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"FROM THE LITTLE ACORN, THE MIGHTY OAK TREE GROWS"

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FARCHLD ELECTED CHIEF

SPRING ORDEAL BIG EVENT

On June 18, Kecoughtan Lodge met in solemn conclave at Cam Chickahominy. As the many Brothers gathered, they were met by campaign posters for the Lodge Officer elections to be held Saturday night. Tents wre set up in the allotted sites and Scouts went for a look at the new Dining Hall. Friday night brought its first use as the traditional Crackerbarrel was served and patch trading and Fellowship got under way.

Everybody (?) was up bright and early on Saturday morning for a breakfast of bacon andeggs as the Cooking Committee tried out its new kitchen and table waiter system. Immediately after breakfast, work parties

NEXT CHIEF PROFILED

Kecoughtan Lodge's Chief for the 1971-72 Lodge Year will be Sam Fairchild. Elected at the Spring Ordeal/Fellowship, Sam has been the Lodge Corresponding Secretary this year and is the former Kiskiack Chapter Secretary and Lodge Newsletter Committee Chairman, Also, he was active on the Ordeal and Brotherhood Ceremonial Teams in previous years. He became a Brotherhood member in September 1969, following his induction in September 1968. Sam was a Scout in Troop 345, Denbigh Presbyterian Church, advancing there to Eagle Scout, and is a Charter member in Explorer Post 345 at the same institution. He attends Hampton Roads Academy and has received a summer science fellowship at the University of --- :- Coattle this year. He will

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THE EDITOR'S SMOKESIGNALS

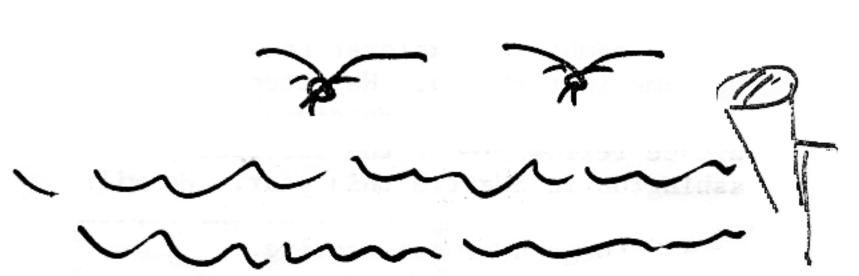
Brothers,

Although Sam Fairchild was unable to write this issue's "Smokesignals", I wish to express his thanks and hopes in his absence. Reviewing the past year, we see that our Lodge, despite some weaknesses, achieved many things.

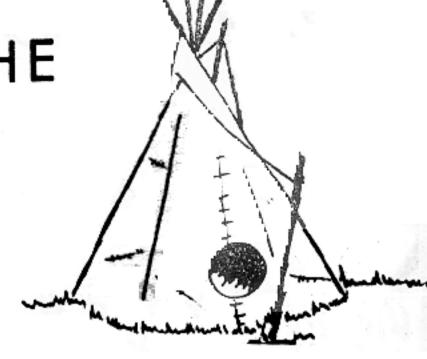
As a Lodge, we helped finance the Dining Hall, not to mention the many improvements we made around Camp Chickahominy. Our Camping Promotion Committee distributed its largest and most informative "where to go camping" guide this year; and we are taking a bigger part in the affairs of Area III-C -- BUT THIS IS NOT THE POINT!

Beginning another year, we have to remember our main objective, CAMPING PROMOTION. As we host the annual Area PowWow and (hopefully) establish our lodge as a National Standard Lodge for an unprecedented fourth straight year, this objective must always be our guide. This means we must all work together in the busy year ahead as we help our fellow Scouts and strive for a better lodge.

Yours in Scouting, Bruce Robinson Editor



FROM THE CHIEF'S TEPEE



My Brothers,

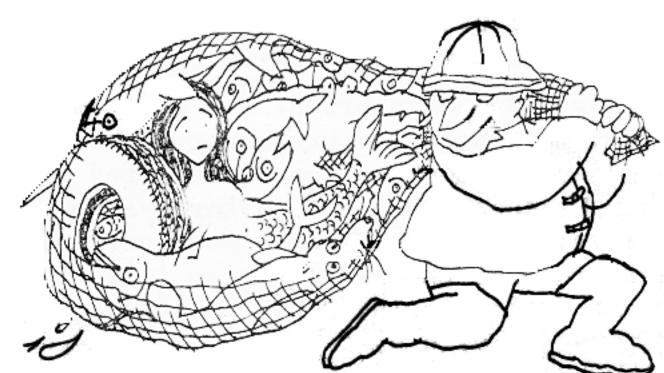
I would like to congratulate all of the new members who completed the Ordeal on June 19th. I hope you will stay active members and joi at least one committee. This goes to those old members who have not done so.

I would also like to remind you that we are hosting the '72 Area III-C PowWow; and this will take the help of every member who is willing to offer his help in making this the best PowWow Area III-C has seen.

I wish to thank all the Brothers who gave their services to the Lodge this past year, and wish our newly elected officers who will take over in September good luck. They will need your continued help to keep our lodge a National Standard Lodge until 1976, as set forth in 1969 when we first received this honor.

Yours in Brotherhood, Vincent West Netami Sakima

Editor's Note: Vincent "Kronk" West, elected Lodge Vice-Chief at the 1970 Christmas Banquet, assumed the duties and title of "Netami Sakima", Lodge Chief, at the Spring Ordeal/Fellowship business meeting when Corky Whitehead resigned. Corky's resignation was made necessary by his reporting to the United States Coast Guard Academy before the end of June.



DEAR GABBY:

Dear Gabby:

There are several girl members in my Post. How come they are not eligible to be in the Order of the Arrow?

S. L. H.

S. L. H.

Good question, but to be a member of the Order of the Arrow, one must be a registered Scout, Explorer, or Scouter. Check your Post Charter. You will see that the girl "members" of your Post are not (at least are not supposed to be) registered as Explorers or any other type of member in The Boy Scouts of America. The National Order of the Arrow Executive Committee has , however, established an Ad Hoc Committee to look into the question of how girls can fit into the basic purposes of the Order. If there is a legitimate place for them in our necessary activities, the National Committee will propose a change in the O.A. rules. Relax, though. That will take a lot of time. For the present, see the membership rules as recapped in the January and April KRYERs.

Gabby

Dear Gabby:

Is it true that we are a National Standard Lodge? What does this mean?

G. R. L.

G R.

Yes, Kecoughtan Lodge #463 is a National Standard Lodge and has been for the past two years and is again this year. Only 7 other lodges out of the almost 500 in B.S.A. have attained this distinction for the 3 consecutive years it has been given. So we are one of eight "Charter" National Standard Lodges.

Briefly, "National Standard" means that at least 50% of our members who have been in the Order for 10 months or more have made Brotherhood standing, that we hold regular unit elections, that we conduct an effective Camping Promotion program, that we publish a newsletter, and do several other good things to keep up the interest of all of you great guys in keeping the "Outing" in Scouting.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

It has come to my attention that there is never enough time allowed for the business meetings of the Lodge. I realize that these meetings cannot be timed exactly, but it is ridiculous when one hour runs into 2½. This throws the entire schedule off and makes it impossible to return to it. when planning Ordeals, more time should be alloted for the business meeting This will help to keep on schedule and make the Ordeals run more smoothly.

Steuart Kimmeth

Dear Steuart:

We did have some trouble with our schedule on the Spring Ordeal; But it happened because of several situations beyond our control. Because Sunday was Fathers' Day, the business meeting had to held Saturday night. Using the new Dining Hall for the first time, we had no reliable estimate of how long supper service would take; nor did we expect that so many Brothers would be late getting ready for supper after the swimming period, another new item in the Ordeal schedule. It was only by the diligent work of the Cocking Committee in "prepping" the kitchen and the "super" connections of Past Lodge Chief Larry Sutton and the Lodge Lay Adviser in laying hands on the borrowed folding tables and chairs that we had use of the Dining Hall at all. Nevertheless, you are right; and the Lodge Officers have promised to do better at the Summer Ordeal/Fellowship. Will you be there to enjoy it?

The Editor

'I want to...preserve my land'

July 1971

STORY OF SWAMP

In the past ten years, builders have used the "planned community concept to an increasing extent. Included in these communities are such features as swimming pools and tennis courts. This idea works well for those involved. It allows the developer to use all of his tract of land; it gives a builder a showplace for his models; and for the homeowner there are recreational facilities and a neighborhood spirit. Unfortunately, this trend has been used to an extreme in some places, spoiling marshlands and coastal areas.

Marshlands have been filled and canals have been dredged, murdering by destroying their homes millions of birds and other swamp dwellers, all to make additional, high sale value waterfront property.

Just think! Before motorbikes, before airconditioners, before electric hedge clippers,
there were bird nesting grounds, wildlife
refuge, and, possibly more important, a
"natural setting." Someone builds a concrete
pool for swimming because the natural water
is no longer clean enough for humans to get
wet in! (too much trash from boaters and
there might even be snakes!)

Soon "Shady Lane Estates" is ready to start accomodating houses. As the builder finishes, he either buries his trash or bulldozes it into the canal. (every house lot in "Shady Lane Estates" has "access to the open sound") Finally, people begin to move in. Well-trimmed lawns (fed by chemical fertilizers) replace an ugly swamp filled with mosquitoes and snakes (and deer and ducks). In a few years exhaust fumes clog the air ---- It is too late to save "Shady Lane Estates", ---- But do they have to be end less ----?



SOAR

Has your Troop or Post participated in SOAR?

If not, get busy! Many units have done

projects toward Saving Our American Resources

Get a piece of the action, contribute to your future, and earn a colorful patch in the process.

Get with it! Don't let your unit be left out!

Complete information on local opportunities is available from your District Scout Executive or at the Peninsula Council Scout Service Center, 11725 Jefferson Avenue.

CONSERVATION TIPS

Campsite of the Month

Over quiet mountains, through serene valleys, across burbling mountain streams, and past a few ruined reminders of the pioneer inhabitants of the area winds the Appalachian Trail in Shenandoah National Park.

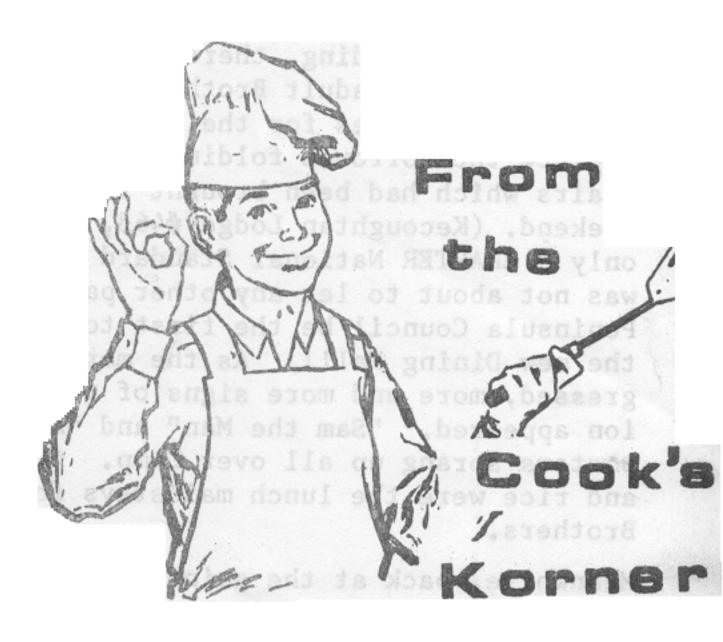
The full Appalachian Trail extends some 2,000 miles along the crest of the mountain range from Mt Katahdin, Maine, to Springer Mountain, Georgia. The trail was laid out in the 1930's by the Civilian Conservation Corps, with later additions and improvements under the leadership of the Appalachian Trail Clubs.

Shelters are located conveniently along the trail, an easy day's hike apart, making it a fabulous place to take a family or a troop for a weekend or a week. The shelters in the Shenandoah National Park have 6 bunks, a picnic table, a stone fireplace inside or out, a cement floor, and a canvas curtain to cover the fourth side. Most have a pure spring water source.

Three sectional maps of the Park (75¢ each) and a Guide to the Appalachian Trail and Side Trails in Shenandoah National Park(\$3.50) are available from: Potomac Appalachian Trail Club, 1718 N Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036

These publications are a good investment for anyone planning to use this hikers' paradise. Ask your Scoutmaster or Adviser about putting an Appalachian Trail 50 Miler in the unit schedule!





- EASY BEEF STEW -

2 pounds beef, cubed

2 tablespoons fat

1 medium onion, sliced

6 carrots, sliced

6 large potatoes, cubed

3 fresh tomatoes (or one #2½ can)

1 tablespoon salt

1 teaspoon pepper

1 bay leaf (optional)

Brown beef cubes in fat; add other ingredients. Cover and simmer until meat is tender to a fork. Serves 8 Scouts.

(Travel magazine, July 1970)

- EGG & CHEESE SCRAMBLE

12 eggs

z cup milk (evaporated is best)

pound cheddar cheese, shredded or cut

3 teaspoons prepared mustard

l teaspoons Worcestershire sauce

teaspoon chopped green onion tops

2 tablespoons butter or marerine

Combine all ingredients except butter; mix well with fork. Melt butter in skillet just hot enough to make a drop of water sizzle. Pour in the egg mixture. Cook slowly over coals or medium stove flame until mixture starts to set on bottom and sides of pan; lift and turn over the cooked portion; continue slolwy scrambling until all of mixture is set. Do Not Overcook! Serves 6 Scouts. For 8, increase eggs to 16 and add cheese to taste.

(Travel magazine, July 1970)

SPRING ORDEAL (cont'd from p 1)

maintenance building, there was a beehive of activities a adult Brothers worked on tables and benches for the Dining Hall to replace the borrowed folding tables and chairs which had been brought in for the weekend. (Kecoughtan Lodge #463, one of only 8 CHARTER National Standard Lodges, was not about to let any other part of Peninsula Council be the first to use the new Dining Hall!) As the morning progressed, more and more signs of the election appeared. "Sam the Man" and "Kronk" posters sprang up all over Camp. Chili and rice were the lunch mainstays for the Brothers.

Meanwhile, back at the grindstone, the Candidates were devouring a hearty lunch of sandwich and juice and having their midday orientation session. Earlier, after a night under the sparkling stars, they had munched their "breakfast" and set to work placing and leveling tent platforms.

Brothers and Candidates alike spent the afternoon doing cheerful service from among the many camp improvement projects identified by the new Camp Director, Mr. George "Bud" Tay. Many enjoyed a swimming period to cool off before supper and get the kinks out of their tired muscles. Supper was a grandiose offering from the new kitchen. During the meal, there was much discussion, and no little last minute campaigning concerning the election which was to follow the meal.

One much awaited event of the day came that evening about 7:30 during the Lodge Business Meeting as the proposed amendment to require 14 hours of Cheerful Service for each "flap" patch came up before the members. It was defeated.

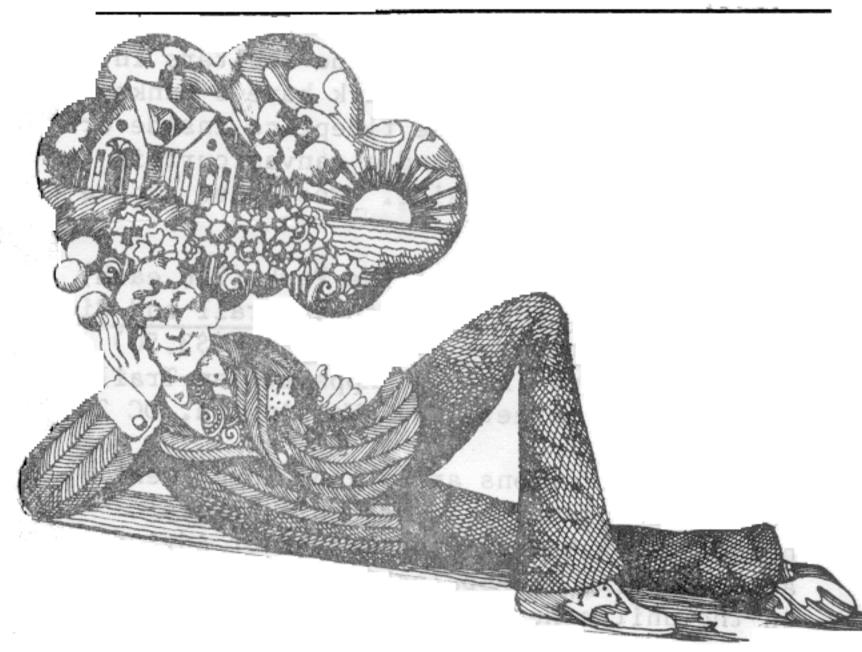
Then came the 1971-72 Lodge Officer elections. Sam Fairchild defeated "Kronk" West
in a hard fought battle for the Chief's
bonnett, while Eddie Tanner was elected
Vice-Chief. Other newly elected officers
are Skip Reynolds, Recording Secretary
by acclaimation; Bruce Robinson, Corresponding Secretary; and Pat Wright, Treasurer.

After the election, the Brothers gathered in the Ceremonial Ring for repeat performances of Kecoughtan's top-flight Ordeal & Brotherhood Ceremonial Teams. The 45 new Ordeal members and 30 newly advanced Brotherhood members were welcomed at the usual after-ceremony Crackerbarrel, given added

significance on this occasion by its being the first sit-down-and enjoy-your-new-dining-hall-for-food-fellowship-and-patchtrading.

Sunday morning brought more good food, more new (and old) member orientation in principles and procedures of our Order. The new unit election procedures were emphasized in a skit staged by the Lodge Unit Elections Committee. Amid clean-up efforts by the Cooking Committee and the bustle & hustle of loading the folding tables and chairs back onto the borrowed truck, Chapters met to choose (some only on an interim basis) their officers for the Lodge Year which will begin on September 1st.

By about 10:00 A.M., the clear-camp target hour, all Arrowmen had in fact gone home to enjoy what was left of Fathers' Day, taking with them the good feelings produced by another Kecoughtan Ordeal/Fellowship.



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Kiskiack Officers are temporary. Full-term officers will be elected at the Summer Ordeal/Fellowship, to replace those listed above, who were elected to fill unexpired terms of officers who had moved away. Lowaneu Allanque will hold its regular annual election at the Summer Ordeal/Fellowship.

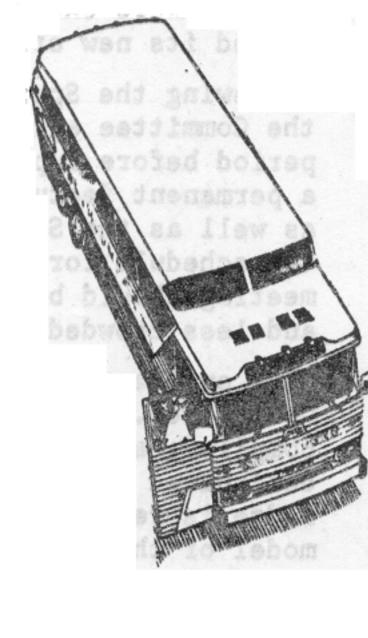
JOINT EXPEDITION TO NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Around 8:00 A.M. Sunday, August 22nd, twenty-four Brothers from Kecoughtan will board a bus to join the delegation from Blue Heron Lodge in the joint expedition of the two lodges to the 56th Anniversary National Order of the Arrow Conference. The group will travel to the University of Illinois at Champaign/Urbana, with overnight stops at Camp Roaring Run Pennsylvania and Fort benjamin Harrison, Indiana. There they will join over 5,500 other Scouts, Explorers and Advisers for the largest National O.A. Conference ever.

This year's program is designed to make the individual Arrowman delegate aware of his obligation to himself, his troop, and his lodge. Highlighted by training sessions, an Indian Pageant, and a show called "National Standard Lodge", the conference promises fun and profit for all. Kecoughtan has entered dancers in both the team and solo war dance contests. These entries in part were made possible by the contribution of the Area III-C Patch Auction fund to assist the costuming of our Indians. It is hoped that our entire delegation can share what they will have learned when they return. Below is a list of the delegation as approved at the July Lodge Executive Committee Meeting. The KRYER staff would like to wish our delegation "Good Luck!" They are:

Larry Allison Mike Barrosso Danny Beatty Robert Boesewetter Chip Darracott Sam Fairchild Howard Hoover Larry Lee Clark Nickerso Kenny Nourse Dann Pritchard Craig Rascoe Skip Reynolds Bruce Robinson Alan Spaulding Larry Sutton Vincent West Jonathon Whitcomb John Willson Pat Wright Mike Yost Mr. Bailey Tudder Mr. Walter Deal

Mr. Eddie Jones



This summer, a new dimension has been added to Summer Camp At Peninsula Scout Reservation. Camp Chickahominy now has a 300 man Central Lodge dining facility complete with a shiny new kitchen. Since Camp opened on June 27th, the Dining Hall staff has been feeding the some 250 campers and 30 staffers three very well-prepared meals a day, leaving plenty of time for advancement, leisure, and all that other stuff Scouts do at Summer Camp.

The facility's first use was by the Lodge during the Spring Ordeal/Fellowship when it proved to be a great advantage over the former alternatives of hauling in camp tables or sitting on the ground. Better food from the new kitchen and better service from the new hall is in store for us at future events, especially in foul weather, which no longer hangs like the well-know sword of Damocles over each gathering of the Lodge. Also, the reality of the Dining Hall makes possible our hosting Kecoughtan's first Area PowWow next April.

It is a great achievementby our Council, assisted by the Lodge. It stands as a monument to those whose donations of time and money made it possible. Chief among thses are Council Scout Commissioner (formerly Troop 13 Scoutmaster) George G. "Buck" Buckingham who managed the project and Arnold F. Young, Western District Training Commissioner, whose talents and time contributed through his firm, architects Forrest Coile & Associates, have produced the best looking and most soundly built Dining Hall in Scouting. Without these two, it would not have been built, possibly not at all, and certainly not on time. But no chronicle of the facility would be complete without credit to the Supreme Chief of the Fire of our Lodge, Peninsula Council Scout Executive Lew Jordan who personally led a small but dedicated group of adult Scouters, all of them ARROWMEN, in the all-butimpossible job of building the tables and benches in less than one week.

CHAPTER

Pamunkey Chapter

New Pamunkey Chapter Officers as elected at the Spring Ordeal/Fellowship are Chief Andy Hess, Vice-Chief Lance Winograd, Secretary Danny Beatty, and Trasurer Mike Kinzie. Mr. Jim Cifers has replaced Dr. Ron Godby as Chapter Adviser due to Ron's acceptance of Hampton District Chairman. (See the Officer/Adviser Roster on page 8)

Mr. Jim Byrd, a former member of Blue Heron Lodge #349, Norfolk, has given the Chapter a large Indian headdress to be worn by the Chapter Chief at O.A. functions. Also in the news, Mr. Jim Rudy contributed many hours of skilled labor in order to make a Chapter seal to put up in the Camp Chickahominy Dining Hall.

The beautiful new Chapter patch is now available to Chapter members at \$3.50 each.

Ordeal members are allowed to buy one, whereas Brotherhood members may buy another - and Vigil Honor members a third. The 5 elected Lodge Officers and their advisers may buy one each. The wall plaques of the Lodge flap are reduced to \$2.00 each; and broiler pan sales are resumed. If you are interested in selling Chapter supplies or broiler pans, please contact Mike Kinzie

At the Spring Ordeal/Fellowship, Pamunkey contributed two hundred and fifty dollars to the Dining Hall Fund, after which the Treasurer reported a Chapter Balance of \$88.77.

Dave Mulvey Asks

-- his friends to note his new address.

He expects to come back for our December 20

Christmas Banquet, since his Christmas holldays at the University of Louisville start
on December 18th.

David R. Mulvey 4333 Foeburn Lane Louisville, Ky 40207

CHATIER

Kiskiack Chapter

Temporary Officers were elected at our Chapter meeting at the Spring Ordeal/Fel-lowship. Scott Burhoe was elected Chief, Gary LeBlanc Vice-Chief, and Wayne Leiss Secretary-Treasurer. They will serve out the terms of the previous officers who had moved out of town. New elections will be held at the Summer Ordeal/Fellowship on Sunday morning.

Broiler pan sales were resumed; and we are hoping to get them all sold soon. Also, there will be a Chapter meeting on August 8th at the Scout Service Center. We are still working on the Chapter patch.

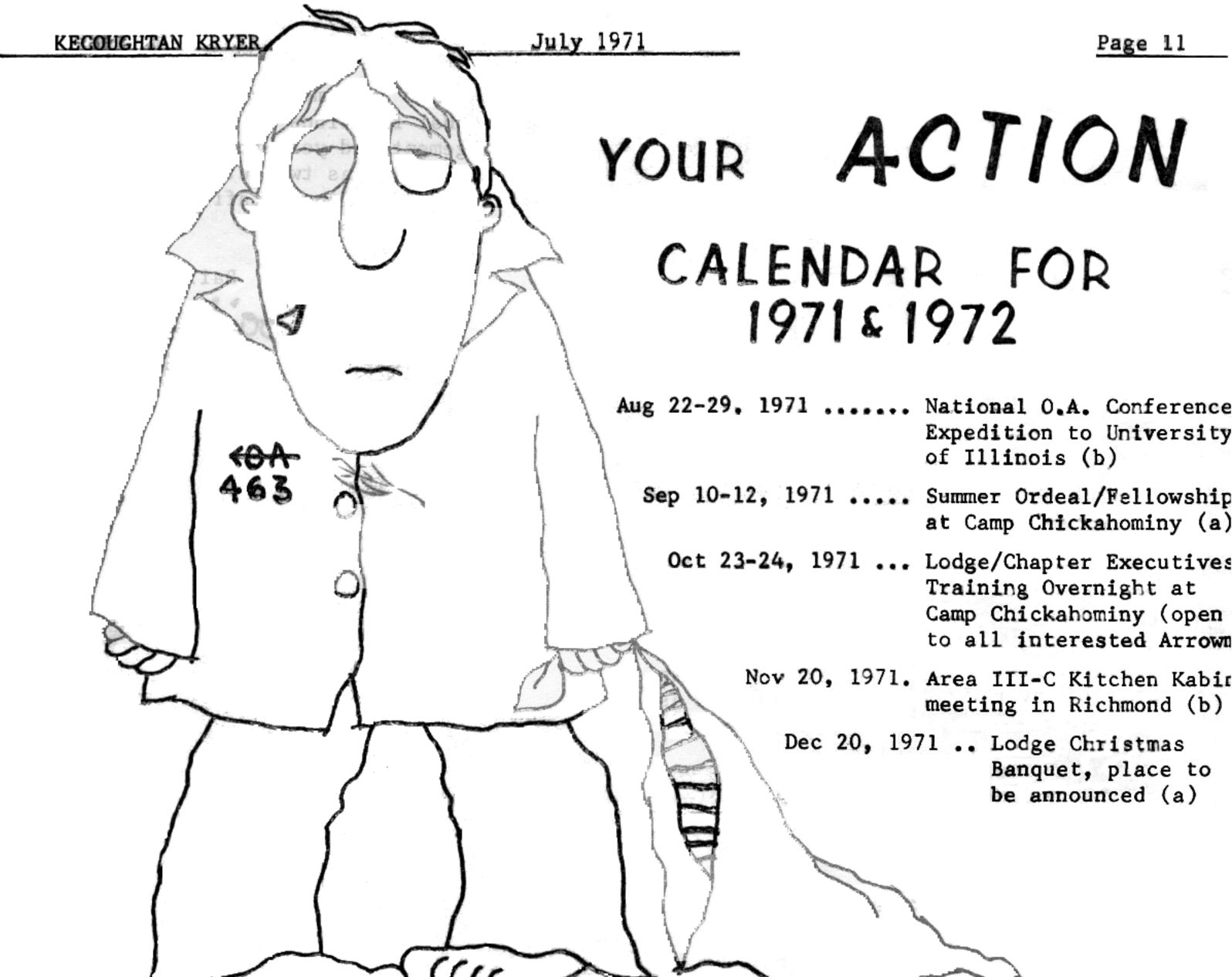
Exec-Com Meets

Camp Chickahominy's new Central Lodge
Dining Hall was the location of the July
6th Lodge Executive Committee Meeting.
It was opened at 7:30 P.M. by Lodge Chief
Vincent West as everyone repeated The
Obligation.

The first order of business was the Chapter and Committee reports. Because they were not present, the Secretaries' and Treasurer's reports were excused. Each Chapter announced its new officers.

Reviewing the Spring Ordeal/Fellowship, the Committee agreed that the swimming period before supper on Saturday will be a permanent feature of Spring conclaves, as well as the Summer events, and that the schedule for the upcoming summer meeting should be made somewhat smoother and less crowded.

Next on the agenda came the National Conference. The delegation roster was compiled; and Chief Vincent West was designated the Delegation Leader. Our Lodge is required to make a 4feet wide model of the Lodge Flap, for display at the National Conference. After much deliberation, the task of building it was assigned. Also decided upon was the expedition souvenir, which will be a neckerchief, with a possibility of a matching T-shirt. At 9:15 the meeting adjourned; and everyone went back to their cars in the rain.



<u>1972</u>

TODAY is the time to MARK these dates on both your unit and personal calendars. Also, keep this page where you can find it. Events marked (a) should be attended by ALL ARROWMEN. Active participation not only makes the O.A. more fun, but also is a Lodge Rules requirment for continuous registration. On the other hand, events marked (b) are special deals that you have to earn your way into by REAL SERVICE to your fellow men.



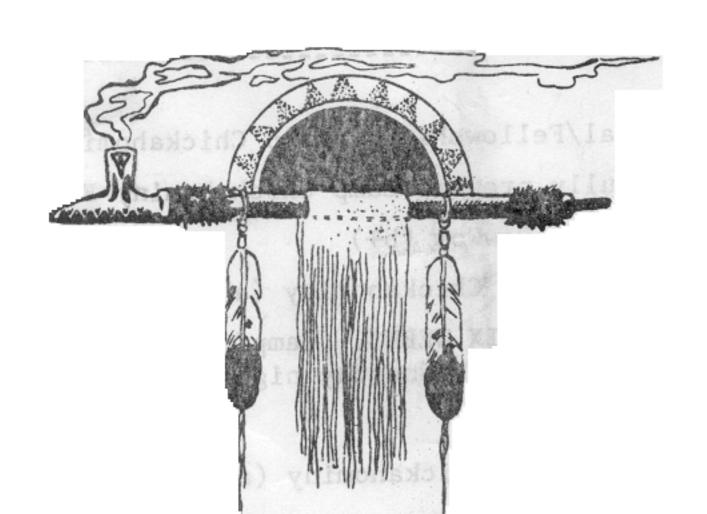
This issue, I have a very simple message.

Recognizing the close ties our Order of the Arrow Lodge has with the Peninsula Council camping program and our continual devotion to the Peninsula Scout Reservation, Howard Talley, President of Peninsula Council, has asked me to serve as Chairman of the Council Camping Committee.

Of course I asked to continue as Lodge Adviser, also.

I am sure that all Kecoughtan Arrowmen recognize this appointment as a
challenge to provide even greater camping for Peninsula Council Scouts. Our
Brother, Pret Haines, has done a tremendous job over the past several years as
Camping Chairman; and will still be
around to help.

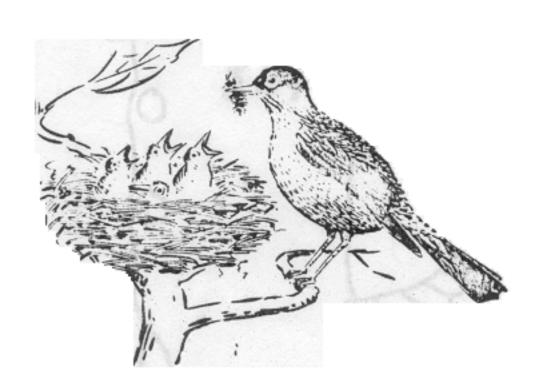
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Adult Arrowmen, your assistance in the dual functions of Scout Reservation management and year-round camping promotions now has two outlets: The District Commissioner staff and the O. A. I'm counting on you!

Bailey Tudder

Lodge Adviser



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