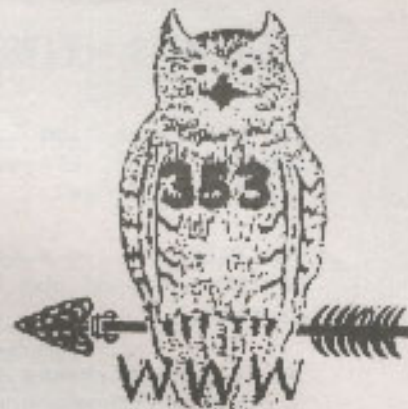


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WELCOME

The weather cooperated, Elangomats were superior, candidates performed outstanding, Ordealmaster and ceremony team were at an unusually high expectation and were right on target with their effort, cooks prepared outstanding food, and the lodge as a whole did what was required of us for a successful Ordeal.

Those newly inducted members of our Order are Brian Ussery, Terrell Mann, Jeremy Jensen, John Shalack, Tillman Oxford, Chris Wall; Trey Sapp, Dean Kistler, Howell Halford, Robin Cobb, Mike Pierce; Josey Miller, Al Dixon, Tom Lawrence, Jr., Joshua Shalack, Wally Joiner; Dax Hoxsie, Randy Nielson, Hal Dorsey, Zack Taylor; Brent Whitaker, Michael Owen, Aldine Owen, Lane Davis, Andy Dent; Clint Smith, Erik Dilts, Steve Betts, Dexter Thomas, Chuck Cottle; Tom Knighton, Doug Kahlon, Thomas Brender, Bobby Stewart, Greg Davis; Perry Griffin, Billy Manning, Matthew Gresham, Howard Tyus, Jr., Chuck McGarty; Brian Pinkston, Clark Page, Taff Doughit, Brian Fennell, Mike Wohrley, Johnny Teemer and Jason Albritton.

We WELCOME each of you to Immokalee Lodge and hope that you will make yourself known to those whom you do not know and enter into the lodge program and activities with enthusiasm. You have skills and knowledge that is valuable to the lodge, please join, one or more, of the working committees of the lodge, and help the lodge grow!

ORDEAL IS OVER—47 NEW MEMBERS IN OUR BROTHERHOOD!!

Friday, August 22, Arrowmen started arriving at Camp Osborn for the purpose of inducting newly elected candidates into the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. The candidates checked in and were introduced to the Elangomat assigned to his clan. Anticipation ran high for both the candidates and Arrowmen, as this was an important time for both, as the lodge's work for the coming year depends on dedicated Arrowmen willing to give freely of their selves in the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. The newly inducted candidates will help to provide this service, if, we the lodge conduct our Ordeal in the proper manner!

This we did, and I am sure that the new Brothers will confirm, by their willingness to attend ALL functions of the lodge.

ELANGOMATS - FIRST TIME USED

For the first time in the history of Immokalee Lodge, Elangomats were used in the August Ordeal.

The Elangomat is a SPECIAL person, a FRIEND--someone who is like an older brother.

The Elangomat takes the Ordeal with the newly elected members, doing all that they do, being one of them, and encouraging them by example.

Those SPECIAL, FIRST TIME ELANGOMATS were Christopher Merritt, Jim Vinson, Jr., Cleve Roland, Mark Tippins and Ed Cendroski, Jr.

"A journey of a thousand miles, can only begin with a single step" (Anonymous) and each of the above have started the journey for the Immokalee Lodge. We thank you for showing us the "Spirit of Cheerful Service."



Chiefly Speaking

BEN HORTON ELECTED LODGE CHIEF

NEW LODGE CHIEF AND OFFICERS ELECTED

Lodge elections were held Sunday morning, August 24, after breakfast for Chief, 1st and 2nd Vice Chiefs and Secretary/Treasurer.

Those elected were:

Ben Horton, Chief

Chet Lapeza, First Vice Chief

David Latimer, Second Vice Chief

Ashley Goss, Secretary/Treasurer

Their term of office will begin January 1, 1987.

Congratulations!!



CONFERENCE NLS BIG HIT

Dressed in a bright yellow and green beach shirt, sunglasses, and a tan, NLS program coordinator Michael Hoffman added some excitement to the NLS. The program started at 8:00 on Tuesday morning and was completed with an award ceremony at 4:40 Wednesday. The participants were instructed in areas of lodge leadership; finance, program, and communications. As a special bonus for their completion of the stringent training program, the Arrowmen were presented a special black and red NLS patch made especially for the National Conference.

The attendance at the NLS was outstanding, training slots not filled by preregistration were taken on a first-come first-served basis and filled within two hours on Monday. "With the request on Monday, looked as if we could have filled 350 spots," commented Hoffman. The participants represented all six regions and over 60 lodges. A response such as this gives light to the possibility of expanding the program in the future.

Holding the NLS in a NOAC (National Order of the Arrow Conference) setting like this created a unique opportunity to experiment with new training ideas. "We've used a new participant workbook" continues Hoffman, "Also new teaching techniques that help the trainer interact more." These special programs will be reviewed by the National Committee for consideration of implementing them into the regular program.

Arrowmen attending the NLS at NOAC this August were Ben Horton and Ashley Goss, from Immokalee Lodge. Lodge Adviser Brooks Lovelace was the contingent leader. Five members of Alapaha Council also attended the NOCA with Immokalee Lodge.



BIRTHDAYS:

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY" to each of the following Arrowmen of Immokalee Lodge. May your opportunities, in the new birthday year, give you time to "kindle the flame from within" and help you build upon the fire of Cheerfulness, the Cheerfulness from within each of you.

SEPT. Brian Atwater (12)
Harvey Causey (14)
Ed Cendroski, Jr. (26)
Tommy Cline, Jr. (9)
Ernest Forthman (26)
Doug Gilliland (16)
Mantoie Hicks (9)
John Keith (15)
Bryant Liles (10)
Derrick Odom (30)
T. Aldine Owen (13)
Clark J. Page (18)
Charles W. Palmer (21)
Stewart Rivers (3)
Joshua T. Shalack (27)
Jay Taylor (29)
Zack K. Taylor (22)
Charles H. Thaden (12)
Carter Tharpe (1)
Timothy B. Whitaker (14)
John D. Woodward (18)

OCT. Amos N. Berry, Jr. (24)
Brent S. Cook (7)
Andrew K. Dent (2)
Thomas J. Dugger (19)
Troy Exum (18)
Edward Jarrett (25)
Jeremy L. Jensen (11)
Michael Montgomery (21)
C. E. Mosley (14)
Chris B. Ray (19)
Sandip U. Shah (14)
Clint A. Smith (24)
John Stacy (5)
Mark Tippins (23)
Howard Unruh (19)
Quinnon L. Wynn (11)

NOV. Jason Albritton (6)
Wade Barr (4)
Lee Bates (19)
Johnnie Bryant, Jr. (24)
Jamie Bush (25)
Patrick Gerbert (7)
Howell F. Halford (26)
Dean L. Kistler (23)
Thomas L. Knighton (30)
Christopher J. Merritt (16)
Jeff J. Rogers (8)
Donald W. Stull (16)
Sam S. Thompson (25)

If your birth date fell within these three months and you were not listed, it is because the lodge secretary does not have the required information on your permanent record sheet. Please give the information to the secretary as soon as possible.

Order of the Arrow

He stood before the hidden fire
The night sounds thrilled his marrow;
His shoulders squared, 'twas his desire
To "make" Order of the Arrow.

The Indian costumed members told
Of cheerfulness in service,
And gave to him the torch to hold
And pass to those with merit.

Alone, apart from all the rest,
He slept, at least he tried;
The thoughts that passed in mind distressed
He sorted with knowing pride.

He 'wakened from his earthly bed
And started arduous tasks;
For hours and hours the sweat he shed
As muscles rebelled and nerves rasped.

The food was scant, no aroma, no taste
As appetite craved attention,
The tightened belt around his waist
Belied thoughts he couldn't mention.

Silence complete for twenty-four hours
Without speech or sound,
Gave time to reflect in these days of ours
That idle tongues gossip around.

Then once again before the fire
And Scouts who'd gone before him;
He took the pledge of ideals higher
With a heart that swelled within.

An Arrowman where'er he be
With cheerfulness abides,
In brotherhood of service he
Will serve on every side.

RESERVATION FORM FOR MAKEUP ORDEAL AND BROTHERHOOD - OCT. 3 - 5, 1986

I plan to support Immokalee Lodge by attending this and all other activities. Please reserve a space for me. I will bring my own tent and equipment for the weekend. (Adults may bring travel trailers or campers for the weekend.) Meals will be served.

NAME.....Address.....

OCTOBER 3 - 5, 1986
MAKEUP ORDEAL & BROTHERHOOD

BROTHERHOOD MEMBERSHIP AND CEREMONY TO BE
HELD OCTOBER 3, 4 & 5, 1986

Your completion of the Ordeal sets you on the next part of your "long and tollsome journey"; at least 10 months of active preparation for sealing your membership in the Brotherhood ceremony.

The Ordeal has introduced you to the mysteries of the Arrow. Now, during your service as an Ordeal member, you have ample opportunity to increase your knowledge of the Arrow and to make it work for you.

The O.A. Handbook provides all the basic information you will need during this important time. Your brothers in the Order stand ready to help also, and you should take advantage of their support whenever possible.

MAKEUP ORDEAL TO BE HELD ON THE SAME WEEKEND
AS THE BROTHERHOOD CEREMONY

Ordeal candidates that did not make the past Ordeal weekend have this last chance to complete the Ordeal!

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE ABOVE WEEK-
END

Those attending the OA Weekend of Oct. 3, 4 & 5, 1986, reservations are required by September 26, 1986.

Cost: Ordeal candidates.....\$20.00
Brotherhood candidates.....\$16.00
Members attending.....\$10.00

Please send fee with reservations to the Council Office, 930 West Oglethorpe, Albany, GA. 31701



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