



# Five Feathers

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The Newsletter of the Order of the Arrow Section SR 5

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## Your Journey Has Begun

### A Note From The Dixie Committee

Tsali lodge is thrilled to welcome each of you to our camp and the 2000 Dixie Fellowship!

Our lodge has been preparing for this weekend during the last 2 years and we hope that we meet each of your expectations.

During this weekend, you will find some of the best food and southern hospitality around. We want you to feel as if this is your camp! If there is anything that we can do to make your stay more comfortable, please do not hesitate to let us know.

A few notes on the weekend:

We will be eating in shifts during

meals, please refer to your passport for your specified time.

Meal Group A - Yellow Wrist Band

Meal Group B - Red Wrist Band

Remember to bring your passport to all meals and keep your wristband on at all times. If you misplace your wrist band, please accompany your lodge chief to the Dixie Office to receive another one.

The shower house for the upper end of camp is located on the road above Tsali Campsite.

The shower house for lower end of camp is located above the Archery Range.

Flush toilets are located behind the Pavilion.

The ladies facilities are located across from the Nunc Keewanis Camping area.

If you are planning to attend the Vigil Breakfast on Saturday morning, you may pick up your ticket during the Cracker-barrel on Friday night at the Dixie office.

Once again, if we can be of assistance to you during your stay at Camp Daniel Boone, please let us know and we will do everything possible to help you.



## Welcome To Dixie

### A Note From The Dixie Vice-Chief



Brothers of SR 5, Welcome to Camp Daniel Boone and the 2000 Dixie Fellowship.

Three years ago, Tsali Lodge accepted the responsibility for hosting the 2000 Dixie Fellowship, and what a tremendous and exciting challenge it has been.

In the nineties when we had the flood that washed a good portion of our camp down to the lake, our lodge had to forego hosting Dixie. Many of our brothers were disappointed, but under the

circumstances, we had no choice. Now here we are in a new century, a new millennium, starting off with hosting the first Dixie of the century! Our lodge has come together, and much sweat and thought has gone into this weekend.

I would like to thank a couple of people who have helped so much in the planning of this weekend. First of all, Matt Steger, the Associate Vice-Chief of Dixie who made such an excellent presentation to the Section Council of Chiefs in November, for all his hard work in placing the committees and working with the Chairmen of the various committees. Garrick Smith, my adviser,

for his guidance and support during the preparation for Dixie. To Steve Taylor, our Council Executive, Jim McNeal, our Lodge Staff Adviser, Eddie Hollifield, our

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# Thank You

## Thank You

The 1999-2000 Section Administration would like to thank all the Section staff who made this year such a success.

### Section Staff

Jay Widby, Chief

Mac McLean, Adviser

Chuck Hanchey, Staff Adviser

Greg Smith, Vice Chief

Michael Thompson, Adviser

Jason Laney, Secretary

Trey Courtney, Adviser

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Tripp Clark, Adviser

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Collin Crick, Advising Dean

Hardy Childers, Inductions Dean

Tom Luhring, Program Dean

### Dixie Staff

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Christopher Pair, Admin Coordinator

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Jeff Womack, Program Coordinator

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We would also like to thank all Arrowmen who donated their time and energy in pursuit of 'Traveling the Road Not Taken' for ArrowTech and laying the foundation as "Your Journey is Just Beginning" at the 2000 Dixie Fellowship. Without these Arrowmen who so unselfishly gave unto themselves, no common goal could have been achieved.



# Chiefly Speaking

## Another Year Down, It Has Been A Privilege

Dear Brothers,

Welcome to Camp Daniel Boone! Already another year has passed and Section SR 5 has once again gathered for another spectacular Dixie Fellowship in the beautiful North Carolina mountains.

The brothers of Tsali Lodge 134 have been preparing for over a year to provide each and every Arrowman with an incredible Fellowship. I personally would like to thank Andy Clark, Garrick 'Doogan' Smith and the Arrowmen of Tsali Lodge on behalf of the Section for doing such an outstanding job as host of the 2000 Dixie Fellowship. Expect nothing but the finest in Southern hospitality this weekend!

I would also like to thank my fellow Section Officers Greg Smith and Jason Laney for helping me shoulder the enormous burden over the past year and Section Webmaster Christopher Maxey for his work on the newly redesigned SR 5 website. In addition, a special thanks to all of the Section Dixie Coordinators: Jeff Womack, Jeremy Christie, Chris Pair, and Todd Knaperek for their combined efforts to produce simply the best Dixie program for years to come.

Please allow me to also thank Sean Gantt, Hardy Childers, Tom Luhring, Colin Crick, Johnnie Brown, and John Stogner for further enriching the ArrowTech program this year in Columbia, South Carolina. Their combined efforts to "travel the road not taken" has truly made a difference in the leadership qualities of the Arrowmen in SR 5.

Over the past year, I was honored to attend so many banquets, fellowships, and ordeals in SR 5 that I can say without equivocation SR 5 is simply the finest area in the nation. The honor and privilege of being Section Chief in SR 5, home of the Dixie Fellowship, this past year far exceeds any tangible benefits one might have ever expected to receive.

"Your journey is just beginning" this weekend as each one of us will have the opportunity to indulge in fun, food, fellowship, and training. I challenge each of you to take advantage of these opportunities to learn and "grow as Arrowman" within the Order of the Arrow.

I look forward to speaking with you this weekend and once more, welcome to Dixie!

With kindest regards, I remain  
Yours in Service,

Jay Widby  
Section Chief



Section Officers  
1999-2000



Chief

Jay Widby



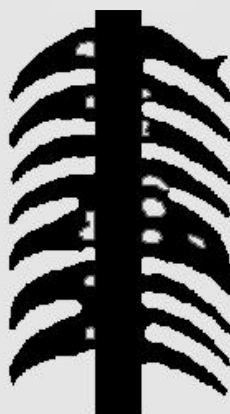
Vice Chief  
Greg Smith



Secretary  
Jason Laney



Adviser  
Mac McLean



# A Note from the Editor

## A Time To Reflect



Dear Brothers,

Throughout this year of service I have witnessed many great improvements in our Section. From implementing a revamped Five Feathers and website, to an expanded ArrowTech program offering both bachelors and masters classes, a group of dedicated leaders came together to make our goals from Dixie '99 into a reality.

I would like to thank all of the youth leaders that have taken an active role in our section programs along with their advisers that have aided them in the process. I would like to especially thank two people for their help with the new Five Feathers: Nancy Carroll of Grey Fox Graphics for her aid in the new design and Bill Courtney for the publication of the newsletter.

In addition to those people who have helped with the publication of the Five Feathers, I would also like to thank all of the Lodge Chiefs for their Lodge article submissions. Through these articles, Arrowmen are able to gain insight into what is happening in other lodges.

As this weekend finally arrives I reflect on the many months of planning that both Tsali Lodge and the Section staff have put into this fellowship. The excitement has been growing in the lodge ever since Tsali accepted the responsibility in 1997 and has peaked this weekend. I would like to commend the host lodge on all of their efforts for the fellowship under the leadership of Andy Clark and his adviser Garrick Smith.

With the reconstruction of the Section leadership this year we had to develop a section Dixie staff. We decided to have four coordinators and a webmaster to aid the three section officers with the planning and execution of this large conference. Without their help this weekend would not be a success.

The Dixie has finally arrived and I would like to extend my warm welcome to each of you in your visit to Camp Daniel Boone. I hope that you have a wonderful weekend filled with learning, fun, and fellowship. Thank you again for allowing me to serve throughout the past year, and I hope to speak with you some time throughout the Dixie.

Yours in WWW,

Jason Laney



# New Logo

## Design The New Section Logo



The Section Five Feathers Staff would like to give everyone in atten-

dance at the Dixie the opportunity to design a new Five Feathers Logo. The current logo was designed with the assistance of Jay Widby and Trey Courtney but only provides a temporary solution. All designs for the new logo should be submitted to Jason Laney or the Section Office by the Saturday evening show. A section backpatch will be given to the best design during the Awards show on Sunday. The selected logo will be handed over to the new administration for them to use during the next publishing of the Five Feathers.



Here are this year's Five Feathers submissions and points that go towards "Lodge of the Year"

Tsali	3/6pts	Catawba	3/6pts
Muscogee	3/6pts	AKK	3/6pts
Skyuka	2/4pts	Santee	2/4pts
Bobwhite	1/2pts	Eswau	1/2pts
Itibap	2/4pts	Unali'yi	0/0pts

The *Five Feathers* is published quarterly. If you have an article and/or picture (with caption) for submission, please send it to the Section Secretary.

# National Order of the Arrow Programs

## Possibilities In The Order of the Arrow



### OA Trail Crew

The OA Trail Crew program at Philmont Scout Ranch provides Arrowmen with an incredible experience that improves their physical, mental, and spiritual sides. Arrowmen work for a week on a hiking trail that improves the experience for all scouts in the future. After the week of meaningful labor, the Arrowmen experience an incredible week of hiking. This two week trip is a wonderful value at only \$100.00 plus travel expenses out to Philmont Scout Ranch. Applications can be obtained from the national OA website [www.oa-bsa.org](http://www.oa-bsa.org) or by calling the national OA office at 972-580-2438

This year's dates are:

- Session 1: June 8 - 22
- Session 2: June 15 - 29
- Session 3: June 22 - July 6
- Session 4: June 29 - July 13
- Session 5: July 6 - 20
- Session 6: July 13 - 27



### OA Wilderness Voyage

Like the OA Trail Crew at Philmont the OA Voyage at the Northern Tier High Adventure Base is also a two week program. Arrowmen experience a similar program of working one week and taking a one week high adventure experience. The difference is that instead of hiking for the second week, Arrowmen spend a week canoeing in the beautiful border waters of Canada and Minnesota where you will see some of

the most pristine views this nation has to offer. The cost of this "Voyage" is only \$100.00 plus transportation expenses. If you have any questions or would like more information on this program be sure to check out the national website at [www.oa-bsa.org](http://www.oa-bsa.org) or call the national OA office at 972-580-2438.

This year's dates area:

- Session 1: June 7 - 19
- Session 2: June 14 - 26
- Session 3: June 21 - July 3
- Session 4: June 28 - July 10
- Session 5: July 5 - 17
- Session 6: July 12 - 24



The National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) is a gathering of over 6000 Arrowmen for a week of training, shows, competitions, and a ton of fun. This year the conference will be held in Knoxville, TN and Section SR 5 is sure to have a large turnout. To find out if your lodge has room for you to go please talk to your lodge adviser. There are still some staff positions available for youth Arrowmen. For more information about these positions please see the "help wanted" article.



### National Jamboree

The 2001 National Jamboree will be held at Ft. A.P. Hill, Virginia from July 23 - August 1, 2001. At the Jamboree, the Order of the Arrow will have several important program areas. Those program areas include TOAP (The Outdoor Adventure Place), Odyssey of the Law, Gathering Shows, and The Service

Corps. To aid in these programs, the Order of the Arrow recruits a staff of dedicated Arrowmen. If you are interested in serving on the staff of the 2001 National Jamboree please pick up an application at your local scout office or call the national BSA office at 972-580-2000.

In order to indicate you want to be on the O A ' s staff please mark "OA" in bold letters on the application.

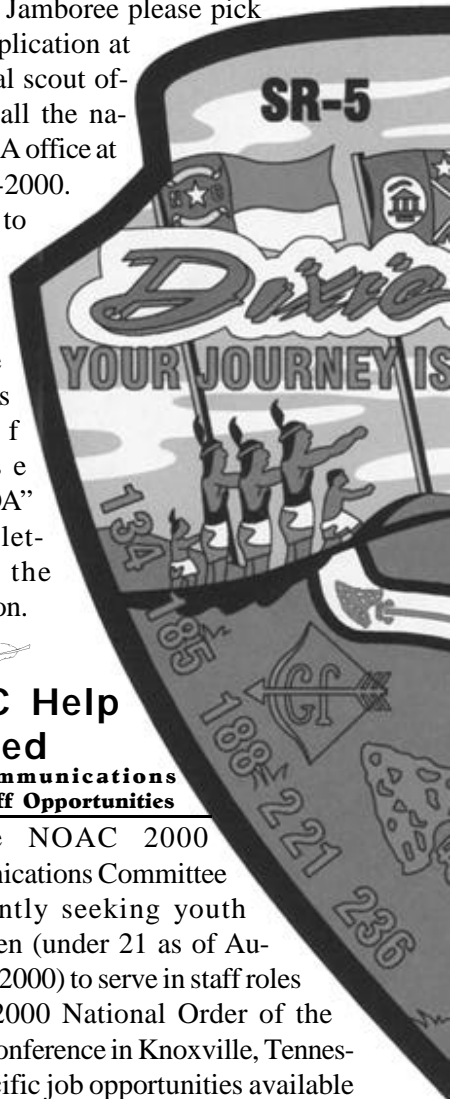


### NOAC Help Wanted



The NOAC 2000 Communications Committee is currently seeking youth Arrowmen (under 21 as of August 3rd, 2000) to serve in staff roles for the 2000 National Order of the Arrow Conference in Knoxville, Tennessee. Specific job opportunities available include information booth staff, office staff, reporters, photographers, layout staff, and radio staff.

Interested youth Arrowmen should send an e-mail to [noac2000comm@mail.com](mailto:noac2000comm@mail.com) by April 19, 2000. Please include a brief description of your qualifications, including which software packages you have experience with (if any) and your background in Scouting and the Order.



# Welcome

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Camp Ranger, and our great staff at the council office for their hard work and support, and to the brothers of Tsali Lodge, who came together as a lodge to host this fellowship.

I have been looking forward to this weekend for a long time, and I hope that each of you will have a great time as I will at Dixie 2000!

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Andy Clark  
Vice-Chief of  
Dixie



# Host Lodge

## Tsali Lodge Welcomes You!



Welcome to the Section SR 5 Dixie 2000. We recall the fall of 1997 Council of Chiefs meeting held at Camp

Hope when the Tsali Lodge officers accepted the responsibility to host "The Dixie" in 2000.

We would like to thank all who have planned and worked towards this fellowship. What impressed us was not so much all the effort that went into the weekend, but also the spirit of cooperation. To us this is what the OA is about - Cheerful Service.

We have been looking forward to this weekend of Fellowship, but we have to remind ourselves and all other Arrowmen that "The Dixie" is for the

youth. They are in charge and we have to do everything possible to make this a weekend of fun and fellowship that our young Arrowmen will long remember. Join us in this years theme, "Your Journey Is Just Beginning"

WWW

Brian Simpson, Tsali Lodge Chief  
Charlie Krug, Tsali Lodge Adviser



Here are this years lodge registration numbers for Dixie.			
Catawba	80	Unali'yi	60
Skyuka	98	Eswau	64
Bobwhite	70	Santee	80
Iti Bap	80	AKK	86
Muscogee	107	Tsali	155
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>879</b>	



# Lodge Reports



**Tsali 134**  
Brian Simpson,  
Lodge Chief

Tsali Lodge is excited about hosting the upcoming Dixie. We have been planning this for a while now and we hope that our hard work will make everyone's weekend more enjoyable. We have had many work weekends to prepare, and have a staff of around 155 Arrowmen to help make Dixie 2000 one to remember. Many things have been happening to our lodge that I am happy to report. We just celebrated our 60th

anniversary and participation at lodge events is higher than ever. I hope the weather is nice, so everyone can enjoy our beautiful camp and have a fun weekend of fellowship. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Dixie.



**Catawba 459**  
Rod Fincannon,  
Lodge Chief

For the past few months we have been working diligently preparing for our annual Spring Fellowship, Scout Show, Beaver Festival, and Dixie Fellowship.

This year our lodge has decided to help out with our council's Scout Show. Instead of having our call-out at Beaver Festival, we are going to do the call-out at the Scout Show. We hope that this will help promote the Order of the Arrow more among the units and the scouts' families.

A few things that our lodge is currently doing that is worth bragging about is the implementation of the OA Troop Rep program, and the success of our lodge's website ([www.catawbalodge.org](http://www.catawbalodge.org)), which gets around 400 hits a month.

Another event worth bragging about is our lodge's Beaver Festival.

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This is our lodge's largest event, usually having around 600 scouts and scouters from Mecklenburg County Council in attendance. This event is held at Camp Grimes where we help set the camp up for the summer. This is also the event where our First Ordeal is held. We plan on having over 120 ordeal candidates join our lodge this weekend.

The next big event is our Fall Invitational. We would like to invite all Arrowmen in the section to this event. The event will have a powwow, dance competition, and ceremonial competition, and a lot of fellowship. The event will be held at Clear Creek Scout Camp on September 15-17.



## Santee 116

Chris Lee,  
Lodge Secretary

Santee Lodge held a successful Spring Fellowship at Camp Coker on March 11th. The event began with the Pre-Ordeal Ceremony for 21 ordeal candidates. Over 100 brothers attended the fellowship that was the result of a great deal of planning by the Lodge Executive Committee and many adults. While the Ordeal candidates worked arduously in our new Activity Field clearing roots and stumps, many other brothers worked by their sides. The adults spent most of their time putting up the walls and ceiling of the new bathroom on the west-side of the lake.

The Ceremonial Team not only prepared for the Ordeal Ceremony, but also put in hours of work continuing the maintenance and improvements of the Ceremonial Ring. Once again, high winds

and rain ended the Ordeal Ceremony, but not before we put a sash on every new brother and sang "Firm Bound in Brotherhood..."

The Lodge Executive Committee approved the production of a special Santee Lodge fund raising flap for the purpose of building a new "Staff City on the Island" complete with running water and restrooms. This will prove to be a great benefit to staff personnel at Summer Camp and for Scouts and Scouters throughout the year. A limited number of flaps will be made. The flap can be obtained in recognition of a \$100 gift to the capital fund earmarked for "Staff City on the Island."

Dixie Shakedown on March 25th allowed the Lodge to finalize plans and preparations for Dixie 2000. The new Planbook, Where to Go Camping Book, and Web page update were presented. The web page can be viewed at [pdabsa.org](http://pdabsa.org) as part of our Council web page.

Finally, Dixie...We are looking forward to seeing you and having a great time.



## Skyuka 270

Wes Climer,  
Lodge Secretary

On Feb. 19, 2000, Skyuka Lodge had its yearly banquet. This event was a great success, with over 150 people in attendance, which is more than in the last 3 years. This gathering took place at the Rock Hill City Club in Rock Hill, SC. It was exceptionally nice because our lodge wanted to go that "extra mile" to start the new millennium. The meal consisted of a caesar salad followed by baked chicken in mushroom sauce along

with mashed potatoes and macaroni and cheese. Dessert consisted of individual banana creme pies topped with chocolate raspberry sauce. The guest speaker for the evening was Section Chief Jay Widby. He mesmerized the audience with his words of wisdom concerning the Order in the next century. The banquet was topped off with the unveiling of Skyuka Lodge's Millennium Patch. A large promotional sign was unveiled revealing the patch, which will only be available to lodge members for one year. Many agreed that this was a memorable event, including Jay Widby who said "this is by far the nicest banquet I have ever seen." Our lodge looks forward to another successful year in brotherhood, cheerfulness and service. If your lodge would like more information concerning this event for future use, please contact banquet chairman Wes Climer or Roger Revell at 803-366-4805 or 803-366-1775. Also feel free to send us an e-mail at [Rrevell@RHTC.net](mailto:Rrevell@RHTC.net).



## Eswau 560

Dustin Drennon,  
Lodge Chief

Eswau Huppeday held its annual Spring Fellowship at Camp Bud Schiele the weekend of March 24-26. Tsungani Chapter won the annual Quest for the Golden Arrow competition, and our new segmented patch for the year was unveiled. Excellent training sessions and activities were conducted throughout the weekend. On our two Beaver Days, March 4th and April 1st, we worked on the Campfire ring at camp which is our major project for 2000. We are replacing the wooden seats with stone benches that will be permanent. The annual

# Lodge Reports

Scoutmasters Camp Promotion Dinner was a big success in February. Our Lodge sponsors this event each year and feeds all of the Council Scoutmasters as they come to get information about our Summer Camp. We had over 300 scouters in attendance.

The Carolinas Indian Seminar in January was another great success with over 550 persons in attendance. A little snow did not dampen the spirit, as most stayed to the end, and made for another excellent powwow and instructional sessions. We look forward to hosting the conference again next year on the 4th weekend of January at the same location in Statesville, N.C. Be sure to put it on your 2001 calendar.

Unit elections are in high swing throughout the Council in preparation for our April 28-30 and May 19-21 Ordeals at Camp. The May Ordeal will also feature our annual Lodge Elections and Vigil selections.

We are awaiting word on how many of our brothers will be accepted for NOAC 2000, as we are trying to take 40+ members once again to Tennessee. Our Dance and Ceremonies teams have been working hard to continue our tradition of excellence there and at the upcoming Dixie Fellowship. We will have the largest delegation to Dixie ever for us this year, and we are looking forward to sharing the Esawu spirit with our brothers of SR 5.



**Muscogee 221**  
Jonathan Hardin,  
Lodge Editor

I am glad to see all of you here at Camp Daniel Boone during this Millennium Dixie. The Muscogee Foxes are alive and kicking, and are looking

forward to a great turn out this weekend. We know that all who attend this Dixie Fellowship will have a wonderful time, and we hope that we will be able to make it even better.

As you leave the Dixie Fellowship Sunday morning (or afternoon for some of you, I am sure) I would like for you to please think of the possibility of joining Muscogee Lodge at our May Inductions Weekend on May 19-21, 2000. This weekend will be held at Camp Barstow, on Lake Murray, South Carolina. Here we will have our annual Spring Ordeal, that will include a Brotherhood Ceremony. That Saturday, May 20, will also be our Council's Camp Beaver Day, to help us prepare for the 2000 Summer Camp Season.

If you would like to join us this weekend, then you are more than welcome, please contact Jonathan Hardin (email: JrAdvis221@aol.com, phone: (803) 736-7766) or Lodge Chief James Worley (email: wordlybird@prodigy.net) for more information.

At the 2000 Spring Fellowship, Muscogee Lodge had a great turn out, with one of the highest attendances for a Spring Fellowship on record. Here we prepared for the Dixie Fellowship competitions, (hopefully you will notice these preparations at the Dixie Fellowship) as well as inducted 15 new Brotherhood members. The Indian Affairs team cooked great "Fry Bread," which everyone should try sometime. Also, Muscogee Lodge conducted its One Day service project this weekend. The brothers of the Lodge did a large trash sweep of the neighborhoods surrounding Camp Barstow. The surrounding communities were very appreciative.



**AKK 185**  
Michael Kirby,  
Lodge Chief

Atta Kulla Kulla is working hard on preparing for Dixie. We are looking forward for our Spring Fellowship on March 23-25 where we will have a variety of sessions to get members more active in the OA. Our Winter Banquet went well as we had about 100 Arrowmen and their families in attendance. We awarded the Founders' Award to two outstanding arrowmen in our lodge, and our long term Lodge Adviser, Mr. Jack Devich, received a Lifetime membership in our lodge.



**Itibap 188**  
Chad A. Drye,  
Lodge Chief

This year has been and continues to be a great one for Itibap. We are fully prepared for Dixie 2000 at Camp Daniel Boone. We have a strong showing in all three areas of this Dixie - Native American, Administrative, and Program events. We plan on doing well in all three categories. We have a very large number of attendees as always for Dixie and are all ready to show how much spirit we really have.

All this leads us up to our hosting of the Dixie in 2001. We know we will have a great showing for the section. You won't have to look too hard to find us at Dixie; we'll be the ones making all the noise! To everyone in the section, enjoy Dixie to the fullest. There's nothing else like it anywhere.



**Section SR 5**  
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### Section Calendar

#### **Upcoming Section & National Events & Deadlines...**

May 15	Camp Promotion Kits available
June 1	NOAC 2000 Fees Due
July 29 - August 3	NOAC 2000 - Knoxville, TN
August 25	OA Service Grant applications available
October 2	OA Lodge Charter Renewal Kits Out
November 3-5	ArrowTech / COC Meeting
November 30	OA Service Grant applications Due
December 31	Lodge Recharters Due
April 27-29 2001	Dixie 2001 - Camp Barnhardt, NC