

# Owl



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IMMOKALEE LODGE 353

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## Chiefly Speaking

Brothers, as the new year begins I am looking forward to fellowship and fun. I am not only speaking about our Lodge but rather about enjoying fellowship with our new brothers in Florida.

I have already began work on the Lodge level and have participated in the Council of Chiefs meeting held during the Seminar Weekend at Camp Shands in Florida. While there I became acquainted with the other Lodge Chiefs and the Section Officers of the S-4 Section. They are very enthusiastic about our becoming a part of the new section and are hoping to see us at the Section 4 Conference (conclave) April 16 - 18th in Florida.

I look forward to seeing Immokalee Lodge grow in its resources and interests, however I can not do this alone. I know that with everyone's support and encouragement our lodge will truly become great.

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Mack Stephens

## FINAL FOUR FELLOWSHIP

Our Brothers in Georgia are planing a final fellowship. It will be a great opportunity to see Camp Thunder near Griffin as the guests of Ini-to Lodge 324.

Enjoy the fellowship of the eight Georgia Lodges, together again for the LAST time. For this function to be held, the SE-4 Lodges must pre-register a minimum total of 250 members.

Immokalee was the Alpha, the beginning- (the first SE-4 conclave in 1983) and the Omega, the end (the last SE-4 conclave in '92) make plans to attend the "Final Four (SE-4) Fellowship" March 5-7th, 1993.

Fees for Registration and money for Trading Post items must be RECEIVED by Council office not later than December 31, 1992.

For registration fees and trading post prices see the insered registration form in the middle of the Owl Hoot.

## LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

It is hard to believe that two years have past, it seems only yesterday that I accepted the job of Lodge Advisor. It's hard to put into words what we have accomplished in that time.

Looking back over the changes that have been made in our Lodge's operations, the chapters stand out in my mind as the most important step. They I have given us participation from all four corners of the council. Two of the four new lodge officers for 1993 are former Chapter Chiefs. The new Lodge Advisor, Mr. Barney Knighton became active in the Lodge by being a Chapter Advisor. Our Lodge is standing tall because of the Chapters.

Expanding the Lodge Executive Council to include Chapter Chiefs and Advisors has led to growth in both participation and increasing the knowledge of the operation of the Lodge. I believe this will lead to further growth in the future. The stepping stone approach to developing youth leaders will continue to strengthen the Lodge.

Some of the functions I remember most include the 1991 Christmas

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### HAPPY HOLIDAYS







## WITSCHINDIN (ONE WHO ASSISTS)

BY MARK ROVICK  
OWL HOOT ADVISOR

It is time to reflect on the accomplishments to one who advised our Lodge for the last two years and to thank him for his service and dedication to the Order of the Arrow and Immokalee Lodge 353. Mr. Lee Bates will end his term as Lodge advisor at the end of 1992.

In the past two years he has overseen the restructuring of the lodge and held major responsibility in planning and holding the final SE-4 Conclave. He has helped to publish two Lodge Plan Books and hold executive board meetings, call outs, lodge functions, rechartering and banquets.

His term at the helm has not been a smooth nor easy one for him. Members have disagreed with his policies at times but let it be stated plainly, no one has ever questioned his motivation as being anything other than

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## FLORIDA BOUND!

On the weekend of April 16-18th, 1993 Immokalee Lodge will participate in the FIRST S-4 Conference (conclave) to be held at Camp Shands, in Hawthorn Florida. It will be hosted by Echokotee Lodge #200. They promise an outstanding program and a weekend of fun.

To attend this weekend of fellowship all registrations must be RECEIVED at the Council Office on or before March 1, 1993.

Trading Post orders must be RECEIVED (with payment in full) in the Council Office on or before Feb. 1st, 1993.

For registration fees and trading post prices see the inserted registration form in the middle of the Owl Hoot.

## TO HELP OTHER PEOPLE...

by Mack Stephens

Brothers, Immokalee Lodge was asked to help revive the Scouting program in South Florida that was decimated by Hurricane Andrew.

Devarg Desai, the Lodge Chief of O-Shotcaw 265 reported on what Andrew did in his area. The type of destruction is unbelievable in the South Florida. O-Shotcaw has requested a donation of money from each lodge in S-4 Section to be used to buy scouting equipment to replace what was destroyed.

I would like to see Immokalee Lodge, in the spirit of Brotherhood and helpfulness, come to the aid of our brothers in O-Shotcaw but the choice is yours. More discussion on this will be held at the Christmas Banquet, December 4th.

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Banquet Indian speaker, the 1991 brotherhood ceremony team that memorized their parts

The '92 Conclave is the best example we could have had to showcase the talent in our Lodge; registration, security, trading post, food, shows, facilities, health lodge, indian affairs, publications, the work weekends, ect, ect, I continue to be proud of the contributions YOU made.

It is important for the Lodge to understand the commitment a person must make to agree to advise the operation of a Lodge. It is easy to sit back and know how you would do it, a totally different story to do it; part of this commitment is time consuming effort, it can either be creative or 1,2,3 by the book; but at all times the good of the Lodge is foremost.

It will be my goal in the future to support the Lodge leadership, to make the ideals of the Order my ideals, and to use every positive means in my power to advance the Scouting Movement.

It is easy to look back and want to stop time; to be able to correct past errors and change history but we can neither stop time nor return to the past. All leadership is judgement and we can only look to the future. I am satisfied with my efforts, I have fought a good fight and my time is done. Its time for a change, New creative ideas, new traditions, new leadership, and a new future.

In the Brotherhood,  
Lee Bates,  
Lodge Advisor, '91-'92





## SMOKE SIGNALS

FROM THE CHAPTERS



### Kolomoki

The Kolomoki Chapter was pretty inactive over the summer, but we are starting up soon and are excited about the upcoming year.

Our chapter had a relatively good representation at the fall fellowship. We are proud to announce that three of our members, Mr. Gary Cannon, Jeff Causey, and John Roberts, attained the vigil honor at the fellowship. Members attending the fellowship were, Harvey, Lara, Jeff, and Trey Causey, Joe and Spence Jackson Gary, and Chip Cannon, Bob and John Roberts, and Allan Balkson.

In Brotherhood,  
Chip Cannon



### Amangiach

Greetings Brothers, we here in the Albany area are looking forward to coming year. We have already began working toward activities to help not only our chapter but the Lodge as well.

Our first meeting since the chapter elections held a lot of promise for the next year and beyond. While at the Section Training Seminars I picked up some ideas to help attendance. We will try them here in Albany and share how well they work with the rest of the Lodge.

Good luck to all in the next year.

In the Brotherhood,  
Tom Knighton,  
Chapter Chief



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## REMEMBER ATTEND THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BANQUET DECEMBER 4TH



IN ALBANY  
AT THE  
ELKS CLUB,  
CORNER OF  
SLAPPEY  
DRIVE AND  
PALMYRA  
AVE. (JUST  
NORTH OF  
THE RED  
LOBSTER)

## AND A GOOD TIME WAS MISSED BY MOST

BY BARNEY KNIGHTON,  
INCOMING LODGE ADVISOR

For those of you who were not able to attend the first S-4 Seminars and Council of Chiefs on November 13-15th, you missed a treat.

The event was hosted by the Osceola Lodge 564 at Camp Miles. The Lodge Chief, Scott Templin and the entire Lodge went out of their way to make "The Brothers From the North" (as we were called) feel at home. The Brothers from the Section made sure that all of us had a great time.

Training sessions covered topics such as camp promotions, ceremonies, chapel service for the OA, Elangomat training, fancy dance, grass dance, how to run an effective chapter, how to start a dance team, old style Seminole clothing, ordeal administration, ordeal/ elangomat problem solving, plains indian craft fair, ... and so on. (Sounds like a full conclave/conference, huh)

Our own Jim Hayes found out that you have to dress just in order to beat the drum and sing!

Using this trip as an example of things to come, you DO NOT want to miss the Section Conference April 16-18th, 1993 at Camp Shands (outside of Gainesville, Fla). The last two conferences had laser shows in their opening programs!

We also got to see Sam the Chicken!!!



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!  
ANNUAL O. A. DUES ARE  
DUE BY DECEMBER 31ST!

## SMOKE

The Americus Chapter will have a meeting on the first Wednesday of December, December the 2nd. The meeting will be held at the Troop 282 scout hut, at 7:00 PM. This meeting will cover changing our chapter's name, voting for the new chapter chief for 1993, and sharing what events are upcoming in the lodge. This is a VERY IMPORTANT meeting, brothers, please try to attend. I would like extend a special invitation to our new brothers who joined our chapter during this summer's ordeal to attend this special chapter meeting.

The Americus Chapter congratulates Arrowmen Jason Peckem, and Nick Philmon on attaining Eagle Rank this year. This has been a very good year for our chapter and I was glad to have served you as Chapter Chief. I look forward to serving you as Lodge Secretary Treasure in 1993.  
in the Brotherhood,  
Robert Rovick  
1992 Chapter Chief

## WITSCHINDIN

what he believed best for the Lodge and the Order.

The Lodge is stronger and better for his advice and efforts. The youth of this lodge stand poised to take direct command of the Lodge due in no small part to Lee's leadership. For his efforts and unselfish devotion to the Lodge and the OA, we, the Arrowmen of Imokalee Lodge extend to Mr. Lee Bates our eternal gratitude.

**IT'S THAT TIME  
AGAIN!  
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# REGISTRATION FORM FOR "FINAL FOUR FELLOWSHIP"

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"SECTION CONFERENCE 1993"



## "FINAL FOUR FELLOWSHIP"

REGISTRATION \$16      PATCHES \$ 3

HAT PINS \$2.50      NECKERCHIEFS \$4

COFFEE MUGS \$5      TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

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### SECTION S-4 CONFERENCE 1993



ON TIME REGISTRATION FEE	\$13	LATE REGISTRATION FEE	\$18
PATCH	\$ 3	NECKERCHIEF	\$ 9
HAT PIN	\$ 2	MUG	\$
3.50			
BOLO TIE	\$ 4.50	BACK PATCH	\$ 5.50
MED-XL T-SHIRT	\$ 8	XXL T-SHIRT	\$ 9.50
COMMEMORATIVE SE-1			
NECKERCHIEF	\$ 11	TOTAL	\$ _____

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