

## **OPERATIONS**UPDATE

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At the May 2005 meeting of the National Order of the Arrow Committee, several important changes were made to the following national awards and recognitions:

- 1. The form for making nominations of worthy Arrowmen to receive the Distinguished Service Award has been changed:
  - The photo requirement has been eliminated;
  - The signature page has been modified to require both the region chairman and region staff adviser signatures;
  - The form must be received in the region office by 5 pm, January 15, and in the director's office by 5 pm CST, January 31 of the year of a national conference; and
  - Late submissions will not be considered and submissions lacking the proper signatures or lacking council and region concurrences will not be considered.

Revised Form 24-201 (5/2005 Printing) is available at www.oa-bsa.org/resources/forms.

- 2. The E. Urner Goodman Scholarship program will be suspended beginning in 2006.
- 3. The availability of the Josh R. Sain Memorial Scholarship will be expanded beyond the immediate past national chief, vice chief and four region chiefs, to include all immediate past section chiefs. All awards will be on merit, based on performance in their respective roles and academic achievement while serving in that role.
- 4. The due date for nominations of worthy Arrowmen to receive the Legacy of Servant Leadership Lifetime Achievement Award has been changed to October 31 of the year prior to a National Order of the Arrow Conference.

Improved wording for these passages and related areas will be provided in future printings of the *Order* of the Arrow Handbook and Guide for Officers and Advisers. The changes are effective now.