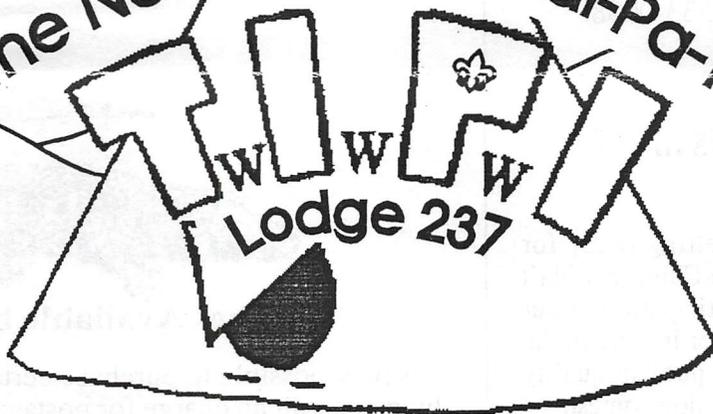
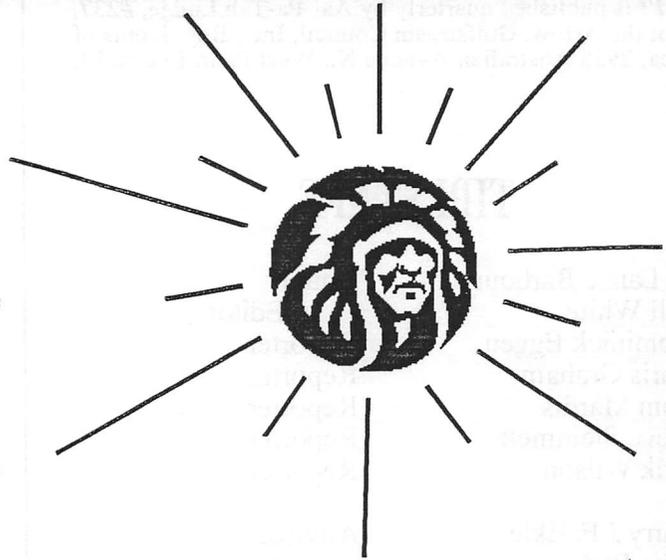
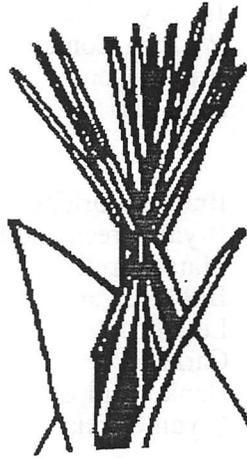


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## Editor's Comments ...

Our lodge has been quite busy getting ready for Section Conference. Patrick, our Lodge Chief, couldn't be more pleased by the turn-out and participation of our members. The *TIPI* staff is preparing for its role in the Section Conference by working hard to publish quality issues for competition in the lodge publication contest.

I would like to point out a new section in this issue of the *TIPI*: the Chapter Reports. Thanks to all the chapter chiefs for their contributions. This is your chapter's chance to let the lodge know what you have done and is your chance to publicize it. Don't miss your opportunity.

With high spirits, the Staff and I, are looking forward to Section Conference where we can show our lodge spirit to lodges from all over our section.

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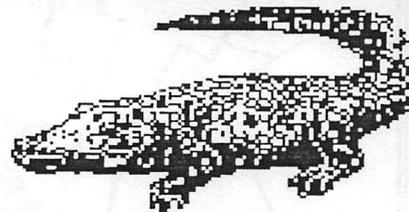
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### Patches Available by Mail

It's now possible to purchase certain lodge patches by mail, with no charge for postage. Here is a list of the patches available and their prices:

Mike Machek	\$ 5.00
1993 Ordeal Patch	4.00
1994 Spring Pow-Wow	4.00
1994 Fall Fellowship	4.00
Sm Year patch	5.00
Lg Fla. shape 50th Anniv.	5.00
Sm Fla. Shape 50th Anniv.	2.00

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## Chiefly Speaking

by Patrick Foradori

Fellow Brothers,

I believe that the Spring Pow-Wow was a great success! I would like to commend Weekend Chairman Eric Mason. During the weekend many of our newest brothers had the opportunity to experience their first fellowship weekend and through the seminars learn more about our lodge history. The newly formed song and drum team was on site for both seminars and for the evening Pow-Wow.

I would like to take this opportunity to announce the appointment of Jim Harrison to the position of Lodge Membership Chairman. I am confident that Jim is more than capable of maintaining the lodge's membership information database, keeping it up to date, and producing any reports. So look forward to seeing Jim behind the computer at upcoming lodge weekends.

Section Conference is on it's way. Buses are lined up, shirts and hats are in and everyone is eagerly awaiting for the Conference to arrive. On April twenty first, over one hundred members from our lodge will be bound for Camp Flaming Arrow. Seminole Lodge 85, the 1995 S-4 host lodge, has been actively preparing for the Conference. Attending this Conference will be an excellent experience for many of our members and a preview of what needs to happen for the 1997 Section Conference, which our lodge will be hosting.

The work weekend will be coming up on May twelfth through the fourteenth, at Tanah Keeta. I encourage all members to attend and lend a hand in cheerful service in preparation for summer camp. Remember this is the only weekend in which you may bring non-members as your guests. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Patrick B. Foradori  
Lodge Chief

## Congratulations Are In Order

The Lodge would like to congratulate the following brothers for the recognitions they received at the Spring Pow Wow.

**Brian Bowdler**

*Recipient: 1994 Lodge Advisor's Award*

**Eric Mason**

*Recipient: 1995 Lodge Advisor's Award*

**Kevin Murphy**

*Recipient: 1994 Founders' Award*

## Attention Scoutmasters:

Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge would like to extend an invitation to all units to attend the upcoming Service Weekend at Camp Tanah Keeta. The weekend is May 12th through the 14th. This is our annual work weekend for the lodge, and, as tradition dictates, is the only weekend open to non OA members. Troops which attend will be expected to assist with the work projects during the day and to participate in the evening program of cards, games, carnival, and of course the midnight swim.

Unit leaders will be receiving additional information in the mail. For any further questions, please call Lodge Chief Pat Foradori at 589-3318 or Lodge Advisor Ted Bowdler at 626-1683.

## Advisor's Corner

By Ted Bowdler

"Brotherhood and Service", that is what we are all about. This was very evident at this Spring Pow-Wow. Brotherhood by all the chapters being together for the seminars, to the competition against each other for the "Quest", to our outstanding Chaos induction campfire and Pow-Wow, has made this weekend memorable. There was also service shown by the commitment of a group of brothers who spent just about all of Saturday doing major repairs to the cabin roofs, "Outstanding Service" on a fun weekend. Another sign of brotherhood and service was the volunteers in the kitchen and the service given to the lodge by the entire weekend committee for the benefit of all of us. A JOB WELL DONE to all who helped and participated.

Congratulations to our award recipients. And a very BIG congrats to Kevin Murphy for receiving the 1994 Founders' Award for his outstanding and numerous years of great service to the Order of the Arrow.

## Spring Pow-Wow

### New Members Participate At Their First Weekend

The Spring Pow-Wow, the first full fledged fun weekend for many new members, was a blast. Eric Mason, the Weekend Chairman, did a wonderful job planning and executing a weekend where the fun just did not stop. After finishing breakfast, members had a chance to participate in several seminars, including things such as Native American Dance to Lakota Language and Song. There was also the Seminole Indian seminar held by Mr. and Mrs. Hancock which was all about the customs, traditions, and legends of the Seminole. Mr. Hancock is very good at telling his stories.

After lunch, the chapters met at the volleyball court. After an hour and a half of stiff competition the contest was over and A-bani-ki emerged as the winner. The tug-o-war competition then followed. After grinding in the dirt from the tug-o-war, members went to the waterfront for an amusing canoe relay. Then the Iron Gator, a rigorous triathlon began. It started and ended very quickly in what ended up to be a very close finish. "I should join track again", commented Matt Sorrel after completing the running part of the event. That night at dinner the awards were passed out with A-bani-ki taking first in volleyball, tug-o-war, and the Quest. Chee-pa-tah won for the most spirited. That night many awards for service were also given. The climax of the awards ceremony was the presentation of the revered Founders' Award to Kevin Murphy.

Everyone was up and about playing games or creating new magic card decks for the 1995 Annual Magic Card Championship. A total of 32 Magic card players signed up for the tournament to test their mettle against other lodge members. Craig Roberts, the head judge, explained the rules to all the players. It seemed like an eternity to the anxious and nervous contestants. When the games finally commenced, the players played their game for about an hour, after which 16 lucky people advanced to the next level. Later that night, the games recommenced for the finals. After several heated matches, Daniel Walesky stood at the top, the lone victor of the first annual Magic tournament.

As the night grew old, the skits and laughs of the people at Fort Blanchard could be heard for miles. The festivities began with a very enjoyable skit by members of the Aal-Pa-Tah lodge. The skit told of what life would be like at Tanah-Keeta



Above: Ed Swanson leads a seminar on traditional outfit construction.

Below: David Wingsinger serving for his chapter in a game of volleyball.





John Taylor and members of the A-Bani-Ki chapter getting into the tug-o-war competition.

Members playing "Magic: The Gathering" was a common sight. (left to right: Paul Kobler, Joe Scherich, Jr., Kevin Cunningham, and Jay Gregory)

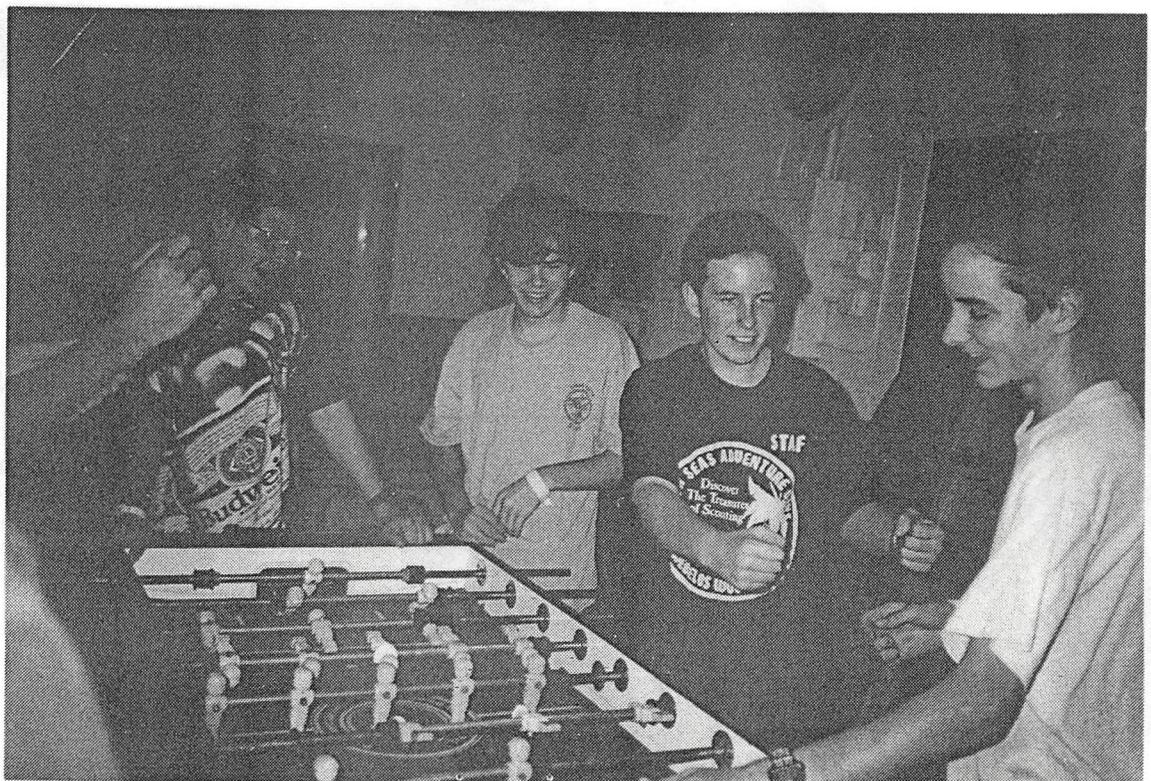


Many games, such as battleship, were played at the Saturday night carnival. (left to right: Casey Curry, Joshua Kinbacher, David Briggs, Andy Parker, and Ben Mook)



Above Left: Peter Stenberg III sprints for Chee-Pa-Tah in the Iron Gator Triathlon.

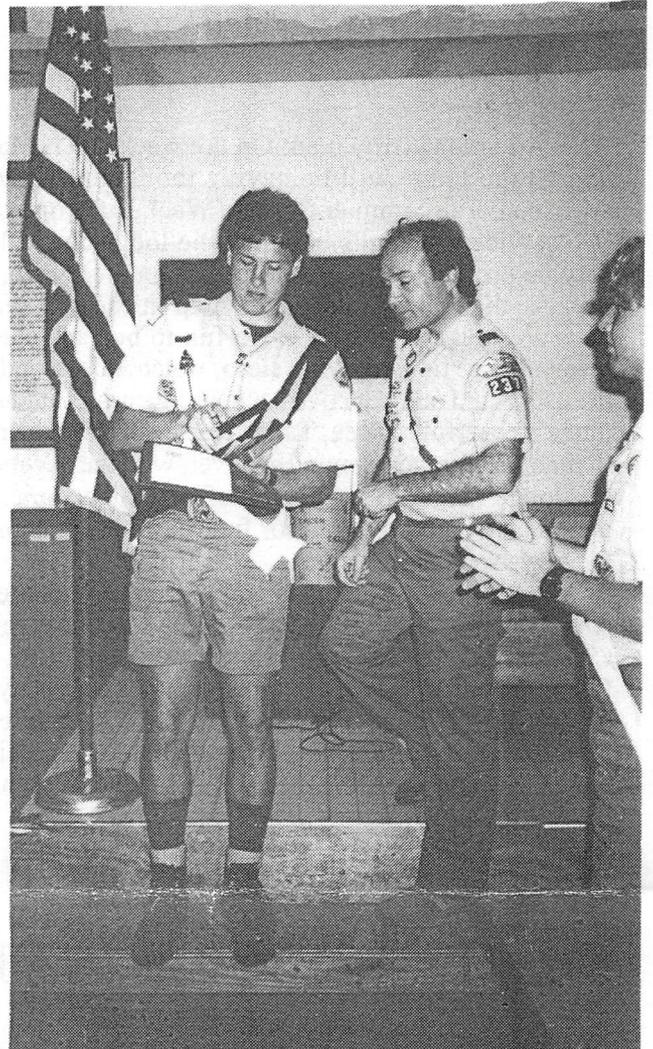
Below: Table soccer was a popular game at the Saturday night Carnival. (left to right: Ryan Wertepny, T.J. Zimmerman, Brad Ellis, Teddy Potter)



in Chaos! The second annual bolting ceremony was commenced by members of that incredibly deranged Order of Chaos. "Will you please straddle the bolt", began Troy Rinks, as the escorts went to get the first candidate. Prominent members of the lodge danced idiotically and gave the secret password, which is always given in public with marshmallows in their mouth. Finally, the end of the ceremony came and the candidates became members and each was presented with their own hysterical name such as "Speed Demon and Too immature for his own age." At the conclusion of that ceremony all the Arrowmen went to the Dining Hall for fun and games.

We would also like to recognize some arrowmen who went above the call of duty. As you all know, the Spring Pow-Wow is a fun weekend, but these arrowmen worked on camp projects for the preparation of summercamp. Special thanks to the following people: Ed Kazmarek, Steven Steinmitz Sr., Bob Kenyon, Jim Witmer, Art Polnasek, Jim Harrison, Kevin Cunningham, and Richard Fore. The Lodge appreciates your effort.

The 1995 Spring Pow-Wow may well be the best weekend this year. It's spirit of competition, brotherhood, and enjoyment will certainly be remembered by our members.



Above: Kevin Murphy receiving the Founders' Award at the Saturday night dinner.



Left: Brothers enjoying dinner Saturday night.

## Summer Service Surfacing

Attention Arrowmen: On the weekend of May 12 and 13 the lodge will be having the Summer Service Weekend. The Summer Service Weekend is one of the two service weekends in which the lodge does a lot of service projects to help set up for summer camp. Just because the main purpose is to help in cheerful service does not mean that there is no fun to be had. There is plenty of free time to swim, sleep, watch videos, and play the usual card and not so usual board games. Without our lodge's cheerful service, Tanah Keeta could not be ready in time for summer camp. However, with the devotion of our lodge member's time and effort, the camp can be maintained and improved for future summer camps and lodge weekends.

Activities for the weekend will be coordinated by Arik Wilson, who has been appointed as the Weekend Chairman. In addition to the service, fun, and fellowship, a Brotherhood counseling and ceremony will be offered. Ordeal members who have completed 10 months of service are eligible and should be receiving additional information in the mail before the weekend.

## Lodge Members Participate at F.I.H.A.

Tipis, dancers, and traders filled the courtyards of the Indian River Community College on the weekend of March 17-18. This was the annual Florida Indian Hobbyist Association (FIHA) Pow Wow which attracted Native American Dancers, hobbyists, and spectators from around Florida and beyond, as well as several dancers from Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge.

Dancing began Friday night at the Grand Entry of traditional, grass, and fancy dancers, led by veterans carrying the American flag. Vendors supplying traditional craft items lined the sidewalks, attracting customers with vibrant paintings, colorful blankets, and various kinds of native food and drink. Dancing continued Saturday night with the Thunder Bay singers providing the drumbeat followed by the men and women dancers in the arbor.

There was no competition present at this pow wow in favor of simple fun and friendship. A spirit of fellowship existed between all, creating an atmosphere of great respect and admiration for the Native American culture. Several raffles were held throughout the night in which two of our dancers received a roach headpiece and a Pendeltun Blanket

Overall, a great time was had by all who attended and we look forward to participating next year.

## Summer Camp's Adventure Continues

The Adventure Continues..... That is the theme of Tanah Keeta Summercamp 95. This year promises to be better than any other witnessed by our council. What do we as Scouts enjoy the most from summercamp? Is it the great staff who are handpicked from dozens of hopeful Scouts? Or maybe the wonderful programs from Watachi for the younger Scouts to The Advanced Program for the older more experienced Scouts, and the merit badges we all love earning at Tanah Keeta. It could be the wacky yet funny Wednesday night show that is sure to make you bust a gut. It is all of these things and more.

It is the brotherhood we all share in a beautiful outdoor environment and the new friendships that we make. Most important are the memories we make and carry with us for the rest of our lives. So bring yourself and your troop to this year's Tanah Keeta summercamp. It will be a great summer. Remember this year, as we do every year, Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge holds a special work weekend to help Tanah Keeta become up and running in time for summercamp.



## Ever Thought of Joining the Hitchiti ?

Are you interested in joining the Hitchiti Dance Team? Well, if you are, now's your chance. The Hitchiti dancers are looking for anyone who has any interest in Native American dancing and drumming.

If you don't know, the Hitchiti Dance Team is a Native American performing arts team that performs group and individual dancing for many audiences. We meet Wednesdays, 7:00-9:00 at the Jupiter Tequesta Youth Center. If you have any questions please call either Jeremy Culler at 969-6532 or Eric Mason at 734-8822.

## Chapter Reports

**A-Bani-Ki**

**Brad Walbridge**

So far, so good. Everything is going smoothly in the cheerfulness raging A-Bani-Ki chapter in the greatest lodge in the world. We have just completed a Tanah-Keeta Summer Camp promotion slide show, set up four teams, two in each end of the chapter. We also set up a blood drive at the next district roundtable, sponsored by our chapter. In the midst of all the lodge hysteria, our chapter is well on it's way to having a weekend at Tanah-Keeta to serve the O.A.'s purpose: Cheerful Service. We will work for the better part of the day. And at night, our own chaos will appear with candy, pizza, movies, and the pool.

Our chapter is proud to announce that we are 265 people strong and there are no missing links in our telephone network. We have one adult and one youth contact in every troop to get our messages across, as well as our chapter newsletter and calender. We are also waiting for the go ahead for elections, our teams are in place and one call will unleash a wave of new lodge members. All I can say is that we can't wait for the chance to show every one at Section Conference who the best lodge in the world is. We'll take no prisoners, and we'll walk home "Most-Spirited."

**Osceola**

**Lew Leach**

So far this year, we had a late Christmas/New Years pizza party at Pasqualis in Jupiter. Our election teams are ready to go. With fair attendance, we placed respectfully in the spring Pow-Wow Quest. Since the Ordeal, we have gained the interest of many new members. All have enjoyed these events, and look forward to many more.

**Lowaneu Mawats**

**Matt Sorrell**

We are planning a service and fun chapter weekend get-together at a local Boy-Scout camp, Oklawaha. I would like to say thank you to Nick for putting together our phone calling set-up. We are also proud to announce that out of our small chapter, we have eight members going to the Section Conference.

**At-seena-hoofa**

**Brian Garcia**

No report at this time.

**Chee-Pa-Tah**

**Bryan Greenwood**

No report at this time.

**Ne-ke-wa**

**Hank Phillips**

Nekewa is in the process of organizing a committee for upcoming troop elections in April and May.

**Oi-ya-tah**

**Bill Mangan**

Well, so far our chapter has been doing well. We have set up calling committees that have worked very well. We have our election teams ready to go. Right now we are in the process of planning a fun day at Abalufa Boy Scout Camp.

So far I have gotten many good remarks about the lodge and all the ways of getting better attendance. So far it's worked, our chapter has had a pretty good turn-out.



# 1995 Lodge Calender

L.E.C. Meeting  
Section Conference  
Work Weekend  
L.E.C. Meeting  
Fall Fellowship  
Ordeal Weekend

April 9 , 1995  
April 21 - 23 , 1995  
May 12 - 13 , 1995  
May 14 , 1995  
September 29 - October 1 , 1995  
November 17 - 19 , 1995

**Plan Now to go to the Work Weekend  
Watch for the Alligator for Details!**

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