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ARROWMEN COMPETE

SPIRIT OF THE QUEST

The competition among the lodges ran high yesterday afternoon when they fought for the Quest for the Golden Arrow. The quest is the high point of the annual section conference.

The events were spear throwing, B-P marathon, nerding (what?), tug of war, archery, marksmanship, flagpole raising and frizbee toss. Each lodge participated in 5 of these events. The lodge earning the highest number of points receives the Golden Arrow for 1983!

Individual event winners were as follows:

ARCHERY Eckale Yakanen 1st, Seminole 2nd, O Shot Caw & Osceola tie for 3rd
MARKSMENSHIP Eckale Yakanen 1st, Seminole 2nd, Osceola 3rd, O Shot Caw 3rd.

FLAGPOLE RAISING Aal Pa Tah 1st.

STRETCHER RELAY Eckale Yakanen 1st, Osceola 2nd, Timuquan 3rd, Aal Pa Tah 4th, Tipisa part.

FRIZBEE TOSS O Shot Caw 1st, Osceola 2nd, Timuquan 3rd, Aal Pa Tah 4th, Tipisa & Seminole participation

SPEAR TOSS Aal Pa Tah 1st, Tipisa Timuquan & Seminole 2nd.

NERDLING Tipisa 1st, Eckale Yakanen 2nd, Aal Pa Tah 3rd, O Shot Caw 4th

B-P MARATHON Osceola 1st, Seminole 2nd, O Shot Caw 3rd, Timuquan 4th, Eckale Yakanen & Tipisa participate

TUG OF WAR Tipisa 1st, Aal Pa Tah 2nd, Seminole 3rd.



SINGING AND DANCING

The singing competition featured Echockotee and O-Shot-Caw lodges. Echockotee took 1st place honors. The group dance also had only two lodges. These were Aal-Pa-Tah and O-Shot-Caw. Aal-Pa-Tah took first place in this event. Kelly Landers won the "skill solo" competition. Ceremonial competition was won by Aal-Pa-Tah with Tipisa in second place.

The competition gave members a chance to display their works of art. Entries ranged from beadwork to Bustle sets.

The winners were:

CRAFTS

Tony Brown (AAL-PA-TAH)
"Backrest"
Mickey Keehan (AAL-PA-TAH)
"Fancy Dance Bustles"
Keith Privette (ECHOCKOTEE)
"Beadwork"
Eric Davis (SEMINOLE)
"Beadwork"
Joe Debellis (O-SHOT-CAW)
"Beadwork"
Ray Bergsten (AAL-PAH-TAH)
"Bustles & Breast Plate"
Uly Hubbard (AAL-PA-TAH)
"Bustles"

SECTION SEMINARS

On February 10-12, 1984 we will have our Sectional Seminar. Topics that might be offered are Indian crafts, camping promotion, unit elections, Indian culture, etc..

The site has not been selected. Our section vice-chief will head up this function. Your own lodge and personal growth will be enhanced by taking part in the Section Seminar according to Jack Butler.



ODDS AND ENDS

We interrupted Helen Gastiger, Director of Canteens, to ask her how she feels about this weekend. She thinks the Scouts have been conducting themselves in a true brotherly attitude. "This weekend has been really colorful" she said in reference to the distinctive lodge caps and shirts.

We also pulled away George Servin from an organizational meeting of the cooks. "The shows were great!" he he said. Servin could not believe how much food these arrowmen have been putting away. "we're missing some trays. I think they are even eating the trays!" But the most important thing to him was that "they came hungry and go away full, thats all that matters."

Your inquiring reporter discovered John Comode busy at his job as sanitary engineer in one of the campsites. He remarked that from his point of view the cooking people must have been really shoveling out the chow. He said that "Arrowmen must be really clean because of the amount of all purpose paper they used."

LET'S GO

SECTION CONFERENCE IN '84

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1984 SECTION CONFERENCE

Brian Lain, the lodge chief of Eckale Yakanen, assures us that his lodge is working hard towards next year's section conference. Though the lodge is small they will do a good job. there are dedicated hard workers already constructing an adequate conference site.

The size of the council ring is being increased. Their lodge membership is on the increase to have an adequate staff for the conference.

Brian wishes to thank the Echokotee Lodge conference team leader Todd Leonard, Tad Delegal, Bob Thompson and Steve Locke for helping with the plans for next year. Brian thanks Jack Butler and Kelly Landers for their spirit and work with the section.

Bring your guys and visit the Sunny Land Council in Bradenton next year.



J.B.'S BEEN GAGGED



Guess who's birthday was celebrated last night? If you haven't figured out yet here is your first cue. When the cooks brought out the cake everyone sang "Happy Birthday Mother."

Weather Report

According to the United States Weather Bureau office in South Melrose there will be more of the same. There will be plenty of sunshine or rain in many places. If it doesn't freeze it might be warm.

The staff of THE LINK wish to thank Charlie Sanders of Gainesville for his great job as our printer. Kelly Roberts was a great aid and resource.



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HISTORY COMES ALIVE

Last night at the opening Conference Show an audio-visual history of our Order of The Arrow in Florida was presented. In addition to the regular stage, the producers used the pond, clearing and woods beyond for a living presentation.

The show started with the history of the Florida Section. This was followed by a slide introduction of all the Lodges. The highlight was the appearance of the ghost of Chief Chingachgook. The Chief told the history of our order. As he talked, Arrowmen acted out the scenes around the pond and in the woods.

There was a special part where an early Ordeal Ceremony was shown. Information was given about this summers national OA Conference at Rutgers University.

The show closed with a flaming W W W on the other side of the pond and a standing ovation from the on-looking crowd.

A special thanks to the Co-Chairmen for all the shows who are Jeff Jonasen and Barry Snyder, Jr.

TODD'S REMARKS

It has been great planning for this Section Conference. I want to take time to thank each arrowmen personally for attending and the giving of cheerful service.

Since our first planning meeting during last year's conference at Camp Soule, it seems that most of our planning sessions took place around midnight. One of our most difficult positions to fill was the finance chairman. Regardless of our "trials and tribulations" we are proud of the conference as a whole. It was a marvelous feeling Friday afternoon when all the pieces of this event came together.

Todd Leonard
Echokotee Lodge Chief



LETTER FROM THE CHIEF

Welcome to the 1983 Section Conference!

Planned for you this weekend is truly a well rounded, fun and purposeful Section Conference.

I'd like to ask each of you to make a personal promise to yourself to meet at least 3 new members, all from different lodges, and to learn about their lodge. Take time for some real fellowship.

Likewise, I'd like to ask each of you to take what you learn this weekend, (notice I say this confidently, as Echokotee Lodge has worked hard to provide the best Conference ever) and apply it back in your troop, chapter, and lodge.

Have a great weekend, but mostly meet new friends and "Strengthen the ties of Brotherhood."

Yours in Youthful Service
Kelly Landers



COOK SHACK

Chief Steward George Serven promises that tonight's feast will be the greatest! The entree is "Steamboat Round" of beef. They will also serve English peas with mushrooms, mashed potatoes and natural gravy, hot rolls and butter. Homemade apple pie a la mode puts the final cap on the meal.

Sunday breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, eggs to order (anyone interested in eggs benedict?) Arrowmen wishing to order box lunches for Sunday must turn in their order through their lodge chief by 6 P.M. Everyone will be able to enjoy these mouth-watering meals in the most fully equipped dining facility in the history of the Section Conference. This is the newly constructed and truly magnificent Taylor Conference Center. We at Echockotee Lodge are very confident that each and every brother will appreciate the quality of the excellent food.



"POLTERGEIST" A REVIEW

I can't imagine what people thought as they drove by the camp last night, hearing the screams of a family being terrorized by some strange entity. A poltergeist, for which the movie was named, is a force that occupies certain dwellings causing strange disturbances such as noises, moving furniture, and disappearing children.

This is Steven Spielberg's first attempt at a horror movie. The script was well written and the special effects were good, although I can't understand how people can enjoy watching a man's face being peeled off of his head and kids getting sucked into closets.

This film is rated P.G. for its use of graphic violence, profanity and promotion of marijuana.

JAMBOREE

Jamboree Scoutmaster Jim Calhoun would like to meet the members of World Jamboree Troop 201 after dinner tonight. He will be in front of Ames Lodge at 8:30 PM. Jim would like to meet each member of the troop.



FESTIVAL OF FEATHERS

At 8:45 this evening your host lodge will present the world famous Festival of Feathers. This show will be a combination of Indian Dancing and historical information. The finals will be judged at this time. There will be cultural native American dances - both individual and group styles. Following the program will be an open Pow Wow.

Don Thom of the National OA conference will be one of the judges. Jerry Lindler is in charge of the Indian events.

The dancing will be preceded by a slide story of American Indians as seen at the turn of the century through the camera of Edward S. Curtiss. These photos represent pictures he took over a period of years. For further information, contact your library for books on Edward S. Curtiss, or consult your local Indian.



MORNING SESSIONS SUCCESSFUL

This morning our young Arrowmen conducted classes directly affecting the health of all Lodges and Chapters. Topics studied were: membership retention, creative programing, the OA and its relationship to the native American culture, the OA - its image in your Council, and how the OA relates to the Scout unit.

Each person who attended four of the sessions had his card punched. When he also receives his "Indian Gover" card he will earn the special participation award at the trading post.

You lodge and chapter chiefs utalize this newfound knowledge in your members when you get home. Remember the growth of your unit depends upon involving more members.

