

The Third Year – 1997

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Spring Fellowship was a blast in 1997 as we had many activities and events going on that weekend. Saturday morning featured Marvin Preslar doing a blacksmithing demonstration which proved very popular. Bud Harrelson led a nature hike and Steve Vaughan brought along some snakes. The last demonstration that morning was Frank Newell from Warren County who did an outstanding program on “Beavers & Blue Birds”. The afternoon featured Ceremony Competition and the Quest Events: Knotted Doorway, Fuzzy Stick, Fire Building, A-Frame Race and Egg Toss. Alamance Chapter was the Quest winner! The evening program was Ted White with singing and storytelling.



We donned the Yellow t-shirts and headed off to the very last Cardinal Conclave hosted by Catawba Lodge at their Clear Creek Scout Reservation as the Section was realigned. The six lodges in Virginia were split off to become SR-7A and the six lodges in North Carolina became SR-7B. (They are Tsoiotsi Tsogalii 70, Occoneechee 104, Croatan 117, Wahissa 118, Nayawin Rar 296, and Klahican 331.) Our theme for this Conclave was “Zippety Doo Dah” and we were the largest lodge there with 218

delegates. Our Conclave responsibility was the Quest which was a rousing success. We had much spirit and competed in several events. Everyone had a ball!

Summer was a busy time with tap-out ceremonies at camp and also the National Jamboree. The Lodge was well represented at the Order of the Arrow Gathering and we showed much spirit there. Work on a Lodge museum to be built in the basement of the Allan “Doc” Lewis OA Lodge Building began. The Ordeals in August and October saw 159 and 142 members inducted, respectively.

The Lodge Trade-O-Ree organized by John Kinney was held in the Dining Hall at Camp Cherokee and it was a success as a fund raiser for the Lodge. We had many dealers attend from all over the East Coast and many treasures were displayed and traded.

We once again participated in the “Section One Day Project” on November 1 by doing some trail work on the “Mountains to the Sea” trail near Greensboro. We built two bridges on the Laurel Bluff Trail and we all had fun standing in mud at least two feet deep!

Fall Fellowship was also a lot of fun with many activities and events going on. We started a campfire on Friday night and the Lodge Legend was reenacted for everyone. Saturday was packed with lots of fun activities like rappelling, dancing, and repairing Lodge regalia. We also made a swing which we planned to take to conclave next year as part of our Scoutcraft responsibilities. Elections were held and Daniel Glaze was elected Lodge chief.



Our Lodge was also recognized as a **National Quality Lodge** based on all the requirements set forth by National. This marked the first time ever that our Lodge had attained this honor!

The 1997 Vigil class included: Do Barlow, Jeremy Floyd, Sue Hampton, Ron Lindler, Stephen McNees, Brandon Price, Ken Shahbaz, Chris Slaughter, Kevin Stainback, Chris Woody.

By Ron Lindler – A Condensed History of Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge #70 – November 1999