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SPRING FELLOWSHIP HELD AT SIOUAN!!!

The Spring Fellowship started off on March 14th with another famous Siouan rainy weekend. The weather cleared up, however, and the candidates began their Ordeal. After breakfast on Saturday, work crews were assembled and projects such as building a new campsite, painting rowboats, working on the ceremonial grounds, clearing road ditches, and working at the water tower were started. Candidates and brothers stopped for lunch and then resumed work.

Supper brought on a surprise for the candidates as we all enjoyed a steak dinner. After supper, we traveled to the Ceremonial grounds where seven brothers sealed their membership in the Order and fifteen candidates became Ordeal members. A patch auction and crackerbarrell followed.
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SPRING FELLOWSHIP

The patch auction
netted \$132.26. This
was good, but not good
enough. We need more
participation in the
future to obtain the
badly needed offset
press for the Scout

Office. Chapel Services on Sunday were held by our
guest, Bob Tinder, followed by a Lodge Business
Meeting. A closing ceremony was held and everyone
began the journey home, knowing the weekend was well
spent.

EDITORIAL

Brothers,

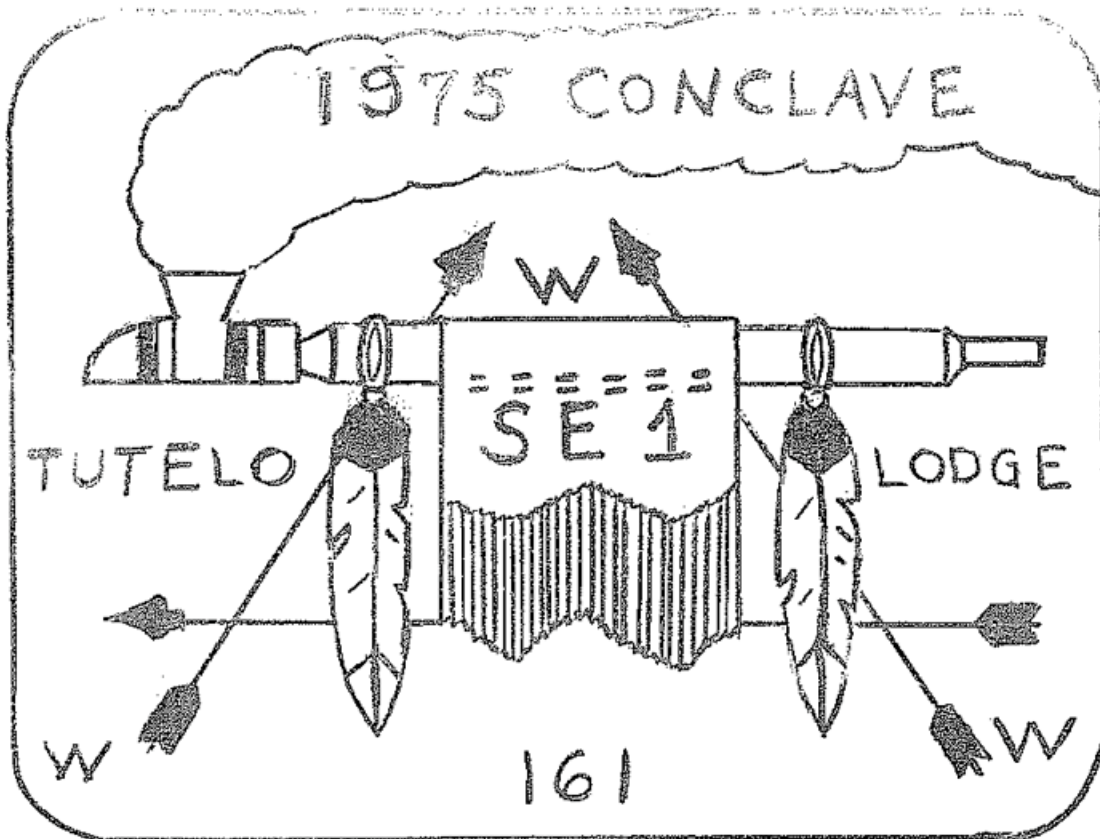
At the Spring Fellowship, I had the privelege
of working with the Ordeal candidates. While we were
working, the expressions ranged from a, "Who, me?"
to a, "What are we doing this for?" I wanted to
explain to them why they couldn't talk, why they
weren't allowed to eat much, and why at the time
they were being made to work so hard. I stopped
and wondered if I could answer their questions. I
doubt if I could do it satisfactorily.

What is the admonition? It's meaning?
Brothers, it's time we all looked back at our
Ordeal and found the answers to some unanswered
questions.

Yours in Brotherhood,



Doug Daughtrey
Editor



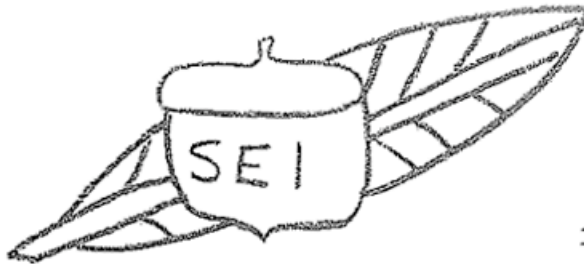
1975 CONCLAVE

The 1975 SE1 Conclave will get under way on Friday, April 25th at Camp Powhatan in Hiwassee, Va. This year's host is Tutelo Lodge #161. Conclave Coordinator Victor Rakes and his crew, along with Section Chief Mike Kinzie, have been working diligently all year to ensure the success of this great event.

Chanco Lodge delegates will be traveling to the Conclave on a chartered bus with our brothers from Kecoughtan Lodge. Upon arrival, we will be treated to a crackerbarrell.

Saturday's activities include training sessions, a National Conference program, Indian dancing, slide shows, displays, and the Section Feast. Highlight of the evening will be "The Legend", a show based on the legend of the Lenni Lenape, presented by Blue Heron Lodge.

On Sunday, we will depart for home, following chapel, and the annual Section Business Meeting.



INDIAN SEMINAR

The first SEI Indian Seminar, a pilot program was held on March 21, 22, & 23 at Camp Chickahominy near Williamsburg. Host lodge for this event was Kecoughtan #463.

Six Chanco brothers attended this event. They were Ben Vincent, Charles Hassell, Mike Johnson, Richard Yandle, Merritt Draper, and Mr. Bill Brackett.

During the day, Ben Vincent and Mr. Brackett attended the Council of Chiefs Meeting, while the other brothers attended the training sessions on ceremonies, Indian dancing, and newsletter format. The Indian training sessions were led by Ben Stone, Ron Head, Charles Taylor, and Jay Dunbar, noted Indian authorities. Newsletter training sessions were led by Sam Fairchild, Mark Lynch, Tom Webb, and Mr. Duane McSmith, all of the Section Newsletter Aids Committee (NAC).

In the afternoon, the Section Indian Dance Competition was held, with Chris Courier of Kecoughtan taking 1st place in the solo and the team from Amangamek Wipit winning 1st place in group dance.

All those that attended felt that the program was worthwhile and should be continued in the future.

UNIT VISITATIONS

Our camping promotions and unit elections committees are now rolling! Letters have gone out to all scoutmasters and explorer advisors, advising them of our visitation teams. We hope they will all respond.

Also, every unit leader in the council has received a copy of the 4th edition of the "Where To Go Camping Guide" produced by Chanco Lodge under the skillful direction of Bill Riddick. Thanks for the great job, Bill!



SCOUT EXPO

On May 17th, one of the largest eventsever held in the Old Dominion Area Council will commence. The Scout Expo will be held at the Suffolk National Guard Armory on Godwin Blvd. Chester Burgess, chairman of the Scout Expo, promises everyone a great event.

Events during the day include booth displays by many units, special events, visits from distinguished dignataries, and much, much more. At night, Troop 10 of Suffolk will present the play, "Chanco, The Real American," for everyone's enjoyment. This paly is based on the story of Chanco, the heroic American for whom our lodge is named.

During the Expo, Chanco Lodge members will serve on a service crew. The four committees of the lodge working on this event are Concessions-- Chrm. Charles Hassell, Display- Chrm. George Parson, Participation- Chrm. Randy Duke, and Information Booth- Chrm. Prentis Duck. We need a lot of help, so get in touch with the chairman of the committee you would like to be on. All O/A members, remember to wear your sash that day, so that everyone will know who to call on when they need any assistance.

Everyone get involved in the Scout Expo!!

District News

EASTERN DISTRICT, JUNIOR HARRELL- The Eastern District is looking forward to the Scout Expo on May 17th. The Eastern District has had one meeting since the last newsletter on April 1st. We also had a workday at the Scout Office on April 5th. We did not have very good attendance, but a great deal was accomplished. The next Eastern District meeting will be on May 6th.

CENTRAL & WESTERN DISTRICTS-
WHERE ARE YOUR REPORTS???

Duke's Disaster Area

by Dandy Ruke

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* Censored by the C.I.A. for
the safety of Chanco Lodge
members

The Courier wishes to congratulate our new Ordeal members: Bob Brinkley, Edward Street, Pink Wimbish III, Chris Barker, Bobby Twiford, Byron Goodwin, Bruce Ford, R.T. Lassiter III, Samuel Drewry Jr., Steve Draper, Tommy Austin, Jeff Day, Andre Ballard, Buster Ballard, the Council President, and George Clary, the Camp Ranger.

Also, congratulations to our new Brotherhood members: Mark Capps, Joey Cisco, Jerry Perry Jr., Wayne Carroll, R.T. Lassiter Jr., Starkie Perry, and Darrell Yandle.

JUNE WORKDAY

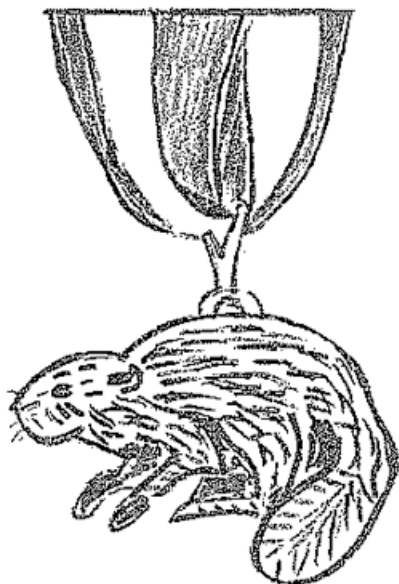
On June 7th, all Chanco Lodge brothers should assemble at Siouan for annual June workday. Our mission for the day will be to erect all the summer camp tents. Everyone keep this in mind and be there on June 7th.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

How would you like to go to the next National Order of the Arrow Conference? This is the opportunity of a lifetime. It will be held at the University of Miami, Ohio from August 18th through the 22nd. We still have several spots left. If you are interested, get in touch with Lodge Chief Ben Vincent or the Scout Office.

CALENDAR

SE1 Conclave (Tutelo)- April 25-27
Scout Expo ODAC- May 17
June Workday- June 7
Fall Ordeal- August 15-17
National Conference- August 18-22



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
NEW SILVER BEAVERS OF THE
OLD DOMINION AREA COUNCIL!!

Willard Brown

A.W. "Buster" Ballard

Floyd W. Midkiff

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