



The Patchwork

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"Haunted Forest"

Once again our Lodge hosted its annual Haunted Forest. It took place in the old zoo area of Markham Park on October 25. The Haunted Forest is O-Shot-Caw's largest fundraiser for the Joseph Aaron Abbot Campership Fund. Even though people didn't arrive till Saturday night, the Haunted Forest was still a weekend long event.

On Friday afternoon all the Chapters arrived and began setting up their displays in their designated areas. The trail started out in the road continued through the forest and then ended back out in the field. Gohkos



Head for dinner?

Chapter was in charge of the cooking for the weekend and provided delicious meals, breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

Brad Schmitt was in charge of the event, and saw to it that all the Chapters had their displays up and running by dusk on Saturday. When nightfall set **Mark Jelincic** and **Brad** paced up and down the displays about a dozen times or so to make sure they were safe to walk through.

Saturday night came with many surprises. Unfortunately, right before everyone started arriving to walk the displays it started pouring.

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**“Chiefly Speaking”****O-Shot-Caw Brothers,**

O-Shot Caw Lodge has truly begun a new era of excellence. Through excellent service, unmatched Brotherhood and endless spirit, O-Shot-Caw Lodge has truly been revived. We have started to pave our path to success to once again achieving the standard of ‘Best All Around Lodge’. As a Lodge we have a lot ahead of us, and we must all come together to attain the necessary success.

Over the past few months we have shown countless hours of cheerful service. We embarked on this journey with a Fall Ordeal service project that ensured success for our Haunted Forest; with every brother on his feet we had a successful Fall Ordeal. I would like to send my congratulations to all the new O-Shot-Caw Arrowmen who completed their ordeal. We continued sailing with our streak of service, with a large contribution to two Cub Scout Fun Days, of which O-Shot-Caw Lodge welded the link between Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. This led right on in to our Annual Haunted Forest which was a definite success from the start. We showed brotherhood unparalleled to none showed before. I would like to send a special thanks to our Chapter Chiefs and Brad Schmidt!

As a National Order of the Arrow Conference year, we really need to focus on building up our national champion teams, to bring home the gold. I urge all of you brothers to get involved and become part of the Dance, Drum, and Ceremonies team and help continue the tradition as national champions. NOAC is defiantly something you don’t want to miss this year; this single event could be the highlight of our Lodge year! Let us show the nation O-Shot-Caw Lodge remains on top; let us demonstrate our firm bonds of brotherhood; let us come together as a strong unified lodge for a great time!

So it is without a doubt that we have a successful agenda ahead of us. I am looking forward to a continuation of a fantastic year. The past months have truly been a great experience for me, and I hope all of you have enjoyed it as much as I have. We have begun our new era of excellence, and our future is brighter than one thousand suns. I hope to see you all around for a great winter season!

May we continue the momentum we have kicked off the year with.

WWW,

Mark Jelincic

O-Shot-Caw Lodge Chief



Fall Ordeal



New Ordeal Candidates

Written By: Jake Cutler

This past Fall Ordeal was one to be remembered. It took place at Markham Park in the old zoo area on September 26-29.

The service project was to clear the trail for the Haunted Forest, which was no small task. Candidates' worked diligently all day clearing brush and anything else that was in the way.

After they were done, everyone from the Chief to the park personnel were in shock to see that the immense piles of brush were cleared away and ready to be hauled off. The park thanked us gratefully for all of our efforts and service.

On Friday and Saturday night the Ceremonies Team put on mistake free Ceremonies for both the Brotherhood and Ordeal candidates. As usual, The Drum Team also performed throughout the weekend, signing many different songs.

Paldani Chapter cooked for the weekend by preparing a delicious spaghetti dinner for everyone to enjoy. Poooca Tooka Chapter put on a wonderful Scouts Own on Sunday. Once again, congratulations to all the new Ordeal and Brotherhood Candidates!



Candidates hard at work



The Ceremonies Team prepares for the night



Brother's Circling up

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LLD



Gohkos members cling together as the day goes on

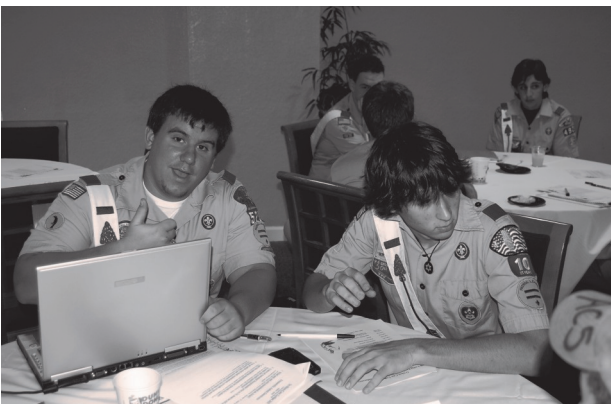
LLD- Lodge Leadership Development. The LLD is one of those events that just can't be summed up in one word. It is both a fun and educational experience. The only people who have the honor of attending are the L.E.C. mem-



The lodge puts on its mock unit election

bers and special invitees. Friday night is spent messing around while the next day is spent in a meeting that's solemn goal is to build stronger leaders. It took place on August 22-23 at the Wynham Palm-Aire Resort in Pompano. The Resort is known for its luxurious suites. The weekend kicked off as everyone arrived on Friday night. Everyone enjoyed some aspect of the resort- swimming in the pool, hanging out in the rooms, or even just playing a game of miniature golf. At one point in the night a group of people even walked over to a nearby McDonalds and had a midnight snack. Things began rolling to a close around one in the morning as most people began to fall asleep. As fast as people had fallen asleep they woke up as seven-thirty in the morning approached, for that was the time that everyone needed to meet in the conference room. Throughout the morning many leadership training sessions went on. Some of the youth speakers were Lenny Schrager, R.J. Hickman, Mark Jelincic, and Colby Kudja. Classes ranged from how to run a Chapter successfully, how to use the Lodge website, how to dress in Class A properly, and how to run a successful unit election. After learning about how to do a unit election, the Lodge put on a mock unit election that was filmed and sent to National for further use. Around noon we took a lunch break. The resort provided sandwiches, chips, and drinks. Many Brothers then returned to playing games like golf and ping pong before called back into the meeting. In some of the pictures you will probably notice some sort of structure built out of paper. This was a game in which you and the other people at your table worked together in order to try to build the highest structure you could. This helped to build team work skills. The day soon rolled to an end around five P.M., but before everyone left, the Lodge

handed out laptop cases with the Lodge's name on it to everyone that was there. The two days spent were fun, meaningful, but short. This event in itself is a reason to be on the L.E.C. If you didn't go because your not on the LEC then the good news is there are openings and you can get an application online.



Hayden and Michael attentive to what's going on



Jonathan Gonzalez shows off his sky scraper

Cub Fun Day

Written By: Lenny Schrager

Cub Fun Day, aka- Slime-O-Rama- was held on October 4 at Plantation Heritage Park, and at Indian Hammocks Park where the O-Shot-Caw Lodge was in full force and attendance.

Four chapters and the Drum Team in Broward County, and three Chapters in Dade lent a hand to put smiles on Cub Scouts' faces.

Ramon Moreno, Chapter Chief of the Pooca Tooka Chapter, and Lenny Schrager Chapter Chief of the Paldani Chapter, handled traffic control and parking; while Devin Reid Chapter Chief of Elgixin Chapter and Mitch Anastasio Chapter Chief of Gokhos Chapter set up and worked the Heron Grill, serving hot dogs, hamburgers, cheese burgers, drinks, and

chips in Broward. Evan Burr, Chapter Chief of the Hnu-Ra-Con Chapter and Andrew Crowe, Chapter Chief of the To-Hopki-Lagi Chapter, also handled cooking and traffic, while Garret Siljee, Chapter Chief of O-Shot-Co-Chee Chapter took care of first aid in Dade.

Julian Murphy and the Drum Team could be heard throughout the park from the pavilion where they set up the drum in Broward. They sang many songs and had the opportunity to educate Cub Scouts on Native American culture.

The Cub Scouts participated in a variety of activities including a BB Gun Range and an Archery Range. Although it was raining on and off all day, the spirits of the O-Shot-Caw Brothers and the Cub Scouts were not dampened!

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Jonathan Yost helps out cooking



Two-man job



Drum Team performs

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It rained for a majority of the day at both parks. At the Indian Hammocks Park the activity field was flooded to the point in which it look like a giant lake. The cub scouts took advantage of this and used anything they could get their hands on, ranging from palm tree branches to even small logs in order to conduct mud ball fights, slip n' slide contests, and races. Quite a contrast from the original activities that were planned, but apparently still very fun.

To finish, this was a fun event that came with many unexpected ups and downs. It gave every Brother who attended a chance to look back on all the great memories they had as a cub scout.

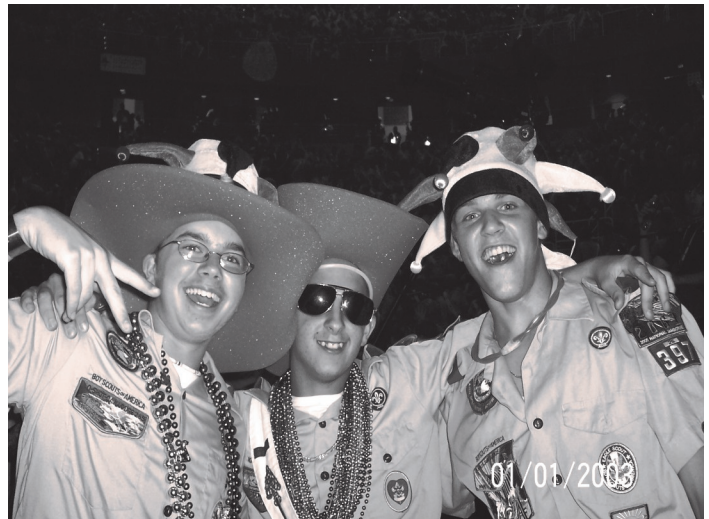


Mr. Kudja trying to enlighten Lenny

NOAC



2006 NOAC Hooters Girls



2006 O-Shot-Caw Brothers at NOAC

On August 1-9, 2009, over 8,000 Arrowmen from across the country will come together for fellowship at National Order of the Arrow Conference. This years' NOAC will be held at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. The conference itself is a four day long event, but the Lodge plans to do some side traveling including a stop at Cincinnati. The cost of the trip comes out to about \$1000, but several deposits are needed before hand. Steve Pinna is the NOAC adult Advisor for our Lodge. Our former Chief Chaz Pinna is the youth chairman. If you have any questions you can email Steve at steve-pinna@hotmail.com, or Chaz at chazpin-na14@hotmail.com.

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In fact it rained so hard that it began flooding many displays. Hnu-Ra-Con-the Chapter known for their impressive displays— had to close down all but one tiny section. This was a major disappointment. The other Chapters that were located on low ground had mud that was up to peoples ankles. The tour was delayed and everyone that had come waited under the dining fly set up by Gohkos. As everyone waited, the drum team did an excellent job performing.

Finally the rain stopped and the show had to go on, so even with all the mud people still wandered through the displays. Every Chapter was sure that their display was the scariest. This year the race for the



Hnu-Ra-Con Chapter making final adjustments to their display



Where's the other half?

because their tents had been flooded. They returned the next day to dismantle their displays, load up, and get out of there before it could potentially rain again.

All in all, it was a fun yet at the same time, interesting weekend. This Haunted Forest was most definitely a unique one and no other one will probably ever come close. Yes, there were many problems due to rain, but they were for the most part solved, and the Haunted Forest went on. In the end roughly two thousand people showed up for this event raising over twelve thousand dollars. Congratulations O-Shot-Caw on another successful Haunted Forest!

Golden Pumpkin will be a close one. Some of the themes were Haunted Christmas by Elgixin, Mental Institution by Gohkos, Dracula by Hnu-Ra-Con, and many more.

Aside from the displays, many Chapters also had Midway's. These ranged from pieing the Chief, to a bean bag toss to even winning interesting prizes like gold fish.

Around ten o' clock things wound down and people began to leave. And everything that was setup had to come down. Many Brothers left for the night



A sled that was part of Elgixin's Haunted Christmas display

Chapter Reports

Gokhos

The Mighty Gokhos Chapter is doing very well! During the Fall Ordeal, Gokhos had four members seal their ties as Brotherhood. Congratulations to Alex Border, Peter Doscher, Ryan Mandel, and Mikey Vergowen. We also had one Elangomat, Collin McGrath. Gokhos got a lot of work done at the Fall Ordeal in preparation for the Haunted Forest. Our theme will be a haunted insane asylum.



Gokhos also hosted the Heron Grill at Cub Fun Day. We had 22 members there helping out and we had a great time flipping burgers and serving chilled beverages.

Gokhos is looking to have a very successful and fun year. We meet the first Monday every month at Parkway Christian Church at 7:30. If you need to contact me please feel free to do so by emailing me at im_scoutin383@yahoo.com.

-Mitch Anastasio

Pooça Tooka



The Pooça Tooka Chapter has done a lot of work over the past few months. In August, we had our chapter fellowship, where we spent the day tubing, water skiing, wake boarding, and knee boarding on the lake behind Mr. Pinna's house. We did three service projects for the month of August. The first one was helping the Council Office put papers about Join Scouting Night and Popcorn into over 200 backpacks! Our second project was holding a flag ceremony at a funeral service.

And our third project was helping the Council Office load boxes of popcorn into trucks. We accomplished over 102 hours of service. Also, our chapter had a great time at the LLD where we learned many things.

In September, our chapter helped out at Join Scouting Night for Pack 529. We spoke about the OA, the Haunted Forest, and being an Eagle Scout, and we helped recruit fifteen new Cub Scouts. We also did the opening flag ceremony for the Town Debate in Miami Lakes. And we had an awesome time at the Fall Ordeal. We received one new member and one new Brotherhood member. We also put on a great Scout's Own.

In October, we helped out at Cub Fun Day. Pooça Tooka was in charge of parking and we parked over 600 cars! We would like to thank the Paldani Chapter for helping our chapter with the parking. At the Haunted Forest, we put on a great display with our theme, *The Four Elements*, and we hope to win the Golden Pumpkin.

Pooça Tooka meets the first Monday of every month at the Bob Graham Educational Center located at 15901 NW 79th Ave, Hialeah, FL, 33016. You can contact me at headsorails@bellsouth.net or my advisor, Steve Pinna, at stevepinna@hotmail.com.

-Ramon Moreno

Paldani

Over the past few months, the Paldani Chapter has exceeded many of its expectations for this lodge year.

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In August at the Lodge Leadership Development course, Paldani Chapter's leaders were in full attendance. We had a total of 10 Arrowmen participate at the event. Arrowmen learned many leadership skills that they will bring back with them to their home troops and the chapter.

In September, at the Fall Ordeal we helped out in a plethora of ways. First and foremost, we cooked all the meals for the whole lodge, and new Brothers. We also helped with the service project of cleaning up the area of the old Zoo Section at Markham Park, in preparation for the Haunted Forest. Along with participation at the Ordeal, in the month of September, we had several unit elections for the upcoming Winter Ordeal.

In October, we went to the Cub Fun Day to give our assistance there. We directed traffic and helped with parking and gave our assistance wherever it was needed, including the photography of the event for the Lodge. We are planning on having more unit elections for the upcoming Winter Ordeal. We are looking forward to this year's Haunted Forest, and are doing all we can to promote the event in hopes that the Lodge raises as much money as possible for the Joseph Aaron Abbott campership Fund.

We meet the second Monday of every month at the Hollywood West Elks Lodge on Davie Road Extension at 7:30.

-Lenny Schrager

O-Shot-Co-Chee

Hi! My name is Garrett Siljee and I am



bles.

the O-Shot-Co-Chee Chapter Chief. Our Chapter is supported by the Tequesta District. We meet the second Monday of every month at 7:30 P.M. at First United Methodist Church of Coral Ga-

bles. My aim is to mix fun with service and fellowship. My goals and ambitions for this year are to raise the meeting attendance from 5 to 10 people, take about 15 people to Section Conference (which would be double the amount we had last year), have unit elections at each troop in the district, have at least 2 elangomats at each Ordeal, and have at least 1 Brotherhood tester at each Ordeal.

I also hope to have many fun activities that we can do together as a Chapter to become closer together and be able to work as a team when it comes time for Lodge Banquet and the Lodge games.

-Garrett Siljee

Hnu-Ra-Con

Hnu-Ra-Con participated in the fall ordeal and gained several new brotherhood and ordeal members. Also, we sold concessions at Cub Fun Day located at Indian Hammocks Park. We also plan to win the Golden Pumpkin this year at the Haunted Forest. We meet at the LDS Church in Miami the first Monday of every month at 7:30.



-Evan Burr

LODGE TEAMS

As all of you know, this upcoming summer is NOAC. And at NOAC there are competitions for just about everything. So if you are planning on going, I urge you to look into joining a team of your choice, either Drum, Dance, or Ceremonies. Below is information on the different teams.

DRUM TEAM

For the past sixteen consecutive years the Drum Team has come in first place at Section Conference. This year the team also plans on medaling at NOAC. However, currently there are only three members and at least four are needed to compete. The team does a Pow Wow Style of drumming.

Help us to keep up our excellence, and join one of the best Drum Teams in the nation. We meet every Friday at Wolf Lake Park in Davie from 7:30 to 9:00 at night. If you have any questions email Julian Murphy, the team chairman, at fireballbsa@aol.com.



DANCE TEAM



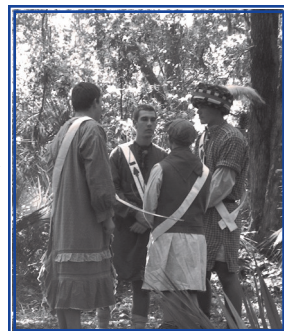
The Dance Team comes with a lot of prestige. In recent years, the team has medaled at Section Conference, and plans to medal at NOAC. The main group dance that is performed is called Seminole Social Stomp. Also, if you prefer to take part in an individual dance there are also Fancy Dance, Grass Dance, Traditional Dance, and many more.

We are in need of new members. We meet on Sundays at the Scout Office in Miami Lakes. If you have any questions you can email Richard Marino, the team chairman, at rmari-no890@bellsouth.net.

CEREMONIES TEAM

In the past few years, the Ceremonies Team has medaled in all competitions as best team in the section. We are a team of excellence, and most importantly, we are the keepers of the traditions of The Order of the Arrow.

We are always looking for new members. We meet on the first Sunday of every month from 2:00pm to 4:00pm. If you desire to join this team of excellence, email Jonathan Yost, the team chairman, at doctorj52000@yahoo.com.



“Editor’s Notes”



Dear Brothers,

My name is James Kerr and I am honored to serve as your 2008-2009 Publications Chairman in O-Shot-Caw Lodge.

I was inducted into the OA at the Winter Ordeal of 2006, sealing my ties in 07'. I currently serve as the First Vice Chief of Paldani Chapter. I started my scouting journey back in Cub Scouts, where I earned my Arrow of Light. I quickly transitioned into Boy Scouts and I am now a Life Scout in Troop 492.

If you went to the Haunted Forest than you know what I mean when I say *it rained*. Throughout the night rain poured violently creating rivers of mud that claimed some Chapters displays. Hnu-Ra-Can, for example, had to close all but one tiny section of their display due to flooding. All-in-all, however, it was most definitely a fun, but at the same time unforgettable event.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns you can direct them to me by emailing me at captainkerr22@gmail.com.

Until Next Issue,
James Kerr

PATCH CORNER



Patch given out by George Washington & Jefferson National Park Service.

If you went to ArrowCorps5 then you know that patches were sold left and right. Below are only a handful of many that were given out at the George Washington & Jefferson work site.



AC5 patch given out upon arrival to work site.



The most sought after AC5 patch given out at the closing ceremony.

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Lodge Calendar

Brotherhood Fellowship

Where? Camp Sawyer
 When? December 5-7, 2008
 Cost? Registration Available
 Online
 Why go? To earn your brotherhood,
 or to just have fun

Winter Ordeal

Where? Camp Everglades
 When? January 9-11, 2008
 Cost? TBA
 Why go? To support your fellow
 brothers as they go through
 the Ordeal

Lodge Banquet

Where? TBA
 When? March 6-8
 Cost? TBA
 Why go? To compete with your
 Chapter in earning the
 Golden Arrow Award

NOAC

Where? Indiana University
 When? August 1-9
 Cost? \$1000.00*
 Why go? To have a fun and memora-
 ble experience.

**Rough Figures*

Sudoku

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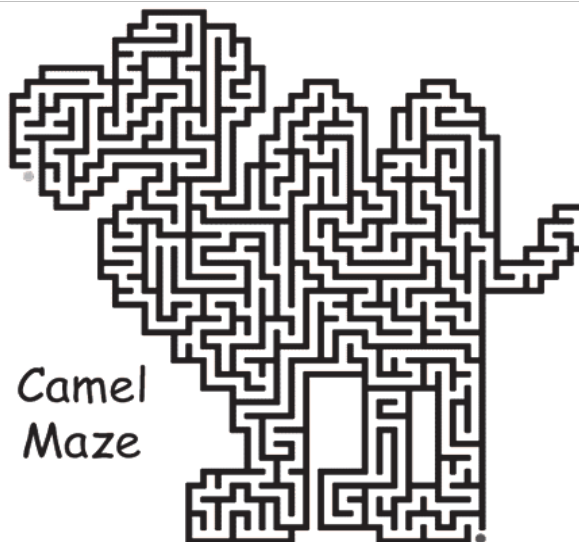


JoKe

Q: Why did the skeleton cross the
 road?

A: To get to the body shop.

Maze



JoKe

Q: What do you get when you cross a
 turtle with a porcupine?

A: A Slow-Poke

