



# CHATTER

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## Conclave

# 1979

Welcome to the 1979 Southeast Section One Conclave. Prepare yourself for a fun-filled weekend packed with training, fellowship, and opportunity. Nawakwa Lodge has been working on this event for two years and all is in readiness for you-- the delegate.

As you register tonight, you will receive all the information necessary to make your Conclave experience a meaningful one. Packets, schedules, booklets, and other materials will be given to each delegate. Study the contents carefully; the information contained in them will prove very useful this weekend.

This evening, the opportunities for fellowship will be numerous. A crackerbarrel will be served this evening at which you will have the chance to meet and get to know many of your brothers from other parts of the Section. Later in the evening, movies will be shown and will continue all night. Remember, though, to get enough sleep because tomorrow is going to be a full day.

Following breakfast tomorrow, you will begin the training sessions which you signed up for. Specific assignments will be given to your lodge chief by your guide. These sessions range from lodge administration to Indian crafts. A new system employed this year gives the delegate a field of nine sessions from which to choose the three he wants to attend. This larger selection allows for training in the areas which the delegate has a personal interest.

When the training sessions are complete, the Conclave will turn to fellowship. The annual Section volleyball competition as well as a new frisbee competition will give the delegates opportunity to show that their lodge is the best. Another new event is the lodge talent show which will take place Saturday afternoon. And of course, one of the largest Conclave activities, patch trading will be going on all afternoon.

After dinner, comes the highlight of Saturday, the Festival Show. It promises to be particularly exciting with many man-hours being put into the production and presentation of this show. Make sure you don't miss this! The Section Feast will also be Saturday night, with each lodge offering some regional specialty for the delegates to gorge themselves on. The annual patch auction will cap off the evening.

Sunday will be wrap-up day with the Section Business Meeting highlighting. At this yearly meeting, final reports from all officers and committees are given. Pertinent Section business such as the National Conference will be discussed, so every delegate should make it a point to attend. It is important that we all keep abreast of what is happening in our Section.

The most important aspect of the Business Meeting is the election of Section officers for the coming year. It is each delegates responsibility to think carefully about his vote and cast it for the people he believes will best lead our Section.

After the Business meeting, its pack up and go home. But remember, each one of you will have a great Conclave to remember if you take advantage of the many opportunities presented here this weekend. When you go home, don't forget to pass the training and ideas you received on to other lodge members. It will make your lodge grow in Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service--Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui.

# Chiefly Speaking



MIKE WAGNER

Once again, that time has come. The time of the annual Section Conclave. This Section meeting is important to the programs of the lodges of the Section. It is an opportunity for every Arrowman to receive a higher degree of training in many aspects of the O/A. It also acts as a catalyst for these Arrowmen to meet other Arrowmen from the Section; this encourages personal friendships, direct communications, and an opportunity to see how the Section functions with respect to the organizational within the O/A. I thank each of you for attending.

Our national meeting is also coming in the summer. The NOAC is going to be held in August in Ft. Collins, Colorado. This national meeting is a larger event than our Conclave, but the same principles apply. The NOAC is a full week, packed with excitement that will be like nothing else you have attended. If you are interested in attending this event, contact your lodge chief for more information.

As I look back on this year in retrospect, I see that we have done a lot of hard ground work for future events and programs that will be administered next year. This year has truly been a success for all of us. I would like to thank each and every one of you who have made it a success. I personally thank my staff for their support and creative ideas. I thank each lodge chief for contributing to a successful Section program. Most of all, I would like to thank Mr. Pete Price, our Section Lay Advisor. Mr. Price was appointed last year and took office the same time I did. In the past year he has shown great devotion to the Section and has also demonstrated his devotion to our program. Along with a new Lay Advisor, we have a new professional advisor installed, named Mr. Black. He also shows the outstanding devotion like Mr. Price, and also devotes his efforts to our needs.

In conclusion, I would like to wish each and every one of you, good camping and good Scouting. See you this weekend, or at the NOAC, or out in the woods. Keep up the spirit.

*M. Wagner*

I would like to confer with you my reasons for re-election. As you well know, last year in my message in the Chatter, I related to a vision that I had, well this vision has come true. All year long, I have been working for the Section in order to build a sound program. It is now almost over and a lot of work has been accomplished. However, a good strong foundation has been well set, now we must build on that foundation and reach new heights. If I am not re-elected, these new heights and foundations will probably fall. This will only mean that we must build all over again. This is not the way to accomplish any goal. We must remain intact and unified for our own benefit in order to grow and mature. With your support and devotion, we can accomplish this task of reaching new heights. Without your support, you will fail in yourselves by not holding on to what you have and building on it, but letting it decay in your view. I ask you to support me as much as you can, and I promise we can reach those heights. My campaign slogan is, "Moving Forward." It was selected to represent the act of building on good foundations and moving forward to new goals and accomplishments. I hope that you will help your Section in its desire to be Moving Forward by supporting me at this year's Conclave. Until then, I still remain forever in your service.

CANDIDATE  
PROFILES



## JAY SQUIRES

The 1979 Section Conclave has finally arrived and I welcome you. The planning for this weekend has progressed for two years and will culminate in what I'm sure will be one of the best Conclaves ever.

Your work here this weekend is of extreme importance to your lodge and to our Section. Part of that work is the election of Section officers to serve for the coming year. This is indeed a great responsibility. I am running for the office of Section Chief and would like to take this time to discuss my views on where the Section has been, and where it should be going. To begin with, the Section is an organization which was created for the express purpose of serving the lodges. The Section Chief is the one person who is totally responsible for seeing that this service is carried out in the most productive manner possible. However, before he can do this he must understand just what services the lodges need.

In the past few years, I believe, there has been a tendency among the Section leadership to rest back on the accomplishments of earlier administrations, and formulate little that was new in the way of service to the lodges. To do this is to lose our number one standing among the Sections in the nation. We need a new, vibrant Section leadership which can provide the innovative ideas necessary to maintain the position of high respect and admiration we now enjoy. I believe I am the only Arrowman in contention for Section Chief who knows and can apply the types of service which the lodges need most. I am the candidate who can and will begin vital new programs which will once again place our Section in the number one slot. If you would like to see your Section grow in service once again, cast your vote for me; you'll not be disappointed. Thanks and enjoy the Conclave-- Your Conclave.

### Nawakwa 3

Nawakwa Lodge has had a wonderful spring and is looking forward to an even better summer. The Conclave you are attending this weekend is our premeir event. After two years of steady work, we take great pride in being your hosts this weekend. We wish you all the best of Conclaves and a great summer season.

# LODGE

# REPORTS

### Amangamek- Wipit 470

The troop elections in our council are actively under way, our lodge rules have been rewritten, and plans have already begun for the 1980 Conclave. We have a special membership card with everything but the honor and name already printed on it. In 1978 our lodge was a national honor lodge. Our Lodge Banquet was a great success and reached an all-time high attendance of 520 Arrowmen. During the banquet, 44 Arrowmen were tapped out for Vigil Honor, and were inducted at the March Fellowship. Our members not only did well at the Indian Seminar, but they also gained experience at the weekend event. Our lodge wishes to convey our compliments on the training sessions at the Seminar.

All lodge chiefs are invited to our lodge events (and I would like to be in to other lodge events). In this way, we can exchange ideas and become closer in the Wimachtendienk.

Richard Ellison  
Chief

### Kecoughtan 463

We are looking forward to the 1979 Conclave hosted by Nawakwa Lodge. We will have 40 brothers attending and hope to participate in all aspects of this tremendous Section event. We are also planning for the National Conference and will have twelve members in attendance.

We would like to take this opportunity to invite all lodge chiefs and their advisers to our functions. We would also like to thank the people who attended our functions and we hope you found them enjoyable. We also received the National Merit Award.

# the fire

By Richard Ellison

Can you tend the fire? You have been chosen by your fellow Scouts for the Order, chosen because you exhibited outstanding Scouting spirit and camping ability. You were removed from your troop for a short while during which time you were led to the high ideals of our Order. After this Ordeal, you were returned to your troop or post where you were capable of even greater service-- greater service through exemplifying the high ideals of our Order. What are our ideals? To develop and maintain camping traditions and the Scouting spirit. How can we do this? Not only by active membership in your unit, but also by active leadership. To be a leader in Scouting doesn't have to be the SPL, but an active Scout using the Order's resources to improve his unit. What resources? The Camp Promotions Committee which promotes Scout camping, The Where to Go Camping Guide, the High Adventure Committee which promotes High Adventure bases, the other Scouts and Scouters in the O/A who possess skills which may be of service to units, and troop leaders who are Arrowmen and have experience that can contribute to meeting programs. Such kindling will not only keep the fire going, but also encourage it to burn brightly.

## Costumes: Basic To Ceremonies

The most authentic costume a ceremonial team member can wear is one that is worn with great respect and feeling.

Costumes should be designed and worn in such a manner that one can tell who is Allowat Sakima, who is Kichkinet, and so on down the line.

The costumes play an integral and perhaps indispensable part in the ceremonies. They can add color, life, and zest to any function, as well as helping to impress the meaning of the Order of the Arrow upon the candidates.

The type of costume a major character wears will represent the part of nature he signifies. For example, many feathers means he is the spirit of the sky, mirrors or wood signify the spirit of the water, while leather indicates the spirit of nature's animals.

Beads, perhaps the most beautiful part of the costume represent the words of the spirits. The beads are put in a special order, by color and significance, and are used to tell the story of the ceremony taking place.

Regardless of the color, beauty, or intricacy of a costume, it is worthless if the person in it does not play his role with feeling. But if an actor in an O/A ceremony has the true spirit of the Order, the costumes can greatly enhance the ceremony.

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### ORDER OF THE ARROW

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