



# The Stranahan Post

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Volume 1

## Welcome!

All of you have made the journey to South Florida, and I commend you on the distance traveled. This weekend will be full of fellowship, competitions, training, and inspiration. The Arrowmen of O-Shot-Caw Lodge and South Florida Council have done everything possible to make this the best Section S-4 event ever. Not only will this Conference be a breakthrough weekend, but we hope it will be a hospitable one as well. If you feel otherwise, please approach a member of our Host Corps to tell us how we can serve you and make your Conference experience most enjoyable.

I hope to meet as many of you as possible this weekend. I'm glad that you are all here, and I know that you will have a great time.

In Friendship and Fellowship,

Tony Licudine  
O-Shot-Caw Lodge Chief



## Security

*Juan Hernandez, Chairman*

The members of the security committee of the O-Shot-Caw Lodge have been assigned many different responsibilities. These include the administration of the First Aid Stations, Camp Security, Parking Organization, and the Shuttle service to and from the parking area.

The Security Committee has arranged for an Explorer Post to handle the two first aid stations located within the camp grounds. Each of the stations are located at opposite ends of Camp Seminole. The main First Aid Station is located between the O-Shot-Caw campsite and the pumphouse, the second station is located at Buzzard's Roost near the rear of Camp Seminole. First Aid will remain open 24 hours-a-day.

There will be various members of the committee patrolling the camp throughout the weekend to assure that the Conference is maintained safe. If for any reason a security representative is needed there will be one at both First Aid Stations for the duration of the Conference.

The parking area, located adjacent to Camp Seminole, will have some limitations to its access for safety purposes. The parking lot will be open from 7am to 11pm unless there is an emergency that requires access to the parking lot

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after closing. No one will be allowed to enter or exit the parking area on foot. Everyone must use the Shuttle service in order to ensure safety throughout the Conference. The parking lot is for parking only—no one will be allowed to roam the parking lot.

We will have a Shuttle service running throughout the Conference. On Saturday the Shuttle service will run from the entrance of Camp Seminole to the parking lot and from the rear of Camp Seminole to the parking lot. The Shuttle will be restricted to individuals going to the parking lot and leaving in the vehicles. **No one is to ride the shuttle in order to site see**—it will only be used by those individuals leaving camp in their vehicles.



## Host Corps

*Eston E. Melton, IV, Chairman*

**O**n behalf of the 1996 S-4 Section Conference Host Corps, I would like to welcome you all to beautiful Camp Seminole and what is sure to be one of the most memorable Section Conferences you will ever attend.

During this entire weekend, the Host Corps will be a noticeable presence here at camp—most obviously, the Arrowman or Arrowmen sleeping in your campsite. In our spirit of cheerful service, these brothers have volunteered to sleep in your site, answering your questions about the camp and the Conference program when needed.

We have an information booth set up in the activity field by Mike George Hall. If you cannot find a Host Corps member, head towards the booth and your questions will be answered. Convenient signs have been posted around camp to help you find your way.



## Competitions

*Ivan Lopez, Chairman*

**T**his year's **Quest for the Golden Arrow** has it all! Everything from traditional events, to some from Section Conferences past, to new twists on old favorites. The final tally for the Quest this year will include Volleyball & Tug-of-War results, giving everyone a better picture of just who the best lodge *really* is.

Did you ever dream of playing Jeopardy in the manner it was meant to be played? Well, this year the O.A Jeopardy competition will have a refreshingly new format. The Final Round will be in actual Jeopardy format with categories, point values, and Daily Doubles, and YES you *do* have to answer in question form.

The Quest will also include a Punt, Pass, and Kick competition. If you think you're the next Dan Marino or Joe Montana, then come out and prove it.

If you're a traditionalist, there are still plenty of events for you. The Triathlon, Crowded House, and "Holey" Drums will make repeat appearances from recent section conferences. Also, an old favorite will be returning: The classic test of coordination, The Six Man Seven Legged Race, will once again be a part of the Quest.

This year's Quest has something for everyone, so talk to your Lodge Chief and make sure you participate in the Quest. Help *your* lodge



## Activities

**T**he Ordeal Lunch is open to all ordeal members and Lodge Chiefs. It will be held in Charter Oak campsite. Camp-wide game cards will be distributed tonight after the show, so be on the lookout for them.

## Section Chief

**O**n behalf of the 1996 Conference Committee, O-Shot-Caw Lodge, and the S-4 Council of Chiefs, I would like to welcome you to the 1996 Section S-4 Conference and to Camp Seminole. I am confident that your 1996 conference experience will be a memorable one, as both the Host Lodge and Conference Committee have provided many hours of planning and service to make this conference the best one yet!

As you participate in training, competitions, fellowship, and all of the other exciting events planned, remember that you are an "honor camper." As such, I encourage each of you to keep the ideals of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service close to your heart this weekend.

I look forward to greeting each of you and hope that you have a blast at the 1996 Section S-4 Conference at Camp Seminole.

Yours in Service,

*Devan*  
Devan Desai  
Section S-4 Chief

## Council of Chiefs

The Council of Chiefs meeting will be held at the King's Cup tent tonight immediately following the show. Crackerbarrel will be served to those attending.

The following arrowmen need to attend:

- Lodge Chiefs, Advisors, and Staff Advisors
- Head Judges for all competitions
- Chairmen of teams competing in Inductions, Administration, Publications, King's Cup, Ceremonies, Group Dance, and Singing
- Coordinator of Quest for the Golden Arrow team

## Food Services

*Fred Shapiro, Chairman*

### *The Heron Grill*

Located under the BIG tent near Mike George Hall, The Heron Grill will entice you with its mouth watering array of fine snacks & sodas.

Here's the Menu:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>
Hot Dog	\$1.00
Hamburger	\$1.50
Cheeseburger	\$2.00
Polish Sausage	\$2.50
Soda	\$.50
Candy	\$.50
Chips	\$.50



## Shows

*Gene Scerbo, Chairman*

**L**ights! Camera! Action! Prepare to be entertained and inspired—no, we're not talking about the new flush toilets—the Conference shows this year will be like nothing you've ever seen before.

On Friday evening you will revisit the roots of our order and reaffirm your brotherhood. Afterwards, you can trade patches all night long and experience the true meaning of the Arrow.

Anyway, many people have worked long and hard, so enjoy the show.



## Trading Post

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The Trading Post is closed during ALL shows.

## What's in a name?

Lewis Lefteroff, Assistant Editor

Okay everyone, time for a history lesson. In Romeo and Juliet, William Shakespeare asks "What's in a name?" and he then goes on to talk about flowers. Well, today's lesson isn't about flowers (or Shakespeare for that matter), however, it is about names—our name in particular: The Stranahan Post (go ahead — flip back to the front now and check it out, but make it quick).

Well, once upon a time a man named Frank Stranahan opened a tiny trading post on the bank of the New River, quite near the sight of this year's conference. Through the years this post grew, eventually making it one of the busiest trading centers between the Seminoles and the white man. In the early 1900s, the Stranahan House was built along the banks of the very same New River, and it still stands today as one of Fort Lauderdale's oldest and best known landmarks.

So there you have it. This newsletter was named in honor of Frank Stranahan and his efforts to promote a peaceful coexistence with the Seminoles. Besides, we liked how the name could be interpreted in different ways: 1) The "Stranahan Post" with Post referring to one of a series of trading centers; or 2) The Stranahan Post with Post being synonymous to Herald or Sentinel or NEWSPAPER; or 3) the Stranahan post, as in a pole sticking out of the ground...But I digress. You are now a little bit richer with this knowledge, and hopefully will be tremendously more enriched by the rest of your weekend.

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## I'll Show You!

*Lewis Lefteroff, Assistant Editor*

**W**ere *you* at last night's arena show? Well, if you missed it, *you* missed out. Can you say "quality entertainment?" Hey, I'm just wondering if you can say it—whether or not it *was* really good is up to you. Here's a little test: can you choose the word **●**und town—uh, camp? Was the show A) "Interesting;" B) "Cool;" C) "Fantastic;" D) "110% better than last year's;" or E) All of the Above? The answer, as I'm sure you have already deduced, is, of course, choice E, None—err, All of the Above (think I stuffed enough commas in there?). Seriously though, these were just a few of the rave reviews that we overheard during and after the show last night, so hat's off to Gene Scerbo and his Shows Committee.

We here in Publications found the opening of the show with the Simpsons to be not only an appropriate and attention getting start, but pretty darn funny as well. Hopefully, you're experiences this weekend will be at least on par with those of the campers at Kamp Krusty (it's a joke—a little bit of humor to brighten up your morning. Go ahead and laugh). We only have **●** question: Who do they think they were fooling with that clown disguise? We spotted him right off the bat; don't you only wish we would

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## Swift Comments

**A**s Camp Ranger, I would like to welcome all members of The Order of the Arrow to Camp Seminole. This years conference has a special meaning for me. It is my first Section Conference, and with that I take special pleasure in welcoming the entire Section to Camp Seminole, my home.

I remind you that there are over 1300 arrowmen from all over the State of Florida and Southern Georgia here this weekend. With that in mind, I ask that you respect them as you would want to be respected. And above all else have fun and be careful.

Yours in the Spirit of Brotherhood

Ray Swift  
Camp Seminole Ranger.



## First Aid

**A**nyone needing medical care should go to the white Headquarters trailer in the parking lot next to the BIG tent. First Aid supplies are available from the Metro Dade Fire Rescue medical staff located there

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tell you who "he" was?!

On a final note, a few brothers expressed a bit of concern over the induction ceremony that was reenacted during the show—they felt that it may have been inappropriate because of the possibility that there were non-Arrowmen among the crowd. Well, you will all sleep better knowing that we here in Publications have been assured by a higher power that the ceremony was perfectly safe. We were told that because of the many differences between the original ceremony that was reenacted for the show and the ceremony that is used today, that nothing was put in danger by the reenactment. For a bit of balance, it should also be mentioned that most of the brothers present greatly enjoyed the ceremony, which will be further discussed in another part of this paper, so why don't you just hop on over to it. Happy hunting!



*Did you see the crazy man at the opening show?  
"His name's Gary...It's just a thing he does"*

## Program Notes

In the program schedule, the Jewish services were accidentally listed as being held on Sunday. It should have read: Saturday morning at 8:30am in the Charter Oak campsite. Please make note of this correction.



## We Got Class(es)

The training Committee cordially invites you to attend "*The College of Arrow-dynamics.*" Earn your B.A. or M.A. today by attending the different classes offered. The college will be held in the activities field next to the BIG tent. Help *your* Lodge earn the "BEST TRAINED LODGE" award. Consult your Program Guide for courses and times offered.

A special Workshop will be offered on Native American Ladies Clothing at 1pm in the Indian Village. All brothers are encouraged to stop by and learn about this and other Native American skills during the afternoon.



## Lost & Found

*Bob Wolz, Office Manager*

Joel Drew of Troop 229, Pilthlako Lodge, lost a Canvas Tote Bag at the Trading Post last night. If found, please bring it to the white Headquarters trailer next to the BIG tent.





## Young Ones

Last night our SR-4 Section Chief, Devang Desai, recognized two young scouts from Troop 451. Brian Acosta and Oscar Arroyave, both 11 years old were inducted into the order here at Camp Seminole at the Winter Ordeal this past January.

When asked how he liked the conference, Oscar replied "I think it's awesome" and Brian added that he's making a lot of friends, "like Bobby from Aal-Pa-Tah".

They are both eagerly looking forward to the seminars and all the activities.



## Riddle Me This...

The first three (3) Arrowmen to report the correct answer to the following riddle to the white Headquarters trailer by 2pm today will have their names printed in this evening's *Post*.

Trapped in a watery home,  
I am the beauty in the beast.  
Deep below where the starfish roam,  
That's the place where I'm wanted least.

What am I?

## Food Services

*Fred Shapiro, Chairman*

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## Food Critics' Corner

*The Knowles Family*

Your S-4 food critics dined at the Heron Grill run by the Elgix Chapter of the O-Shot-Caw Lodge last evening. The service was excellent, and the waiters were dazzling in their little red aprons. They serve hot dogs, hamburgers, polish sausage, chips, and sodas for the budget-minded Arrowman. The camp's favorite seems to be the polish sausage with onion and green pepper. On a scale of 1 to 4, we give the Heron Grill 3 W's (WWW)!

The staff, working hard with smoke rising into their faces, made us wonder why they were all smiling. We had to go behind the scenes to find the answer. Informed sources tell us that they don't eat what they serve, instead they dined on fresh salmon fillets stuffed with crabmeat. That would bring a smile to our faces too!



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## Editor's Thoughts

Well, you can't deny it: The show last night was pretty impressive. One of the most thought provoking moments was when members of the O-Shot-Caw Lodge Ceremonies team reenacted the original 1918 Order of the Arrow Induction Ceremony. Why do I say thought provoking? For one thing, the reactions my staff received during interviews with audience members ranged from "Fantastic," to "This kind of display shouldn't be put on in front of non-Arrowmen." In fact, the most interesting reply I heard, in answer to the question, "What did you think about the show?" was from Ken Suttle, a member of Seminole Lodge, who said "I've been in the Order for 23 years, and I've never even heard of those black sashes. I think the whole idea of reenacting the old ceremony is wonderful. I loved it!" The Ceremonies team put a lot of time into researching the ceremony, and went so far as reproducing the black sashes with white arrows, as worn in the 1918 original. I think we can all agree that their efforts were not wasted.

Do you have something you would like to share with the rest of the Arrowmen at this year's Conference? Whether it's comments, stories, or just plain reporting the facts (a little flair wouldn't hurt), we want to hear from you. Submit your writings to the Headquarters trailer by 2pm today, and we'll print it!

Have a nice day!

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## Tipisa's Golden Year

John Rotruck, AASCC



Bucky Yates, Tipisa Lodge Chief, Jason Wolz, 1996 Section Conference Chairman, and Jason Gibson, 50th Anniversary Chairman, pictured at the 50th Anniversary weekend.

Tipisa Lodge 326 turned 50 this year, and celebrated the occasion with an amazing 50th Anniversary weekend. Under the leadership of 50th Anniversary Chairman Jason Gibson, this gala weekend outshone anything that Tipisa has ever done before. Two years in the planning, the 50th weekend drew an unprecedented number of participants. Over 700 Arrowmen, both currently active brothers and faces not seen for many years, made their way to Camp La-No-Che to bask in the feeling of brotherhood that defines Tipisa Lodge.

Activities included a full Friday night show which featured a Rededication Ceremony and a video starring Lodge Chief Bucky Yates. Saturday morning began with many training seminars that offered both a historical

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## Random Thoughts

Anonymous

Some thoughts from 2 wandering Arrowmen:

- ...Have any of you met an Arrowman who's gone to a training seminar?
- ...Will we see the infamous Chupacabra this weekend? This Puerto Rican legend has moved into South Florida, sucking the blood of assorted farm animals, especially goats. The Chupacabra—which in Spanish means goat sucker—is big, has 4 arms and flies. Campers beware!
- ...Do you really want to know what's in the meat? Have some of you noticed a hard, crunchy substance while chewing on your food? What's with the horses? And since when do you make french toast with hot dog buns? The French would be offended, I'm sure.
- ...What's up with the meowing noises in the neighboring fields? Is it the Chupacabra?
- ...Patch traders sure have some endurance. Where do they get it from?
- ...With all of the cellular phones in camp, isn't it a wonder that the emergency number to Camp Seminole is to a recording?
- ...Are any of you insecure about this security?



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perspective of the Lodge and the latest information on Order of the Arrow topics. All former Tipisa chiefs and advisors met for a special luncheon. Saturday afternoon had the Quest for the Golden Arrow, which showcased many popular events from past years. A huge crowd of Arrowmen swarmed to seal their ties in the Brotherhood on this historic weekend. Later that evening, the Saturday night show offered a historical slide show, along with lasers, fireworks, popcorn, and the presentation of the Vigil Honor. Also, the brothers of Tipisa had the pleasure of presenting the Founder's Award to Rick Obermeyer, one of the most active and certainly the most loyal member of the Lodge. A birthday bash swinging to the tunes of a Dixieland band closed out the Saturday evening festivities, although many an Arrowmen stayed awake until the wee hours of the morning renewing old friendships and forming new ones.

As Tipisa looks back fondly on the Anniversary weekend and the 50 wonderful years that it represents, it also looks forward with great anticipation to the next 50 years and the good times and great friends that those next 50 years will bring. Tipisa hopes to see all of our brothers in Section S-4 at the Section Conferences and NOACs to come. Have a great Conference weekend!

## Participation Pins

Section Conference Participation Pins may be picked up at the table outside the BIG tent during Dinner. The price is \$2 each. If you are not going to purchase a pin, you still need to log in your Training hours at the same table, at the same time, in order for your Lodge to accumulate the most points towards winning the Best Trained Lodge Award. *GOOD LUCK TO ALL!*

## Announcements

Paul Anderson says "Be sure to get your FREE maps of Camp Lone Oak at the business meeting Sunday morning from your lodge chief.

Notice to all Lodges: You MUST bring rotating trophies to the business meeting on Sunday.

## Activities

Campwide game cards will be distributed tonight after the show, so be on the lookout for them. The Vigil breakfast will be held Sunday morning in the Charter Oak Campsite.

## Visiting Chiefs

*Interview by Joel Natt*

I was presented with an opportunity to sit and talk with the visiting delegates: Central Region Chief J.J. Arnold, Southern Region Chief John Berry, and Section C5b Chief Chad Krouse. We discussed why they came, what they were missing back at their home sections and regions, and what impressed them.

J.J. remarked that his region had nothing going on this weekend and he could not pass up a chance to see a 1,000+ conclave run smoothly and get a tan while doing it. John felt this was a great opportunity to meet other Arrowmen of the Southern Region. He gave up 6 other section events. "This conference", he remarked, "is the second farthest from his home in Texas. Only Section 7 in North Carolina was farther." Finally, Chad stated this was a perfect opportunity to meet with his NOAC Advisor Ron Bell and CVC Devang Desai. Chad's only regret was he was missing his lodge's "Thal-Coo-Zyo" #457's 45th anniversary.

As we wrapped the discussion up, J.J. and Chad commented that this conference is better than helping Brother Ed Pease campaign for Congress, while John wanted all the Arrowmen to "See the dream, live the adventure."



Section S-4

## Section Chief

*Devang Desai*

Everything is going great. O-Shot-Caw 265 is doing a bang up job, keep it up! Friendship and Fellowship is great. Training went well, and we will look forward to seeing more in the future.



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*Devang Desai, S-4  
Chief, sporting quite a BIG  
headpiece—thankfully his  
head is big enough to fill it!*  
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## On Our Minds

*Lewis Lefteroff, Assistant Editor*

Wouldn't you know it! Our Arrowmen are "tops" in everything, including fashions—no, I mean *really* "tops," as in stuff that goes on top, (yes, on top of your head—now you're starting to get it). Here's just some of the wacky headgear we've seen around camp:

- Pilthlako Lodge's flashing caps.
- Numerous jesters' caps.
- A camp O.J. Brorein cap with a built-in "brim light."
- Tiny evergreens (one was even decorated with lights).
- Devang was wearing a really snazzy get up at the opening ceremony.
- A beanie, complete with propeller.
- Crowns (we sighted numerous supposed "Burger Kings").
- A "Goofy" hat.
- Numerous tiny, squeaky alligators.
- Glasses with lighted frames.
- And even though you don't normally wear them on your head, we have to throw in the inflatable parrot pool float that one young man was wearing around his waist.

## Thought for the Day

*Prepared by Jason M. Gibson, Tipisa Lodge*

Where is that Kitchkinet guy when I need him? Kitchkinet lives within all of us. He showed us the way in which we should live our lives as Order of the Arrow members throughout the ordeal. So to answer the question, that guy Kitchkinet is present in each of us. He is present in the fellowship that we share. He is present each time you wake up in the morning. Kitchkinet is a conscience that is eternally embedded within each Arrowman.

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## At Peace With Nature

*John R. Knowles*

One of the great pleasures of camping is enjoying the sounds of nature...the wind blowing through the pines, the chirp of the birds as they fly from tree to tree...and of course, there's the annoying sound coming from noisemakers that several lodges have brought to camp. First aid reports that the dispensing of aspirins for headaches is directly proportional to the noise being made by these lodges.



## Shows

*Gene Scerbo, Chairman*

Last night you looked back at what the order was. Tonight you will see what the order was, is, and will be. Sit back (please don't if there's no seat back), relax, and enjoy tonight's show. It has a few twists that are sure to baffle you (well maybe just amaze you), so see ya tonight and enjoy the show.

## Kamp Kritique

*Interview by Joel Natt*

Camp Ranger Eric Ginter of Osborn Camp in Albany, Georgia was well impressed by the camp. His thoughts on seeing Seminole were, "This camp is well laid out for ease of accessibility. The campsites are well maintained." He wished to congratulate the members of O-Shot-Caw Lodge for all they have done to make Seminole look as it does. A thought he shared with me is, "If we always do what we always done, then we will always get what we always got."

## Want Ads

**WANTED:** A few good Arrowmen for the O.A. Trail Crew program. Must be 16-20 years old and a cheerful server. Travel to sunny Philmont this summer. Only \$100 for 2 weeks. Plan your own trek. Contact Devang Desai (305) 596-2563 or your lodge chief to apply.

**NEEDED:** Arrowmen who attend NOAC with their lodge to enlist as members of the O.A. Service Corps. Job description: Serve Wednesday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. emptying trash cans, filling water jugs, helping to set up lodge booths, and manning special booths. Compensation: A special Founder's Day Service Corps hat and a real good feeling. See John Berry or Devang Desai this weekend or contact John Berry at 710 Lincoln Dr., Longview, TX 75604 ATTN: Founder's Day Service Corps or (903) 759-8980.

## The Georgia Question

*Lewis Lefteroff, Assistant Editor*

After this morning's edition of The Post, the one question that has most overrun our office is "Where exactly is 'Southern Georgia'?" Well, first off, I'm certain that everyone has realized that this was NOT a typo, for as you all know, we here at Publications are as perfect as they come, and as such, so is our work, so we must have done it on purpose. It is at this point, though, that I would like to apologize to the Arrowmen from Southern Georgia because they were somehow left out of Ranger Swift's welcome letter. This, I must admit, was a mistake on our part and *not* Ranger Swift's, his original included all Arrowmen, including the Georgians. Now that that's out of the way, I will return to the Georgia question. It is all quite simple really, Georgia is a little known territory of the United States that lies just off the coast of Cyprus, which lies just off the coast of Turkey. Now, the whole island is not U.S. property, only the southern half of it, hence the name Southern Georgia, and the two Arrowmen that call Southern Georgia home just happen to be associated with Section S-4. So now you know. I'm glad I could be of help.

## Riddle Me That...


The correct answer to this morning's riddle is "A PEARL". The first arrowmen to turn in the correct answers were:

- Nathan Mondell of Osceola at 9:00 a.m.
- Brian Coslick of O-Shot-Caw at 9:04 a.m.
- Jason Schussler & Adam English of Seminole at 9:06 a.m.

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## Bye-Bye

*The Publications Staff*

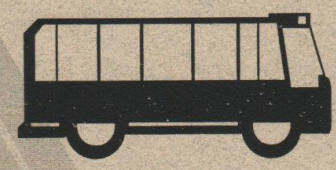
In the immortal words of Micky Mouse: "Now it's time to say good-bye to all our company..."

We here in Publications hope that your weekend here at Camp Seminole has been just as fun, exciting, and hectic as our's has been. We would just like you all to know how hard the brothers of O-Shot-Caw Lodge have worked to make this weekend the most enjoyable weekend that it could possibly be for all of you. If you have had a good time, then please share your pleasure with our brothers. There is nothing that would make us happier than to know that we were successful in our striving to make this one of the best Section Conferences ever.

If you have ever been down here to Camp Seminole before, I'm sure that you hardly recognize the place. The face-lift that this camp has undergone in the past few months is unbelievable. In fact, I have been here to witness many of the changes just as they were occurring, and I can hardly believe that what I am seeing is real. If you have

never been here before, I would suggest that you try to make your way back at some time in the future, just to see what it is like without all of the glitz and glamour that come with such a major event.

In closing, on behalf of not only the Publications committee and the staff of *The Stranahan Post*, but the entire O-Shot-Caw Lodge, I would like to wish everyone a safe and easy journey home (or wherever you may be headed).



## Before You Go...

For departure tomorrow:

Please assist in the loading of your equipment onto the trucks. As soon as your gear is loaded, please proceed to the nearest bus stop to be transported to the parking lot or bus pick-up area. Any further instructions will be provided at these locations.



# The Tale of Seminole Joe

*As told by Chief Running Late*

I can't believe it. All of these people here at Camp Seminole, and no one is talking about him. It's a travesty, a shame, a real pity even. Don't you know that you're doing exactly what he wants. He's managed to stay hidden for so long that everyone has forgotten about him, but I'm sure that if some of you think real hard you'll know exactly who I'm talking about. You blame the missing horses on the creativeness of the cooks. You give credit for the other seemingly unexplainable phenomenon to some silly story of a Puerto Rican goat sucker. How can he fool you all so well, doesn't anyone see—Seminole Joe is back!

For those of you that haven't yet been enlightened, the story goes something like this: South Florida is home to some of the wildest and harshest conditions that have ever plagued the Earth, and out of this savageness came one of the mightiest, most savage men ever to walk, if you can even call him a man that is. This beast was known far and wide. The mere sound of his name was once enough to make grown men weep in fear. The one place where this animal was able to make his home was deep within the Florida Everglades with a small band of Seminole Indians. They took him in and cared for him, looking past the cruel features that nature had bestowed upon him. Because of this, he loved them with a love that was just as empowering as his hulkish physique. Because of the life they had given him, he swore that he would one day repay them. They were everything to him. It was no longer him and them, it was now them all.

Then, one day while he was out wander-

ing, as he often did, everything came tumbling down around him. When he returned to his once accepting home, he found murder and mayhem, chaos and disaster. As the story goes, the entire village was destroyed in a vain attempt to reach him. It appears that the encroaching white man had heard stories of a fierce and savage beast, and they were determined to destroy it, and they had no problem destroying anything that got in their way, including the Seminoles that he loved so. They had given him so much, and he had not been able to protect a single one of them.

Now here's the kicker. Would you like to make a stab at where that doomed village had met its doom? Bingo! Right here, the present day location of Camp Seminole. Ever since that fateful night so many moons ago, this enraged beast, now more like a blood thirsty animal than ever before, has roamed these very lands searching for the men that committed that atrocity, letting nothing, not even innocent scouts, stand in his way. The good thing is that this beast, long ago given the name Seminole Joe, only ventures forth from his lair on the darkest nights, finding his way by the eerie luminescence of the heavens and the screams of little boys.

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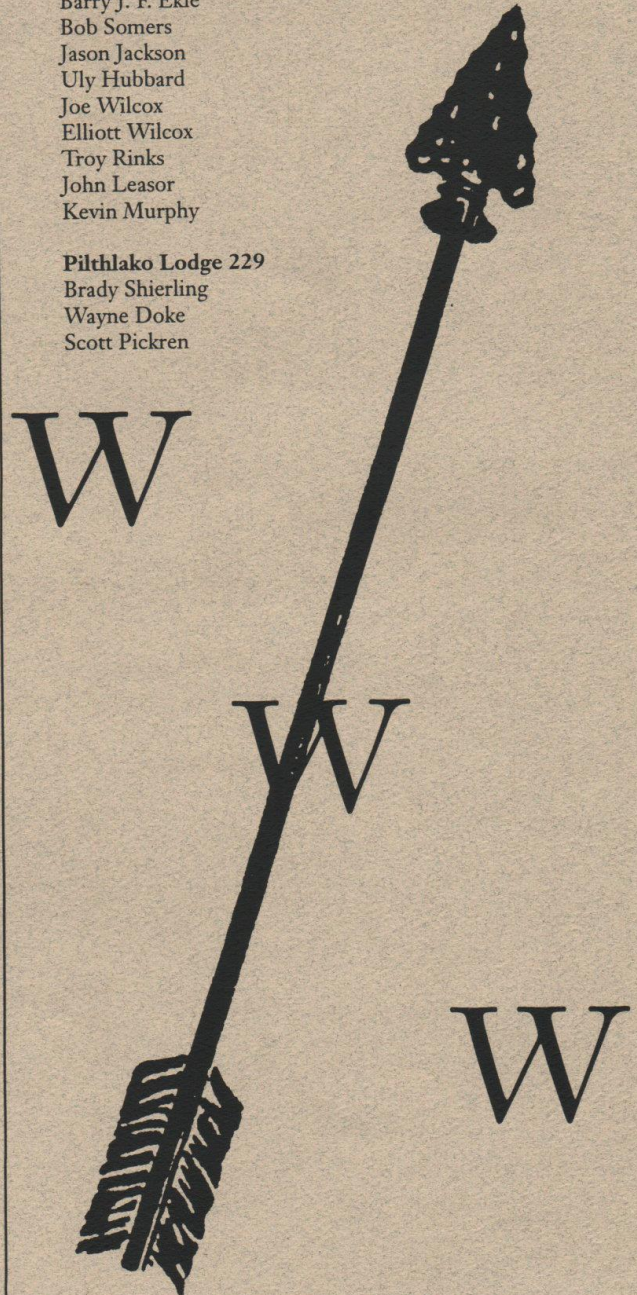
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