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FROM THE PUBLISHERS

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Tardiness. No dog ate our homework, no flat tire, no earthquakes. In no small part due to an out of town visitor, but Hurricane Wilma was certainly no friend. And certainly those involved in the cleanup and recovery have had priorities higher than this little patch newspaper. And there are still higher priorities.....

A baby! David and his wife Jackie are the proud parents of a baby girl! The child's name is Elizabeth, born on October 28. Baby and parents are doing fine. To be classified as C-1 (2005); 1/ life, no trade.

The hurricane damage (2005). South Florida was hit hard again this year, with some camps sustaining damage. Most significant was Camp Sawyer, South Florida Council's property near Fort Lauderdale. Those of you that attended the 2005 Section Conference can recall the large number of Australian pines that grew around the camp, that are no longer there. Inside this issue is a larger article on the damage.

2007 World Jamboree. Already, councils are gearing up for the 100th anniversary of Scouting around the world, culminating with the 100th Anniversary World Scout Jamboree, to be held in Great Britain from July 27 to August 8. Over 3200 Americans are expected to attend.

At the Seminars, someone who knows about the cost of such world events had a bit of interesting trivia. Do you know how the registration fee (not including transportation expenses and other costs) is determined? Each nation is charged a different fee for its attendees, based on a formula involving

the gross domestic product of the attendee's country. So, an American will be expected to spend more that a Mexican Scout, who will pay more than a Scout from Morocco, who pays more than an Angolan.

What does 2006 hold? Well, it is a NOAC year (events flaps and other patches), lodges are being squeezed to come up with more money for camperships (more fundraiser items), and there's likely to be more lodge events (more event patches). Time for a second job...

But for the newsletter, there will be some changes. We're still fiddling around with the technology and the implementation, but are looking to go to an electronic format. Be sure to let David know your preference. Granted, you won't have the newsletter mailed the traditional way, but you would receive it in color.

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HURRICANE SEASON 2005 SAME SONG, SECOND VERSE

Just when 2004 seemed like the worst year for Scout Camps vs. hurricanes, along came Wilma. The last storm of 2005 with a real name (not from the Greek alphabet) cut a path across the southern end of the state, from Collier County through to the Fort Lauderdale area, with extensive damage all the way down to the Keys.

South Florida Council's website reported damage at all three of their properties, with the worst at Camp Seminole, the site of the last Section Conference. The council's newsletter states that the camp is likely to be closed for at least 6-12 months. The roads are impassible, and 5 of the 12 latrines have been destroyed. Approximately 85% of the Australian pines have been felled, and some piles of trees reach 15 feet tall. Both the water system and the COPE course have been heavily damaged, and will require replacement. Oddly enough, there is good news. Prior to the storm, the town of Davie required the council to develop a plan that would, over the next 15 years, eliminate all non-native vegetation from the property, including Brazilian Pepper trees and Australian pines. Due to all of the damage, the council is clearing all of the non-native plants from the property now, and will re-forest with native foliage over the next several years. The council will take advantage of the cleared state of the camp to re-design the facility. In the meantime, the Haunted Forest fundraiser for 2005 was cancelled, and O-Shot-Caw will be forced to relocate their activities elsewhere.

Camp Sawyer in the Keys is still open. Some tarpaper and shingle damage to the roof over the women's bathroom was the extent of the structural damage, and the Chartroom building suffered the loss of some store merchandise and water damage to appliances. About 30 trees need to be cut up and removed. A large amount of sand washed into Campsites One and Two, and will be moved to fill in lower lying areas, as well as shoring up the boat area. Camp Everglades fared best of the three, requiring about eight trees to be cleared from the road, while a roof and some truss supports will need replacement.







Pictures from Camp Seminole (left-right) the entrance gate to the camp; aerial view of the camp property; scene from inside the camp.





Pictures from Camp Sawyer (left) the area near the shelter, next to the Charthouse building. (right) a sand dune near the beach at the camp.

NEW ISSUES

> Who else to start with but **O-Shot-Caw 265**? Since the Jamboree in August, they have issued "at least" four chenilles, 25 made of each (**C-21 through 24**): two rounds (one regular member, RED felt, the other an LEC with GLD felt) and two flap shaped LEC chenilles (GMY arrowhead; one with TAN leather within the chenilled area, the other with the leather extending beyond the chenille). "At least", as there are three more ("old gold" arrowhead, and TAN arrowhead; one GMY arrowhead with a felt background). Also pictured in this issue is the 2005 Lodge Executive Committee flap (**S-106**).

> Seminole 85 had come out with one Elangomat flap (S-45; WHT letters) before the Jamboree, and is pictured in this issue. But there is now a second Elangomat flap (S-48) with GMY and SMY lettering. This is being issued to those Elangomats where a percentage of the clan's members have reached Brotherhood.

A flap-shape patch was offered on eBay in December for Kiondashama, the name that Seminole used to have. No patch was ever issued while the lodge had that earlier name, and that makes this a fake of a fake.

- > For hosting the 2005 Section S-4S Seminars & Council of Chiefs, **Timuquan 340** issued a host flap (S-50). Also new for them is a "First Year Arrowman" award, a dangle (X-18) for wear with their standard flap patch. This patch is awarded to the new Arrowmen meeting certain requirements, or for sale to the lodge membership for \$20 each.
- New chapter patches are now available from Aal-Pa-Tah 237's Oiyata Chapter (R-1) and from Oglala Chapter of Echockotee 200 (2005 Camporee staff).
- > Section S-4S has issued two new patches, both for being the home of National Vice Chief Seth Mollitt: one with RED lettering was available to all of the lodges, the other was made with GLD lettering; only 100 were made with that color lettering, and they were given to Seth to distribute in appreciation to those that have assisted him

during the year.

- > New council shoulder patches: Gulf Ridge Council has a new Eagle Scout SAP, their second this year, but with a SMY border and lettering; Central Florida Council, issued in appreciation for longtime Council Executive Wayne Densch, and Southwest Florida Council, with a new "75th Anniversary of Camp Flying Eagle" CSP, with a BLK border.
- > No pictures are available at this time, but from North Florida Council are three new shoulder patches: an all-white "Investment in Character Presenter", the 2006 FO\$ ("Kind"), and one that matches the 2005 FO\$ ORG border, but no FO\$ verbage (this was being sold on eBay as an error issue, with some pieces sold by the council).

And now, the rest of the story....

See the patch at the end of this article? This is the long-rumored "Jamboree flap" from Echockotee 200. This is not an issue authorized by the lodge! And here's the soap-opera behind it.

Members of the lodge that are on the council Jamboree committee decided that they wanted a lodge flap for the event because, well, everyone else has one. No request from the lodge for permission or proposal prior to the issuance of an order form selling them, just a decision from these committee members. Not until a stink was raised when the Lodge Chief found out, and the instructions were given by the chief and adviser at the Spring Fellowship in March: no Jamboree flap is to be made or ordered. This had been agreed to by all involved, including the professional lodge adviser (also on the Jamboree committee).

So how was it still made? The professional adviser ordered the flap, so that they could be available once the Lodge Executive Committee voted for it at the Summer Fellowship in May. This was accompanied with a solemn promise that if the LEC voted against it, the patches would be destroyed. Well, on Friday night of the weekend, a proposal for the flap was narrowly approved. But overnight, once the particulars were digested further, an

emergency meeting was held Saturday morning, and nearly unanimously overturned, and the professional adviser was directed to destroy the patches.

Here's two negative decisions by the lodge on this patch, yet how did one end up on eBay? Depending on whose story you hear, and when it was told, some flaps were distributed in the twelve hours between the votes, or none were distributed until just before departure for the Jamboree. assistant Scoutmaster had a Jamboree flap sewn to his uniform on his arrival, until a call between Virginia telephone Jacksonville came with instructions to 1: remove the patch immediately, and 2: hold all other Jamboree flaps for destruction. Allegedly, all of the other patches were being held by the professional adviser, and taken from Virginia to Jacksonville, kept in his desk until they could either be destroyed or distributed.

Fast forward to November. The flaps at this point have been kept in the adviser's desk (supposedly), until his employment was terminated by the council. Rather than giving the bag to someone else, or turning them in to the Council Executive, he "threw the patches in the dumpster" (his story). And this may be true. But if you see this appear on eBay or any other trade offer, beware.

FAKE!! UNAUTHORIZED ISSUE!!



THE RUMOR MILL

* Echockotee 200 has been volunteered by North Florida Council to assist in the cleanup of the camp of Southeast Louisiana Council, near Hattiesburg, MS. The tentative date is the Presidents' Day weekend in February, and there *may* be a non-flap patch made for the event. 2006 may also be the year that Echockotee will make flaps for their contingent to the National OA Conference. Also in the works is a fundraising patch for the "Jimmy Horne Campership Fund", named after a longtime executive in the council and professional adviser of the lodge, who passed away in 2002. Echockotee made a commitment of \$2000 to this fund annually, and the plan is to make a special patch a year, with a price to match.

* Pictured in this issue are the prototypes for the patches for the 2006 Section S-4S Conference, and the host patches for **Tipisa 326.** Also expected to be part of the host set is a neckerchief.

* The 2005 year set for **O-Shot-Caw 265** will spill over into 2006, with the Winter Ordeal patch to commemorate Camp Sawyer. There will also be a year patch, with a design for McGregor-Smith Scout Reservation, but it has been delayed due to Hurricane Wilma.

* Osceola 564 will have a puzzle-type activity set for 2006, featuring local animals for the weekend patches that will come together in a circle, with a year patch to be made of the entire design assembled. There will also be a version with a special border and wording, that is made as a fundraiser for picnic tables at Camp Miles; each of these fundraising patches will be \$100.

BIG THANKS to all that have contributed to this issue: Jason Wolz, Rick Obermeyer, Ken Knaebel, Joe Gonzales, Tico Perez, James Poindexter, Gary Johnson, Mike Daley, and David Pate.

HAVE A GREAT 2006!



085-S-45 2005; Elangomat flap; WHT letters; service as an Elangomat (issued before the Jamboree flap)



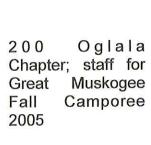
085-S-48 2005; Elangomat flap; GMY and SMY letters; given to Elangomats whose clan has met standard percentage to Brotherhood (issued



265-S-106 2005 LEC flap



(left) 237 Oiyatah Chapter R-1





340-X-18 2005; First Year Arrowman Award (also available for \$20 each)



340-S-50 2005 Section S-4S Seminars & Council of Chiefs Host.





(above) 200 2006 Winter Fellowship. (right) 200 2006 Year patch. Parts of the lodge's 2006 activity set, "Florida Fruit Crate Art" theme"



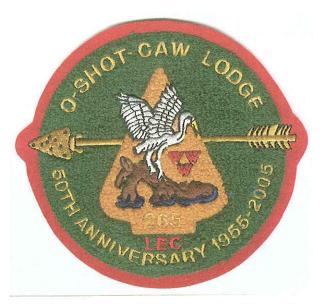


200-C-4 2006; NOAC SPONSOR. (above) front of chenille. (below) embroidered backing.





265-C-21 2005; GLD felt; no LEC; 25 made



265-C-22 2005; RED felt; LEC; 25 made.



265-C-23 2005; LEC; TAN leather within the chenille area; 25 made.



265-C-24 2005; LEC; TAN leather that extends beyond the chenille area; 25 made.







265-QC-?? 2005; LEC; GMY arrowhead, felt background 2nd from top); "old gold" arrowhead & felt background (3rd from top); LBR arrowhead (bottom). Said to have been sold out before the Fall lodge event and not available to most lodge members. 25 of each made. Classified by the lodge as



(right) 239 2005 Fall Ordeal.

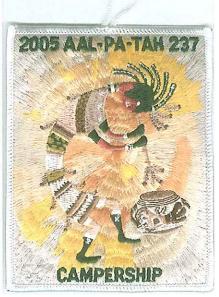




(right) 326 2005-06 Chapter Ordeals. Part of 2005-06 set, "Scenes From A Pow-Wow".







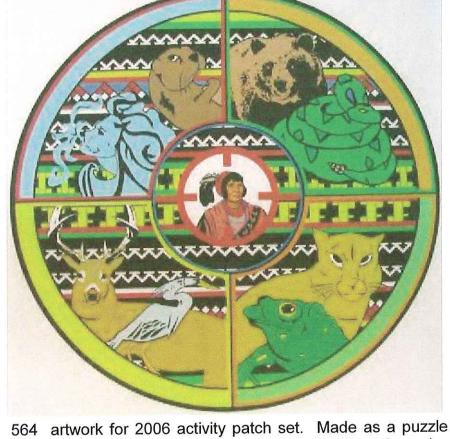


(left, above) 237 2005 Ordeal Weekend; TUR border. (middle) 237 2005 Ordeal Weekend design. CAMPERSHIP; WHT bdr. Sold as a fundraiser for Campership fund. (above, left) 2005 Fellowship; OLV bdr (middle) Fellowship design; WHT bdr; CAMPERSHIP (right) 2005 Service Weekend.



(above) 564 2005 Fall Fellowship.; part of 2005 activity set, "Aztec" theme. (below) 564 2005 Lodge Leadership Development Conference





set; each quadrant to be made as a weekend patch, and a year patch to be made of the design in its entirety. Another year patch to be made with a mylar border, to be sold for \$100 each, as a fundraiser for buying picnic tables for Camp Miles (Southwest Florida Council).



265 (left) 2006
Winter Ordeal
(artwork). Last of
2005-06 set,
featuring designs
from South Florida
Council camps.
(right) 2005
Haunted Forest

2005 (right) Haunted Forest (left) patch set: BLK border, participant; (right) ORG border, staff. event was The cancelled due to Hurricane Wilma.

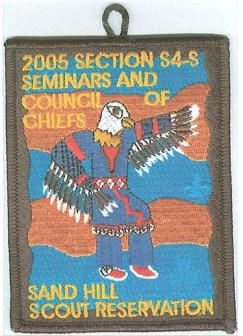




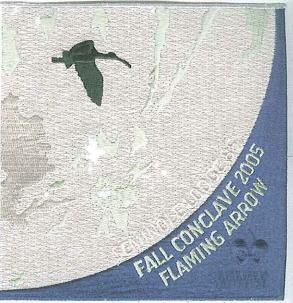
(right) 2005 S-4S Section Seminars & Council of Chiefs patch.

(below) 265 2005 S-4S Seminars Delegate patch









85 2005 Banquet-Beaver Day (left) and Fall Conclave (right). Parts of 2005 puzzle patch activity set.

340 2005 Fall Conclave. Part of 2005-06 activity patch set, depicting local birds.





Southwest Florida Council S-?? 2005; 75th Anniversary of Camp Flying Eagle; BLK border.

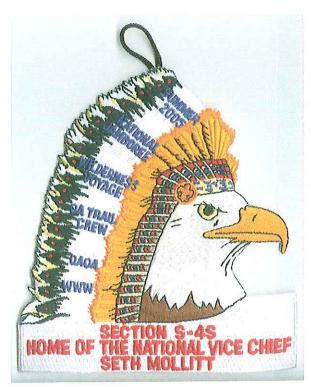


Central Florida Council S-?? 2005; "Thank You Wayne Densch"; commemorative for longtime Council Executive.

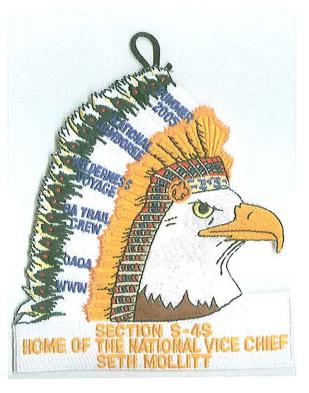


Gulf Ridge Council S-?? 2005; Eagle Scout; SMY border and letters.





Section S-4S 2005 Seth Mollitt Commemorative patch (above) RED letters along bottom; available for sale to lodges in the Section. (below) GLD letters; 100 made, given to Seth Mollitt to distribute as a "thank you" during his travels throughout the year.



(left) Kiondashama (later Seminole) 85 offered on eBay 12/05



Prototypes for the 2006 Section S-4S Conference. (above) left: jacket patch. Right: pocket dangle patch;

(below): Prototypes of Host items for Tipisa Lodge 326: flap, jacket patch, pocket dangle.



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To continue receiving the newsletter, please e-mail David at the address on page 2. If you know of someone who would like to receive the newsletter, please pass along the e-mail address. We are leaning toward the download option as each issue runs a little more than four megs.

The biggest reason to move in this direction is to aid in the timely distribution of the newsletter. As lodge advisor and a new father, it does not get done as quickly as I would like sometimes.

Thank you, David

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