## \*\*\* SPECIAL EDITION! \*\*\*

# TIPI

Occoneechee Lodge 104 Fall Fellowship 2010



#### **CHIEFLY SPEAKING**

Ladies and Gentleman, Boy Scouts and uh... yeah no Girl Scouts; how about, **BROTHERS!** How are you doing this fabulous September day? I hope that you all have been serving and partying all over Camp Durant AND Camp Reeves! This weekend has been great so far for most Brothers as far as I can tell! To the newly inducted candidates, congratulations! I am John Taylor, Lodge Chief for Occoneechee Lodge. You have all done an excellent job this weekend and I am proud to welcome you as Brothers into our Lodge. In a few hours you will have all gone through your Ceremonies and will soon learn about the massive amount of fun that YOU can have in Occoneechee Lodge. I encourage you to attend the PowWOW at the Dance Arbor this evening, here you can get your new member packets and enjoy dancing, socializing and drinking soda! Then afterwards, make a short trip to the Grand Lodge for even more Fellowship and FREE FOOD at the Cracker Barrel. You know you want more food! I will be around and cannot wait to meet each and every one of you.

Yours in Cheerful Service, John Taylor Lodge Chief Occoneechee Lodge 104 WWW

#### From The Mind of a Candidate...

Interview by Dylan Taylor, Vice Chief of Communions

We caught up this morning with Ordeal Candidate Sam Seidenstricker. He is the rank of Star and the Senior Patrol Leader of his troop 320. He is proud to say that he going to be one of the newest members of Amangi-Newo Chapter. We asked him a few questions to describe his OA experience thus far.

- What was your first impression on Friday night?
  - "This is going to be a blast! I couldn't wait to get started"
- What were your feelings before you embarked upon this journey?
  - "I was mostly excited, but pensive as to how it would be"
- What was your final meal on Friday evening before only receiving scant food?
  - "Chicken Sandwich McDonald's with a medium PowerAde"
- Has it been difficult for you not being able to talk?
  - "Not really, it's kind of been fun actually. It's been an interesting experience trying to communicate with each other not using words."
- Overall, have you had fun?
  - o "YES!!!"

(continued on next page)



- What are you looking forward to most about being in the Order?
  - "I just can't wait to be a part of it.
    I'm looking forward to being able
    to gain leadership experience so
    that I may more effectively lead
    my peers. I also want to get
    involved with ceremonies."
- What is one memorable thing so far?

 "The rain last night was quite an experience. My efforts to stay dry didn't work out as well as I hoped. When I woke up this morning, I was completely soaked! But in all, I would say that I enjoyed it all.

### **Camping With The Stars**

For the past four years I have worked as an ecology instructor at Camp Durant. From my experience, working at camp is the most fun you can have with your summer. You meet lots of cool new people, and you get to do things that you never thought you could ever do.

There is a place for everyone at Camp Durant whether you are someone who wants to work with guns, animals, baskets or computers.

If you are 14 years old by the start of camp you can apply to be a Counselor in Training (CIT). Although you don't get paid you still can have all the fun that is had to be had at camp.

While you are a CIT you can figure out where you want to work and you can get merit badges without having to pay

for camp. If to be 15 by the start you can be a paid member. you are going years old of camp apply to staff

you get food, a place to stay, the opportunity to get merit badges, and the time of your life.

John Taylor, the amazing and stupendous Occoneechee Lodge chief will be working there with an all-star cast including Nelson Blair, Tommy Seelinger, Marc Seelinger, Matt Gardiner, and of course myself, Jack Koch.

