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The post-Section Conference report.

Another Section Conference in the history books. Over 900 Arrowmen in attendance at the most northwestern extreme of the Section, at Wallwood Boy Scout Reservation, west of Tallahassee. Attendance was down for many lodges, compared to previous years, as was the number of traders in the dining tent each night. But what trading that occurred was pretty active, with some people showing up from out-of-state Florida collectors to join in for the weekend.

The economy is not back. Despite whatever may be said about how the economy is starting to bounce back from its low points in 2008 and 2009, it is not anywhere near all the way back. Traditional high-end items are not so high-end any more (many items are still bringing in half of what similar items sold for in 2007), and people are still placing a higher priority on housing and essentials, before investing large sums into Florida items. A few collections have become available in the last year, depressing demand with a larger supply. There are a few exception (a 265 Conference Delegate neckerchief for over \$250; \$900 for well-worn BYS strips from Seward, Alaska), but for the most part, there are bargains to be had for those that can afford to spend some money on older patches.

The emerging categories. Among the categories that are experiencing greater demand are the community and state/ old council shoulder patches (RWS, and the pre-1952 colors that matched the program uniforms), and hiking trail medals. Both areas are relatively untapped in terms of the thorough research and cataloging of other categories and both have not really been subject to the fakery and unauthorized reproductions that have been created for CSP and OA items. The cataloging of the early shoulder patches has begun to come along, with the RWS listings of community strips in the ASTA Journal and from other sources, while trail medals are still an unknown factor, with many created by non-BSA sources.

Case in point: a group called

thehistorictrails.org has sold several numbered "collector sets" of hiking trail medals and patches for the Ft. Caroline Trail in Jacksonville, with plans to expand to up to fourteen other trails in Florida. The site promises that once the "gold" and "silver" collectors' sets are sold, then the trails will be permanently established. Those that are interested in the Fort Caroline Trail have to buy the medal/ patch set before receiving the maps and questionnaires for the trail, with the items to be bestowed at the discretion of the purchaser. This is being done without the supervision or approval of any BSA organization.

The TIPISA catalogue. Located at <http://www.floridacsp.com/tipisa/index.html> is the listing of all things Tipisa. Created with a great deal of work by Chris Colebaugh and Howard Gross, this is an on-line resource for all of the lodge and chapter items. While we may have a quibble with the numbering system for chapter patches (they combine all patches, we still split them between activity and regular issues), we will show both numbers when we picture an item where there is a discrepancy between our lists. Check it out, it is a tremendous job.

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NEW ISSUES

> As the host of the 2012 Section S-4 Conference, **Semialachee Lodge 239** created several items to commemorate their efforts. One two-piece set (**S-82** with **X-14**) was available to everyone in the lodge, while a matching flap and dangle patch (**S-83**, **X-15**) were for recognition of service. A host neckerchief was also created (**N-2**), which was the regular conference neckerchief with the word "HOST" embroidered into it.

> Three other lodges created items for their contingents to the Section Conference: **Echokotee Lodge 200** (**X-32**) and **O-Shot-Caw Lodge 265** (**X-54**). In both cases, the patch's design is a part of their lodge's annual activity series. **Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge 237** had their own contingent piece (**X-73**), that is not part of their annual series.

> **Timuquan Lodge 340** has released most of their 2012 NOAC items. Their set includes two flaps (**S-61**; BLK border; available to all lodge members; **S-62**; GRY border; contingent), one pocket patch (**X-17**; "roller coaster cars"; BLK border; for lodge members), a Founders' Day pocket patch (**X-18**), and a jacket patch (**J-10**). Still to be released is a contingent pocket patch (**X-18**; GRY border). The lodge's contingent will be visiting Cedar Point Amusement Park, which is renown for its roller coasters.

> **Seminole Lodge 85** and **Gulf Ridge Council** are marking the 80th anniversary of Camp Owen Brorein, the council's oldest camping facility. The council and lodge have a CSP and flap with matching designs (**SA-??**, **S-60**). The lodge created a second flap (**S-61**), with a totem pole design.

> **Tipisa Lodge 326** has released two of the three piece set that will be their 2012 NOAC patch set. The flap (**S-46**) features a surfer, while the bottom piece depicts sharks lurking beneath the surfer (**X-25**). The bottom piece has two varieties: one is plain, the other has a sound card glued to the back, with the recording of someone trying unsuccessfully to escape a shark. The second variety was created by an adult in the lodge, which were then sold by the lodge to its members. Kind of an "after-market" version.

And Tipisa's chapters have been busy as well:

> **Tosohatchee Chapter** has their own NOAC patches: one is a fundraiser (**X-11**; "SEND A CRAZY CHICKEN TO NOAC"; 200 made), the other is meant to be an extension of the lodge's three-piece NOAC set (**X-12**; "snorkeling chicken"; 300 made).

> **Ayochatta Chapter** has created an "Outstanding Arrowman Award" patch (**X-8**; 100 made). The chapter selects two youth and two adult "Outstanding Arrowmen" each year, with each recipient receiving one patch, and are allowed to purchase one more. The chapter also held their annual "Lock-In" event, with a patch created for that and the chapter banquet event. For the Lock-In, two buttons were also made; one with a WHT background (63 made), another with a clear background, issued to the event staff at 3:00 AM (20 made). Two patches were made for their "Bead-In" event, one for sale to anyone (200 made), another for participating "beaders" (100 made). Each of these have simulated horse hair at the bottom.

> **Kikape Chapter** has made another patch, tied in to the lodge's 2011-2012 theme of "Renaissance Of Brotherhood", with an item with the portrait of Leonardo Da Vinci (**X-2**). The chapter has also made a button for the lodge's Spring Conclave and the Service Weekend.

> **Klallam Chapter** has a new emblem (**X-2**; 200 made). And **Micconope Chapter** created an item for their own Lock-In event (150 made).

On to council shoulder patches.....

> **Central Florida Council** created a set of twelve shoulder patches, with depictions of each point of "The Scout Law". Only 50 sets were made.

> **North Florida Council** has their 2012 Friends of Scouting (FO\$) CSPs, for donors (full color) and program presenters (PUR monochrome). And somehow, a matching set were made in error, with "IC 2012" instead of "FOS 2012".

There is a new CSP, that has the council name with the verbage "SEAMARK RANCH". This patch was created for a unit located at Seamark Ranch, a residential group home for

troubled youth, located west of Green Cove Springs.

> **Suwannee River Area Council** has begun selling their first three 2013 National Scout Jamboree JSPs, meant to raise funds (CPR border, \$25; SMY border, \$15; GRN border, \$10).

THE RUMOR MILL

* and speaking of the 2013 National Scout Jamboree (still over one year away), **Central Florida Council** has released the artwork for their contingent, with nine shoulder patches encircling a jacket patch in the middle.

* **North Florida Council** has artwork for their own Jamboree contingent, with eight shoulder patches encircling a large jacket patch, repeating the pirate theme that the council used for their 2010 and 2001 contingents. Two more JSPs are being made for fundraising purposes.

* For the upcoming National OA Conference,

> **Echockotee 200** will have a single two piece set (utilizing artwork provided by noted Florida artist Guy Harvey), a Founders' Day flap, and an attendee-only pocket patch.

> **Aal-Pa-Tah 237** will have four two-piece sets, a Founders' Day flap, a "members" flap, and a neckerchief for their NOAC contingent. Their items will have a "Pirates of the Caribbean" theme.

> **O-Shot-Caw 265** is report to be creating a "trader" two-piece set, a "contingent" two-piece set, and a special "Eagle Scout Centennial" NOAC pocket patch.

notes & asides

+ As of the Section Conference, there were only a few members of Osceola Lodge 564 that were going to be at NOAC on staff, and none as a part of a contingent.

* In the last issue, it had been reported that the theme for Osceola 564's annual activity patch series for 2012 would be "Florida Crate Label Art". Well, they changed their mind, the theme will be "Fish".

* Almost seven years after it was destroyed by Hurricane Wilma, South Florida Council's

Camp Seminole will re-open in time for the O-Shot-Caw 265 Summer Ordeal. Except now it will be called Camp Elmore.-Seminole. Meanwhile, Camp Sawyer in the Keys is close to completion.

* From Roy More's blog on his TSPA.com website, is the latest from the Michigan councils' mega-merger, that as of April 16, the Michigan Crossroads Council is made up of four Field Service Councils:

- **President Gerald R. Ford Field Service Council**, will serve the Gerald R Ford and Scenic Trails legacy councils.
- **Water and Woods FSC** will serve the Tall Pine, Lake Huron Area, Blue Water, and Chief Okemos legacy councils.
- **Southern Shores FSC** will serve the Southwest Michigan and Great Sauk Trail legacy councils.
- **Great Lakes FSC** will serve the Great Lakes legacy council (Detroit area).

Within the one mega-council and the ten "legacy" councils remain ten lodges that are still listed as "active", on the OAimages.com website. The shape of things to come?

+ At the last Section Conference, there was an official announcement that there will be a "FourCorps" project in 2014. Nothing as to when in 2014, or where.

* As seen on eBay:

- > 564-S-10b (1991 SE-1 Conference Host; BRN turban band): \$143.50 (3/3/12)
- > 1984 SE-1 Conference neckerchief, GRN cloth (host): \$154.01 (3/10/12)
- > 552-S-7 (1984 SE-1 host flap): \$42 (3/6/12)
- > 1956 6-E Conference patch: \$65.97 (2/28/12)
- > 1981 SE-6 Seminars patch: \$18.37 (3/4/12)
- > 1967 6-E Conference patch: \$76.88 (3/3/12)
- > 1946 Camp Wewa patch: \$63 (4/30/12)
- > 265 Spring 1978 Spring Fellowship patch: \$65 (5/7/12)
- > "Lot of Vintage Cub Scout Badges, Scarfs, Pins" (including well-used community and "state" strips of "SEWARD", and "ALASKA" in Cub Scout colors): \$900.01 (2/27/12)
- > 564-N-2: \$255 (4/9/12)
- > 265-N- 10 SE-1 Conference Delegate, YEL cloth; \$202.50 (5/20/12)
- > "FLA." KRS state strip; sewn: \$23.58 (5/26/12)



(085-S-60 (BB S-59) 2012; Owen Brorein 80th Anniversary; GRY border



085-S-61 (BB-60) 2012; Owen Brorein 80th Anniversary; totem pole design



200-X-32 2012 Section S-4 Conference. Also part of 2012 activity patch series, "Camp Shands Structures".



237-X-73 2012 Section S-4 Conference.



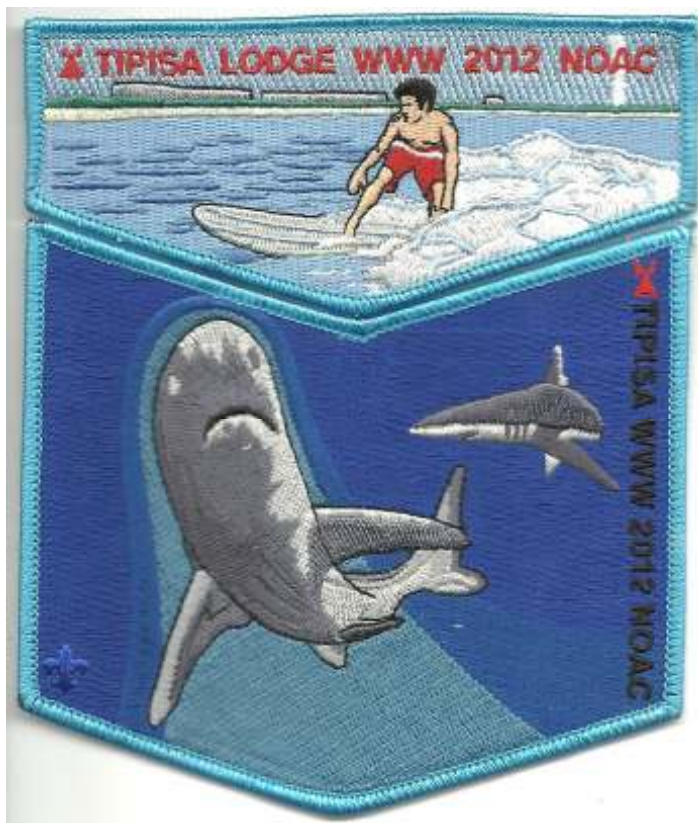
239-S-82 (BB-80) with X-14 2012 Section S-4 Conference Host; two-piece set



(above) 239-S-83 (BB-81) 2012 Section S-4 Conference Host; service flap; 250 made. (right) 239-X-15 2012 Section S-4 Conference Host; service; 250 made. (below) 239-N-2 2012 Section S-4 Conference Host.



265-X-54 2012 Section S-4 Conference. Also part of 2011-2012 activity patch series, depicting "The Legend" in pictographs.



326-S-46 with X-25 2012 NOAC. Middle and bottom of three-piece set (top piece to be issued later).



340-S-62 2012 NOAC; GRY bdr; contingent (5-person)



340-X-17 2012 NOAC; BLK border; lodge members; unrestricted.

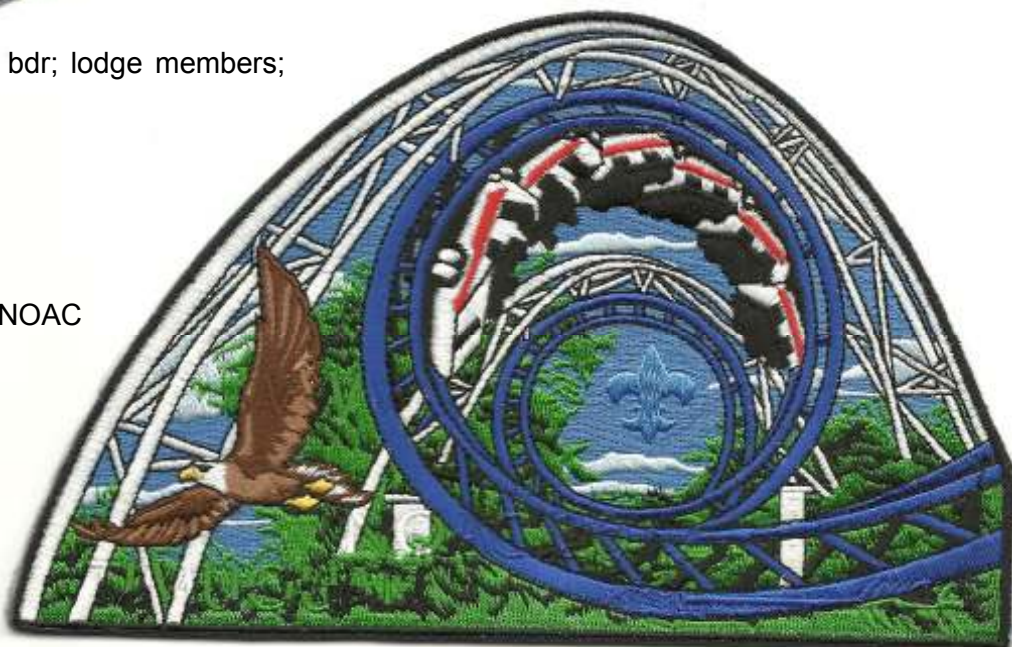


340-S-61 2012 NOAC; BLK bdr; lodge members; unrestricted.



340-X-18 2012 NOAC; Founders Day

340-J-10 2012 NOAC





326 Ayochatta Chapter X-8 (TIPISA X-20) 2012; Outstanding Arrowman Award; 100 made



326 Kikape Chapter X-2 2012; 200 made.



326 Klallam Chapter X-2 2012; 200 made.



{left} 326 Tosohatchee Chapter X-11 (TIPISA X-12) 2012; NOAC fundraiser; 200 made. (right) 326 Tosohatchee Chapter X-12 (TIPISA X-13) 2012; NOAC; 300 made

326 Kikape Chapter 2012 button (issued for 2012 Service Weekend); 92 made.





Seminole Lodge 85 2012 activity patch series. Theme is a depiction of the lodge totem at BSA High Adventure Areas (except Lodge Banquet).



200 2012 Summer Fellowship. Part of 2012 activity patch series, "Camp Shands Structures".



265 2012 Lodge Banquet. part of 2011-2012 activity patch series, depicting "The Legend" in pictographs.



(right) 340 2012 Summer Conclave (artwork). Part of 2012 -2013 series, "Animals At Sand Hill Scout Reservation".



(left, top) 326 2012 Spring Conclave. (bottom) 326 2012 Service Weekend. Part of 2011-2012 series, "Renaissance of Brotherhood".



(left) 326 326 Kikape Chapter 2012 Spring Conclave button; 64 made. (above) 326 Huracan Chapter 2012 Seminole Springs Camporee (TIPISA X-4); 400 made.



326 2011-2012 year patch. Part of 2011-2012 series, "Renaissance of Brotherhood".



(above) 326 Ayochatta Chapter 2012 Lock-In button; WHT background (attendee) ; 63 made. (below) 326 Ayochatta Chapter 2012 Lock-In button, clear back (staff); 20 made



326 Ayochatta Chapter 2012 Bead-In. (left) attendee; 200 made (TIPISA X-17). (right) "Beader"; 100 made (TIPISA X-18).



(326 Ayochatta Chapter 2012 Lock-In and Banquet; 200 made (TIPISA X-19)



(326 Micconope Chapter 2012 Lock-In and Banquet; 150 made (TIPISA X-22)



(above) 340 2012 Spring Fellowship; 2012 Lodge Banquet. (left) 340 2012 Vigil Breakfast.



(left) 564 2011 Winter Fellowship; attendee. (right) 564 2011 Winter Fellowship; Vigil Breakfast. Parts of 2011 activity patch series, "Dancers".





2012 Section S-4 Conference pocket patch.



2012 Section S-4 Conference jacket patch.



2012 Section S-4 Conference "special" patch; woven.



2012 Section S-4 Conference chenille.



(above) 2012 Section S-4 Conference Vigil Breakfast patch. (right) 2012 Section S-4 Conference "Very Important Arrowman" Luncheon patch, (above) front; (right) reverse.



2012 Section S-4 Conference neckerchief



2012 Section S-4 Conference belt buckle.



Central Florida Council
2012 "Scout Law"
prototype CSP set. 50
sets made.

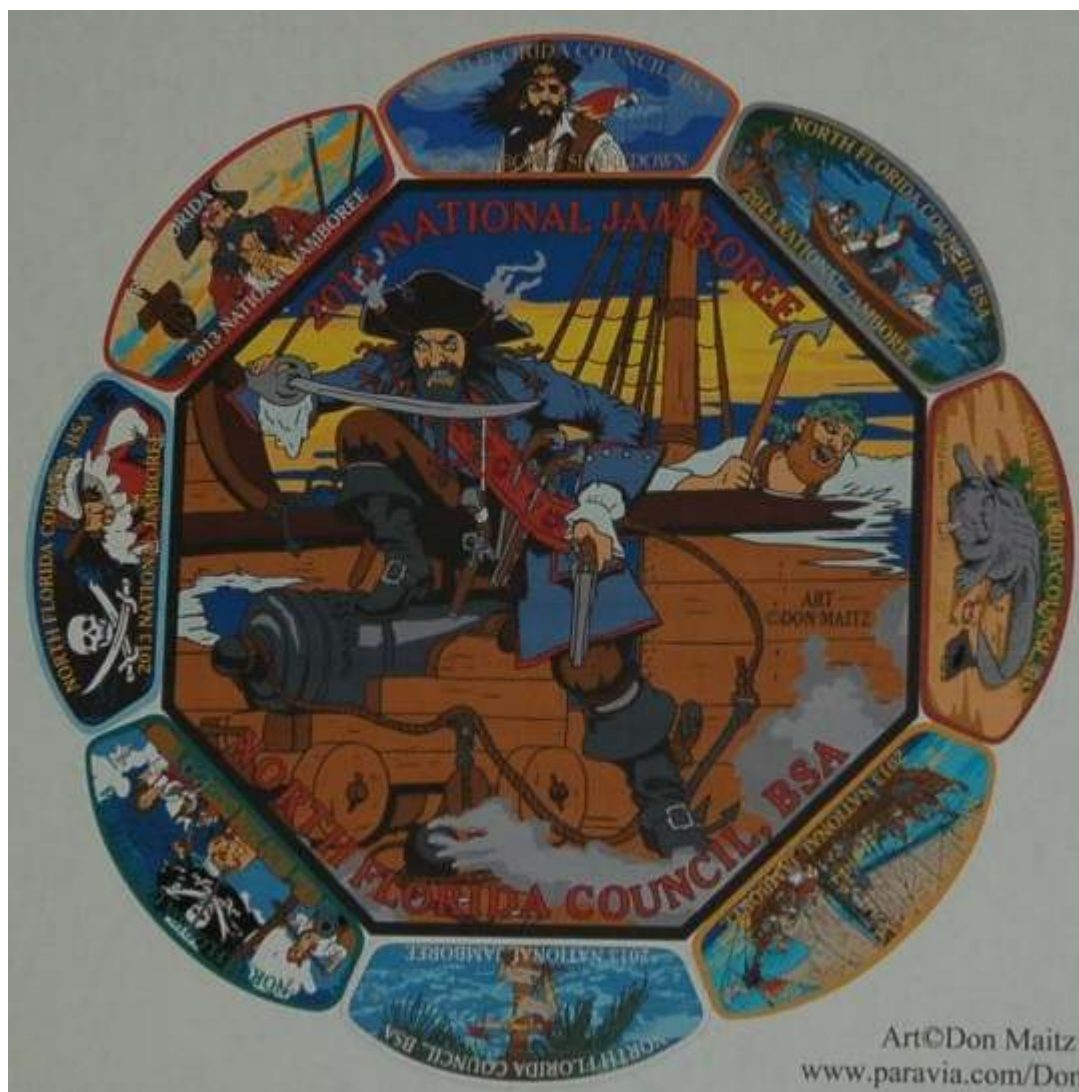


Central Florida Council 2013
National Jamboree patch set
(artwork).



Gulf Ridge Council S-?? 2012; Owen Brorein 80th
Anniversary; GRY border

North Florida Council
2013 National
Jamboree patch set
(artwork). Not shown:
two additional
fundraiser JSPs.



North Florida Council 2012 FO\$. (above) full color; donation. (below) PUR monochrome; presenter.

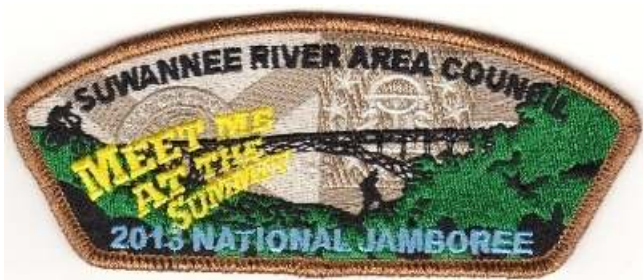


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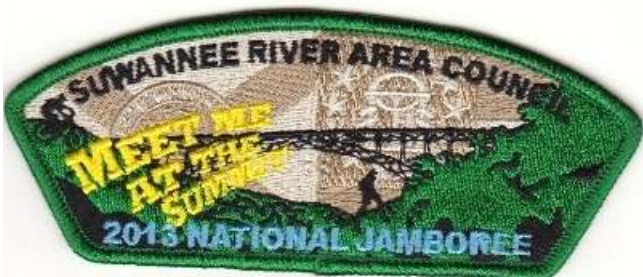
North Florida Council S-?? 2012; "SEAMARK RANCH"; CSP issued for unit located at a group home.



Suwannee River Area Council 2012; 2013 National Scout Jamboree; fundraiser; CPR border; \$25 each.



Suwannee River Area Council 2012; 2013 National Scout Jamboree; fundraiser; SMY border; \$15 each.



Suwannee River Area Council 2012; 2013 National Scout Jamboree; fundraiser; GRN border; \$10 each.



(above) 2012 Section S-4 Conference Golf Tournament.
(below) 2012 NOAC Southern Region patch.

