



The Fluffy

Echockotee Lodge 200 - North Florida Council 87
Order of the Arrow - Boy Scouts of America

Spring 2011

SERVICE DAY PREPARATION

Cheerful service is one of the core principles of the Order of the Arrow. As members of the Honor Society of Scouting, it is our privilege and duty to serve the needs of the council and the camps. Each spring we gather at sunny Camp Shands and spend the day working to improve the facilities. With summer camp only a few short weeks away it is critical that we help the staff prepare the camp.

As you probably already know, Saturday, April 23rd has been set aside as our Service Day. Registration begins at 7:30 am at the barn. In preparation for the day we want to outline the projects and the needed equipment so you will be ready to go with the proper tools.

Project 1: Boat Ramp

This team will complete the other half of the boat ramp by creating new forms for concrete to reinforce the existing structure. Remember to bring shovels, axes, pick-axes, circular saws, hammers, and work gloves

Project 2: Fish Camp Culvert

The road to the fishing dock needs a little repair. Members will form a culvert over an existing pipe. Workers will need axes, shovels, pickaxes, and work gloves. Prepare to get a little dirty on this project.

Project 3: Ames Erosion Tiers

For those of you who attended the Spring Fellowship you are well aware that this project is already underway. The old pine stump is gone and the grounds is ready for the railroad ties which will for a set of steps to prevent erosion. You will need shovels, axes, pick axes, work gloves and a strong back.

Project 4: BB Range

The new BB range is almost complete but we do have a little more work to do. Members will need to install a few more feet of fencing and build a crib structure to hold the hay used to stop the BBs. Don't forget to bring post-hole diggers, shovels, rakes, circular saws, hammers, and work gloves.

Project 5: Kitchen Clean-up

This is another one of those never-ending projects. We will give the Taylor Dining Hall a good scrubbing. This team will need rubber gloves and a bucket or two. Once we are finished with the dining hall we plan to clean the windows of every

UPCOMING EVENTS

Shands Service Day	April 23
Summer Fellowship	May 20
LLD	August 19
Fall Fellowship	September 23



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Project 6: Brush Clean-up

I bet you turned the Fluffy over looking for the infamous "brush clean-up" project. Well, we did not want to disappoint any of you who love picking up sticks at Camp Shands. Thanks to Mother Nature, we always have an ample supply of dead-fall that needs to be removed and taken to the burn pile. We will also need a few brave souls with chain saws to remove some of the dead trees in the camp sites before summer camp. Let's see, you need work gloves, bow saws, and chain saws. We will also need a few folks with trailers to help us move the piles of debris. You've got to love the perpetual "brush clean-up project"

Final Thoughts

This Service day is one of the most important events we hold. Without your help we simply cannot get the Camp Shands ready for all the scouts looking forward to summer camp. Please take a look at your calendar and your storehouse of tool and give us a hand on Saturday, April 23, 2011 beginning at 7:30 am. Oh, I almost forgot. Lunch will be served in the Taylor Dining Hall. See you then!

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