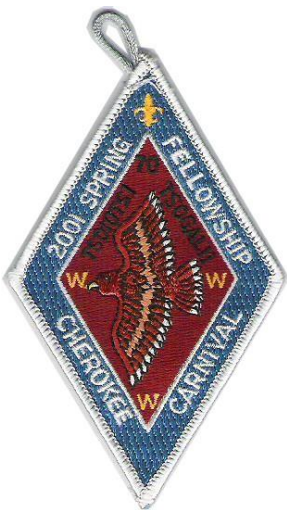


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Lodge Chief:	Curtis Giles	Vice-Chief – Indian Affairs:	Brandon Ellis
Vice-Chief – Program:	Jack Wyrick	Vice Chief – Publications:	Brian Peters
Vice-Chief – Service:	Chris Erickson	Vice-Chief – Records:	Travis Ramsey
Vice-Chief – Finance:	Jason Hardy	Lodge Adviser:	Ron Lindler

On January 6 – 7, 2001 the lodge held its annual Lodge Leadership Development Course. All lodge officers were present along with representatives from eight chapters totaling over 54 Brothers involved. The event was staffed by Michaelong, Jerry Marsh, Curtis Giles, Daniel Glaze, Ben Williams, Pam Wilson, Chris Mullen, and Ron Lindler. Several informative training sessions were held including Team Building, Communications, Effective Programming, Youth & Adult Relations, and Chapter Power. There were also fun activities including a special segment, “The OA Show”. The group set Lodge Goals and Responsibilities for 2001. Delicious food was prepared by David Trull, David Higgins, Ted Williams & Bud Harrelson including ‘nanner pudding’ and Sweet Tea.



On March 2 – 4 the lodge held its Spring Fellowship, an event with a great tradition of fun games, fellowship, and service. The lodge started celebrating the theme for the upcoming Conclave, “Mardi Gras”. Friday night was filled with games like Trivial Pursuit and Life and everyone played Bingo. Saturday morning featured training cells: Elangomat Training, OA Troop Representative Training, Patch Trading Ethics, Indian Affairs Demonstrations and Unit Elections Training. In the afternoon the Dining Hall was turned into a huge Carnival. Booths included Ring Toss, Putt Putt Golf, Dart Throw at Balloons, Apple Bob, Basketball Toss, Hat Throw, Musical Chairs, Bean Bag Toss, Ping Pong Toss, M&M Push, Dr. Pepper Chug, and Chubby Bunny. Unfortunately, the Quest events were cancelled due to heavy rains, however the Chapter Basketball Tournament went on as planned. After a Mardi Gras theme dinner seven members sealed their membership in the OA by becoming Brotherhood. This was another great lodge event enjoyed by all!

Tsoitsi Tsogalii Lodge went to Camp Durant on the weekend of April 20 – 22 and took the Cardinal Conclave by storm. Wearing colorful “Mardi Gras” themed flaps the lodge took over 230 and showed up with lots of enthusiasm and spirit. The weather was perfect (No Rain!). Many lodge delegates traveled by Chapter to the conclave and quickly set up their tents so that no time was wasted getting involved with the event. After dinner everyone gathered on the Vista to participate in the Opening Show. It was followed by a Cracker Barrel back in the



campsite. Saturday morning was filled with training, then competition in Pre-Ordeal Ceremony and Team Dance. The lodge performed the Beaver Dance



from the Cherokee. The afternoon included Regalia Judging and Individual Dance competition. Curtis Giles and Jack Wyrick both placed 4th. The big activity of the afternoon was the Quest for the Golden Arrow. The afternoon ended with a big Patch Auction and Section Elections. Supper was catered by the Barbecue Lodge from Raleigh and everyone enjoyed some great North Carolina BBQ with all the fixins'. The Closing Show recognized each lodge's Founder's Award recipients and concluded with a special candle light Rededication ceremony. Next everyone went to the Section Feast where the lodge served Jambalaya and Sweet Tea. On Sunday morning everyone packed for home then went to the Worship service and Awards Show. Tsoiotsi Tsogalii received the highest award of the year, **Honor Lodge**, signifying the best overall program in the Section. The lodge also placed first in Newsletter, Web Page, and Where To Go Camping Book.

The Brotherhood Weekend in May was a rousing success! Numerous projects were completed around camp including Building 18 Scoutmaster Platforms, Repairing 20 Rocking Chairs, Spreading mulch at the tower and Honor Wall, Cutting dead trees around camp, and general cleaning of the OA Lodge, campsite latrines, and trails. There were eight new members inducted and a record 56 members became Brotherhood.

On July 19 the lodge tapped ten Vigil Candidates: Rusty Hampton, Lee Hubbard, Jerry Marsh, Thomas Parker, Chris Phillips, Henda Price, Zan Rothrock, Jim Smith, J. Trivette, and Pam Wilson. On September 22 – 23 they took part in the Vigil Weekend.

On August 17 – 19 the lodge inducted 172 candidates and had 90 other members performing Cheerful Service at Woodfield Scout Preservation in the August Ordeal. Numerous projects were completed with over 2,300 hours of labor being contributed to the camp.

On October 5 – 7 the lodge held an Ordeal Weekend at Cherokee Scout Reservation. Over 200 candidates were inducted into the lodge. Lots of important projects were completed at camp.

November 2 – 3 was the lodge's annual fundraiser – the Stew Sale. The lodge dipped 1,300 quarts of stew and made about \$1,200 in profit.

Over 400 lodge members attended the 2001 Fall Fellowship held at Camp Cherokee on November 16 - 18. Special guests included National Vice Chief Scott Hunter, Region Chief Jason Kemp, and Section Chief Nathan Finnin. The event included a Gong Show, Lodge Olympics, a Merit Badge Midway, and a spectacular Winter Banquet.



On Friday night Travis Ramsey, Chris Erickson, and Chris Phillips served as "Gong Ringers" for the Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge's version of the Gong Show. Saturday morning was filled with Merit Badges as Brothers could work on Automotive Repair to Railroading, Chemistry to Truck Transportation. The Chapters competed on Saturday afternoon in Tug of War, Javelin Toss, Spam Toss, Bed Relay, Shot Put, Frisbee Toss, and Road Cone Hurdles. 1st Place – Achewon, 2nd Place – Alamance, 3rd Place – Tutelo. Lodge Elections were held and the following Arrowmen were elected: **Chris Phillips** – Lodge Chief, **Chris Erickson** – Vice Chief of Program, **Travis Ramsey** – VC of Service, **John Long**, VC of Records, **Joey Petrack** – VC of Indian Affairs, **Jason Hardy** – VC of Finance, **Ryan Elliott** – VC of Publications.

On Saturday evening the lodge held its Winter Banquet. National Vice-Chief Scott Hunter was the key note speaker and he delivered a moving speech on all Brothers increasing their involvement in helping the lodge



achieve its annual goals. The evening concluded with a Brotherhood Ceremony and more food at a Cracker Barrel. Fun was had by all as they celebrated another successful year for Tsoitsi Tsogalii Lodge!

For the fourth year in a row the lodge met the requirements to be a **National Quality Lodge**. The lodge reported total membership of 1,308 Arrowmen with 638 Ordeal, 521 Brotherhood, and 149 Vigil.

A very special recognition was given to Tsoitsi Tsogalii Lodge for the year 2001. The lodge was one of eight lodges nationally to receive the **National Service Award**. This award is presented to two lodges per Region for exceptional service throughout the year to the Council. It is measured in both a qualitative and quantitative basis. The Lodge was recognized for the first time it had conducted a Service Project that directly benefited Cub Scouting, the August 2001 Ordeal Weekend held at Woodfield.



Award was presented in 2002 for service provided during 2001.

