



Five Feathers

Official Newsletter of SR-5

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North Carolina BSA Report to State

Nick Zanzot, Section SR-5 Vice Chief

For over 100 years, Scouting and the Order of the Arrow have been integral parts of the United States of America. Ever since 1916, when the United States congress issued a congressional charter to the BSA, we have also been involved with the U.S. government as a recognized body. This past month, myself along with other members of lodge's around North Carolina, participated in giving a report of the BSA's success's in this past year to the North Carolina House of Representatives in our annual Report to the State. Hosted by Eagle Scout and North Carolina Supreme Court Associate Justice Paul Newby, we as scouters were recognized on the floor of the House for our achievements as scouters, and also members of the BSA that are veterans were also recognized for their service. Justice Newby decided that this year's theme would go to honor those scouters that have served their country so admirably, and every Legislative member gave a standing ovation in recognition of the BSA's past year, as well as thanking our incredible members in the armed forces. This was an incredible experience to be a part of. Our NC BSA contingent received special access to view North Carolina's original copy of the Bill of Rights, as well as a special tour of the NC Legislative building. The whole experience reminded me that this was a celebration of everything that scouters not only in North Carolina, but around the world, have accomplished. On behalf of SR-5, I thank Justice Newby and members of the NC Legislature for their hospitality. I am looking forward to seeing what all we as scouters can accomplish in this upcoming year, and I hope I will see even more members of SR-5 at the next Report to the State in 2018!



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Chief's Corner

Matthew Watson, SR-5 Chief

Dixie Fellowship
April 27- 30, 2017
Camp Barstow



My Brothers,

What a remarkably successful year it has been for Section SR-5 and the Order of the Arrow! It has been an honor and privilege working with Section Vice Chief Nick Zanzot, Section Secretary Stuart Park, and each of the ten lodge chiefs throughout 2016. Below, I have listed a "short" list of some of our major hallmark moments to look back on in the future on page 5.

2017 promises to be a milestone for our Order as we continue our storied legacy of servant leadership. In late December, I gathered with the other section chiefs from all over the country in Dallas for the 2016 National Planning Meeting. Once we elected our newest national officers, a common pulse could be sensed throughout the meeting; it was the fact that the Order of the Arrow would act as the fueling force for Scouting's Adventure in the next century. While at the meeting, I was humbled to have been elected to serve as the Jamboree Vice Chief of the Indian Village and had the opportunity to see much of the National Jamboree planning first-hand. Brothers, it can't be said enough that the opportunity to serve on Operation Arrow staff at the 2017 National Jamboree is one you will not want to miss!

Speaking of unforgettable events, the countdown is now on for the 65th anniversary Dixie Fellowship at Camp Barstow! SR-5's Dixie Fellowship is the "granddaddy" of all fellowships and is consistently ranked at the top as one of the largest section conclaves in the country. At Dixie, you will experience fellowship with well over a thousand brothers from all over the Carolinas and Georgia. Not only that, the Dixie Fellowship provides numerous fun opportunities including massive displays of lodge spirit, American Indian events, ceremonial competitions, quest events, inspiring training, thrilling shows, plenty of patch trading, and SO much more! This year, you will even have the opportunity to meet many special guests including our National Vice Chief, Talon Parker! Be sure to tell your friends and sign up today if you haven't already!

In the spirit of the Dixie Fellowship's theme this year, we must constantly reflect on the past in order to build a brighter future. Once again, thank you all for the humbling opportunity to serve as your Chief and Kitchkinet. Moving forward together, let us continue to keep the Arrow aimed high! WWW

Matthew Watson
Section Chief

Visiting Unali'yi Lodge

Trent Kokay, Atta Kulla Kulla Lodge

Visiting Unali'yi Lodge's Spring Fellowship was a very memorable experience. I loved learning about the traditions that they have and seeing how the members of their lodge interacted. I felt it was a truly humbling experience to be able to attend the dedication of their new lodge museum and to be able to see what wonderful history they have in their lodge.



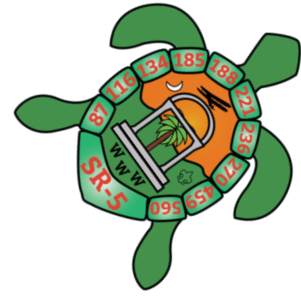
Congratulations to Unali'Yi Lodge for receiving the E. Urner Goodman Camping Award



**PROUD HOME OF THE
JAMBOREE VICE CHIEF
OF THE INDIAN VILLAGE**

BREAKING: Watson Elected Jamboree Vice Chief

A promotional graphic for a Boy Scout. On the left is a young man in a tan Boy Scout uniform with a red sash featuring white stars. The background is dark blue with brown, swirling patterns. Large white text reads "PROUD HOME OF THE JAMBOREE VICE CHIEF OF THE INDIAN VILLAGE". A red banner at the bottom contains the text "BREAKING: Watson Elected Jamboree Vice Chief".



National Chief Spotlight

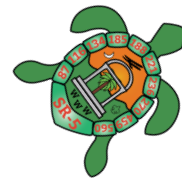
Forrest Gertin
Brothers of SR-5,

Happy New Year! It's my pleasure to serve you and every Arrowman as your 2017 national chief. This new year, I took the time to reflect on my Scouting commitments - past, present and future. It struck me that, during my time in Scouting, the leaders who have made the most impact are those who lead by example. It didn't matter if they had a fancy title. I saw them as leaders because of their actions. Each of you has demonstrated that same leadership potential. You were elected to the OA because your fellow Scouts saw you doing the things that a leader does. This year, regardless of position, I encourage you to recommit yourself to being that example. Whether by exemplifying cheerful service at Operation Arrow this summer, or by teaching the newest members of your troop to set up a tent, make servant leadership a priority. It will make a big difference, even though you may never know it.

Yours in Service,
Forrest Gertin
2017 National Chief



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Major Moments of 2016

- A new Section SR-5 Website is constructed, including a new blog and revised historical records (including the history books of every lodge in the section!).
- A Section Operations Guide is authored by the officers and new coordinator roles are established for the Shows Coordinator and the Special Events Coordinator.
- SR-5 has a massive presence at the 2016 AICA Powwow and along with the introduction of the Special Events Coordinator and increased promotional efforts for the Carolina's Indian Seminar, SR-5 takes further strides to place emphasis on the importance of American Indian Activities.
- Atta Kulla Kulla Lodge constructs a Cherokee bandolier bag for the Section Chief and presents it to Matthew Watson at the 2016 AKK Fall Fellowship at Camp Old Indian.
- As part of the Dixie Guidelines, the section's first belt buckle is planned.
- Also part of the 2017 Dixie Guidelines, plans are laid out for a Friday vendor expo and the section's first Friday night Grand Fair.
- The section's first communications team is assembled.
- LINK is introduced to the Council of Chiefs.
- Also at the 2016 COC Meeting at Camp Barstow, a successful Section Seminar and Dixie Preview are conducted.
- Section Chief Matthew Watson, working with several past SR-5 Section Chiefs, authors a new SR-5 Section Officer Oath of Office to be officially implemented at the 2017 Dixie Fellowship at Camp Barstow.
- The first online registration ever for the Dixie Fellowship goes live in preparations for Dixie 2017.
- The first ever Dixie Press Corps is assembled.



Dixie 2017

Every year, over a thousand Arrowmen from across the states of Georgia, South Carolina, and North Carolina gather for the third largest section conclave in America...we call it the

DIXIE FELLOWSHIP



1 FELLOWSHIP

One of the best things about Dixie is meeting brothers from other lodges and building new friendships.



2 SPIRIT

A major highlight of Dixie is the insane amount of spirit lodges bring to the table each year!



3 COMPETITIONS

Whether it's administration competitions like the lodge newsletter, a competition for the Pre-Ordeal ceremony, or even the historical group dance competition on Saturday evening, you won't be bored during this weekend of over-the-top fun!

4 LAKE! LAKE! LAKE!

Do we even have to explain this one??



WE'LL SEE YOU AT BARSTOW!

April 28-30, 2017

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Totem Poles at Camp Barstow being restored



Campfire Area upgrades underway



2017 Dixie Fellowship Totem Poles delivered!

WACHIPI

AMERICAN INDIAN SEMINAR AT PHILMONT

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TIPI PAI
NTING
SINGING
DRUMMING
REGALIA
CRAFTING
POWWOW
CAMP FIRE

If your Lodge or Chapter is struggling
with it's American Indian program
or if you are passionate about
the subject then Wachipi
is for you!

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AMERICAN
INDIAN FOOD
DANCING
AMERICAN
INDIAN LORE
FELLOWSHIP
PHILMONT
SPECIAL
GUESTS

If you have any
questions contact
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Mark your
calendars
now and
be ready
to register
as spots
are limited

Both youth and adults are invited. Registration
will be individually based and only

\$285

Registration can be found at oa-bsa.org

June 6-10

@the Philmont Training Center



SAVE THE DATE!

April 28-30, 2017

Dixie @ Camp Barstow

Hosted by Muscogee Lodge

More info: muscogeeodge.org



**Council of Chiefs
Leadership**

Matthew Watson
Section Chief

Nick Zanzot
Section Vice Chief

Stuart Park
Section Secretary

Jacob Neville
Bob White Lodge Chief

Caleb Rohlfig
Eswau Huppeday Lodge Chief

Thomas Hauser
Itibapishe Iti Hollo

Colin Hungerpillar
Santee Lodge Chief

Jakob Helderman
Atta Kulla Kulla Lodge Chief

Ethan Spence
Unali' Yi Lodge Chief

Riley Dabbs
Muscogee Lodge Chief

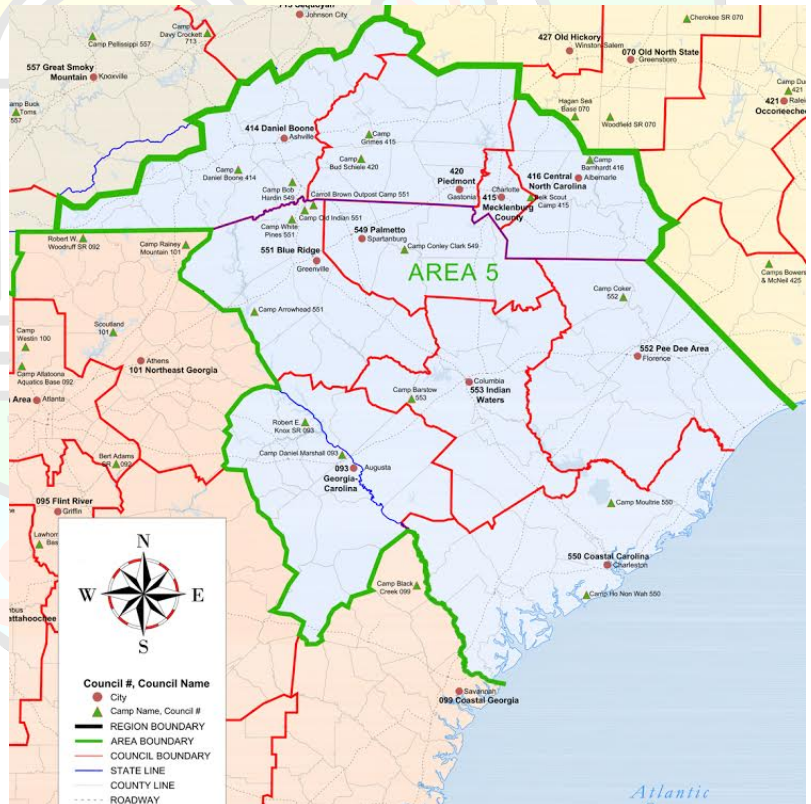
Cole Taylor
Skyuka Lodge Chief

Ryan Grannan
Tsali Lodge Chief

Zachary Unferth
Catawba Lodge Chief

Calendar of Events

April 28-30
Dixie Fellowship
Camp Barstow



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Find your Camp

