

KECOUGHTAN KRYER

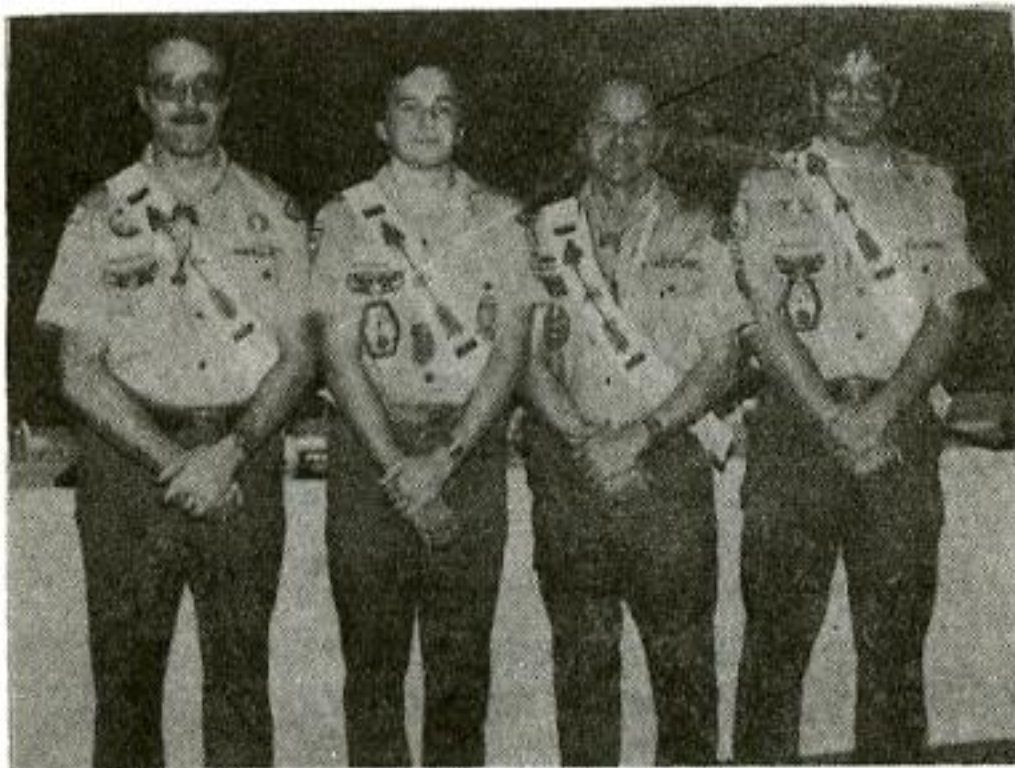


February 1985

From the tiny acorn, the mighty oak tree grows

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CHRISTMAS BANQUET



1984 CHRISTMAS BANQUET

The banquet was a success!! For those of you who stayed home and watched television you really missed out. It was held on the 13th of December at the Warwick Moose Lodge. For dinner we had a salad, chicken, green beans, roll, potatoes and a desert.

Then H.C. Ewing and myself handed out several awards. Two special awards for outstanding service were given to Brandon Bacca and Tony D'Augustino. Then the highlight of the evening came when the new Vigil members received their sashes and Vigil names. They were John Ailport, Bev Barnes, Sam Cabbage and Craig Robertson. After it was all over our trading post was open with a wide variety of items to buy. One hot item was the banquet patch. We still have a few left and you can purchase them at the Feb. Ordeal, but you better hurry because they are going fast. We all had a good time and I would like to thank all of those who participated in this event.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Vincent Mertz

FROM THE CHIEF'S TEPEE

1985 has started out great and I plan to keep it that way throughout the rest of the year, but I need all of you arrowmen to help out. We have a Feb. Ordeal coming up and I would like to see the best turn out ever. A delegation from Octaraco Lodge is coming to attend this event and we don't want them to have more arrowmen than us up there. I promise this will be the best Ordeal ever. We plan a fantastic patch auction and lots of fun and fellowship, but we need you to attend.

Also I ask that you make sure everybody you know in this Lodge has paid their DUES. All you have to say is "Hey Joe, have you paid your Lodge dues? It's only \$4.00. By the way Joe, if you haven't you cannot attend any Lodge function and you will not be getting a Kryer or any other mail from the Lodge." See it is as simple as that. Our Lodge has put everything on computer so if you have paid your dues you will get a newsletter.

If you have any suggestions that you think will make this Lodge run better please feel free to let me know. I am also open to complaints. If there is something you don't like, send me a letter or call. You can even be anonymous if you want. Remember if you want a good Lodge I need your input. Adults, the same goes for you, just because you are over 21 it does not mean we don't want your suggestions.

My phone number is 850-0885 or my address is 417 Fort Worth Street, Hampton, VA 23669.

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THE EDITOR'S SMOKESIGNALS



Dear Brothers,

My name is Keegan Leonard and I am now the new Kryer editor. I appreciate the outstanding work Leigh Robertson has done in this and the preceding Kryers. As the new editor, I hope to continue this tradition of publishing noteworthy Kryers. I also hope to make improvements in the Kryers to come. The only way these improvements can be made; however, is for you arrowmen to contribute to the Kryer. By this I mean you can send in any letters to the editor, words of wisdom, or any other piece of print that you would like to see in the Kryer. My address is 278 Cheadle Loop Rd., Seaford, Va. 23696. My phone number is 898-9495.

Yours in Service,

Keegan Leonard

CHAPTER CHATTER

MATTAPONI

Chapter meetings are held on the third Sunday of every month at the Naval Weapons Station Scout Hut. We are working on the Spring Camporee so please come to the meeting. The first meeting shall be at the February Roundtable meeting.

WENDAMEN

At the last ordeal the Chapter gained five new members and two Brotherhood members. Chapter elections will be held in August. All members (including the members in Mathews) are urged to come. Everyone is urged to attend the next ordeal (especially those in Mathews). The chapter is doing a lot better this year. Let's try to continue this trend.



PAMUNKEY

Dear Brothers,
Recently, the Executive Board met and discussed goals to be set for the new year. I am happy to inform you that the Board has confirmed a date for a Pamunkey Chapter meeting and has tentatively planned a Pamunkey Picnic and a Pamunkey Beaver Day. We, with the help of our advisor, have set these goals in the hopes of reactivating our chapter. If there are any questions, please feel free to call me or Luke Funk. We hope to see you at the Chapter meeting and also at the Ordeal.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Brandon Baca
Pamunkey Chapter Chief

PAMUNKEY Chapter Meeting
February 3, 1985 at 6:00 p.m.
GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH
250 Fox Hill Road

WINTER ORDEAL
February 22, 23, 24, 1985
Camp Chickahominy

PAMUNKEY Beaver Day - Tentat.
March 16, 1985

PAMUNKEY Picnic - Tentat.
April 13, 1985

Pamunkey Chapter Chief
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867-8528

Pamunkey Chapter Vice-Chief
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112 Laura Lane
Grafton, VA 23692
898-4910

LODGE COMMITTEES

MEMBERSHIP

If you haven't looked at your dues card recently, you had better look soon. According to my records over half of the Lodge members have not paid their 1985 dues. They are \$4.00 and you can pay at the Scout Office. Unless you pay your dues soon we will not be able to afford to mail you any more flyers. Let's all pay our dues and keep the Lodge strong. Those of you who have paid can pick up your card at the Ordeal or at any Executive Board meeting.

Sam Cabbage

CAMP PROMOTION REPORT

The camping promotion committee has gotten off to a late start, but we do have new slide shows for summer camp promotion. The "WHERE TO GO CAMPING GUIDE" is under way and it should be coming out in the near future. We still need camp promotion teams for each chapter. Chapter Chief, please submit your chapter committee chairman to Victor Mertz. There will be a camp promotion training session held in the near future.

PATCH COMMITTEE

The Lodge needs patch designs. Anyone may submit creative ideas. May concern any theme, but must contain Scout Trefoil, Lodge name and number, the year (1985), the event (SUMMER ORDEAL), and the three W's. Send designs to:

Pat Taylor
351 Level Green Court
Hampton, VA 23669

SERVICE

ALL PEOPLE ATTENDING THE WINTER ORDEAL READ THIS.

Contained in this Kecoughtan Kryer is a camp service tool check sheet. If you are attending the Winter Ordeal. PLEASE fill this sheet out and bring it to the Winter Ordeal with you. It will be very helpful to us. Thank you.



"If we were home, we'd have to be helping with housework, working in the yard, and stuff, eh, Am?"



1984-1985
LODGE GOALS

1. Achieve National Honor Lodge.
2. Have 65% of the lodge attend the lodge functions by Sept. 1985.
3. Have 5%-10% of the lodge attain Honor Member Patch by the 1984 Christmas Banquet.
4. Have 40% inducted in 1984 receive brotherhood in 1985.
5. Have a minimum of 10 executive meetings throughout the year.
6. All voting executive board members be present at executive board meetings.
7. Have a minimum of 4 (four) Newsletters or bulletins published during the year.
8. Approve a patch design a minimum of 90 days before the event.
9. Invite other lodges to attend our lodge events.
10. Continue to put on impressive ceremonies.
11. Revise and publish a "Where to go Camping Guide".
12. Increase the number of scouts that attend summer camp.
13. Have at least 2 meetings during the course of the year to review progress of lodge goals.
14. Increase chapter participation within the lodge.
15. Appoint a Conclave Chairman for 1985 by the December executive board meeting.
16. Form a special events committee for 1986.
17. Send 3 delegates to the 1985 Philmont Trek.
18. Plan the lodge calendar for 1985.

19. Present a booth at the 1985 Scout-O-Rama.
20. Have at least one Fellowship during 1985.

NOTE: The above lodge goals were presented to and approved by the Lodge Executive Committee on October 7, 1984.



CALENDER FOR 1985

<u>JANUARY</u>	
6	- Executive Meeting
27	- Executive Meeting
<u>FEBRUARY</u>	
22, 23, 24	- WINTER ORDEAL
<u>MARCH</u>	
3	- Executive Meeting
31	- Executive Meeting
<u>APRIL</u>	
<u>MAY</u>	
5	- Executive Meeting
18, 19	- FUN FELLOWSHIP
<u>JUNE</u>	
2	- Executive Meeting
7, 8, 9	- SPRING ORDEAL
<u>JULY</u>	
7	- Executive Meeting
<u>AUGUST</u>	
4	- Executive Meeting
25	- Executive Meeting
<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	
13, 14, 15	- SUMMER ORDEAL
<u>OCTOBER</u>	
6	- Executive Meeting
11, 12	- Lodge Officer's Training Conf.
<u>NOVEMBER</u>	
3	- Executive Meeting
<u>DECEMBER</u>	
1	- Executive Meeting
7	- O.A. VIGIL
12	- CHRISTMAS BANQUET

SENIOR PATROL LEADERS: Do you know you can get a medal for being a good SPL? You might even get to meet the President of the United States as the outstanding SPL in the nation.

HOW? Start by earning the Youth Leadership in America award in your troop. It's not hard; you just have to do the things that are in "the book" that make your troop a good troop, better than just another troop. You want to do that, don't you? You probably are doing most of it now:

Working with your PLC, plan and lead the following activities between August 1984 and July 1985:

1. Develop and follow a written, 12 month program plan, and from that plan -
2. Organize and participate in a training program for youth leaders.
3. Accomplish a community service project.
4. Participate in a major district or council event.
5. Personally lead at least 2 "hi-lite" activities in that plan.
6. Personally lead the troop in a week-long camping experience such as summer camp.

Isn't that what you should be doing as a good patrol leader? Talk with your Scoutmaster about this award. He can get application form (#27-113) at the Scout Office. Remember - You could wind up in Washington next summer, shaking the President's hand!



VICE CHIEF REPORT

From Pamunkey to Mattaponi, and from Wendamen to Kiskiack the response to my call has been the same - no one wants to be an elangomat. Why is it that only one youth out of all the chapters, besides myself, wishes to serve his fellow scouts in this manner? Could it be they think it is a boring, cold, and thankless task? Well, it's not! I have been an elangomat myself several times in this lodge and I have always come away satisfied and content. It is an opportunity to reaffirm your dedication to the ideals of the order, and everyone needs that. Yes, you work longer, but you also get more out of the ordeal than if you just did your hours of service. You get a chance to see all the ordeal ceremonies and have first hand participation in ceremonies that most of the lodge never sees. And, if you are a collector of lodge flaps and service hours, you get a total of 7 for your service at the ordeal. I eagerly await your response to my plea.

Your Brother, Craig Robertson

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"And now, more after-midnight disco dance music."



ORDER OF THE ARROW

These are the changes that will be made in the Lodge Rules at the next Ordeal. Please read.

LODGE RULES

PART B, 1. AS IT READS NOW:

"The lodge neckerchief patch, (Exhibit 1), shall be fully embroidered with a merrowed edge and any changes in the design or pattern must be approved by a majority vote of the members at a called or regularly scheduled meeting of the lodge. The neckerchief cloth shall be a light blue, and the finished size of the cloth shall be approximately 35"X35"X50"."

PART B, 1. PROPOSED CHANGES:

The word "PATCH" shall be struck from the first sentence and replaced by the word "DESIGN". The word "MERROWED" shall be struck from the first sentence and replaced with the word "DISTINCT".

PART B, 3. AS IT READS NOW:

"Lodge members may purchase the neckerchief according to the following maximum quantities per life; Ordeal and Brotherhood members-one, Vigil members-two. Should a member lose his neckerchief, he may purchase a replacement after presenting proof of the loss to the Lodge Executive Committee."

PART B, 3. PROPOSED CHANGES:

A new sentence added, saying; "Should a new neckerchief design be approved by the Lodge, (as in #1), members may purchase the new neckerchief following the rules set in above sentences, regardless of whether or not they have purchased the old design neckerchief."

PART B, 4. PROPOSED CHANGES:

The word "PATCH" shall be replaced with the word "DESIGN" in the first sentence. The word "MERROWED" shall be removed from the third sentence.

Vice Chief, Craig Robertson

1985 PHILMONT TREK

By now each Lodge Chief, Advisor & Staff Advisor should have received registration information on the Trek.

The background of the Trek. The cycle of National Order of the Arrow Conference has been changed from odd years to even. The next N.O.A.C. will be held in 1986. In order to make the transition effective for Lodge Leadership and maintain communication, arrangements have been made with Philmont Scout Ranch to conduct a special Order of the Arrow Trek in '85.

Between August 11-August 20, 1985, two youth arrowmen and one adult from each Lodge with the opportunity to spend seven days at Philmont, hiking and camping on the trail for five of the days. The fee will be \$135 per person. This does not include transportation. For more info contact your Lodge Chief. We have reserved three spaces.



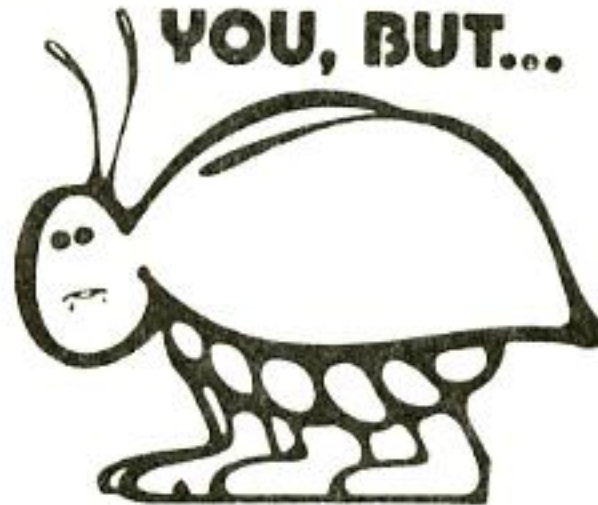
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THE OBLIGATION

I do hereby promise on my honor as a Scout that I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the traditions of the Order of the Arrow, Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui, which I have now received. I will always regard the ties of brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow as lasting, and will seek to preserve a cheerful spirit, even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, and will endeavor so far as in my power lies, to be unselfish in service and devotion to the welfare of others.

**WE DON'T
MEAN TO BUG
YOU, BUT...**



Don't forget to pay your membership dues this year. Part of your dues supports the Kryer. So, no pay, no Kryer.

ADVISER'S MINUTES

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Have you paid your 1985 dues? You cannot PARTICIPATE in Arrowmen activities if you don't. DO it NOW.

We had 132 arrowmen and families at the Christmas banquet - a good crowd - but wait till next year - we will double this number. Plans have started!

Your adviser was a proud arrowman when he walked into the January executive meeting, (late), and saw thirty-five arrowmen seated, it was great. We are moving into our best year ever, participation is fun - Everyone is doing a great job. Wait till you attend the Winter Ordeal - You will see a change. Be there!

The executive committee has filled 70% of the conclave contingency - Better get your name in the pot. We are expecting a great time in April.

Let's all get out to the Winter Ordeal - let's support your executive committee - they are doing a great job.

H. C. Ewing, Jr.
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GLAKELENDAM WOAKUS

Kecoughtan Lodge

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