The Spring 2006 Owl Hoot is mislabeled as Number 2. It is in fact the first Owl Hoot for 2006.

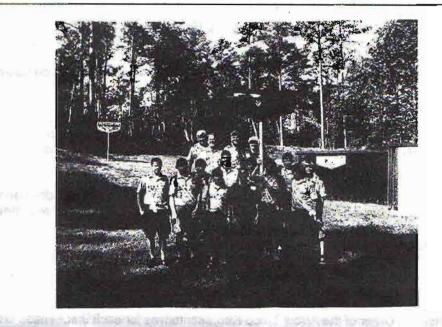
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IMMOKALEE SCORES BIG AT CONCLAVE AGAIN

We didn't do quite as well in the win column at our Section Conclave, April 21-23, as we did last year, but we did quite well. We placed second in Wischixin, third in tug-of-war and volleyball and our North Cub exhibit placed third. Our Ordeal Ceremony team preformed again, but there was no competition in this event.

Unfortunately, only 17 members of Immokalee Lodge attended this year's conclave. This is the lowest number to attend a section conclave in over 10 years. All we went can tell you that they had a great time.

CHIEFLY SPEAKING

Brothers: Section Conclave is an annual event, hosted by one of the lodges in our section, SR4N. This year it was hosted by Woa Cholena Lodge at Camp Maubila, Alabama. Next year the conclave host will be Pithlako Lodge, headquartered in Brunswick, Georgia. This is the first time it has been in Georgia since we hosted in 2003. And it won't be very far to travel. Hopefully, we can send a larger contingent than we did this year.

The next event our lodge will be hosting is a Fishing Rodeo, May 13. For more information on this read Vice Chief Devin Hutchinson's Service Opportunities article.

Yours in Service, Patrick Johnson Lodge Chief

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Brothers, when you went through your Ordeal Ceremony, you obligated yourself to a life of cheerful service to your brothers, your troop, and your lodge. If it is hard for you to think of ways in which you can fulfill your pledge of service, here are a few ways in which you can help your lodge. We need you.

On May 13, there is a camp work day to help get Camp Osborn ready for Summer Camp. On that same day we will also be hosting a Fishing Rodeo for younger children. We need all the help we can get: we will help with fishing, work a concession stand, and work on camp facilities. Please be at camp by 8:00 AM. Lunch will be provided. Bring your work gloves and come dressed for service.

Summer Camp is coming! Remember the good times you had and the values you learned while at summer camp? We need more youth staff to help camp run properly. The Camp will be conducting Staff interviews on May 13. If you are 14 or older, and interested in Camp Staff, you can be interviewed for a possible position that day.

In October, there is an event called "One Day of Service", a day when the Lodge does service projects in the community, rather that for the Camp or Scouts. This year I would like to have several projects for our Lodge: one in each District of our Chehaw Council. By having several projects, the Brothers who serve will be able to see the results in their home area. This should also increase the number of participants. Non-members may also participate in these projects. Please let me know if you are interested in leading the One Day project in your area and I will work with you and your community.

We are also in need of Order of the Arrow Troop Representatives for each unit. These brothers become part of the Lodge Executive Committee and help keep their unit informed of upcoming lodge events. Brothers, talk to your Scoutmaster then email me or call if you would like to serve your troop and lodge in this way. Scoutmasters, please help us with this need. Serving as OA Troop Representative counts toward service for rank advancement.

Let me remind you that the lodge does recognize those Brothers who have "cheerfully served" by presentation of special service flaps. They are presented each year at our Christmas Banquet. This is you Lodge's way of saying "thank you" for your service.

Yours in Service

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2007 WILL BE IMMOKALEE'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY

Immokalee Lodge was chartered in 1947. Next year will be our 60th Anniversary. To recognize this, we will have a special 60th Anniversary flap. To come up with the design, we are having a contest.

Any member of the lodge can enter a design. It should be a one piece pocket flap. The only other requirements are that it should have our totem (the owl) and say something about the 60th Anniversary. All entries will be judged by the Lodge Executive Committee.

Entries should be submitted to any youth or adult member of the Executive Committee by July 1. You may also mail it to: Immokalee Lodge, Chehaw Council, 1519 Mitchell Ave., Albany, GA 31705. The member who submits the winning design will receive 2 free flaps.

2006 WINTER POWWOW

Winter Pow Wow was a blast! Ask anyone who attended and they'll tell you what a fun time they had. The event was themed on the movie "Napoleon Dynamite". Friday night we watched the movie and then had fun with a game of "Dynamite Jeopardy.

Saturday, we had a variety of activities such as "Tater Tot" eating contest, a relay race, a football toss, played Dance Dance Revolution and a marathon.

This event was a huge success and I hope that we will have more participation next year. I couldn't leave without being stopped by all who told me how much fun they had. I hope to see you next year.

Devin Hutchinson Vice Chief-Programs and Service

DUES, DUES

If you were not at the Christmas Banquet, didn't go through the Fall or Spring Fellowship as an Ordeal Candidate or Brotherhood, chances are you have not paid your 2006 dues. Your Lodge would appreciate it very much if you would send in your \$6.00 dues to the Scout Office. We need your membership.

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FALL FELLOWSHIP

It is still several months until we have our Fall Fellowship and Ordeal, but this is to give you a good advance notice that the dates have changed from our traditional September event.

Conflicts with football and other early fall events have caused reduced attendance from members and Candidates. Although the dates that the Lodge Executive Committee selected are late in the fall, they fit the criteria of fewer conflicts. The new dates are November 17-19. Please put these dates on your calendar. Not only should they reduce conflicts, the weather should be much cooler than early September.