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## Don't Miss the Mega Scout Show Pig Roast



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## CHIEFLY SPEAKING WITH PATRICK KERLEY

The clock is ticking away as the lodge year creeps to a very successful and enjoyable end. As this may be the last time in which I address the lodge's Arrowmen in a publication, I would like to congratulate all of you on this job well done. The most impressive thing about this year was the theme - CHANGE.

Change on such a scale as our lodge is best described as "a lack of sameness." This is apparent in the programs, the leaders, and the individual members themselves. Weekends, though the most visible of the many lodge programs, is not the only one. In this past year, your Lodge Executive Committee (LEC) has created Camperships, expanded on the Service Corps, and pro-

duced a "Where to Go Camping" Guide which will be printed and ready for distribution shortly after Section Conference. All of these changes were lead by a dynamic and pragmatic group of young men and adult advisors all of whom contributed in some way to the success of the year. Even with such leaders, the lodge's luminescent glow is from each individual that chooses to take part in even the smallest of ways.

I am sure that the Ceremonial Team would not have done as well if Brad Ellis (the Team Chief) were left to perform all of the personas in the ceremony at NOAC. This could also be true of the weekends where help is often bountiful.

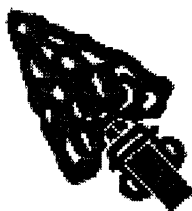
I am sure that there are some Arrowmen who are thinking of other changes that occurred over the year:

weekend fees, dues, and patches. Now with the year ending, I hope that everyone has an understanding for these possibly less desirable changes. I will not go into it now, but if anyone is interested, I am always available to listen to ideas.

Lastly, I would like to say that no matter how "good" the lodge can get, there is always a higher degree of greatness ahead. Therefore, I encourage everyone to become active in committees and other positions to help the lodge reach the next rung on the ladder of success. Remember that there is no time like the present and the year is ending but the excitement has yet to taper.

Patrick Kerley  
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**"The most impressive thing about this year was the theme - CHANGE."**



## ADVISOR'S CORNER WITH FRED DANAHER

It is hard to think of the year winding down with Section Conference coming up and the Scout Show to go before the May Service Weekend but as this may be the last TiPi before the Service Weekend, I would like to take a moment to thank some of our adult brothers for accepting and filling Advisor positions during this year. While our Order is youth run, the growth and development of the youth is an inherent part of the process which is stimulated by Advisors such as these:

Glenn Alexander  
Alan Clineman  
Debbie Clineman  
Sally Daniell  
Barry Ekle  
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Roger Hotaling  
Ed Kaczmarek  
David Mackland  
Ray Malin  
Bud Mason  
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Greg Miller  
George Morgan  
Elam Patterson  
Debbie Saad  
Tom Sasser  
Elaine Smith  
Scott Smith  
Steve Steinmetz  
David Weda  
Randy Wigley

Additionally, I would like to thank

Ron Barbour for his curt southern wisdom and Ron Oats for helping make the Order of the Arrow in an important and valuable Council program.

**"I would like to take a moment to thank some of our adult brothers for accepting and filling Advisor positions during this year."**

For this next year I am particularly looking forward to working with friends and our excellent youth as the youth bring back the tools from this summer's Leadership Summit to form the vision to take us all into the

next year and millennium.

See you at conference.....  
Fred Danaher  
Lodge Advisor  
fdanaher@gate.net

## VICE CHIEF'S BEEF WITH STEVE BROWN

You may recall from my last column that I expressed the great need for the ties of Brotherhood in our Order. Indeed, Brotherhood is the one of the three ingredients that combine to form the glue which binds us, but we must not forget the other two ingredients. Just as the bond of Brotherhood is represented by the material symbol of rope, Cheerfulness is represented by the flame. The flame is warm and comforting but requires constant attention, just as our sense of cheerfulness is warm and comforting to others but must be constantly maintained.

This past weekend (from when I wrote this), I participated in a twenty-three mile canoe trip on the Peace River with my troop. Before leaving the church where the troop meets, we filled five five-gallon containers with water and ice, not realizing that that would only provide 2.5 gallons per person to do their cooking, wash dishes, and drink upon the journey. Come Sunday morning, while we still had twelve miles to paddle (and walk through the severely low river), we were

out of water. Many of our cheerful spirits had waned as we finished our journey, sunburned and thirsty, and we began to bicker. This turned the beautiful Peace River into a seemingly nasty place, and many of us wanted to leave as soon as possible. Our Scouting adventure was almost marked by bad memories. Had we kept our cheerful spirit strong, we would have enjoyed ourselves and a true Scouting Adventure would not had faced to possibility of being ruined in our minds.

This short anecdote serves as an example of how a cheerful spirit can be beneficial to all involved in scouting. It is so important that among the twelve points of the Scout Law, you can find "A Scout is Cheerful."

Aal-Pa-Tah has a tradition of excellence when it comes to promoting cheerfulness. We are known throughout the section for our extremely fun and entertaining conference that we held just two years ago. We do things like no other lodge in the nation when it comes to program, keeping the Lodge on the

high-tech track and working tirelessly to have fun. In many cases, the Dining Hall at Tanah Keeta is a testament to this fact, Brothers always feel welcome to join in the fun of all night games, carnivals, and patch trading. Our meals are always packed with people having a fun time, chatting, and catching up on events since our last meeting. Every Brother is willing, from what I've seen, to help out in at least one capacity, and we work well as a team. The kitchen staff works long hours while everyone else is having fun, definitely showing their commitment to the Fire of Cheerfulness.

Finally, I leave you with one piece of advise: Always be there for anyone who needs a comforting friend, you will need one someday as well; Always volunteer without regret or worry that you will miss out on some fun, your reward will be great; Always approach problems with a clear mind and an unbiased heart, it will make you all the wiser.

In Cheerful Service,  
Steve Brown

## HISTORIAN'S REPORT FROM CHRIS MALIN

The historian postion is going well. I have just completed the King's Cup Display in time for Section Conference and am looking now for ideas for the future displays such as what to put in the display and other such things. I am still trying to collect any-things of the Lodge's past history such as pictures or trophies or anything that deals with the Lodge

and its history. If your have any-thing that you would be willing to donate to the Lodge for use in the Kings Cup Display please please call me or e-mail me at [submariner500@yahoo.com](mailto:submariner500@yahoo.com).

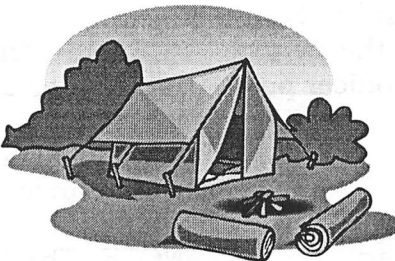
Chris Malin, Lodge Historian  
Lodge Historian



## WHERE TO GO CAMPING BOOK REPORT

FROM JOHN SHEETZ

This year will be the first year in about a decade that the Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge will produce a camping book. The book is a service to the Coucil, but this year we have decided to go a little bit beyond! The Complete Camping Book will go out to scoutmasters and tentatively Cubmasters, as a resource for camping in Florida. Extras will probably be sold with the money going either for camperships or the cost of production for next year's book. The book encompasses camping policies, camp grounds, hiking, biking, canoeing, and other day trips, favorite recipes, chapel services, forms and rules, annual festivals and events, camping lists, maps and charts. The range will be the Florida Peninsula going as far north as Ocala and possibly St. Augustine. An electronic version might also be



available, and the web page should be updated with the information. Hopefully the book will become an invaluable resource that is improved yearly or at least every other year. At that point the range of the book could be extended to cover more of Florida, and maybe into Georgia and Alabama. Many future goals can now be explored with the existence of an actual book. Right now the book looks like it will be all black and white with a glossy, light cardboard cover. It will be heat bound and the present number of production is 500. Originally there was going to be space for summer camp flyers, but that doesn't seem to be possible any longer. However, if anyone has any suggestions, additions, comments, or concerns, please contact me at the May Service Weekend or at (561) 627-3816.

## EDITORIAL COMMENTS

FROM RANDY WERTEPNY

It seems the more projects our lodge volunteers to do the fewer the arrowmen we have attending these functions. The Order of the Arrow is about cheerful service and I think that it is exactly what our lodge needs a little more of. Therefore, I encourage everyone to attend the May Service Weekend, it's one of our most important events and it has the lowest turnout. Think about it, if you don't attend the weekend you can't complain if you don't like the new officers. For all you newer members the service weekend is not just hard work, but a lot of fun just like every weekend our lodge hosts. Have you noticed some of the improvements at TK? Well, that's pretty much what we do during the Service Weekend, we make TK a better place to camp. You will receive a flyer containing all the details about the service weekend at a later date. Hope to see you all there.

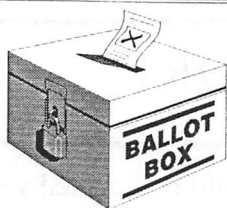
Randy Wertepny  
Tipi Editor, Lodge Secretary

## Order of the Arrow Clarification of Unit Elections Camping Requirement



In response to concerns about the possible misinterpretation of the current camping requirement for OA membership, the National Order of the Arrow Committee approved a clarification to the existing camping requirement at their December 27, 1998 meeting. The clarification is as follows (changes are shown in **bold**):

After registration with a troop or team, have experienced fifteen days and nights of **Boy Scout** camping during the two-year period prior to the election. The fifteen days and nights must include **one, but no more than one, long-term camp** consisting of six consecutive days and five nights of resident camping, approved and under the auspices and standards of the Boy Scouts of America. The balance of the camping must be overnight, weekend, or other short-term camps.



# AAL-PA-TAH LODGE OFFICER ELECTIONS

## General Statement

Each year the Lodge gathers for the Annual Business Meeting for the purpose of electing the youth leaders who will carry out the Lodge program for the ensuing year. At the Service Weekend elections of the following officer positions will be held:

Lodge Chief	Chapter Chief
Lodge Vice Chief	Chapter Vice Chief
Lodge Secretary	Chapter Secretary
Treasurer	
Historian	

## Candidate Eligibility

A Candidate for office:

1. Must have been inducted into Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge or have transferred into the Lodge at least 6 months prior to the date of the elections.
2. Must be a 1999 dues paid member of the Lodge.
3. Shall not reach his nineteenth (19) birthday during the term in which he will serve in the office (term ends:05/20/2000).
4. Must physically reside (live and attend school or be employed) within the official boundaries of the Gulf Stream Council, B.S.A.
5. Must be currently registered in a unit that is chartered by the Gulf Stream Council, B.S.A.
6. Present himself as a candidate at the scheduled Candidate's Meeting on May 14, 1999 at Roger Dean Stadium at the Mega Scout Show in full Class A uniform, at 8:00 p.m or if a candidate is unable to attend the meeting on May 14, 1999, he must call Patrick Kerley (Lodge Chief) 747-8296 or Fred Danaher (Advisor) 276-3044 on or before May 12, 1999.\* The failure to attend

the candidate meeting or in the alternative, to timely contact the Lodge Chief or Lodge Advisor will bar an arrowman from running for office.

\*Chapter Officers do not need attend this meeting or contact the Lodge Chief or Advisor in advance. Chapter elections must be held at the same Lodge weekend and at a time and location arranged with the Lodge Chief.

NOTE: The Interview Committee is composed of the current Lodge Chief (if not running for re-election), the Lodge Advisor, Associate Advisors and one other appointed member. If a Candidate desires he may have one person with him during the interview; this person is the choice of the candidate and can be a parent, Scoutmaster or simply a friend so long as the individual is not also a candidate.

## Voter Eligibility

All members of the Lodge whose current dues are paid and have not reached their 21st birthday are entitled to vote. No absentee ballots and no voting proxies are allowed. The Lodge Secretary will provide the Supervisor of Elections with the official list of eligible voters.

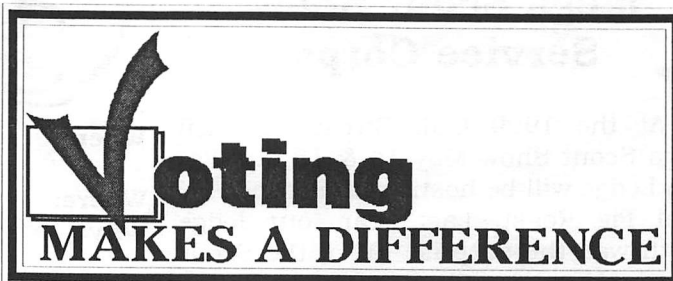
## General Election Rules

1. A Candidate may run for only one office. He declares his candidacy at the Candidate's Meeting on May 14th (see previous section). If defeated for the declared office he may not be nominated for another office unless there are no declared candidates for that office.
2. There are no nominations from the floor unless there are no declared Candidates.

3. Campaign promotional material is limited to a single flyer. The size may not exceed 8 1/2" by 11." It may be printed on both sides, folded or cut in any manner and on any paper stock. There will be no other campaign material for the candidate nor in his behalf.
4. A Candidate may be disqualified for violations of the election procedure or for conduct which is not in keeping with the highest traditions of the Boy Scouts of America. The Scout Oath and Laws and the Order of the Arrow Obligation will serve as the standard of judgment. A Candidate may be held responsible for the actions of other members acting in his behalf.
5. The Lodge Chief and Lodge Advisor shall appoint one youth and one Advisor to conduct the election. The youth shall be called the Supervisor of Elections and shall have all such duties and responsibilities as are implied by that title and any other duties as may be assigned to him by the Lodge Chief.
6. At the time of the Annual Lodge Business Meeting (May Weekend) a Candidate will be expected to:
  - A. Be nominated by another youth member of the Lodge. The nominator will be allowed to speak for 2 minutes on behalf of the Candidate. (The current Lodge Chief may not nominate nor publicly endorse any Candidate for office).
  - B. Following nomination, a candidate must speak on his own behalf for 2 minutes.
7. All officers are elected by a majority vote of the votes cast. Ballots that are not intelligible will not be included in the number determining the required majority.
8. Candidates may not be elected by acclamation. A candidate running without opposition must still receive a majority.
9. In the event of a tie vote there will be one additional ballot to break the tie. Before that ballot is taken the two candidates will be given an additional 2 minutes to address the membership. If

the second ballot results in a tie, the Lodge Executive Committee shall determine by majority vote who will serve in unfilled officer position.

10. The marked ballots after counting will be held by the Supervisor of Elections for a period of 30 days. The ballots with the permission of the Lodge Chief may be reviewed by any Lodge member during that period.



## Last Chance!

The Lodge Executive Committee is still looking for two new flap designs, a new member flap and a trading flap. Any designs submitted will be considered by the L.E.C. at the 1999 May Service Weekend.

**YOUR  
DESIGN  
HERE**

Full color art work is preferred, but all designs will be considered. Bring any sketches, drawings or computer generated artwork to the May Service Weekend or if you can not attend the Service Weekend submit your design to any of the Lodge Officers. This is your chance to see your idea for a flap come to life. Each winning designer will be recognized by the Lodge.



# 1999 MEGA SCOUT SHOW ORDER OF THE ARROW - PIG ROAST

## Volunteers Needed for Mega Scout Show Service Corps

At the 1999 Gulf Stream Council Mega Scout Show May 14 & 15, Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge will be hosting its Second Annual Pig Roast. Last year, our lodge booth was the surprise hit of the Scout Show and we are planning an even bigger and better booth this year, but we need your help. The lodge is looking for 30 volunteers (20 youth and 10 advisors) who are willing serve as a part of the Lodge Service Corp for the Mega Scout Show.

Members of the Mega Scout Show Service Corp will be responsible for staffing the Lodge booth throughout the Scout Show and assisting with the preparation of the six pigs we will be roasting. There will be lots of work for everyone involved, but there will also be plenty of time to have fun and spend time with your brothers. Every member of the Service Corp will be admitted for free to the Jupiter Hammerheads game Friday night. In addition, every member of the Service Corp will receive a special staff version of the regular Pig Roast Patch, which will be for sale to the general public. Service Corp members will also be allowed to buy additional staff patches.

If you wish to serve on the Mega Scout Show Service Corps please contact Ryan Wertepny at 795-7453. The Service Corp will be selected by the Service Chairman from the list of arrowmen who volunteer. Please remember that Service Corp members are expected to arrive at 5:00 p.m. on Friday and stay until 5:00 p.m. on Saturday.

Ryan Wertepny  
Service Chairman



## Important Details



**When:**

May 14, 1999 at 5:00 p.m. through May 15, 1999 at 5:00p.m.

**Where:**

Roger Dean Stadium.

**Why:**

The Lodge needs your help and you can have a lot of fun performing this cheerful service. Where else can you learn to roast a whole pig? You get to see a Jupiter Hammerheads game for free. Staff Patches.

**Registration:**

Contact Ryan Wertepny at 795-7453 by May 7, 1999. Arrowmen who are selected to serve will be notified on or before May 10, 1999.

**How Much:**

\$10, includes breakfast and lunch on Saturday and a staff patch.

**Bring List:**

Class "A" and "B" uniforms including a lodge t-shirt, O.A. Sash, a tent, sleeping bag, pillow, mosquito repellent, and spending money.



**1999 Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge Pig Roast Patches will be available for \$3.00 at the Mega Scout Show - A special staff patch will be available to those arrowmen who serve on the Mega Scout Show Service Corp.**



## Directions to the Mega Scout Show

### FROM THE NORTH:

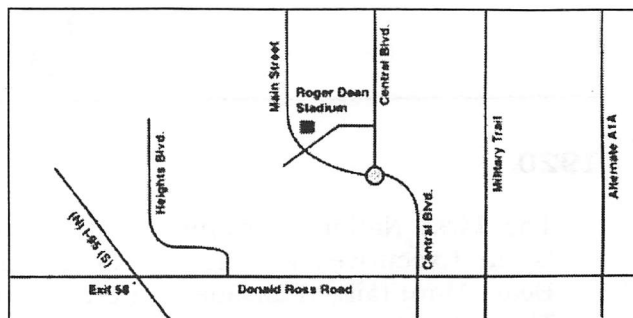
**Via I-95 Southbound:** Take Exit 58 East (Donald Ross Road). Proceed East along Donald Ross Road to Central Blvd. (Approx. 3/4 mile). Turn left on Central Blvd. The Stadium will be on your right.

**Via Florida's Turnpike Southbound:** Exit at Indiantown Road (Exit 116) and enter interstate 95 South. From Interstate 95 exit at Donald Ross Road (Exit 58) and travel East 1 mile to Central Blvd. At the light make a left and follow Central to the circle. From the circle take Main Street to Roger Dean Stadium.

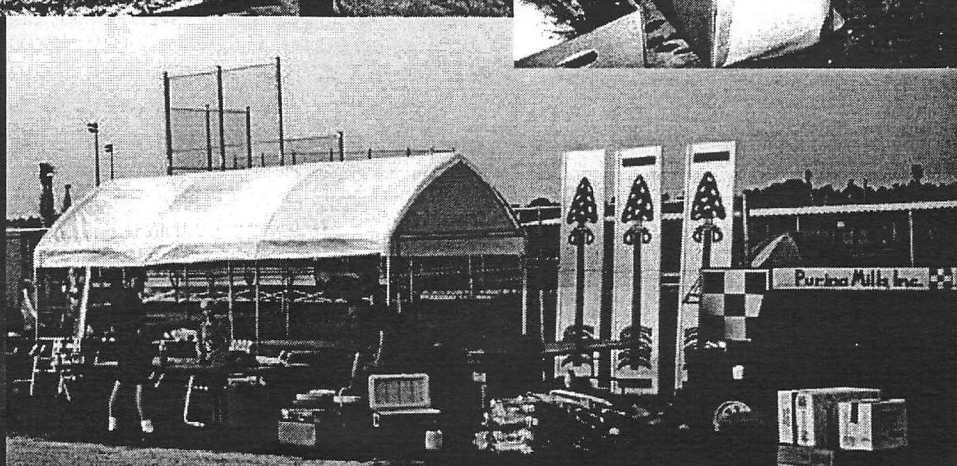
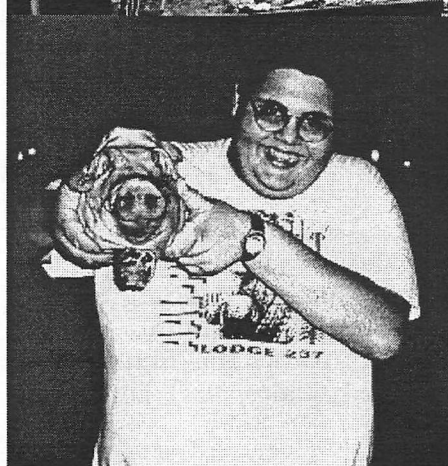
### FROM THE SOUTH:

**Via I-95 Northbound:** Take Exit 58 East (Donald Ross Road). Proceed East along Donald Ross Road to Central Blvd. (Approx. 3/4 mile). Turn left on Central Blvd. The Stadium will be on your right.

**Via Florida's Turnpike Northbound:** Take PGA Blvd. exit East. Proceed East along PGA Blvd. to Central Blvd. (Approx. 1/2 mile). Turn left and proceed North on Central Blvd. The Stadium will be on your right (Approx 3 miles).



## Highlights from the 1998 Mega Scout Show Pig Roast



# THE HISTORY OF SCOUTING: THE 1920'S

## 1920

The First National Training Conference for Scout Executives was held in September at Bear Mountain, Palisades Interstate Park. The First World Jamboree was held in England; Boy Scouts from 32 of 52 countries were present; the Boy Scouts of America sent 301 members. The First International Conference of Scout Leaders was held in connection with the jamboree, with International Scout Commissioner Mortimer L. Schiff and others representing the Boy Scouts of America. The quota plan was adopted. The Scout International Bureau was established in London. Membership, December 31, was 478,528. Total members to date, 1,643,988.

## 1921

Scouts of Washington, D.C., served as aides and guides at the limitation of arms conference. Scouts participated at the annual Eastern States Exposition at Springfield, Mass. Outstanding civic Good Turns were rendered in forest conservation and in connection with the Knickerbocker Theater disaster at Washington, and floods at Pueblo, Colo., and San Antonio, Texas. Membership, December 31, was 513,015. Total members to date, 1,879,471.

## 1922

**The Order of the Arrow became an official program experiment.** The Second International Conference of Scout Leaders was appointed as a permanent international committee upon which the Boy Scouts of America was represented by Mortimer L. Schiff and Frank Presbrey. The Second National Training Conference for Scout Executives

took place at Blue Ridge, N.C. The membership roundup was stimulated by streamer awards by President Warren G. Harding. Membership, December 31, 534,415. Total members to date, 2,110,973.

## 1923

The international left handclasp was adopted. Patrol leader conferences and training courses for Scout leaders were developed. The Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial Fund advanced \$100,000 for the promotion of Boys' Life. The Bureau of Church Relations was established at the national office.

Patriotic pilgrimages to the homes of great Americans and to historic spots were made. Membership, December 31, was 587,578. Total members to date, 2,371,520.



## 1924

The Every Scout a Swimmer program was inaugurated. The first achievement badges were earned by physically handicapped Scouts. The Third International Conference of Scout Leaders was attended by 6,000 boys from 33 Scout associations. The Lone Scouts of America merged with the Boy Scouts of America. The Second World Jamboree was held at Copenhagen, Denmark; our delegation numbered 56. The Third Biennial Conference of Scout Executives was held at Estes Park, Colo. The International Scout constitution and bylaws were adopted. Membership, December 31, 696,620. Total members to date, 3,144,300.

## 1925

James J. Storrow of Boston was elected president. The first National Training School for executives opened. Outstanding service was rendered by Scouts in the Illinois tornado, California earthquake, and Louisiana

fire. A delegation from Boy Scouts of America visited South America to advance Scouting there. Membership, December 31, 756,857. Total members to date, 3,436,294.

## 1926

President James J. Storrow died in March and Vice-President Milton A. McRae was elected to fill his term. At the annual meeting in May, Walter W. Head was elected president. Sir Robert S.S. Baden-Powell, founder of Scouting, attended the annual meeting and traveled throughout the country inspecting Scouting centers. The first Silver Buffalo Awards for distinguished service to boyhood were presented. Twenty-two awards were given: the first to Baden-Powell and the second to the Unknown Scout whose Good Turn brought Scouting to America. The Fourth International Scout Conference was held at Kandersteg, Switzerland. The Fourth Biennial Conference of Scout Executives was held at Hot Springs, Ark. The national Executive Board authorized development of a program for younger boys. Exceptional Scout service was rendered in the Florida hurricane and Arkansas flood. Membership, December 31, was 783,574. Total members to date, 3,749,244.

## 1927

Eagle Palms were added to the list of awards. Twelve new rural merit badges were added, bringing the total to 89. Eight Sea Scouts were taken on the Borden-Field Museum Expedition to the Bering Sea. Exceptional service was rendered by Scouts in the Mississippi and Vermont flood disasters and the St. Louis tornado. The national office was moved to its new enlarged quarters at 2 Park Avenue, New York, N.Y. Membership, December 31, was 785,633. Total members to date, 4,095,988.

## 1928

Three Scouts-David R. Martin, Douglas Oliver, and Dick Douglas-accompanied the Martin Johnson Expedition to Africa. The Fifth National Training Conference for Scout Executives was held at Cornell University. The 18th annual meeting was held in San Francisco. Four Scouts participated in the

Lincoln Highway covered-wagon tour from coast to coast and Paul A. Siple, a Sea Scout, accompanied Commander Richard E. Byrd to the Antarctic. Membership, December 31, was 819,791. Total members to date, 4,499,908.

## 1929

The Third World Jamboree, held at Birkenhead, England, where 1,300 Scouts and Scouters represented the Boy Scouts of America, was attended by 50,000 Scouts representing 73 different lands. It was followed by the Fifth International Scout Conference. The Cub Scout program was put into operation on an experimental basis. Registration of all Scouters was authorized. Membership, December 31, was 833,897. Total members to date, 4,779,219.

## The Boy Scout Handbook in the 1920's

### 1927

#### Third edition 4,000,000 copies

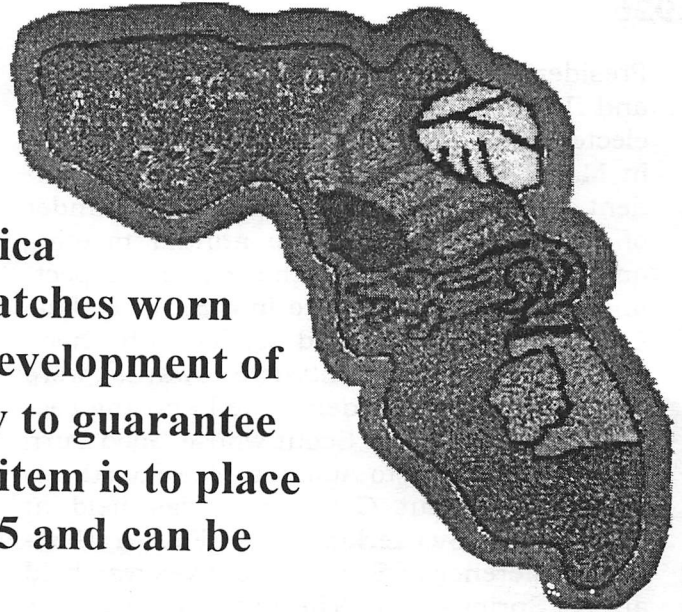
From 1927 to 1940, the cover told a story of youth facing in the same direction as Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt, and Charles Lindbergh. The boys who used this book found in it purpose and direction to meet the depression and grow with confidence.





# Last Chance!!!!!!

Pre-orders for the new Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge chenille will be accepted only through the end of the May Service Weekend. This patch is a chenille replica of the historical Florida shape patches worn by lodge members prior to the development of the first lodge flap. The only way to guarantee that you will receive this special item is to place a pre-order. The chenille cost \$25 and can be pre-order at the Lodge Box.



## Mark Your Calendar Now and Plan to Attend the May Service Weekend

Keep checking you mailbox for a special flyer containing all the information about the 1999 Service Weekend. All we are allowed to tell you right now is that something big, really big will be happening during the 1999 Service Weekend and Aal-Pa-tah Lodge is doing its part to make sure that you don't miss out. More details to come!

### Critical Details

<b>What:</b>	<b>May Service Weekend</b>
<b>Where:</b>	<b>Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation</b>
<b>When:</b>	<b>May 21-23, 1999</b>
<b>How Much:</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>
<b>Registration:</b>	<b>Must be postmarked by May 3, 1999 or you may register by calling the Council Office by May 14, 1999 with a credit card number</b>



## CHEE-PA-TAH CHAPTER REPORT

BY RANDY WERTEPNY

We need everyone to attend the Service Weekend May 21-23, there will be a very important chapter meeting and a chapter election. Our chapter patch is still for sale for only \$3.00 and anyone in our chapter can purchase one at every event. If you haven't signed up for the pig roast yet there's still time, we need everybody we can get. Any questions or comments please contact me, Randy Wertepny, at 795-7453. See you all at Section Conference.

In Service,  
Randy Wertepny

## NE-KE-WA CHAPTER REPORT

BY JOSH SAAD

We are proud to report that our chapter dangle is out and can be purchased. The requirements for the dangle are: 1. You must be a member of Ne-Ke-Wa chapter. 2. You must be at least a brotherhood member. You will be able to purchase one dangle per weekend which you attend. There will be a chapter meeting the Saturday night of the Klondike Derby, after the campfire at the pavilion. Any questions or comments call me, Josh Saad, at 561-546-8908.

Your Chapter Chief,  
Josh Saad



## IMPORTANT NOTICE!

**If you are an Ordeal member  
who has been in the lodge for  
more than ten months read  
the following information  
carefully:**

The May Service Weekend, May 21-23, is now about a month away. Ordeal members who have been with the lodge for at least 10 months are now eligible to take the next step in service to the Lodge by becoming Brotherhood members. All that you need to do is write a letter to the Lodge Secretary stating what the obligation means to you and how you plan to provide service to your Troop and the Lodge. During the weekend, you will be assigned a Brotherhood counselor who work with you to make sure that you understand everything that happened at the Ordeal Ceremony and that you can also recite the Song and the Obligation from memory.

Once you have completed the Brotherhood Ceremony, you will have sealed your membership in the Order of the Arrow thus showing everyone your dedication to principle cheerful service and your devotion to the welfare of others even in the mist of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities.

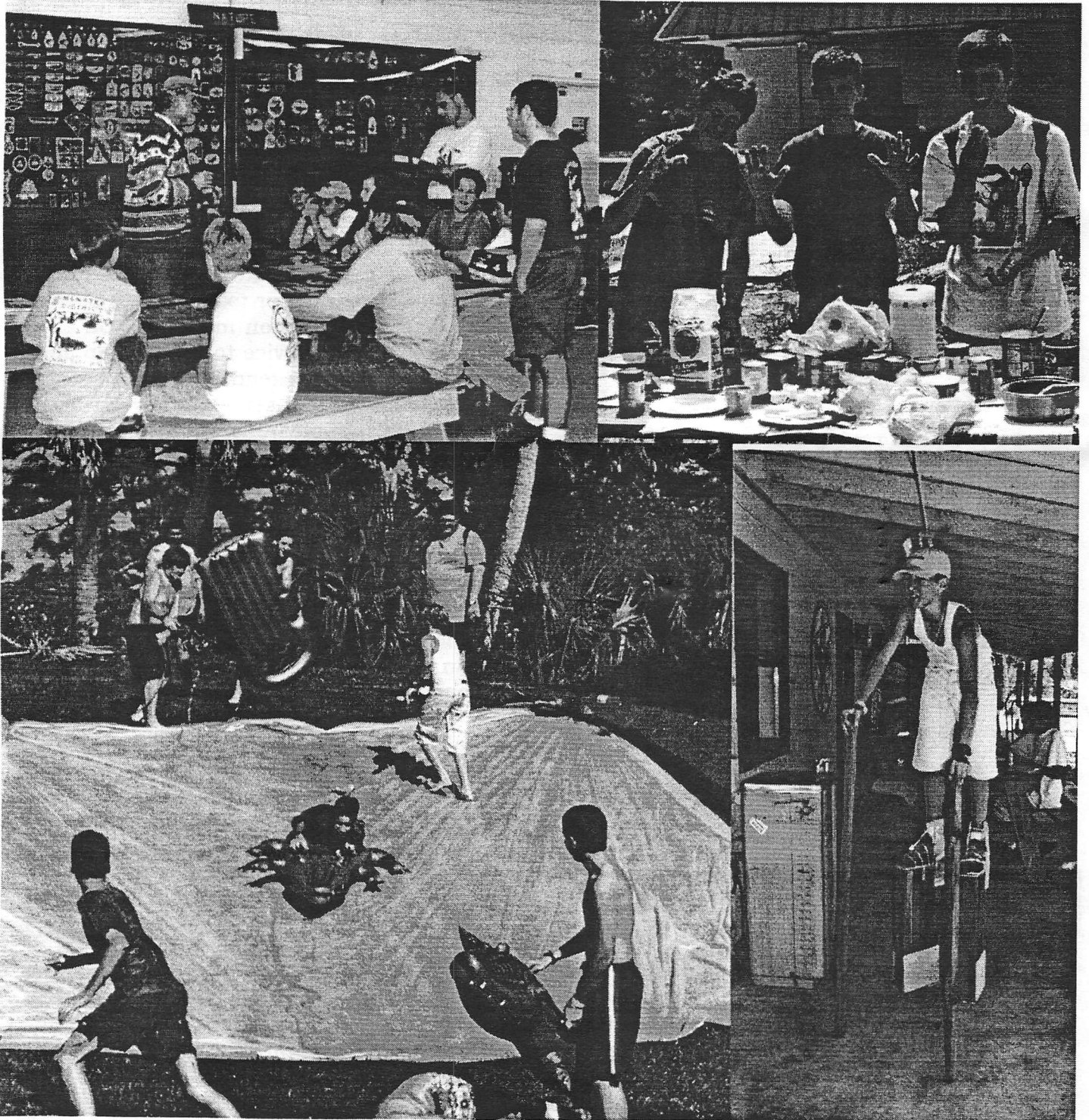
Please call Debbie at the Council Office (561-694-8585) to register for Brotherhood for the May Service Weekend. The cost for Brotherhood is an additional \$12.00 beyond the cost of the weekend.

## CAMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT FROM RANDY WERTEPNY

Our Campership neckerchiefs sold out in record time before the Spring Pow-Wow, putting \$2500 into the campership fund. About 300 of the 600 Campership patches have been sold so far. If you haven't purchased one yet, they are only five dollars and the money goes directly toward sending scouts to summer camp. 1999 Campership applications will available be at Council Office April 26. If you have any questions please call me, Randy Wertepny, at 795-7453.

## Spring Pow-Wow 1999: A Retrospective

The 1999 Spring Pow-Wow had a something fun for everyone from seminars on patch trading and Native American food to the alligator slip and slide at Fort Blanchard to the Founder's Award Banquet (including great homestyle barbecue ribs) to the highlight of the weekend the Saturday night Pow-Wow. Most importantly, however, the Spring Pow-Wow was a chance for arrowmen to renew old friendships and rekindle the flame of brotherhood.



# **Congratulations to the Lodge's Newest Vigil Honor Members**

**Phillip Ashford, IV  
Preston Barbour  
John Sheetz  
Fred Danaher  
Roger Hotaling**

**VIGIL**



Dr. E. Umer Goodman  
Founder of the  
Order of the Arrow

## **Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge Proudly Recognizes its 1998**

### **Founder's Award Recipients**

**James Walls  
&  
Thomas Sasser**

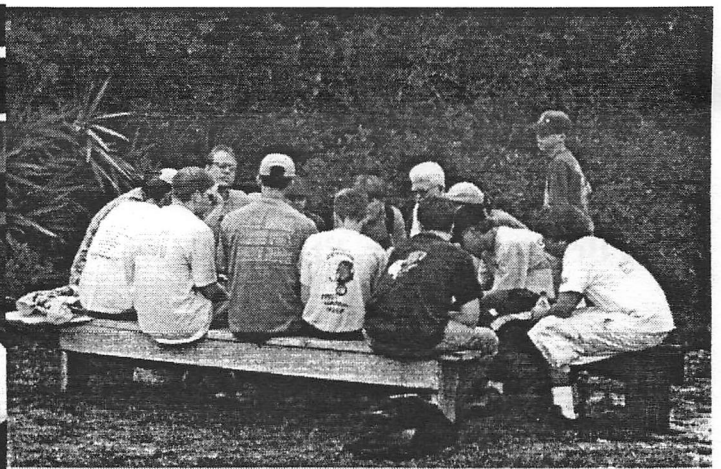
Dr. E. Umer Goodman, Founder of the Order of the Arrow, once said:

"The Order is a thing of the spirit rather than of mechanics. Organization, operational procedures, and all that go with them are necessary in any large and growing movement, but they are not what counts in the end. The things of the spirit are what count:

**Brotherhood**--in a day when there is too much hatred at home and abroad

**Cheerfulness**--in a day when the pessimists have the floor and cynics are popular

**Service**--in a day when millions are interested in getting or grasping, rather than giving"





# Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge will submit a bid at the 1999 Section Conference to Host the SR-4 2000 Section Seminars at Tanah Keeta

Aal-Pa-Tah hopes to help make the last SR-4 gathering of the Millennium a great success, opening the door for the Section's first gathering of the Third Millennium, hosted by Timuquan, to be equally successful.



Note: Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge has never hosted a Section Seminars

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