

## The Fluffy

#### Fall 2008 Edition



# December 6<sup>th</sup> Service Day

Hurricane season is over! Just in time to throw in one more service day before the holidays. December 6<sup>th</sup>, the lodge is scheduled to show up at Camp Echockotee at 8:00 am for the last service day of the year. Our expected attendance is 100 Arrowmen. To reach this goal we ask that everyone attend. Lunch will be provided. Please bring tools and a cheerful spirit to serve our councils camp. If you have any questions please contact the Service Chairman. A special thanks to the Arrowmen who volunteered their time at Camp Echockotee the day after Fay. Your help is deeply appreciated.

On another note, this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of Jonathan Wright's lead in the councils Toys for Tots drive. If you plan to come out for the service day and would like to give a little more, than please bring a new toy. It can be as small or large as you want. It is the thought that counts. We deeply appreciate your service and charity.

### Camping Promotions

Brothers! Last December was the councils first year in hosting the Camp Shands Winter Blast. The week was a wonderful success thanks to the leadership of associate lodge advisor and camp Shands camp director Patrick Wright. They have asked Mr. Pat to lead the event once again and he has promised that it is something you do not want to miss. December 26<sup>th</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>. Are you a scout who is looking for a winter adventure, someone who wants to make some friends, or maybe you're a parent reading this and would like to send your kid away for a week and disguise it as a present? If you would like more information just request it from Patrick Wright (904) 704 4610.

### New Plans for the Year

After a long and hearty discussion with the spirit of Sonic (the lodge's spirit totem) the officers have been inspired to rethink the lodges status quo. Merchandise is going to be a new word in the Echockotee lodge vocabulary. A new winter line up will include a new zip-up hoody and 5 new lodge trading flaps. They are ghosted flaps featured in the bright chromatic colors of Blue, Purple, Green, Red, and Orange. A special version of the trading flap is being sold with the proceeds going to Breast Cancer Awareness. It will be ghosted, pink, with a mylar (shiny thread) border and ribbon. The new patches will be short run. 100 of each of the flaps will be made except for the pink flap there will be 200. Also the Jimmy Horne patches will be available for purchase at 9.99 each. The money raised from the Jimmy Horne patches will help send less fortunate scouts to local Summer Camps. The designs for the new merchandise will be sent out to chapter chiefs and advisers. If you want to see it ahead of time, you know who to ask.

On another note, LOAC (Winter Fellowship) is well on the way. The level of planning from Vice Chief of Training Michael Filz has been amazing. Incorporating new tools and resources into the youth leadership classes you can expect to have fun while learning. Other activities will be available in the training slots such as Chip Leonard's make a shirt silk screen class and Choker Making with the dance team. Early in the morning for the adults there will be a polar bear plunge and for the youth a rain-deer run (5-k). There is something for everyone, be there!

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#### 2008-2009 Calendar of Events

| Date                  | Event              | Location                   |
|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Dec. 6                | Lodge Service Day  | Camp Echockotee            |
| Jan. 9-11             | Winter Fellowship  | Camp Shands                |
| March 6-8             | Spring Fellowship  | Camp Shands                |
| April 17-19           | Section Conference | Timucuan Lodge, Sand Hill  |
|                       |                    | Scout Reservation, Brooks- |
|                       |                    | ville, Florida             |
| April 25, 2009        | OA Service Day     | Camp Shands                |
| May 15, 16 & 17, 2009 | Summer Fellowship  | Camp Shands                |

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