



SR5 DIXIE FELLOWSHIP 2007



Good Evening! The members of Tomo Chi-Chi Lodge hope that you have been having a wonderful time and are enjoying the Dixie Fellowship!

From the Editors . . .

Thanks to all the campers for making this Dixie one of the best ones ever. Your participation and adherence to the codes of Scouting has made this a pleasurable and memorable event. Additionally, thanks to the Dixie Committee, Adult Advisers, Youth Chairmen, and staff for coordinating and executing the numerous events and activities that were held today, and for the general upkeep of the camp. A very special thanks to the Dining Hall Staff: your hard work and long hours in the hot "kitchen" is very much appreciated, and the food is exceptional.

Forecast . . .

Tonight will have the low temperature of 55°F, with mostly clear skies, and winds from the WNW at 5-10 mph. Sunset will be at 8:04 pm. A waxing, 9/10 moon will rise at 4:59 pm.

The sunrise on Sunday morning will be at 6:42 am and the high temperature for the day will be 87°F.

Total Number of Campers . . .

All of the registrants have arrived and this year's Dixie has the following number of campers:

Atta Kulla Kulla	109
Bob White	121
Catawba	77
Eswau Huppeday	89
Itibapishe Iti Hollo	58
Muscogee	110
Santee	65
Skyuka	85
Tomo Chi-Chi	141
Tsali	60
Unali'yi	66
Total	981

Friday Night Opening Show . . .

The band, High Velocity, from Bloomingdale, GA gave the campers a great musical show to "kick off" the 2007 Dixie Fellowship. They ended the show with the Lynyrd Skynyrd classic, "Freebird."

Sunday Morning Breakfast . . .

- Waffles
- Bacon
- Fruit
- Sweet Rolls
- Drinks

Sunday Morning Schedule . . .

- 7:00 Reveille
- 7:15 Assembly at the Flag Poles
- 7:30 Council of Chiefs meeting at a TBA location
- 7:30 Breakfast at the Dining Hall
- 9:00 Chapel / Awards Ceremony at the Council Ring

Training Sessions . . .

There were thirteen classes given during the three training sessions given this morning. Thanks to the instructors, who were well-prepared and presented informative insights about their topics. There were also a lot of experiences shared by the class attendees.

Lunchtime Music . . .

We were entertained during lunch on Saturday by outstanding bagpipe music provided by Mr. Bud Dent. Mr. Dent's visit was sponsored by the Bob White Lodge. Following lunch, Mr. Dent, in traditional Scottish uniform, played the bagpipes and led a marching procession of Bob White lodge members, equipped with cardboard shields and plastic swords, past the Athletic Field and ending at the Quartermaster building.

And . . .

Tomorrow morning's Newsletter will contain the Section election results.

Competitions . . .

The rivalry was intense in all the activities and events today, but the respect and sportsman-like conduct between the contestants remained intact. The OA members who participated in the Ceremonies, Team Sing, Parade of Braves, and Dancing competitions demonstrated impressive skills and their dedication was certainly evident.

Everyone is anxious to find out the results at the Awards Ceremony. Congratulations, in advance, to the competitors!

Special Visitors . . .

Mr. Jim Sawgrass, family members, and friends were guests at this year's Dixie. Mr. Sawgrass is a longtime Scouter, an OA Vigil Honor member, and he just recently assumed the position of Scoutmaster. He lives in central Florida and is a Muskogee tribe descendant. The Muskogee native American (Indian) tribe is also known as the Creek tribe. Mr. Sawgrass is a recognized expert in Southeastern Indian tribe cultures and has shared his skills and knowledge throughout the southeast for the past two decades. His son, Cody, assists his father in educating visitors about Southeastern Indian cultures; and, he also performed in the dancing demonstrations here at Camp Blue Heron during their visit. (cont.)

Mr. Sawgrass' "campsite" replicated a Creek encampment. In contrast to modern-day tents, comprising of an outer shell made from water-repellant canvas or rip-stop nylon, their A-frame style shelter, open at both ends, uses palm fronds. His campsite was arranged to segregate the cultural items between the prehistoric (prior to the arrival of the Spaniards) and the more modern adaptation of weapon and tool design. Mr. Sawgrass, in traditional attire, had displays including weapons, utensils, jewelry, clothing, and hide drying/tanning. A most interesting piece was an arrow quiver made from what appeared to be a hollowed-out alligator tail. Mr. Sawgrass is also skilled in demonstrating the use of the weapons and tools he displays.

There were many things to do and participate in while at this year's Dixie, but it would be unfortunate if you did not have the opportunity to stop and speak with Mr. Sawgrass and his fellow visitors. If you would like more information about Mr. Sawgrass and his activities, visit his website at www.jimsawgrass.com.