

ORDER OF THE ARROW



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SR-7 CONCLAVE

This year's conclave was held at the Old North State Scout Reservation in Browns Summit, NC. Thirty-two Chanco arrowmen attended this event which was hosted by Keyauwee Lodge #70. The conclave's theme was "A New Dawning" and marked the beginning of the new SR-7 Section which encompasses 10 Lodges from North Carolina and four from Virginia. Over 1200 arrowmen enjoyed the assorted activities, including training of all types, competitions in dancing, ceremonies, and sports. Billy Spence gave new meaning to the term "Pancake Makeup". Section elections were very spirited, but the North Carolina power move prevented a Virginian from being elected to a section office. Next year's conclave will be at Goldsboro, NC, hosted by Nayawin Rar Lodge #296.

TRADE-O-REE REPORT

The Fourth and probably last Chanco Trade-O-Ree was held Saturday, February 26, at the Windsor Ruritan Building. There were traders and Scouts from the surrounding councils in attendance. There were thousands of dollars worth of patches on display and there were some excellent opportunities for trading patches. The Longest Distance Traveled Award plaque went to Ben Vincent who traveled 100 miles from Ebony, Va. The Best Display Award plaque went to Dewitt Holland for his framed collection of OA chenille patches from across the country. Due to the poor turnout, there was no patch auction. All donated items for the auction were held until the Spring Induction.

SPRING INDUCTION

The 1994 Spring Induction was held at Camp Chickahominy on 25-27 March. Over 100 Chanco brothers and new Ordeal candidates attended. The Lodge's big project was building the Cub Scout Fitness Trail near the Archery Range. The Lodge received many complements for this effort. After two previous attempts of holding the Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies indoors because of weather, the Lodge held its first outdoor ceremony in newly constructed ceremonial grounds. Items from the Trade-O-Ree were auctioned off and the Lodge received \$185.00.

SPRING INDUCTION PATCH EXPLANATION

Since Chanco Lodge may or may not be in existence years from now, it is fitting to contemplate the death of Chanco. Research was conducted to find out what Chanco would have thought, what he would do, or where he would go when he died. The results showed that the tribes in this area did not believe in a happy hunting ground where the game was plentiful and easily killed. The local Indians believed that hunting was hard work and they did not want to work when they died. They believed that when they died they went to a place where they would eat, sing, dance, and enjoy a peaceful happy existence. The Indian lying down on the patch is dreaming of heaven on a beautiful starry night with a deer keeping him company beside a small fire. This patch is called "The Dream Patch".

COUNCIL MEDIA EQUIPMENT

Council Executive, Dick Collins, asked both Chanco and Kecoughtan Lodges to donate money to buy a video camera and other equipment to make video presentations supporting camping and other Council activities. Kecoughtan donated \$1,000. Not to be outdone, Charlie Coffelt sponsored a motion to donate \$1,001 to the Council. The motion passed and the equipment has been purchased. In fact, activities from the Spring Induction were filmed, including several tearful people peeling onions!

DATES TO REMEMBER

NOAC - 31 JULY- 4 AUGUST
FALL INDUCTION - 7-9 OCTOBER
CHRISTMAS BANQUET - 5 DECEMBER

NATIONAL ORDER OF THE ARROW CONFERENCE

NOAC is going to be held at Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana from 31 July to 4 August. Chanco Lodge has received 8 slots to go, 6 youth and 2 adults. At this time there are still several youth openings. The cost is \$210.00. We will leave on Saturday, 30 July and return Friday, 5 August. Please contact Bill Spence at 255-0846 if you are interested. Applications and fees must be turned in as soon as possible. Remember, the next NOAC is two years away!

**NATIONAL QUALITY LODGE RECOGNITION
REQUIREMENTS**

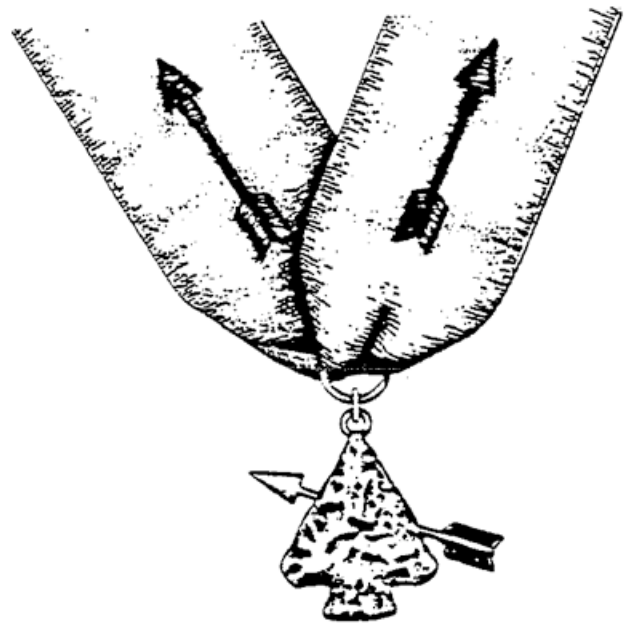
Each Chanco brother should know what are the requirements the Lodge needs to attain to be recognized as a Honor Lodge. Everyone needs to help the Lodge reach this goal. There are four mandatory requirements:

- (1) This past year the Lodge had an increase in youth members and total members.
- (2) A minimum of 30% of the eligible Ordeal members inducted into the lodge sealed their membership by becoming Brotherhood members between January 1 and December 31, 1994.
- (3) The lodge used the current Lodge Leader Development Conference materials for training lodge officers, committee chairmen, and advisors. The sessions were attended by at least 75% of those eligible to attend.
- (4) The lodge produced and distributed a minimum of four newsletters during the year.

The Lodge must also achieve 6 of 10 other requirements.

OA MEMBERSHIP

	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>
Lodges	387	371
Total Members	169,256	169,489
Ordeal	91,008	89,145
Brotherhood	55,870	57,475
Vigil	22,378	22,869
Honor Lodges	153	164
Inductions		
Ordeal	46,983	46,619
Brotherhood	17,716	17,201
Vigil	2,577	2,429



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