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To all - As you may already know the Order of the Arrow will be embarking on a series of 5 huge conservation projects in 2008 titled ArrowCorps5. Arrowmen must be 14 years old by June 1, 2008 to be able to participate. For more information please follow this link. <http://event.oa-bsa.org/events/arrowcorps5/index.php?p=manti>

ArrowCorps5 (AC5) is the largest, most complex, most challenging conservation project ever conceived by the Order of the Arrow. Have you ever wanted to be part of something big, I mean really big? Well this is it!

Each project will be held in a National Forest and at each project 50,000 hours of service will be performed. This means that there will need to be a total of at least 1,000 people at each project.

June 14th-21st, 2008 there will be a AC5 project in Southern Utah (Price area) removing Tamarisk, an invasive species of tree that is rapidly destroying the wetlands and waterways of the U.S. West. Experts say Tamarisk is also reducing ground water - the same ground water that is so very precious to plants and humans.

There is a \$250 cost that pays for food and accommodations for the 8 day event and also pays for a full day of recreational activities to choose from that includes whitewater rafting, canoeing, biking, fishing, rappelling and a dinosaur quarry tour. You will have to provide your own transportation to/from the event.

Participants must send in a \$100 deposit by February 1st, 2008 to guarantee a spot at this event. Please use the AC5.Participant.Deposit form that was sent with this document to send in the deposit. The balance must be paid by May 1st or the cost goes up \$50. If you are not in the Tu-Cubin-Noonie Lodge please contact your local Lodge's ArrowCorps5 representative for details on where to send your money.

There is an immediate need for 150 Crew, Squad, and assistant Squad Leaders. Crew Leaders must be 21 before June 1, 2008; Squad Leaders must be 18, and assistant Squad Leaders 16 before June 1, 2008.

If you are interested in a staff position please contact me directly, preferably by email, using the information listed above.

Philmont backcountry height/weight requirements (PH/WR) apply to the Crew, Squad, and Assistant Squad Leaders, and to participants in the field. There are also numerous other open positions to which the requirements do not apply.

There is a sense of urgency, as we don't want to leave out anyone that is interested in being part of this once in a lifetime activity.

→ → Chapter Advisors please contact every Unit in your district, especially Varsity Units, and hold elections and ordeals. Don't overlook eligible adults and let the youth who will not be 14 by event time, and can't come, that they have NOAC 2009 to plan for. Participants and staff will be accepted until 1,000 have paid.

Open Staff Positions:

Crew, Squad, and Asst. Squad Leaders - Yes PH/WR

Equipment transporters (with truck)- Will transport equipment to and from the field. - No PH/WR

Food Service team - AM or PM shifts; **Various Base Camp support positions** - No PH/WR

Leave No Trace training team - No PH/WR

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