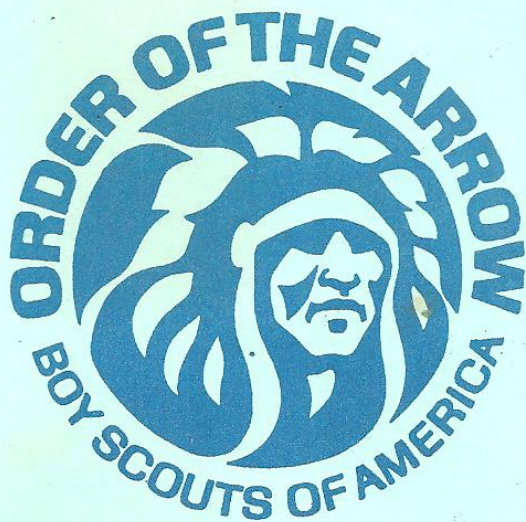


1995 SECTION S-4 CONFERENCE GUIDEBOOK



*April 21-23, 1995
Flaming Arrow Scout Reservation
Lake Wales, Florida*

THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

Hosted by Seminole Lodge 85, Gulf Ridge Council, BSA

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Life is a continual journey. As the days, months, and years go by, people continue to grow and change, and society works to improve itself and adapt to the new conditions it encounters. The seasons come and go and the color of the countryside changing each step of the way, matching the contour of the present climate.

In Scouting, our climate has always been one of citizenship, service, fun and fellowship. Our program as adapted itself to the monumetal changes in society, growing and maturing to meet the needs of the youth of our communities while maintaining our traditional values. Since 1910, the Boy Scouts of America has been an integral part of the fabric of American society, and indeed even personifying American values and virtue. Scouting continues to reach out to thousands of young people each year, providing quality growth experiences and helping America's young people become the leaders of tomorrow.

The Order of the Arrow is no different than our parent organization. The Order has seen numerous changes since its inception in 1915, but has continually provided "Cheerful Service" to our camps, councils, and communities over our eighty year history. Our movement, founded on Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service has been a pillar of the Scouting program and has given additional avenues of access for our young people to develop their leadership skills and make meaningful contributions to the organization.

In Section Four, we have a proud tradition of excellence. This Conference marks the fiftieth anniversary of the first gathering of the lodges in our section. As we gather this weekend, we must reflect upon our proud past, and re-dedicate ourselves to a life of "Cheerful Service" for the future. Our lodges have continued to represent the best to be found in the nation, as we provide countless hours of service to the Scouting program, as well as teaching skills to the next generation of American leadership.

Our past is bright, but our future looks even brighter. As the seasons continue to change, and society continues to grow, the Order of the Arrow will be there, contributing to the ever-evolving fabric of America. And the journey continues.



1995 SECTION S-4 CONFERENCE

Gulf Ridge Council, Order of the Arrow, Boy Scouts of America

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April 21, 1995

Dear Brothers:

On behalf of the Conference Committee, Host Lodge, and Council of Chiefs, I want to welcome you to Flaming Arrow Scout Reservation and the 1995 Section S-4 Conference! The Conference Committee has been planning this weekend for nearly two years, and I think you are going to have a great time.

As we spend the weekend together, let us remember the purposes of the Order of the Arrow. Let's keep our spirits high and use this weekend as an opportunity to fellowship with our Brothers from home, and get to meet new friends from lodges throughout Florida and Georgia. By keeping an open mind, a cheerful spirit, and a positive attitude-- everyone will be sure to have the best Scouting weekend of their life.

If there is anything that you need during the weekend, feel free to ask a member of the Host Corps or anyone else on the Conference Staff. Seminole Lodge is here to serve you, and to help you learn skills, spend quality time with others, and make the most out of your Section Conference experience.

Once again, welcome to the Conference! We're glad you're here!

In service,

Jimmy Knowles
Section Conference Chairman

Schedule

Friday, April 21, 1995

5:00pm	Registration Begins	Saunders Hall
	Pre-Order Pick-Up/Trading Post Open	Trading Post
	Ibis Landing Opens	
9:00pm	Opening Show Begins	Council Ring
10:00pm	Cracker Barrel	Dining Tents
	Council of Chiefs Meeting	Jenkins Lodge
10:45pm	Movie	Council Ring
1:00am	Trading Post Closes	
2:00am	Ibis Landing Closes/Patch Trading Ends	

Saturday, April 22, 1995

7:00-7:30am	Breakfast- RED BAND ONLY	Dining Tents
7:40-8:10am	Breakfast- YELLOW BAND ONLY	Dining Tents
8:20-8:50am	Breakfast- WHITE/CLEAR BAND ONLY	Dining Tents
9:00am	King's Cup Display Set-Up	Jenkins Lodge
	Publication Competition Deadline	Scoutcraft Shelter
	Best All-Around Lodge Competition	Staff Shelter
	Ibis Landing Opens	
9:00-11:00am	Training Seminars	Parade Field & Indian Village
10:00-3:00pm	Kings Cup Judging / Viewing	Jenkins Lodge
10:30am	Inductions Administration Competition	Scoutcraft Shelter
11:00am	Ceremonies Competition	To Be Announced
	Volleyball Competition	Parade Field
11:00-1:00pm	Lunch: ALL MEAL BANDS	Dining Tents
12:00pm	VIA Luncheon (Invitation Only!)	Trading Tent
1:00pm	Trading Post Opens	
1:00-4:00pm	Native American Village and Competitions Begin (as scheduled) ..	Indian Village
1:15pm	Quest for the Golden Arrow begins	Parade Field Flag Pole
4:00pm	Adviser Sink-A-Thon	Swim Area
5:00-5:30pm	Dinner- YELLOW BAND	Dining Tents
5:40-6:10pm	Dinner- WHITE/CLEAR BAND	Dining Tents
6:20-6:50pm	Dinner- RED BAND	Dining Tents
7:30pm	Theme Show	Council Ring
8:30-9:30pm	Festival of Feathers	Indian Village
9:45pm	Birthday Bash- 50th Anniversary Party	Dining Tents
11:00pm	Council of Chiefs (if needed)	Jenkins Lodge
1:00am	Trading Post Closes	
2:00am	Ibis Landing Closes/Patch Trading Ends	

Sunday, April 23, 1995

6:00-7:00am	Vigil Breakfast	Dining Tents
7:00-7:30am	Breakfast- WHITE/CLEAR BAND ONLY	Dining Tents
7:40-8:10am	Breakfast- RED BAND ONLY	Dining Tents
8:20-8:50am	Breakfast- YELLOW BAND ONLY	Dining Tents
9:00am	Religious Services	Chapel and Other Designated Areas
	Trading Post Opens	
	Ibis Landing Opens	
9:30am	Section Business Meeting	Council Ring
1:00pm	Trading Post & Ibis Landing Closes	

Menu

Friday, April 21, 1995

Cracker Barrel:

Fruit Trays
Meat and Cheese Trays
Finger Sandwiches

Chips and Cheese
Home Made Soup
Coffee and Assorted Drinks

Saturday, April 22, 1995

Breakfast:

Scrambled Eggs
Grits
Orange Juice
Hot Cocoa

Bacon
Biscuits
Coffee
Milk

Lunch:

Cuban Sandwiches
Fresh Fruit
Coffee

Assorted Chips
Ice Tea
Assorted Drinks

Dinner:

BBQ Chicken
Cole Slaw
Peach Cobbler
Coffee

Potato or Macaroni Salad
Rolls
Ice Tea
Assorted Drinks

50th Anniversary Bash

Cake
Ice Tea
Assorted Drinks

Ice Cream
Coffee

Sunday, April 23, 1995

Breakfast:

Assorted Sweet Rolls
Sausage Biscuit
Milk

Fresh Fruit
Coffee
Hot Cocoa

*Coffee and other beverages are available in the Dining Tent
throughout the weekend.*

Special Events

The conference will feature a number of special events, including:

1. **Opening Show:** Held on Friday evening in the council ring, this show kick-off the weekend in style. Be on time, and bring lots of spirit, because the Opening Show does not honor American Express.
2. **Movie:** Held on Friday evening in the council ring, with concessions available from the grill. Admission is free.
3. **VIA Luncheon:** Each Lodge Chief and the youngest arrowman in his delegation is invited to a special luncheon held in Saunders Hall at 12:00pm on Saturday. A special speaker will be on hand for this event.
4. **Theme Show:** This extravaganza will focus on our theme for the weekend, and will be packed with special effects to thrill the imagination. Special entertainment may be on hand. The section's Group Dance competition will be held during the theme show.
5. **Festival of Feathers:** This special Native American program will feature performances by selected dancers, drum teams, and dance teams. Special awards will be presented to various winners of selected Native American competitions held throughout the weekend.
6. **Birthday Bash:** A special birthday party will be held for all delegates, with Lodge Chiefs and Section Officers asked to be on hand to serve up the party goodies. The party will be held to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the first gathering of our section's lodges. Campwide game cards will be distributed at this event.
7. **Vigil Breakfast:** A special rededication breakfast will be held for all Vigil Honor members on Sunday morning, which will feature a special "Call to Service" and thoughts from an honored guest. Reservations must be made by Friday night at 11:00pm at the Jenkins Lodge.
8. **Religion Services:** A Scout is Reverent. Please make the time to attend our non-denominational Vesper Services on Sunday morning.
9. **Section Business Meeting:** Final conference awards and remarks will be given at the Section Business Meeting on Sunday morning. Elections will also be held for Section Chief, Vice Chief, Secretary, and Historian. Letters of approval from each candidate's local Scout Executive must be given to Don Craig, Section Adviser, by Saturday at noon.

Training

Training is one of the key purposes of any section conference. It is important for each delegate to learn what he/she can at the weekend, and bring this new knowledge back to their home lodge/council to improve its operation.

Training will be conducted in 25 minute blocks, with a five minute break in between. All training courses will be offered during each of the four sessions (9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30). Training is located at the Parade Field for Seminars 1 through 5 below, and at the Indian Village for Native American seminars.

The following training sessions will be offered:

1. Elections: The "in's and out's" of the O/A unit election process will be explained, including how to design effective systems to reach every unit in your council. Sample forms and suggestions, along with a roundtable discussion, will be held.
2. Camp Promotions: Promoting Scout camping is the main purpose of the Order. This seminar will go over how to organize camp promotional visits, and discuss innovative ideas on how to get Scouts to long term camp.
3. Ceremonies: The basic meaning, and detailed explanation of the various parts of the Ordeal and Pre-Ordeal ceremony will be explained, in order for us to understand some of our most basic traditions more clearly.
4. Dance: This seminar will focus on teaching participants dance skills, broken into groups. The sessions will include something for the beginner, along with the experienced dancer.
5. Adult Role: This session will discuss the various support and adviser roles available to adults in the O/A, with suggestions as to how to guide and support our youth members in various decision-making processes.
6. Native American Event Seminars: Several NAE seminars will be available, and will be taught in the Indian Village area. An up-to-the-minute posting of these sessions will be available in the Indian Village.

Seminar attendance counts toward the "Best Trained Lodge Award", along with the "Active Arrowman Award" which each delegate can earn.

Quest for the Golden Arrow

The conference will have the following individual events in the Quest for the Golden Arrow.

1. **OA Jeopardy:** Each lodge presents a team of three members to test their knowledge of facts found in the BSA handbook, OA handbook, and manual for the Ordeal.
2. **PBJ Relay Race:** Each lodge presents a team of four people who traverse the lake with a peanut butter and jelly sandwich.
3. **Holey Drum:** Lodge presents a team of up to ten members who must fill a fifty gallon drum to a certain point that has many holes. Contestants should try to plug up holes while other contestants fill up the bucket.
4. **Flaming Arrow Marathon:** Each lodge presents a team of five people who, by running, swimming, and canoeing, will cover the vast terrain that makes up FASR.
5. **Rescue 911:** Each lodge presents a team of five people to successfully move an injured person to a place of safety utilizing a stretcher made of a blanket and poles.
6. **All Aboard:** Each lodge tries to get as many people as possible onto a small wooden platform for thirty seconds. There will be a five minute maximum.
7. **Egg in Your Face:** Each lodge presents two victims to participate in an egg toss.
8. **Silver Fox Triathlon:** A new special event, created at the request of the Council of Chiefs, will be geared for adult members of each lodge. As our adults are always "prepared", the exact components of this event will be announced at the Quest site-- with no advance warning. Come prepared for anything. Six adults will be required for this event.

Total combined score from each event will determine the overall standings. The "Silver Fox Triathlon" is a separate competition-- these points do not count toward the Quest total.

OTHER ATHLETIC COMPETITIONS

The following events are not part of the "Quest for the Golden Arrow", but do have their own individual awards:

1. **Volleyball:** Six man teams compete in an elimination-style tournament to determine the overall winner.
2. **Tug-O-War:** This game will operate under the traditional rules, with the decision of the judges being final. There are two categories of competition, 1200 pound weight limit and no weight limit (maximum of 20 participants, all youth members). A scale will be on site to settle any weight disputes.
3. **Adviser Sink-A-Thon:** The Adviser Sink-A-Thon will operate under traditional rules, with the Lodge Adviser and Staff Adviser from each lodge competing. If either adviser is not present (unless with medical excuse), a hefty penalty will be assessed for substitutions.

Native American Events

The Section Conference will feature a number of quality opportunities for Native American enthusiasts and novices to enjoy. A special area of camp, the Indian Village, has been designated a special haven for a variety of Native American activities. Here's a few:

1. **TEPEE DISPLAYS**: Several tepees will be displayed in a special area of the Indian Village. Feel free to walk around and look at the tepees on display. Many Native American enthusiasts are proud of their tepees and would be happy to talk to you about them.
2. **SINGING AND DRUM**: The weekend will feature drum and sing team competitions, where you can check out some of America's best teams.
3. **CRAFT AND CLOTHING**: Craft and clothing competitions will be held, and a number of items will be on display for your inspection. Ask the artists how you can construct your own Native American crafts and clothes.
4. **FESTIVAL OF FEATHERS**: Held after the theme show on Saturday night, the traditional Festival of Feathers extravaganza is sure to be a big hit during the conference. At the Festival, you can see some of the country's best group dances and some top-notch solo dancers.
5. **TRAINING**: A number of special Native American training events will be held on Saturday morning in the Indian Village. Whether you are a novice of an enthusiast, there is sure to be something new for you to learn. Check it out!
6. **VENDORS**: A few selected specialty vendors have been invited to the conference to sell their wares and provide you with access to specialty items, such as beads, skins, and the like. Vendors are located in a special section of the Village and look forward to dealing with you.
7. **CEREMONIES**: The Pre-Ordeal Ceremony is featured in the ceremonies competition being held this weekend. The Section will select "Honor Teams" as well as best individual characters from a field of talented competitors. If you have any questions, ask Head Judge Kevin Murphy or his staff.

Trading Posts and Camp Grills

Four different areas will be set up this weekend where you can purchase supplies, concessions, and memorabilia. Enjoy yourself, have a good time, and spend a little of your money.

CONFERENCE TRADING POST: The Section Conference Committee will operate a Conference Trading Post next to the Parade Field. In this facility, you can purchase 1995 Section Conference patches, neckerchiefs, t-shirts, backpatches, mugs, mason jars, and many other items in high demand. Pre-orders were exceptionally high this year, so get there early or the items you want may be gone! Conference Trading Post hours are:

Friday:	5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
Saturday:	1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
Sunday:	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

All items are first-come, first-served. When all items sell out, the trading post will close.

CONCESSIONS: The Host Lodge will operate a grill which will feature hamburgers, hot dogs, Pepsi® cola, and a number of other items. The grill is located next to the Parade Field, and a mobile unit will be dispatched to other areas on Saturday. Grill hours are:

Friday:	5:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.
Saturday:	9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.
Sunday:	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

FLAMING ARROW TRADING POST: The Gulf Ridge Council will have a limited trading post open throughout the weekend where you can purchase Flaming Arrow memorabilia, some limited Seminole Lodge 85 items, as well as some supplies from the National Supply Division of the Boy Scouts of America. Hours will be posted on the Trading Post (log cabin) door.

OUTSIDE VENDORS: A few specialty vendors have been invited to sell their wares in the Indian Village. Vendors will be open for business on Saturday during the day.

Sale of any item does not imply a warranty issued by the Section, Conference Committee, Seminole Lodge, or the Gulf Ridge Council.

Section Officer Elections

During the Section Business Meeting on Sunday morning, the Section will elect its officers for 1995-96. The offices of Section Chief, Vice Chief, Secretary, and Historian are all up for grabs. The election procedure is as follows:

TO QUALIFY: Criteria to run for Section office includes:

1. Be under age 21 until the 1996 Section Conference (late April, 1996).
2. Be a registered, active arrowman of a Section S-4 lodge.
3. Provide a letter of support from your Scout Executive (or his designee) to Don Craig, Section Adviser, by noon on Saturday, April 22.
4. Be nominated by a Lodge Chief at the election.

PROCEDURE: Candidates will be given an opportunity to speak to the Section, and may even have a brief introductory/support speech given by another youth arrowman. Section Adviser Don Craig will inform each candidate of the exact rules and specifications. Each S-4 lodge with youth delegates present at the time of election will be able to cast up to ten votes for each office. We have eleven lodges in the Section, so a total of 110 votes may be cast. In order to win the election, you must receive a majority (over 50%) of the votes cast in your race. If no person receives a majority vote, after two deadlocks, the Section Chief determines the winner of the election.

About the Offices

SECTION CHIEF: The Section Chief serves as the head youth officer of the Section. He presides over the Council of Chiefs, represents the Section to Regional and National meetings, and serves as a communications link between the lodges in the Section. The Chief works closely with the Conference Committee and Section Adviser throughout the year, in order to ensure that the Section Conference is a success.

SECTION VICE CHIEF: The Section Vice Chief presides over the Section in the Chief's absence and heads up the Section Seminars. The Vice Chief is responsible for promoting the Section Conference, and serves as a voting member of the Council of Chiefs. The Vice Chief also assumes other responsibilities delegated to him.

SECTION SECRETARY: The Section Secretary records all minutes of Section Business Meetings and Council of Chiefs meetings. He is responsible for publishing the *Sounds of the Section*, our newsletter, and keeps an accurate roll of all Lodge Chiefs, Advisers, and Staff Advisers. The Secretary serves as a voting member of the Council of Chiefs and assumes other duties as assigned to him.

SECTION HISTORIAN: The Section Historian keeps a complete and up-to-date record of all Section activities and develops an attractive and functional way to display the Section's history. He is responsible for running the King's Cup competition at Section Conferences and serves as a voting member of the Council of Chiefs.

Good Luck!

1995 Section Conference Committee

Conference Leadership, Chairs/Advisers for Subcommittees, and Host Lodge

CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN Jimmy Knowles
CONFERENCE ADVISER Kevin Mayeux

VICE CHAIRMAN/HOST SERVICES Mike Hammer
VICE CHAIRMAN/FACILITIES & SUPPORT Karl Siemsen
ASSOCIATE ADVISER/ADMINISTRATION Scott Webster
ASSOCIATE ADVISER/SUPPORT SERVICES Earl Painter

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ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN Joe Gonzales, Jr.
ACTIVITIES ADVISER Martin Siemsen

COMPETITIONS CHAIRMAN Eddie Gray
COMPETITIONS ADVISER Jim Farley

FOOD SERVICE CHAIRMAN Jeff Waddy
FOOD SERVICE ADVISER Don Bodie, Jr.

HOST CORPS CHAIRMAN Mike Hammer
HOST CORPS ADVISER Loye Maxwell

LOGISTICS CHAIRMAN Tim Pfeiffer
LOGISTICS ADVISER Chuck Young

REGISTRATION CHAIRMAN Doug Chanco
REGISTRATION ADVISER Tom Reid

SALES CHAIRMAN Jimmy Wadsworth
SALES ADVISER Bruce S...
SALES & SPECIAL SOLICITATIONS Wayne Cope...

SECURITY CHAIRMAN Chris McCarthy
SECURITY ADVISER Bill Daggett

SHOWS CHAIRMAN Brian Maddux
SHOWS ADVISER Bob Moore

TRAINING CHAIRMAN Steve Firman
TRAINING ADVISER Art Rounds

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SEMINOLE LODGE CHIEF Joe Gonzales, Jr.
SEMINOLE LODGE ADVISER Bill Lints
SEMINOLE LODGE STAFF ADVISER Ruth Mulholland
GULF RIDGE COUNCIL SCOUT EXECUTIVE Thomas R. Deimler
FLAMING ARROW SCOUT RESERVATION RANGER Donald R. Prior

Section S-4 Council of Chiefs

as reported on March 16, 1995 Council of Chiefs Roster

SECTION CHIEF Jason Wolz
SECTION VICE CHIEF George Michna
SECTION SECRETARY Anton Moore
SECTION HISTORIAN Jon Poverd
SECTION ADVISER Don Craig

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SEMINOLE LODGE 85 CHIEF Joe Gonzales, Jr.
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ECHOCKOTEE LODGE 200 CHIEF Jimmy Royal
ECHOCKOTEE LODGE 200 ADVISER Jack Brockmeier

PITHLAKO LODGE 220 CHIEF Larry Kersey
PITHLAKO LODGE 220 ADVISER Brady Shierling

AAL-PA-TAH LODGE 237 CHIEF Patrick Foradori
AAL-PA-TAH LODGE 237 ADVISER Ted Bowder

SEMIALACHEE LODGE 239 CHIEF Preston Laslie
SEMIALACHEE LODGE 239 ADVISER George Hensarling

O-SHOT-CAW LODGE 265 CHIEF Devang Desai
O-SHOT-CAW LODGE 265 ADVISER Ron Bell

TIPISA LODGE 326 CHIEF Randall Smith
TIPISA LODGE 326 ADVISER Henry Knowles

TIMUQUAN LODGE 340 CHIEF Greg Williamson
TIMUQUAN LODGE 340 ADVISER Don Hartell

IMMOKALEE LODGE 353 CHIEF Ron Ingle
IMMOKALEE LODGE 353 ADVISER Joe Jackson

ALAPAHA LODGE 545 CHIEF Daren Bunyard
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OSCEOLA LODGE 564 CHIEF Greg Koehler
OSCEOLA LODGE 564 ADVISER Jim Mott

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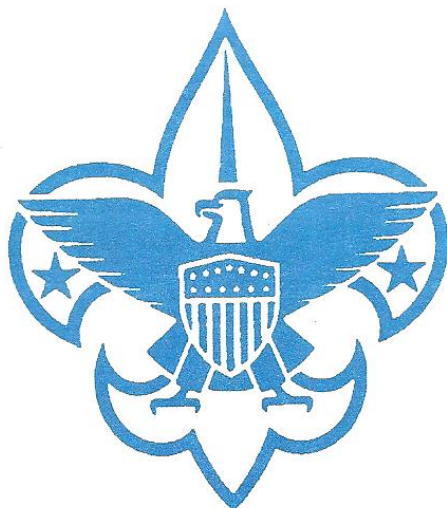
NATIVE AMERICAN EVENTS CHAIRMAN Greg Koehler
HEAD JUDGE FOR NATIVE AMERICAN EVENTS David Deschenes
HEAD JUDGE FOR CEREMONIES Kevin Murphy

Flaming Arrow Scout Reservation

The Gulf Ridge Council owns and operates four camps for use throughout the year, including Camp Owen J. Brorein just outside of Tampa, Sand Hill Scout Reservation in Brooksville, Camp Alafia in Valrico, and Flaming Arrow Scout Reservation outside of Lake Wales. Flaming Arrow, the largest of the four properties, boasts three beautiful lakes on the nearly 1400 acres of shady pines and scrub oak that make up the property.

Flaming Arrow was donated to the council in 1962 and began summer camp operations in 1965. Don Prior, the first and only Flaming Arrow Ranger, has lead the development of the property since day one. The camp is open for day hikes, weekend camping, and summer camp opportunities. A variety of activities, from Scoutcraft to Rifle Shooting to Canoeing and Boating can be experienced at Flaming Arrow.

If you or your unit is interested in coming to Flaming Arrow for a short visit, or for a week of fun at summer camp, please contact the Gulf Ridge Council office at (813) 872-2691 in Tampa.



Active Arrowman Award

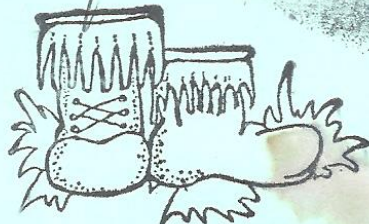
For All Youth and Adult Arrowmen

This award is to recognize all Arrowmen who participate fully in the Section Conference. Keep this booklet with you and have your Lodge Chief or Adviser sign it when you have completed at list 10 of the 14 items listed below, then go to the Conference Trading Post to purchase your special "Active Arrowman Award" for \$1.00. Hurry-- supplies are limited and they are sold on a first come, first served basis.

- Attend the Opening Show, Theme Show, or Festival of Feathers
- Attend a seminar during training session 1 (9:00-9:25 a.m.)
- Attend a seminar during training session 2 (9:30-9:55 a.m.)
- Attend a seminar during training session 3 (10:00-10:25 a.m.)
- Attend a seminar during training session 4 (10:30-10:55 a.m.)
- Attend at least one Native American seminar
- Attend at least one non-Native American seminar
- Participate in or observe at least one competition
- Participate in or observe the Quest for the Golden Arrow
- Wear your BSA uniform ("Class A") to dinner on Saturday
- Complete the Campwide Game (card game)
- Attend a religious service or hold vespers with friends
- Lead your lodge in a cheer --OR-- keep the camp beautiful by picking up litter
- Keep a cheerful disposition throughout the conference

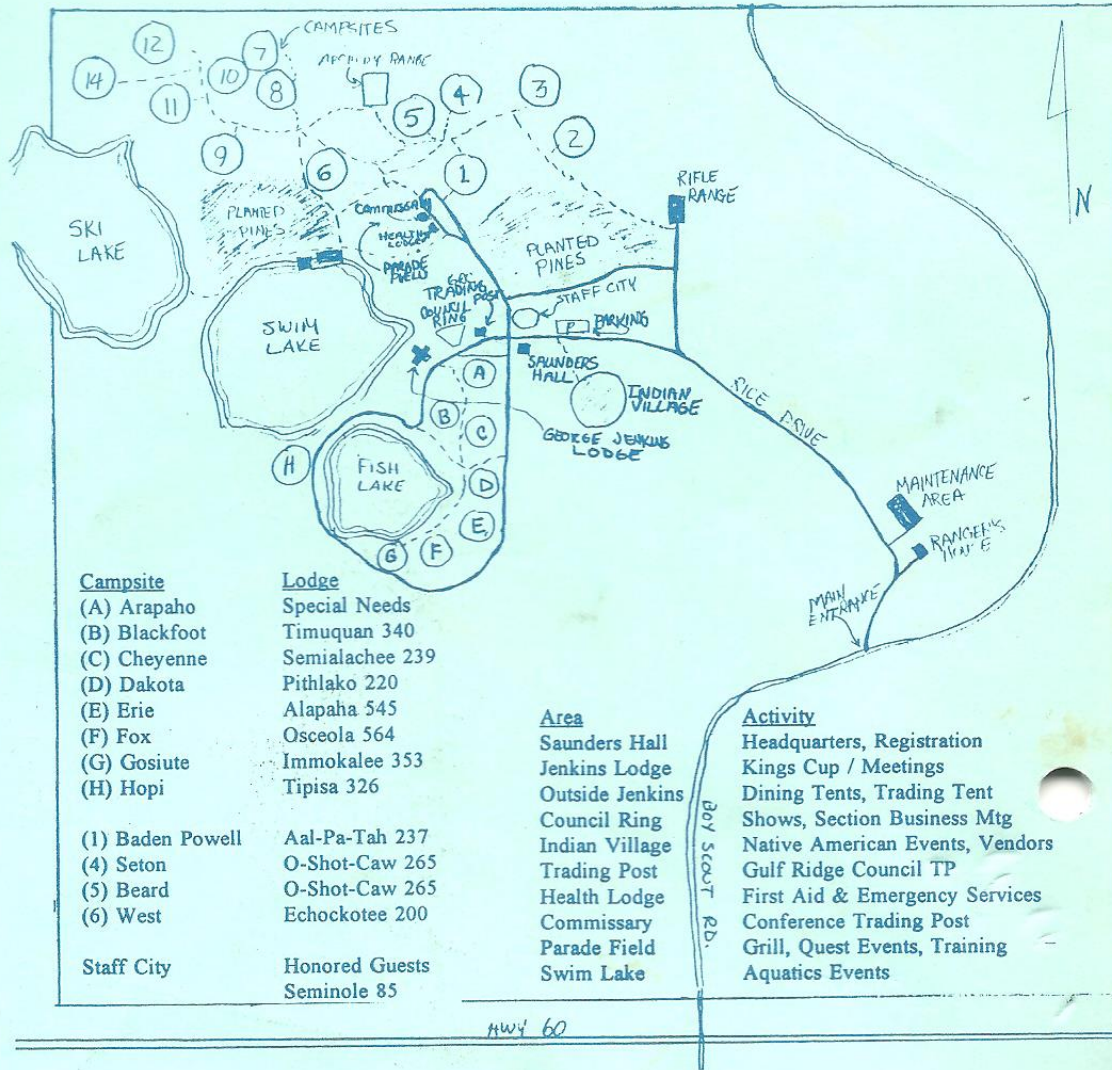
Arrowman's Signature

Lodge Chief or Adviser's Signature



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