

# GATOR TALES EXTRA

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## New Lodge Policy

All Brothers 20 years or younger are required to remain in camp from time of arrival to after they have performed their Sunday morning Lodge and Chapter service assignments. The only way one may leave the weekend event is if they present a signed letter, with the contact info, from their parent releasing

them from the weekend for a viable reason (i.e. medical appointment, football game, etc.) or the brother's parent is present at the weekend and taking them from camp. Everyone who is leaving the camp must check out with the Lodge Chief before departure.

Guys, this policy is for SAFETY and not to be taken as

a personal offense. Brothers should be attending the weekend for the WEEKEND and the activities within the camp, not to tool around at the Jupiter Wal-Mart. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

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## Winter Fellowship Weekend December 13 - 15, 2002

I would like to personally invite you to our first annual Winter Fellowship to be held at Camp Tanah Keeta! Check in time will be on Friday at 7:00 PM and departure time will be Sunday at 10:00 AM. This weekend is not only a very auspicious, super-cool occasion, but we are having a completely original, weekend-long chapter competition! Woohoo! Now, we don't want to reveal TOO much information, but here are the basics:

- Each Chapter is to form its own team to compete with other chapters.

- The object of the competition is to gather as many Chapter flags as possible. (Yes, this is a camp-wide capture the flag competition!)

- The only guards are positioned within a ten foot radius of the flag-post.

- Cooperative flag-stealing missions may only be performed

in the specified hours. (ALMOST all weekend!)

- The Chapter with the most flags on Sunday morning at 7pm will win!

Stay tuned with your Chapter Chiefs folks for more important info about the weekend!

Moving along... for all of those interested in the COOLEST weekend thus far, we have much, much more! A patch auction (with more than patches) will be held for all you thread-heads, we will be selling personalized Aal-Pa-Tah Christmas ornaments, a round-robin-thingy-lodge committees-display (so EVERY Arrowman can get actively involved with the Lodge), a revered and mind-bending hearts competition, an awards ceremony and much, much more! So Brothers, when you get that call from your Chapter Chief inviting you to your Chapter meet-

dated and involved in the first ever Winter Fellowship!

Yours in Service  
Travis Sheehan  
Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge Chief

Editors Note

To Pre-register for Winter Fellowship, payment must be received in the Council Service Center by Friday December 2, 2002 at the return address on this mailing. Credit/Debit card payments (VISA/MC/AMEX/DISC) can be made by phone at (561) 694-8585 through December 2, 2002. \$20.00 late registration will be accepted at the door.

In order to participate in Lodge events it is necessary to have dues paid up to date. Please check the label on this mailing to be sure your \$10.00 annual dues are paid through 2002. It is now time to begin paying your 2003 dues. You may include dues with the weekend registration.

### Arrowmen Service Award

-Signatures for the requirements of this award may be signed off by the Arrowman's Scoutmaster, the Lodge Chief, and the Lodge Adviser.

-Awards for 2002 must be fully completed by December 31, 2002.

AREA I - PERSONAL (Complete All Four)

\_\_\_A: Remain active in the unit.

\_\_\_B: Help someone obtain Brotherhood.

\_\_\_C: Mentor a Scout or Scouter.

\_\_\_D: Rededicate to OA principles through discussion.

AREA II - CHAPTER/LODGE ACTIVITY (Complete three)

\_\_\_A: Serve on a camping promotions or unit elections team.

\_\_\_B: Serve in a leadership role in two functions.

\_\_\_C: Serve as an officer or

committee chairman.

\_\_\_D: Attend a Section Conclave, NLS or National OA Conference.

\_\_\_E: Serve as an OA trainer.

AREA III SERVICE (Complete one)

\_\_\_A: Participate in a council, chapter or lodge service project.

\_\_\_B: Serve as an Elangomat.