

OA's 100th Anniversary Celebration

Will you be at the 100th Anniversary Celebration for the Order of the Arrow? The festivities will take place over the week Monday to Friday, August 3-8, 2015, at Michigan State University. Have you registered with Skyuka Lodge to go as part of its contingent.

Contingent? Yes, the celebration, events, and special shows are open only to preregistered lodge members. Brandon Campbell was the first to make a \$100 deposit and reserved his seat on the bus at the 2012 Fall Fellowship. Emerson Couch reserved his spot with a \$100 deposit at the 2013 Summer Ordeal.

The 100th Celebration will be held at the 2015 National Order of the Arrow Conference. You know, the training conference where instruction is given on group leadership and lodge planning. The conference at which

high adventure folk take advanced classes on wilderness survival, and go to a huge equipment and clothing exhibition with outfitter from Coleman to R.E.I. The conference at which American Indian Affairs participants compete in ceremonies, outfits, dances, and drum singing.

You may reserve your spot at any time this year with Mr. Doug Chambers. The conference fee is \$475, with possibly \$50 more for a contingent shirt and backpack. The cost for the charter bus, and some of the spirit



expenses, were covered by the sale of fund_raiser patches and by the income at patch auctions. Ryan Hobbs, NOAC committee chairman, and Steven Long, lodge chief, are working at covering these costs again, too.

We will send in our reservation and payment to National BSA the week after our next lodge banquet. The full fee is due, payable to Skyuka Lodge by, or at, the next Skyuka Lodge Banquet, February 7, 2015.

NOAC 2015 committee



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Skyuka Lodge

CALENDAR



LODGE GAMES
March, 21-23, 2014 at
Camp Bob Hardin

Online Registration Opens 02/15/14
Registration Closes 03/14/14

SPRING FELLOWSHIP
May 16-18, 2014 at
Camp Bob Hardin

Online Registration Opens 04/05/14
Registration Closes 05/09/14



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Jay Adam Pearson To Speak At Skyuka's 2014 Banquet

Those that are able to attend the 2014 Skyuka Lodge Awards Banquet will be treated to a dynamic personality and speaker in Jay Adam Pearson.

Mr. Pearson is the head of the Building Construction Technology Department at Greenville Technical College. He is a licensed S.C. Contractor and has 25 years experience in residential and commercial construction. He also holds a Bachelors Degree in Applied Management from Franklin University and an Associate Degree in Occupational Technology, Greenville Technical College. He is the recipient of many teaching awards including Who's Who Among Teachers in 2002 and SkillsUSA



Instructor of the Year for 2005-2006. He is also Past Worshipful Grand Master of the Masons of South Carolina.

Skyuka One - What's In Your Lodge?

That time is almost here when all the lodges in SR-5 come together to battle it out to see who is the best lodge of them all. But most

One," Which is a take-off from the Capital One commercials. I believe with our theme, excitement, and spirit we can bring home the

importantly we come for the fun.

There is no doubt that we will have an awesome time as a lodge this year.

Our theme is "Skyuka

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Camp Bob Hardin To Feature OA Village As Part Of 2014 Summer Camp Program

The OA Village at Camp Bob Hardin is a pilot program that incorporates instruction designed for scouts who are members of the Order of the Arrow. A Scout must be at least an Ordeal member to participate in the course program. This course will have a focal point of teaching the scout about American Indian Affairs and Activities and OA Lodge Government. The OA Course program, which will be taught during the first through the third instructional periods each day, will also instruct the participants about the OA Wednesday evening ceremony as well as allowing the participants to take an active role in the evening ceremony by helping to induct scouts

and scouts that have been chosen by their troops to become Ordeal Candidates. This program is open to all lodge members in all councils represented by troops attending Camp Bob Hardin in 2014.

The OA Village will be broken down into two (2) segments which are shown to the right:



1. The OA Indian Village (AIA)
 - ▶ Regalia
 - ▶ Song & Drum
 - ▶ Dance
 - ▶ Ceremony
 - ▶ Lodge Competition
2. OA 101 (aka OA Government)
 - ▶ OA Lodge & Leadership
 - ▶ Leadership Positions
 - ▶ OA Government
 - ▶ Business and Roberts Rules & Order
 - ▶ OA Committees (The scouts will perform a "mock" lodge meeting on Thursday of camp).
 - ▶ OA Service

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Chiefly Speaking



and had record attendance at our events. We had fun and accomplished a lot of projects to support our council and summer camp. None of this would be possible without your support and I thank you.



This year will be one of the best we've ever had. We are gearing up to have incredible success at the 2014 Dixie Fellowship and we have several other projects in the works for this year. Skyuka Lodge will be offering 3 scholarships of \$150 toward the \$175 costs to the National Youth Leadership Training, if you're interested in

Esteemed Brethren,
Welcome to the 2014 Skyuka Lodge Banquet. This is a time of celebration for a successful year in 2013 as well as a time of planning for the upcoming year. I'm proud to announce that Skyuka Lodge achieved Gold on the Journey to Excellence in 2013! Thank you to the entire Executive Committee and all those who showed service to our lodge last year. Last year we had a record high of members of our lodge

applying you can do so on our lodge website for a very limited time. Our lodge is also offering a new program area at Camp Bob Hardin this summer: the OA Village. This program area is a half-day program, in the morning, and promises to be a lot of fun. The OA Village will focus on both the basics of American Indian Affairs and the basics on Lodge Government: leadership skills, how to plan events, business procedures, and more. I'm looking forward to everything we will do this year. With your help we will accomplish a lot of projects. I'm proud to be the Chief of the best lodge in the country!

Yours in Service,

Steven

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Lodge Advisor's Corner



Welcome everyone to Gaffney, the brilliant jewel of South Carolina! This is our first event of 2014 and an exciting start to a fantastic year of fun, games and service for Skyuka Lodge. It is now the time for us to acknowledge our brothers for the hard work they



made this past year to the lodge and as always, to enjoy everyone's fellowship.

Your Lodge officers have been doing a fantastic job planning upcoming events and I hope every eligible member will attend.

In order for this lodge to continue to grow and have success we need involvement by all. All the information you need is on our website www.skyukalodge.org and on the Skyuka Lodge Facebook page, visit these often.

It will be great to see everyone March 21-23, 2014 at CBH for lodge games. Registration will begin soon on the lodge webpage.

In Brotherhood,

David

David Simmons

A Word From The Vice Chief Of Program

Dear Brothers,

Happy New Year! I hope that everyone had a fantastic holiday. It is so good to come back from the break and to see everyone excited about the new lodge year. We had a fantastic year in 2013 and it looks like 2014 will be even more promising as we celebrate our lodge's 70th anniversary and inch our

way one year closer to celebrating the OA centennial. Dixie will be here faster than you know it. Tonight's banquet is designed to give us all an extra boost for preparing for the 2014 Dixie Fellowship. Our theme for the 2014 Dixie is Skyuka Capital One, What's in your Lodge. Make sure that you get your Viking gear on and let us

show SR-5 what Skyuka is made of. Enjoy tonight's food and fellowship and I look forward to working with all of you to make 2014 great!

WWW,

Joseph

Joseph Kovas, VC of Program

2014 Dixie

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spirit award and many other awards. The executive board has decided to have two versions of the theme flap this year. One flap, to be distributed at the Lodge Games, is the delegate flap, and the other flap, to be distributed at the Dixie itself, will have a different border color, will be our trader.

I hope to see you all at the lodge games, as we will be looking for people to participate in the games for Dixie.

Dylan

Dylan Harllee

York Chapter

York chapter continues to play a supporting roll at events in York district like the Polar Bear, which we helped staff and conducted the campfire for. York chapter continues to do well in fund-raising and selling our chapter patches. York chapter continues to do well in the chapter games as another year passes by and York has the title chapter games champions. We are also very excited for Dixie this year.

Dylan

Dylan Harllee
York Chapter Chief

Ed Rigdon Loses Battle With Cancer

Eddie Rigdon, who served for several years as ranger at Camp Bob Hardin, lost his battle with Cancer on January 1st, 2014.

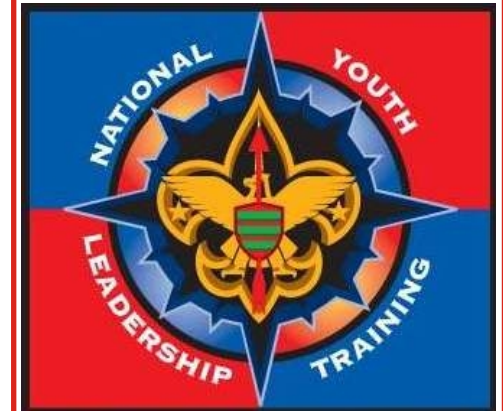
Ed was a Vigil Honor member of Skyuka Lodge 270 and was a special friend to so many scouts and scouters in the Palmetto Council. Ed had a real love for Camp Bob Hardin and those that visited there. He stepped down as ranger shortly after his diagnosis a few years ago and he has been severely missed.

The OA Grounds at CBH were named in Ed Rigdon's honor.



The family has asked that memorials be made out to Skyuka Lodge 270 and mailed to the council office. Be sure to write "Eddie Rigdon Memorial" on the check. Funds will be used for special projects at CBH.

Skyuka Lodge To Sponsor 3 Arrowmen to NYLT Course



The executive board of Skyuka Lodge has voted to sponsor \$150 of the \$175 cost for three arrowmen to attend the 2014 Palmetto Council National Youth Leadership Training course on June 8th-13th, 2014 at Camp Bob Hardin.

Arrowmen that are interested in being considered for one of the three available scholarships should go to the Skyuka Lodge website for to get additional information on applying for the scholarships.

If you would like more information about the NYLT training course, please go to the course's website at www.PalmettoNYLT.com.

This is a fantastic opportunity to gain training that will help you become a better leader in your unit, chapter, lodge and beyond.