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CALLS

WAHUNSENAKAH LODGE #333

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1999 WAHUNSENAKAH LODGE FALL FELLOWSHIP

By Mr. Roger Druin, 1999 Lodge Fall Fellowship Adviser

This year's event was a huge success, attended by 140 members seeking fun and fellowship. This year's theme was "The Quest for WWW." The weekend's focus was on Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service for each member, chapter, and the lodge.

The most challenging part of the fellowship was that each chapter had to provide their own meals instead of using the dining hall and that took a lot of planning and coordination. From what I saw (and tasted), each chapter did a wonderful job. The cracker barrel on Saturday night should have been called "The Feast." Each chapter brought stuff that was unique to their area. I have never seen that much great food at any of our cracker barrels before!

Saturday began with round-robin sessions of OA training, camp staff information, patch trading how-to, dance team demonstrations and many other informational sessions. Then the real fun began. All of the high adventure activities at camp were open for everyone to enjoy. We had the Climbing and Repelling Tower, Archery, Mountain Biking, Rifle and Shotgun Shooting, plus different sporting competitions. Everyone had a great time.

The "IRON DUCK" award went

to the Pamunkey Chapter for the second year in a row. The competition was very close and all of the other chapters finished very strong.

Co-Chairmen, Davis Kitterlin and Tommy Gehring, with Mr. Roger Druin as their adviser, did an outstanding job of putting this fellowship together. Our Chief, Matt Singletary said, "This makes the third fellowship I've been to this month and it is by far the best. Everyone had fun and stayed busy at all the great activities."

We are already working on next year's fellowship. If you have any ideas, please pass them along to your chapter chief.

The first annual Craft Competition was a huge success. Many interesting items were entered from bead work to chokers. Participants were judged in adult and youth categories. Items could be entered in 3 areas: handheld items, clothing, and accessories. Uncle Bob Hardy was the winner of the adult category with some beautiful bead work and a super turkey wing fan. The youth category was won by Nate Brown with a nicely done bustle. Second place was awarded to Zach McQuigg with a choker. This was a close race and all items entered were very nice. Hope to see you next year and keep working on craft items.

By Mr. Ron McQuigg, Dance Team Adviser

Do You Have an OA Troop/Team Representative?

It's now official: The Order of the Arrow troop representative has been approved as a youth leadership position in the troop. This Scout serves as a youth liaison between the troop and the local lodge. In his troop, he serves as a communication and programmatic link to the Arrowmen and adult leaders and Scouts who are not OA members. He does this in a fashion that strengthens the mission of the lodge and purpose of the Order. By setting a good example, he enhances the image of the Order as a service arm to his troop. The troop representative:

- Must be under 18 years of age
- Must be an OA member in good standing (dues paid)
- Is appointed by the Senior Patrol Leader with the Scoutmaster's approval
- Reports to the Assistant Senior Patrol Leader
- Serves as a communication link between the lodge or chapter and the troop
- Encourages year-round and resident camping in the troop
- Encourages older-Scout participation in high-adventure programs
- Encourages Scouts to actively participate in community service projects
- Assists with leadership skills training in the troop
- Encourages Arrowmen to assume leadership positions in the troop
- Encourages Arrowmen in the troop to be active participants in lodge and/or chapter activities and to seal their membership in the Order by becoming Brotherhood members
- Sets a good example
- Enthusiastically wears the Scout uniform correctly
- Lives by the Scout Oath, Scout Law, and OA Obligation
- Shows Scout spirit

By implementing the troop representative program, lodges can expect to see participation by Arrowmen increase and higher brotherhood conversion rates. This new role will also increase the opportunities for youth Arrowmen to stay active in the OA and to continue providing leadership and service in their troops. Scouts may use this new position to meet the leadership requirements for the Star, Life, or Eagle ranks.

Additional information about the Order of the Arrow Troop and Team Representatives may be found at the National Order of the Arrow web site at <http://www.oa-bsa.org/> or by talking to your Chapter Chief. Wahunsenakah Lodge #333 wishes to keep an accurate and up-to-date record of each OA Troop and Team Representative for each Troop and Team in the Colonial Virginia Council. An OA Troop/Team Representative Registration Form can be found on page 7 of this issue of *Duck Calls*. Each Scoutmaster and Senior Patrol Leader or Varsity Team Captain should complete the form and mail the completed forms to the Colonial Virginia Council Scout Office. Additional copies of the OA Troop/Team Representative Registration Form can be found at the Wahunsenakah Lodge web site (<http://www.cvcboyscouts.org/oa/>) for free download. Position patches for the OA Troop and Team Representatives to be worn on the right shoulder as all position patches are available for sale at the Colonial Virginia Council Scout Service Center Trading Post.

Recommendation to Modify Lodge Rules

Change the first sentence of Paragraph A of Section III of the Wahunsenakah Lodge rules from "The officers of this lodge shall be the Chief, First Vice Chief, Second Vice Chiefs (2) for Chapter Operations, **Recording Secretary**, **Membership Secretary**, and Treasurer." to read "The officers of this lodge shall be the Chief, First Vice Chief, Second Vice Chiefs (2) for Chapter Operations, **Secretary**, and Treasurer."

2000 Wahunsenakah Lodge #333 Calendar

EVENTS

Sunday, January 9	Lodge Executive Committee Meeting 5:00 PM, Newport News Scout Office
Saturday, February 5	Section SR-7A Council of Chiefs
Sunday, February 13	Lodge Executive Committee Meeting 5:00 PM, Newport News Scout Office
Friday-Sunday, February 25-27	Winter Ordeal
Sunday, March 12	Lodge Executive Committee Meeting 5:00 PM, Newport News Scout Office

REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Monday, January 31	Conclave Registration Due
Saturday, February 12	Winter Ordeal Registration Due
Tuesday, February 15	NOAC Registration Deadline
Friday, March 3	Deadline for next <i>Duck Calls</i> Input

Lodge Gets Ready to Attend Section Conclave

Wahunsenakah Lodge is getting ready to attend its fifth Conclave as a lodge. The 2000 Section SR-7A Conclave is scheduled for the weekend of Friday, April 28-Sunday, April 30, 2000 at Camp Rock Enon, in Gore, Virginia, near Winchester, Virginia. Lodges who are members of our section are: Blue Heron Lodge 349, Nawakwa Lodge 3, Tutelo Lodge 161, Shenandoah Lodge 258, Shenshawpotoo Lodge 276, and Wahunsenakah Lodge 333. The registration and pre-order deadline for our lodge is January 31st. Registration and pre-order forms were initially available at the Fall Fellowship weekend and were available on the lodge's web site. This year's conclave, hosted by Shenshawpotoo Lodge 276, will include training workshops, competitions, patches, great food and everything else that we have seen at past Conclaves. The election of the 2000-2001 Section SR-7A Officers will be held at the conclave as well. The drive is a bit far, and will take several hours, but the camp is in a beautiful area of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the ride should take us through some great scenery and the great outdoors.

WINTER ORDEAL to be held February 25-27, 2000

The dates are the weekend of February 25-27, 2000. The place is Camp Chickahominy. The event is the first Ordeal of the 2000's for Wahunsenakah Lodge. This event will be one not to miss. Candidates from troops all over our Council have been elected by their fellow scouts to become members of our Order. We owe it to them to be there supporting them along their trail of finding the Arrow. The camp still has much work to be done in preparation for this year's Summer Camp and in the clean-up efforts of the hurricanes and ice storms from last year. Let's try to make this the biggest and best Ordeal this lodge has ever seen. There is plenty of work for all, so make sure to sign up and come! If you have been a member for 10 months, sign up to convert to Brotherhood.

2000 National Officers Elected

Carey J. Mignerey is the 2000 National Chief of the Order of the Arrow. Mignerey, an Eagle Scout and a Vigil Honor Member, is from Egwa Tawa Dee Lodge #129 of the Atlanta Area Council. He was the Section Chief of S-6S, and lives in Roswell, GA. A senior at St. Pius X Catholic High School, Carey is an Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 69 of Alpharetta, GA. He has served on summer camp staff at Woodruff Scout Reservation and participated in a Philmont Trek. He has been honored by his lodge with the Founder's Award, has participated in both the OA Philmont Trail Crew and the OA Voyage, and served on staff for the 1998 NOAC. Says Carey, "I look forward to working with my fellow brothers to make the vision of the Order of the Arrow a reality".

Jordan Hitchens is the 2000 National Vice Chief of the Order of the Arrow. He is an Eagle Scout from Troop 358, and lives in Reading, PA. He had been serving as Section Chief for NE-4A. Hitchens is a Vigil Honor member of Kittatinny Lodge #5 of Hawk Mountain Council, and has been presented the Founder's Award for his service to his lodge. He attends Reading Central Catholic High School as a senior, where he was named Homecoming King. He attended the 1996 NOAC, and served on Shows staff for the 1998 NOAC. Jordan tells us, "Follow your dreams, they will take you everywhere you want to go!"

Jim Cheatham to serve as 2000 Southern Region Chief

Jim Cheatham is the 2000 Southern Region Chief. Cheatham is an Eagle Scout and a Vigil Honor Member of Itawamba Lodge 235, of the West Tennessee Area Council. He has been presented with the Founder's Award, and previously served as Section Chief of S-6N. A resident of Obion, TN, he is now attending the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, majoring in Civil Engineering.

2000 National Order of the Arrow Conference

This year's National Order of the Arrow Conference will be held at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. The conference, which runs from Saturday, July 29 -- Thursday, August 3, 2000, is one day longer than past NOAC's. This year's event marks the third time that the NOAC will be held at UT, but the first in Wahunsenakah's history. The initial registration deadline for our lodge (which requires a \$50 deposit) was set for January 15. However, the deadline has since been extended to February 15. At the last count, 20 youth and 25 adult members had registered to attend. There is a strictly-enforced 2 to 1 ratio of youth to adult Arrowmen at National Conferences, and therefore, we need 30 more youth to sign up to attend in order to allow all 25 adult Arrowmen who are registered to attend. If no more youth sign up, this will mean that 15 adults will be out of luck. If you are a youth Arrowman and are interested in attending this summer's NOAC, sign up before February 15. The registration form is found on page 6 of this issue of *Duck Calls*.

1999 Wahunsenakah Lodge Annual Holiday Banquet is a Success!!

The final lodge event of the 1900's was a success. Last year's Holiday Banquet was held the evening of Saturday, December 5th at Jamestown High School. Piankatank Chapter was the host of this year's Banquet, and lodge First Vice Chief Micah Reynolds served as the chairman of this year's event. The Catering Company of Williamsburg provided our lodge and guests with an outstanding dinner of turkey, dressing, rolls, green beans, mashed potatoes, salad, gravy, cranberry sauce, and apple cobbler. The principal of Jamestown High School, Mr. Andrew Cypress, spoke briefly to open the occasion and gave the invocation. After dinner with fellow Arrowmen, the program began. Lodge Chief Matt Singletary gave his Annual Report on the lodge, and, together with Micah Reynolds, showed a slide presentation of photographs of lodge events from 1999. The 1999 Founder's Award recipients for Wahunsenakah Lodge were Lodge Chief Matt Singletary and Mr. Roger Druin. The Silver Duck Award was presented by Lodge Adviser Herb Smith and Staff Adviser Kevin Martin to Matt Singletary and Micah Reynolds. This award, in its initial year, was established by the Lodge Executive Committee this past year and the highlight of the award is a donation to the Council in the form of a James E. West Award in the recipient's name. The Lodge Chief also presented awards to his fellow lodge officers and advisers. The final presentation of the evening was that of the fifteen Vigil Honor members of Wahunsenakah Lodge who were inducted in 1999. These new Vigil members were presented to the lodge and received their new Vigil Honor sashes. Herb Smith gave his remarks as the Lodge Adviser, and the Banquet ended with the singing of the song of the Order of the Arrow. The banquet was overall a huge success and a great time was had by all. The Piankatank Chapter did an excellent job of hosting and running the event. If you weren't able to attend last year's banquet, try and attend this year's. More information will be available later in the year.

Letter From the Editor

Fellow Arrowmen,

A new year is upon us. As we enter our lodge's fifth year, we should both reflect on our past and think to the future as we strive in Cheerful Service. This year will be a busy one with the Section Conclave, NOAC, three Ordeal weekends, a Fall Fellowship, a Holiday Banquet, and countless other activities. Let us not get so overwhelmed with all of these events that we lose sight of the true meaning and purpose of our Order. Let us also not forget that our first obligation is to our troop or team, and our second obligation is to our Lodge and Chapter. We can, however, look forward to a fun and prosperous new year together in service and brotherhood and in Scouting. See you this year at the Winter Ordeal!

David K. Edmondson



NOAC-2000

2000 National Order of the Arrow Conference

The 2000 National Order of the Arrow Conference is scheduled for July 29th through the August 3rd, 2000 at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN. The national fee has not yet been announced. Even though the the fees have not yet been set it is time to get your name in the hat to go. It is expected that the total registration (National Fee + Lodge Transportation) will be less than \$400 for youth, and \$435 for adults (however this is contingent on what the National fee will be as well as van rentals.

Since we have not received any information, we do not know what registration restrictions will be placed on us other than that a 2:1 ratio of youth to adults, will be enforced.

To secure a place in the Lodge Contingent, fill out the information below, and submit to the Council Office No Later Than Saturday, January 15, 2000 with a \$50.00 deposit. Registrations will be taken on a first come, first served basis (two categories, < 21 and >21). If for any reason, we have to make a cut on participants, the deposit will be fully refunded. If for any reason you have to drop out once the initial registration has been sent to National, then deposits and fees will be refunded if a replacement is found.

Final Registration Fee amounts, and payment schedule will be forwarded to those submitting this reservation form as soon as the information is available. Act now, time will definitely slip up on you if you don't.

Yes, I wish to enter a reservation for the 2000 NOAC contingency from Wahunsenakah Lodge. Enclosed is my \$50 registration fee which is fully refundable if I am not selected to go.

NAME: _____

Address: _____

City, St, Zip: _____

Phone # (_____) _____ e-mail _____

Chapter: _____

For Office Use:	
Receipt Number:	_____
Date:	_____
Time:	_____



Wahunsenakah Lodge #333 OA Troop/Team Representative

Registration Form for the OA Troop/Team Representative

Please acknowledge the following Arrowman as our Troop/Team representative until replaced or you are otherwise notified.

Date _____ Term of Office _____

Name _____ Troop/Team # _____

Address _____ District _____

City _____ OA Chapter _____

State/Zip Code _____ O/B/V _____

Phone _____ FAX _____ E-mail _____

Scouting Experience _____

OA Experience _____

Senior Patrol Leader(Team Captain): _____

Scoutmaster: _____

Please Return Completed Form To: Wahunsenakah Lodge
c/o Colonial Virginia Council #595
11725 Jefferson Ave.
Newport News, VA 23606
Attn: Lodge Secretary

Pay 2000 Wahunsenakah #333 Lodge Annual Dues Now

OA Event Code #72

Wahunsenakah Lodge has a dues structure of \$7.00 per year when the dues are paid on time (November 30 of the year preceding the year for which the dues are assessed). Check the mailing label from any recent Lodge mailing. **If the upper right hand corner does not have 2000, 2001 or 2005, you should pay 1999 Wahunsenakah dues by November 30.** An arrowman who was previously a member of the Wahunsenakah Lodge and did not pay 1999 dues should pay the delinquent dues for 1999 (\$7.00) and 1999 dues (additional \$7.00) at the same time.

Name _____

Street _____

City & State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone (home) _____ (Work) _____

Unit _____ Dues Attached \$ _____

Check if your address, unit, or telephone changed during 1998 or 1999. _____

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