 - * 19. Ten Days & Nights of Camping with your unit. Date _____
 - * 20. Earn Honor Camping Award Date _____
- * Scoutmaster Approval, _____
- DATE _____

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HEAR YE HEAR YE GALA CHRISTMAS PARTY

15 December 1983

WHERE Warwick Moose Lodge (Turlington Road - look for sign)

6:30 p.m.

Father, Mother, wife, girl friend, etc.

\$7.50 per person

WHAT SURPRISES -- Recognition -- Brotherhood Certificates -- Vigils

CUT HERE AND TURN IN WITH YOUR CHECK

PRINT NAME, COMPLETE ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER

CHAPTER (circle one) KISKIACK PAMUNKEY -- MATTAPONI WENDAMAN

DATE ORDEAL _____ DATE BROTHERHOOD _____ DATE VIGIL _____

PLEASE RESERVE THE FOLLOWING:

NO.	PLACES X \$7.50 = \$
NO.	PATCHES X \$2.00 = \$
LATE DUES ADD \$4.00	\$
TOTAL HEREWITH	\$

D - E - A - D L - I - N - E December 12, 1983

Signature _____

LODGE TRAINING

WHEN: November 27, 1983

WHERE: Scout Service Center, 11725 Jefferson Ave., Newport News, VA

TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

WHO: Any member who wishes to have a Lodge or Chapter position

COST: None (Bring money for meals)

Cut here and turn in

Chapter (circle one) Kiskiak Pamunkey Mattaponi Wendamen

I wish to attend the Lodge Officer Training -

Name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____