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NEWSLETTER OF THE IMMOKALEE LODGE NO. 353
SOUTHWEST GEORGIA COUNCIL - B.S.A.

"...go forward in brotherhood and cheerful service to God and your country."

From the Chief

Dear Brothers:

It has been a great summer and a great year for the Immokales Lodge. Summer Camp was a success, and the Staff did a great job with the O.A. tap-out ceremonies. Although we have had a great year, we still have our Fall Fellowship left to go. The Fall Fellowship will be held at Camp Osborn on September 12 - 14, 1997. This will be a time to induct new members, have fellowship, and elect new officers.

I hope to see you all there.

M.M.M. J.R. Tolbert

Elangomats

The Lodge Executive Committee is looking for Elangomats for the Fall Ordeal which will be held at Camp Osborn. If you are interested in being an Elangomat, please contact Ernest Ausby at 912/438-5232.

(An Elangomat is a current member of the Lodge who has already participated in an Ordeal, yet he is willing to again participate in the Ordeal in fellowship with the newly-elected members.)

1997 Vigil Honor Brothers

The Vigil Honor is the highest honor that the O.A. can give to one of it's members for outstanding service in Scouting. The Vigil Honor is recognized by a triangle on the shaft of the arrow.

Immokalee Lodge was proud to have four members receive the Vigil Honor recently. They were Jonah Shalack Warren Abernathy, Sam Thompson, and Jim Tolbert.

Camp Osborn

This summer, Camp Osborn provided plenty of fun to Scouts from South Georgia and Florida, Scouts were given the opportunity to earn badges from many different program areas. On Mednesday night, the Troops were treated to the Order of the Arrow tap-out ceremony. The Lodge tapped over 30 Scouts for the upcoming Fall Fellowship.

Immokales Lodge was well represented on the Summer Camp Staff. We provided 90% of the Staff's members for Camp this year, including the entire Executive Committee.

Upcoming Events

All Lodge members should mark their calendars for the following Lodge events that will be coming up this year.

September 12 - 14 Fall Fellowship - Camp Osborn

October 12 Lodge Executive Committee meeting

November 9 Lodge Executive Committee meeting

November 14 - 16 Section 4 Seminars

December 6 Christmas Banquet

Fall Fellowship

MHEN: September 12 - 14, 1997. Arrive at 6:30 p.m., Friday / Depart at 10:00 a.m., Sunday

WHERE: Camp Osborn

GOST: \$25.00 - elected Scouters who will participate in the Ordeal.

\$20.00 - current Ordeal members who will participate in the Brotherhood ceremony.

\$12.00 - all other members.

This includes meals for Saturday & Sunday plus all the essentials needed for joining the Lodge.

MHAT TO BRING: Class A uniforms, including O.A. sash

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work clothes & gloves

personal gear Friday's meal

Any kind of work tools that you can bring

NOTE: Our Lodge t-shirts (\$9.00) will be sold along with other various items.

On September 12 - 14, we will be having our Fall Fellowship at Camp Osborn. This is a chance for the Immokalee Lodge to induct new members into the Order of the Arrow. It is also a chance for old members to have fellowship with each other and to carry out the Ideas and principles of the Order. This weekend is also a chance for the youth to elect new leaders for our Lodge.