



The Washita Warrior

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What is NOAC?

Every two years, Arrowmen from across the country gather on the campus of a major university for the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC). The National Order of the Arrow Conference is Scouting's second largest national program event!

Why come to NOAC?

There are several reasons to come to the National Order of the Arrow Conference! NOAC is the national gathering for the Order of the Arrow. A key part of NOAC is sharing knowledge and learning new ideas. There are training classes on every aspect of the Order of the Arrow, including leadership, activities, and lodge and chapter operations. American Indian activities are another part of the traditional events that take place at NOAC, including dancing and ceremonies competitions and training. Another set of exciting events are the sports and competitions. Founders Day is a day at NOAC where the original founders of the Order of the Arrow are celebrated with displays by all the lodges of their local culture. For the entertainment lover in all of us, the shows are definitely worth going to! There are so many more activities at NOAC that you cannot possibly do them all.

The overall best reason to attend NOAC is this will probably be the most fun you have ever had in five straight days! For whatever reason you decide to attend NOAC, it is guaranteed that it will be one of the best

2002 Lodge Calendar Dates

Feb. 22: NOAC Registration due

Feb. 24: Tribal Council, Camp McClintock, 2 P.M.

May 24: NOAC balance due

April 11: SR3A Registration due

April 19-21: SR3A Conclave, Camp Simpson

April 26: Spring Fellowship registration due

May 3-5: Spring Fellowship, Camp Cherokee

memories you have of the Order of the Arrow!

NOAC 2002 is scheduled to take place from Saturday dinner, July 27 through Thursday breakfast, August 1st 2002 on the campus of Indiana University at Bloomington.

Washita 288 NOAC Plans

On Feb. 22 a **\$100 deposit** per person is due at the Council Service Center in Bartlesville. Washita Lodge has 14 guaranteed slots (10 youth), so register now! The total conference fee \$305, with the balance due at the scout service center by **May 24**. Current plans are to ride a Section bus, which will add \$100 per person to the cost, not including food or any other expenses. Plans are to offset the cost of transportation with a NOAC patch sale. For more information call the Council Service Center at 918-336-9170, or Jim Lewis at 918-245-0928. More information about NOAC may be found on the National Order of the Arrow web site, www.oa-bsa.org.

Note from the Chief

Greetings brothers! After a successful LLDC and winter banquet, I am looking forward to a great year. In order for the lodge to meet our goals for service to the council, it takes active participation and financial support from all our members. I am counting on all of you, and will work at your side as we provide cheerful service to make this the greatest lodge and council in the nation!

Yours in Brotherhood,

Bob Sullivan
Younger Brother Who Persuades

Important Issues

Please pay your dues! 2002 dues are \$7 and can be paid at the Scout Office or at any Lodge event!

Information about the SR3A Section Conclave, including a registration form and a trading post order form may be found on the SR3A web site, www.SR3A.org.

Save the Lodge postage and request the Warrior by e-mail. Please e-mail Sam DeFrees and request the Warrior as either a Word 2000 attachment or in a plain text form.

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