

# The Patchwork

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## “Sweet Home Camp Lone Oak!”

This past summer the South Florida Council employed, without a doubt, the best Summer Camp Staff Camp Lone Oak has seen in recent history! The staff molded together so quickly and easily, that the Summer Camp Programs were pulled off with little to no trouble at all. Heading up the Summer Camp crew was Camp Director Paul Anderson. He worked along side with Jeff Berger (Assistant Camp Director/Financial Director), Trent Gilbert (Program Director), and Joe Brandon (Camp Commissioner). All of these Arrowman have tremendous backgrounds in the Summer Camp program; so, it was only right that they led the staff into a great summer. In order to ensure the proper programs, key members of the Camp Staff met throughout the months leading up to summer camp. At these meetings, many ideas were discussed on the operations of the camp (E.g., Merit Badges & evening programs). Throughout the week, campers would attend Merit Badge sessions that they signed up for the Sunday night of arrival. This of course took place after our opening show. During the opening show, each department of the staff had to perform a skit then introduce themselves. Perhaps the funniest skit of the opening show was the Aquatic’s staff with, “Greek Gods!” Going back to merit badge sign-up, in the event that a Scout was not ready to



**Denison Weidman and Honwan Byrd having a great time at Camp Lone Oak!**

work on merit badges, he would enroll in the Woodsman’s Trail Program – which advances Scouts to the First Class Rank. After reviewing all the critique sheets, there is no doubt that the campers enjoyed themselves, no matter what merit badge they were in. The staff realized that if everyone does their job to the fullest, then the outcome would be one solid camp program! To go along with a great staff, the National Camping Association, with no camp restrictions, accredited Camp Lone Oak.

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**The Patchwork: The award winning publication of the Three Time Best All Around Lodge!**

**The Patchwork**

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**Chiefly Speaking...**

Dear Brothers,



It gives me great pleasure to present you with the second issue of *The Patchwork* this Lodge year. As usual, our Lodge has countless things to be proud of.

Before I discuss these awesome events, I would like to once again extend my prayers on behalf of the Lodge to everyone that may have been directly affected by the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks.

This summer was definitely a highlight of the O-Shot-Caw Lodge. The Camp Lone Oak Summer Camp staff was over 95% percent members of the OA. During the weeks of Scout Camp, we hosted an OA night every Wednesday night. For the duration of that show, our Lodge told the story of both the OA and our Lodge. A Call-Out ceremony was also held for those Scouts that were elected to membership in the Order. The show was then topped off with a performance from the Drum and Dance Team. Afterwards, our Lodge served every Scout some Ice Cream so they can socialize and enjoy the night. Applications for next year's Summer Camp staff are available at the Council Office

Shortly after Summer Camp, the O-Shot-Caw Lodge stormed Fort A.P. Hill, where we had members in the Council Contingent, OA Service Corps, Indian Village, TOAP, and Jamboree Adult Staff. Everyone that attended the Jamboree will agree that it was a great event. Even though President Bush had to cancel because

of the arena show being postponed, it was still an overall good experience.

As most of you know, the Fall Ordeal was canceled due to unpredictable weather and prior incidents of the week. Rest assured that the O-Shot-Caw Lodge still plans to give all the Candidates another opportunity. All members of the Lodge who paid for the Fall Ordeal have already been registered for the Winter Ordeal in January. More information can be found within this issue of *The Patchwork*.

In October, I had the privilege to attend the Council Of Chiefs (COC) meeting with our First Vice Chief Andre Cupas. At that meeting, we planned for the upcoming Section Conference and reviewed last year's conference. If you are looking for an awesome weekend to attend, the Seminole Lodge has promised that this will be one of the best one's yet! Mark your calendars now (4/12-14/02) and support O-Shot-Caw as we try to win the Best All Around Lodge for the fourth year in a row!

In conclusion, I would like to thank Greg Wiener, Glen Gilbert and the rest of the Lodge for another successful Haunted Forest, which will allow us to donate \$13,000 to the Joseph Aaron Abbott Campership Fund. Thanks for being dedicated Arrowman! See you at the Winter Ordeal! "Learn through experience; succeed through ambition."

Yours in Cheerful Service,

*Josh Levenson*

## “Scoutopia Rocks the National Jamboree!”

~Honor, Courage, Commitment, & Duty~

In 1997, the Order of the Arrow produced the highly acclaimed, “Odyssey of the Law” production. This national OA show promoted the principle that “Character Counts.” Four years later, the National OA Shows committee alongside with the United States Marine Corps has put together “SCOUTOPIA.” It is the merging of the words "Scout" and "utopia". Perhaps it can best be explained as a place -- a place in a Scout's mind -- a place where character lives. In today's digital world kids know that the objective in an action-adventure video game is to advance to the next level. Scoutopia is the next level: where a boy becomes a man; where a boy understands the meaning of character, ethics and responsibility taught by the Scout Oath and Law; where he applies those things - that character - to his life each and every day. The Scoutopia experience lasted approximately one hour. Scouts sat in an indoor theater that fit 500+ people. Actors from the OA shows team came out and spoke to the audience in live dialogue and interaction. Every Jamboree Participant from South Florida, and other councils as well, agreed the best part of the show was the OA's version of the Blue Man Group™. Three scouts painted in three different colors - Red, Green, and Blue - did both an awesome musical number on the drums and tremendous acting. The three colors never spoke a word throughout the duration of the performance, but their message was clear as day. They represented the main points of the Scout Oath: Duty to Self, Duty to Others, and Duty to God and Country. 175 Arrowman made up the Scoutopia Genesis staff. These Arrowman acted and helped in other aspects such as, lightning, technical, and clean up. Words cannot describe the awesome show in great detail at the National Jamboree. Just like they said at the end of the show, “Scoutopia is not here at the National Jamboree and it is not back at your campsite. Scoutopia lives in us all and in our minds.” For more information about the Scoutopia experience, log on to [www.scoutopia.org](http://www.scoutopia.org).



## National Jamboree ~ Fort AP Hill

*By John P. Vajanyi Jr., Troop 1736 & 175 Scoutmaster*

On July 20th, after over one year of planning and preparation, four South Florida Council contingent troops of 36 Scouts and 4 Leaders each, boarded separate flights at Miami International and headed to the 15th National Scout Jamboree. But, before arriving at the Jamboree, they had a full four day tour of Washington D.C. and surrounding areas. When the troops arrived at Reagan International they hit the ground running. First stop, Arlington National Cemetery, witnessed the "changing of the guard" at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, then stopped at the grave of John F. Kennedy, with its eternal flame. The first time all the South Florida Council Jamboree Troops got a chance to see each other was when we grabbed some food at Union Station, which was crowded with other Scouts from around the country and the world all heading for the 2001 National Jamboree. Our afternoon continued as we traveled along Embassy Row. We visited the Lincoln Memorial, the Vietnam

Memorial, and the Korean War Memorial, all this on day one! The rest of our tour took us to the Smithsonian Museums, Holocaust museum, Camden Yards to watch the Baltimore Orioles, a visit to the US Capitol, Annapolis, the Maryland State House, the United States Naval Academy and the City Dock, with the Market House. Scouts explored some of the docks and waterfront of this historic area. Our last day of touring included a visit to the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial and to George Washington's beloved estate, Mount Vernon. The spirit of patriotism and greater appreciation...

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**CEREMONIES**

Hello everyone! My name is James Trimble and I will be this years' Ceremonies Chairman. After having dominated at the last NOAC, bringing home 13 medals, our team is hoping to once again present a strong force at this years' NOAC, as well as the Section Conference. We are currently seeking new members who may have an interest in lodge ceremonies. Contact either myself (954-255-0588) or Moose (954-979-5694) if you are interested.

*-James Trimble*

**DANCE TEAM**

Hello everyone. The Dance Team is doing well so far this year. We have a few new members, but we are always looking for more. Right now we are focusing on learning a few new dances and getting our costumes squared away. We have been having a lot of fun, and our new members have been learning a lot. If you have any questions or want to join please contact me at emc265@hotmail.com.

*-Eric McAlpin*



**1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR ARROWMAN**

The First Year Arrowman Committee encourages all Ordeal candidates to participate in the Winter Ordeal on January 11, 12, & 13. We encourage every candidate to become a Brother in the O-Shot-Caw Lodge during the Winter Ordeal. The First Year Arrowman Committee also

invites all new Arrowman in the Lodge to come to the Winter Ordeal and participate in the First Year Arrowman Breakfast where you will be introduced into the O-Shot-Caw Lodge. The First Year Arrowman Committee also asks if the new Arrowman can get their First Year Arrowman cards signed off and turned in as soon as possible.

*-Brian Polino*

**HAUNTED FOREST**  
(See Haunted Forest Page 9)



**INTERNET**

Change is good, right? The old cliché seems to ring true for the Lodge web site. During the redesign I made the navigation more friendly, added new photos, created a "splash screen" intro, inserted a panoramic QuickTime photo and updated the calendar with all the upcoming events. Also, all the Lodge Executives now have new, easy-to-remember email address aliases. As you can see, the site is getting an average of 128 "New Visitors" per day. New visitors are exactly that, new people surfing into the site on a daily basis. The "requests" translate into the hits - as you can see, the average daily "requests" is 620, so 620 hits per day. (Hits are graphics being served out per visitor and is exaggerated in comparison to the number of visitors.). I think the numbers are impressive. It's all on the website: <http://www.O-Shot-Caw.org/>

*- Rob Burr*

**MEMBERSHIP**

Not too much new, still hanging in there with the normal amount of members... To take advantage of our early-bird discounts, please turn in your dues before Dec 30th and SAVE \$500, oh, did I forget a decimal point? Oops... Anyway, get it in soon.

*-Ian Brelinsky*



**PUBLICATIONS**

This is the second issue of *The Patchwork* this Lodge year. The Publications committee plans on competing at the 2002 Section Conference. If you have any suggestions, articles, or photos you would like to see in the next issue, please send them to the address listed on Page 2. Thanks!

*-Josh Levenson*

**QUARTERMASTER**

The OA shed is nice and clean after the haunted forest. Thanks to all of the chapters for putting everything back in the right place. We plan to keep an inventory throughout the rest of the year. See you at the Winter Ordeal.

*-Paul Johnson*

**SPIRIT**

The spirit committee is basically in charge of making the spirit books and leading the lodge in cheers. The spirit books will soon be going into production. The books will be more than ready by Winter Ordeal and the first Section Conference of S-4S. I have added a few more songs into

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the book. I am looking forward to winning the first spirit award for Section S4S!

*-Manny Mendez*

## TRADING POST

Hey Everybody! The Great White Heron Trading Post is off to a great start this year. We have completed the Chapter series of patches and have started on a new series, which is "Seminole Clothing Through the Ages." We already have the first patch ready and it is going to be distributed at the Winter Ordeal at Camp Seminole. We also have had several patches in the works. A "Best All Around" patch for both the 2000 and 2001 Section Conferences, and we also have a NOAC fundraiser back patch that has all of the chapter patches combined into one large patch.

We are currently working on other patch ideas for the trading post. The Trading Post was at the Haunted Forest and we brought in \$1876 that went straight to the lodge. We will be set up at the Winter Ordeal for anyone who wants to purchase items. See you at the Winter Ordeal.

*-John Gundlach*

## UNIT ELECTIONS

The Unit Elections Committee is off to a great start. We were ready to go for the fall ordeal, which was unfortunately cancelled. Our goal for the year is to increase the amount of elections held and provide all eligible scouts with the opportunity to be elected. See you at the Winter Ordeal.

*-Eric Vreeland*

## Vice Chief Corner

Dear Brothers,



Firstly, I would like to express my gratitude to my Brothers for electing me as an Officer of this great Lodge once more. Thank you for the opportunity you have afforded me by electing me as your First Vice Chief. Being a Lodge Officer in the O-Shot-Caw Lodge is truly one of the most honorable achievements a scout can have in this great Order. I am truly having the time of my life. Secondly, I congratulate my fellow officers, our Chief, Josh and our Treasurer, Alex in their second terms, and welcome our new Second Vice Chief Albert and our Secretary, Rich. You have elected a great group of Officers to lead this Lodge to another year of "greatness."

As your First-Vice, I have many grand goals for the Lodge and Chapters. To all our Chapters and Chapter Chiefs, a fantastic year awaits you! Remember, YOU are an important factor in making up the greatness of our Lodge . . . **O-Shot-Caw GET READY!** A lot depends on the Chapter Chiefs. As you know, the Fall Ordeal was canceled due to the weather. We are looking forward to an enormous Winter Ordeal in the month of January. We must all work very hard to make this happen. All the Chapter Chiefs must start making calls and reminding your future Arrowmen of this event; put your Chapters on alert! Ensure that all that are ready to take their Ordeal attend the Winter Ordeal.

I must share this with you, I have never been more proud to be a member of this lodge as I was at the 2001 Haunted Forest. Each Chapter worked very hard and showed high spirits by setting up "haunting" that both scared, delighted and even made people laugh. This was a great moment for our Lodge. We afforded our fellow Scouters and their families a place to forget the troubles our nation is experiencing. The money raised for the Joseph Aaron Abbot Campership Fund benefits our fellow Scouters with Campership so that they can attend summer camp. The lodge has set a goal to raise \$20,000 for the 2001-2002 year and the \$13,000 raised at the 2001 Haunted Forest is a great start for our Lodge.

Now chapters . . . WE NEED YOU. We will need each and every one of your chapters to do your part for this goal. We look forward to an outstanding fundraiser when we hold the Bowling Tournament and the Spaghetti Dinner at Pro Player Stadium during the Scout Show. So Get The Word Out. Everyone needs to get the word out to your chapters, your districts, and your family and neighbors. The more people attend the likelier we are to achieve our 2001-2002 goal of \$20,000. One of my main concerns this year will be the Section Conference, which will be hosted by the Seminole Lodge #85 at Flaming Arrow Scout Reservation in Tampa. Josh Levenson and I had the opportunity to visit Flaming Arrow and allow me to tell you, it is a **remarkable** place. Don't miss this event! We all need to get the word out to our fellow Brothers. Let's make this the biggest contingent ever for O-Shot-Caw. REMEMBER

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**ALLOHAK**

Our Chapter is off to a great start this year. We had a great time at the Haunted Forest and hopefully will bring back the Golden Pumpkin. Also, our Chapter will be representing O-Shot-Caw Lodge this Veterans Day as a Color Guard, for the American Legion Post 304, 41 NE 1<sup>st</sup> Court, Dania Beach, FL. It is starting at 10:30 AM Sunday November 11, 2001 at their annual ceremony, and we will be presenting them a plague for their generous \$1,000 contribution to the South Florida Council OA, NOAC fund.

*-Gary Kienzle*

**ELGIXIN**

Hello from your new Chapter Chief Evan Vialpando. This year's Haunted Forest was a huge success, thanks to all the efforts of our Brothers and the Adults who worked diligently at making it come together. The set up in Buzzard's Roost was great once again, making it a scary night for all those who passed through. The Fellowship was fun and a nice prelude to the weekend activities. We look forward to a great year with a new attitude filled with fun and accomplishing the goals we have set for ourselves. Count on Elgixin to have great attendance at future Ordeals as well as other Lodge Functions. One goal is to compete in the Best All Around Chapter Competition and we have set our sites on winning it all this year!

*-Evan Vialpando*

**GOKHOS**

<http://www.geocities.com/Yosemite/Forest/9514/>

The Gokhos Chapter has had a couple of strong months following the June Ordeal where we won the Best-All-Around Chapter Award. On Sunday October 21, the chapter had a fun yet productive fellowship at our Chapter Advisor's house. We had water balloon wars, we went swimming, we barbequed, and we finalized all of the details for our Haunted Forest display. At the midway of the Haunted Forest some of the adults of our chapter manned the midway ticket booth, while some of our youth went for a dip in our dunk tank. In the back of camp at our psychotic clown ward, there were bloody clowns performing surgery on each other and there were other clowns that were just crazy. The Gokhos Chapter has had a great year so far and is hoping to have a great rest of the year.

*-Greg Wiener*

**PALDANI**

[www.poboxes.com/Paldani](http://www.poboxes.com/Paldani)

The Paldani Chapter is looking to have a great year. We are also looking to win the Best All Around Chapter Award. We meet the second Monday of the month at 7:30. The Haunted Forest was a great success. Everyone who helped out had a lot of fun. Thanks to everybody who helped out.

*-Luigi Spasiano*

**POOCA TOOKA**

Our meetings every month at roundtable have been a success. For the past two months we have been working on and planning the part of the Haunted Forest. We planned out every scene and supplies for the haunted house and split up jobs to many members of the chapter to get increase in involvement. Everything was a success at the Haunted Forest and all of us had fun. Now were focused on doing community service in our district and informing on upcoming even.

*-Chris Collazo*

**TOMOKA**

The Tomoka Chapter is on its way to making its great come back. We have change our chapters meeting to the 4th Monday and beginning to roll right back in to the game. We put on a great Haunted Forest display this past Forest. Most of all we are going to take over this year.

*-Andrew Azevedo*

**O-SHOT-CO-CHEE**

O-Shot-Co-Chee's participation at this year's Haunted Forest topped all our expectations. The "Haunted Abandoned Mine" concept worked great. From bats and scout eating spiders, through a cave in, deadly underground gas, attack of a deranged miner and near drowning in an underground waterfall, the exhibit was over 150 feet long and kept...

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## Welcome to Section S4S

As most Arrowman are aware, the Section we used to be a member of has now separated. The O-Shot-Caw Lodge, along with seven other Lodges, is now a member of Section S4S. This change will have many positive effects to every Lodge. In regard to geography, we have lost the Georgia Lodges. Thus, our Lodge will not have to worry about those long halls out of state to attend either a Section Seminars or a Section Conference. You may be asking yourself, “with only eight lodges now, will the size of our Section events go down?” That is a safe assumption. However, the attendance from all the Lodges in the Georgia area totaled to 93 at this past Section Conference. Our Lodge more than doubled that attendance by ourselves. The Section Conferences hosted in this Section will, and always have been, the best in the nation. Besides having the greatest Lodge in the nation in the Section (O-Shot-Caw), Section S4S has other large Lodge’s like Tipisa, Echockotee, Timuquan, and Seminole – all of which are great friends of the O-Shot-Caw Lodge. If you ever attend a National Order of the Arrow Conference or National Jamboree, the other Lodge’s in our Section are always willing to unite and become one dominating force. It is truly an awesome site to see these Lodge’s merge in spirit. Of course, this camaraderie also turns into fierce competition at every Section Conference. Whether it is in the Quest for the Golden Arrow, which we will win back, or the Best All Around Lodge Competition, all Lodges become very competitive. Competition is healthy for the Section because it brings out the best in every Lodge. On the Sunday of the Conference, all Lodges are friends again, ready for a new year. Now that you have heard so many great things about the Section Conference, make sure you mark your calendars to attend! Seminole Lodge 85 will host the Section Conference at the Flaming Arrow Scout Reservation on the weekend of April 12-14, 2002. Flyers and forms will be available later in the Lodge year. Support the O-Shot-Caw Lodge as we defend all of our titles in April! “Knock, Knock!”

## Section Website Back online!

For the past couple of months, the Section website has been dormant. Once the Section year began to gain momentum, the website was restored. To view the Section S4S website, go to the following address, [www.SectionS4S.org](http://www.SectionS4S.org). This website offers information on upcoming Section events, Section news, information about the Section Officers, and links to other Lodge websites from around the Section. You will even notice that the site contains a countdown clock to the next Section Conference! Just like our Lodge sends out a publication – *The Patchwork* – the Section does as well. *The Sounds of the Section* is produced 4 times a year. Each Lodge around the Section is allocated 50 issues of this publication. These 50 issues went to members of the Lodge Executive Committee and if any extra issues were available, to the Arrowman of the Lodge on a first come first serve basis. To solve this problem, and cut down on cost, the Section will now place the *Sounds of the Section* online at the Section website for everyone to see.



## New Section Chief

At the 2001 Section Conference, Eagle Scout Chris Crowley was elected as the 2001-2002 Section Chief. He is a Vigil Honor member of the Tipisa Lodge, where he is also there immediate past Lodge Chief. During his tenure as Section Chief, he attended the National Jamboree as a member of the OA Service Corps staff and was elected a Chapter Chief at the National Jamboree over a portion of the Service Corps. This kept him extremely busy, but he still found time to visit the Lodge’s in Section S4S and make his way to Scoutopia! Chris’s plans for the Section are to promote the Order of the Arrow Northern Tier Voyage, Philmont OA Trail Crew, and the National Order of the Arrow Conference to the fullest; to put forth the best possible program for the Section Seminars; to implement the Section Mentoring Program and to have every Lodge in our Section visited by the Section Assistance Team; and help prepare the best Section Conference ever!

2002 Section Conference  
April 12-14, 2002

# CAMP LONE OAK

Summer 2001

## Lone Oak, from Page 1...

The camp was then accredited for a second time during Cub week (aka: Camp Hookilau). This accreditation just further proves that the Boy Scouts whom attended camp were getting the best experience possible, not just in our opinion, but in the opinion's of the National Staff as well! During Boy Scout Camp, the staff hosted numerous evening programs. Besides the pool being open every night for campers to indulge themselves in, the staff hosted a Lone Oak Cinema, Camp Carnival, and its traditional closing show. These programs were pulled off with excellence every time. Now, you might be asking yourself, "How did O-Shot-Caw impact the camp?" Well my friend, besides supplying more than 95% of the Camp Staff, O-Shot-Caw Lodge #265 hosted OA Night every Wednesday night of Camp. During OA night, the story of the Order of the Arrow was told, the Drum Team performed, and so did the Dance Team. OA night was then cultivated with a camp wide Ice Cream Social! There was nothing but glowing reports about Camp Lone Oak this year! If you were not on staff and would like

to be a member of the team of excellence next year, just pick up an application at the South Florida Council Office or any Lodge event.



**Greg Wiener hangs around at Lone Oak's Climbing Wall.**



## OA Staff Spotlight

### O-Shot-Caw

- Paul Anderson
- Jeff Berger
- Trent Gilbert
- Joe Brandon
- Jeff Herrmann
- Hal Hollis
- Cap Pratt
- Rob Martin
- Josh Levenson
- Ron Bell
- Alex Holinko
- Rodney Miner
- Bill Gundlach IV
- David Tracy
- John Gundlach
- Andrew Azevedo
- Albert Nuño
- Ryan Mannix
- Corey Castillo
- Ed Stephenson
- Mike Sykes
- Chris Sykes
- Greg Wiener
- Tony Hernandez
- JC Hernandez
- Adam Schwartzman
- Denison Weidmen
- Bradley Herrmann
- Chris Mercer
- Fred Priebis
- Manny Mendez
- Norris Goodrum
- Logan Templeton
- Gary Kienzle
- Rick Arroyo
- Paul Fluty



### Lone Oak Hymn

All the wealth of earth and heaven  
 Bless our camps and trails  
 Over all our friendly gatherings  
 Happy youth, prevails  
 So may Scouting's bond of friendship  
 Seal our promise true  
 To the place so dear to memory  
 Lone Oak, we love you!

*Words by Hal Hollis*

**CAMP LONE OAK**

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we are going for a FOURTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR AS BEST ALL AROUND LODGE!!!! We can only achieve this if all our Brothers are there with high spirits, as our Great White Heron stands tall.

I personally am representing our Lodge for the Induction Competition at the Section Conference.

You may ask yourself, what is the Inductions Competition? I am here to tell you. The Inductions Competition is a statistic presentation of our Lodge's improvements of Unit Elections, New Member Orientation and increased number of Brotherhood Members. Which means you and I have to make sure that every Troop has annual Unit Elections, each new member knows what it means to be an Arrowman and each Arrowman becomes a Brother.

In closing, I look forward to seeing you at all our events and remember your officers are here to serve you, so do not hesitate to call on us.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Andre Cupas

First Vice Chief  
O-Shot-Caw Lodge 265

Fall Ordeal 2001

Fall Ordeal and cancel in the same sentence, who'd a thought? That's right; the Fall Ordeal has once again been canceled. In 1998, the Fall Ordeal had to be cancelled for the same reason as it was this year: inclement weather. The decision was made the day of the Ordeal, due to both Tropical Storm Gabriella coming in off the coast and the storm's unpredictability. Any Arrowman that was registered for the Fall Ordeal will be automatically registered for the Winter Ordeal in January. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. If you have any further questions, contact Josh Levenson at JRLeven316@aol.com.

Golden Pumpkin

Pooa Tooka	1995
Tomoka	1996
Pooa Tooka	1997
Allohak	1998
To-Hopki-Lagi	2000



Vigil Honor Nominations Due

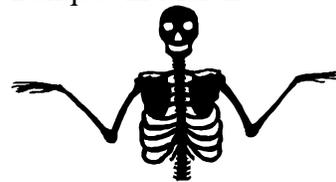
The Vigil Honor Nomination form is available at the Council Office and online at www.O-Shot-Caw.org. These forms must be submitted before December 15, 2001.



Haunted Forest

Brothers,

Many months had gone into the planning of this year's Haunted Forest. It was a great success, raising over \$13,000 for the Joseph Aaron Abbott Campership Fund. There were train crash victims, crazy clowns, mine workers, morgue cadavers, and many other interesting characters this year. It was great seeing everyone having a fun time while either playing games at the midway or walking the trail. A big thanks is given to everyone who helped promote the Haunted Forest and to everyone who participated in the forest whether during set up of the forest, the forest, or clean up of the forest. The Golden Pumpkin will be awarded at the Lodge Banquet in March.



Yours in Brotherhood,  
Greg Wiener  
Haunted Forest Chairman



Pooa Tooka prepares the Castle for the Haunted Forest!



[www.O-Shot-Caw.org](http://www.O-Shot-Caw.org)

*“Where Excellence Resides”*

For the first time in many years, The O-Shot-Caw Lodge website has undergone some major restoration. Even though the web address is the same, the site has many new features. When you first type in the website name, you see the newly designed Splash screen intro that contains a collage of photos from all times periods of the Lodge history. After clicking on the splash screen, you are linked to the main navigation page which is structured in six parts: Lodge Information, Calendar of Events, Lodge Newsletter, Mailing List, O-Shot-Caw Lodge Contacts, and Order of the Arrow links. Within the O-Shot-Caw Lodge contacts, you can find photos of all your Lodge Officers and an e-mail directory to all members of the Lodge Executive Committee. All of the information on this website is easy to navigate through, very informative, and extremely aesthetic. At the upcoming Section Conference, an Internet Competition has been added. You can expect the O-Shot-Caw Lodge to dominate this competition! To view the websites of the other Lodge's in our section, just log onto [www.sections4s.org](http://www.sections4s.org) and click on Lodges. Our Lodge's newly designed website has already begun to turn some heads. Members of the Council Of Chiefs, and other Lodges around the Nation have e-mailed both the webmaster and the

Lodge Chief telling them how great the website looks! Don't take my word... go see for yourself: [WWW.O-SHOT-CAW.ORG](http://WWW.O-SHOT-CAW.ORG).

## King's Cup *“A Vision Of The Past”*

In recent years, the O-Shot-Caw Lodge King's Cup display has been raised to a new level of excellence. Those Arrowman whom have seen this display first hand can also attest that the O-Shot-Caw Lodge's King's Cup Committee definitely knows how to put together one heck of a display! The purpose of this committee is to showcase the history of the O-Shot-Caw Lodge in a fashion that will spark interest into not only other Arrowman, but also Scouters around the Nation! At every Section Conference, our Lodge sets up this immaculate display in a 10' x 10' square. Furthermore, the display cannot be over 8 feet tall. In this one tiny space, you will be able to find awesome pictures of Lodge events, publications, and other committees of the Lodge (e.g., Ceremonies, Dance, & Drum). In preparation for the Conference, our Lodge sets the King's Cup display up at the Scout Youth Expo, the Council Program Kickoff, Weblos Jamboree, and in the Tom Tatham Scout Center to promote upcoming events. At the 2000 Section Conference, the O-Shot-Caw Lodge earned First Place in the King's Cup Competition, a feat that has not been accomplished in the Lodge's recent history. Unfortunately, last year's conference proved to be some stiff competition and our Lodge finished second in the King's Cup race (but we really know what display should have won). If you have any pictures you would like to contribute to the King's Cup Committee or would just like to help out with the committee by setting up and promoting, please contact King's Cup Chairman, Paul Fluty, at 305-821-7323.



King's Cup Display at the  
2001 Section Conference

## Jamboree continued...

of the seat of America filled everyone with the pride of being an American. On July 23rd, South Florida Council 2001 National Scout Jamboree Troop 1735, Troop 1736, Troop 1737 and Troop 2015 arrived at Fort AP Hill to a beehive of activity. The troops got to the business of setting up camp and the Seminole inspired gateways to let the nation know who we are and where we are from. The O-Shot-Caw spirit rang through the Southern Region and all around the Jamboree as we made our way to the shows, activities and events that make the National Jamboree the biggest Scouting event around. The O-Shot-Caw leadership in the SFC Jamboree troops was awesome as Lodge Chief Josh Levenson and past Vice Chief Cory Castillo served as Assistant Scoutmaster. The O-Shot-Caw LEC filled the ranks of the four troops as Andre Cupas, Matt Beerman, Eric McAlpin, Albert Nuño, Gary Kienzle, Courtney Bays, Evan Vialpando, Paul Johnson, James Trimble, Brian Polino, Paul Fluty, Eric Vreeland, and Antwaun Wilson held troop and patrol leadership positions. The vast majority of the troop members were also O-Shot-Caw Brothers, again demonstrating the dedication, leadership and spirit of South Florida Arrowmen. While there was no separate OA Show, the Native American Village and dance arbor was a must for every Arrowman. O-Shot-Caw Lodge Advisor Ron Bell led Arrowman volunteers from around the country to present the Native American Village, Native American Lore merit badge, and related activities including the dance celebrations at the dance arbor. O-Shot-Caw brothers made up a big part of the staff and did an outstanding job. Everyone that visited will always remember this as a very special part of his or her jamboree experience. I know that those that are now in the history of the 15th National Scout Jamboree will remember it always as a high water mark in their Scouting lives. I know that the South Florida Scouts and Scouters will be prepared for the 16th BSA National Jamboree, July 25 through August 3, 2005. Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia! Special thanks to 2001 South Florida Council Jamboree Chairman Russ Jones and everyone on his team, Scout Executive Jeff Herrmann, Staff Advisor David Shorter, Dee Proctor, Jamboree Troop Scoutmasters, Assistants, Parents, Scouts and the Jamboree Staffers from the South Florida Council for giving their time and energy to making this a spectacular Scouting event.

### Chapter Reports

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**(O-Shot-Co-Chee Cont)** participants scared and wondering what was next. The mountainside entrance to the mine appeared realistic and spooky.

*-Charles Cohen*

### **HNU-RA-CON**

The Haunted Forest was a great success and we are looking forward to next year's. Our Chapter has a great plan for this year and we are going to have lots of fun. We hope to see everyone at the Winter Ordeal and other upcoming Lodge events.

*-Ricky Arroyo*

### **TO-HOPKI-LAGI**

Hey everyone. Well right now To-Hopki-Lagi Chapter is on the move. We're getting better every year. Last year we won the Golden Pumpkin and we hope to win again. And it looks like we got a shot at it again. But we'll have to wait and see.

*-Courtney Bays*

## **NOAC 2002!**

National Order of the Arrow Conference

July 27 – August 1, 2002

Spots for the National Order of the Arrow Conference are filling rapidly! Our Lodge plans on taking at least 80 Arrowman to the Conference this year. If you want to be part of the contingent, act now! In order to reserve a spot on the 2002 NOAC contingent, send a \$100 deposit to the Tom Tatham Scout Center at: 15255 NW 82<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Miami Lakes, FL 33016. Make all check payable to the South Florida Council. Along with the money, include a sheet that has your name, address, phone number, and Chapter name. This \$100 deposit in **nonrefundable, but it is transferable**. If you pay, and learn that you can no longer attend the Conference, you can sell your seat to another Arrowman. The mighty O-Shot-Caw Lodge plans on dominating NOAC 2002! Join us on this amazing adventure! **SIGN UP TODAY!** Forms also available on [www.O-Shot-Caw.org](http://www.O-Shot-Caw.org).

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## Lodge Calendar

**Vigil Breakfast  
December 22, 2001  
Council Office (SFC)**

**Lodge Banquet  
March 1-3, 2002  
Camp Seminole**

**Section Conference  
April 12-14, 2002  
Flaming Arrow**

**Spaghetti Diner  
April 26, 2002  
Pro Player Stadium**

**Look for information on OA  
Trail Crew and Northern  
Tier in the Next issue!!**

**Make sure you are part of next year's Camp Staff!**

