

2009

Lodge Chief: Cody Harker

Vice-Chief – Program: Tyler Faucette

Vice-Chief – Indian Affairs: Matt Milloway

Vice-Chief – Administration: Chris Stevens

Vice-Chief – Communications: Matt Moricle

Lodge Advisor: Rob Kennerly

These officers served from January 1, 2008 until May 31, 2009.

The year 2009 marked a change in the lodge's schedule of events as well as the term of its officers. The Spring Fellowship was moved from March to May. The LLD was moved from January to the summer and the May Ordeal was moved to March. New officers began serving on June 1 after being elected at the May Spring Fellowship.



The Lodge began the year with a new activity called **"First Event"**. It was held on January 2 at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Greensboro. This was a council wide Youth and Adult Training combined with Indian Affairs crafts and skills. There was great training by Ryan Elliott for both youth and adults on how to be effective leaders. Bud Harrelson hosted a training course for adults on being better advisers. It was more than training with participants learning many Indian crafts like bead work, choker making, and moccasin making. There were also demonstrations of drumming and dancing. One of the favorites was the blow gun game that wrapped up the day of activities.



At the January 4 Executive Committee Meeting the lodge approved a proposal from David Pugh to provide lodge funds to develop a **Boy Scout Museum** in the basement of the Doc Lewis OA Lodge Building. Construction began with the installation of fluorescent lighting, a ceiling grid, and enclosure of a storage room.



An Inductions Weekend was held on March 27 – 29 at Cherokee Scout Reservation. Numerous projects were completed during this Ordeal. Several lodge members also converted to Brotherhood.

On April 17 – 19 Tsoitsi Tsogalii Lodge took over 200 Brothers to Tuscarora Scout Reservation for the SR-7B Section Conclave. Nayawin Rar Lodge #296 hosted this huge annual event. Each year the lodge chooses a spirit theme and this year's choice was being in a Fraternity. All members were provided with a visor, aviator

sunglasses, and a white polo shirt. The lodge has also historically issued a special pocket flap for the conclave depicting the spirit theme. For the first time in 2009 the lodge offered a special “early bird” flap to members that registered before the end of March. The blue bordered flap was limited to one per delegate. The regular issue had a black border. Brothers began arriving on Friday afternoon and settled in for a great weekend. The weather was perfect and an entertaining show started off the first evening. A special flag ceremony was observed. Saturday started early with the Vigil Breakfast and rededication. The morning was filled with the **OAX** and lots of interesting exhibits. Teams also competed in ceremony and Indian Dance competition. The afternoon featured the Quest for the Golden Arrow and Individual Dance competition. Section Elections completed the afternoon. Following a dinner of barbecue chicken and boiled potatoes there was a big patch auction. Next was the Saturday Night show. It concluded with a great fireworks display. The evening ended with a big cracker barrel and lots of patch trading. Sunday’s Closing Show recognized the winners of several awards. Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge won the Communications Award, but came up short in the other areas. Overall everyone had an enjoyable weekend!

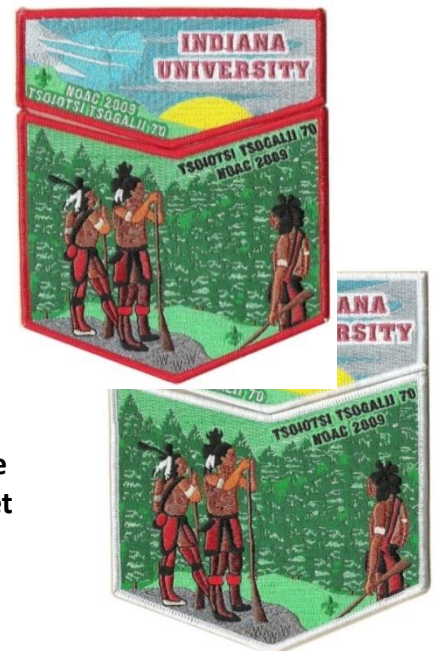


On May 15 – 17 the lodge held its Spring Fellowship. The format of this event changed to allow for the new lodge schedule. The theme for this year’s event was the Wild West. Saturday morning featured special activities with a western theme. There was an Indian Village for participants to learn about Indian crafts and receive training in making regalia, dancing, and drumming. The new Boy Scout Museum opened for the first time for visitors. Lodge elections moved from the Fall Fellowship to this Spring Fellowship. The new officers elected for the coming year were **John Elliott** – Lodge Chief,

Zach Warner – Vice-Chief of Program, **Chris Molnar** – VC of Administration, **Dustin Cocklereece** – VC of Indian Affairs, and **Chris Stevens** – VC of Communications. For many years the lodge called out its Vigil candidates during a Thursday night campfire during summer camp. This special ceremony moved to Saturday night at the Spring Fellowship. A Brotherhood Ceremony was held that evening and all of the day’s special activities were celebrated with a fine cracker barrel. The new officers were sworn in to take office effective June 1.



The Order of the Arrow held its National Conference at Indiana University from August 1 – 6, 2009. The lodge took 28 delegates via motor coach to Bloomington. It was a week filled with training, great shows, a little patch trading, and lots of FUN! The lodge participated in various NOAC activities including Indian Dance competition. There was a special event called the “Amazing Race”. Tsoiotsi Tsogalii’s team won!!!



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Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge 70 2009 NOAC Delegation

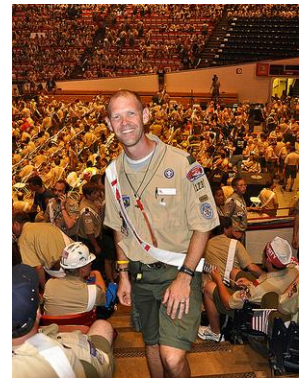


Trader Patch Set





Great NOAC Shows! Competitions! Founder's Day!



On August 14 – 16 the lodge had another first. An Ordeal was held at Hagan Sea Base. The event was limited to 30 candidates. Several meaningful projects were completed and everyone enjoyed this fine facility!

This year, Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge hosted its Lodge Leadership Development Conference (LLDC) on August 29th & 30th. The participants were able to receive valuable information to help them lead the Lodge and their various Chapters, including topics such as Using Resources, Building the Team, Chapter Management & Operations, Unit Elections Management, and Ceremony Team Building. The officers each set goals for themselves as well as for the lodge as a whole. This training is essential to a well-run program!





September 11 – 13 was the date for an Inductions Weekend at Woodfield Scout Preservation. Over 100 candidates spent time doing cheerful service at the Council's Cub Scout facility. The projects included clearing brush, cutting down dead trees, and planting grass. Following a day of silence and scant food the candidates enjoyed an evening banquet and a memorable Ordeal Ceremony.

On September 19 – 20 the lodge held its Vigil Weekend. The following Brothers received the Vigil Honor: Paul Borowicz, Dustin Cocklereece, Chaz Corn, Chris Molnar, Mike Williams, Gwynn Brandon, Ron Jones, John Kirby, Marty Key, and Rick Morgan.

The lodge's third Inductions weekend of the fall was held at Cherokee Scout Reservation on October 2 – 4. This was the lodge's largest Ordeal and brought the total of new members inducted to over 250.

On November 13 – 15 the Fall Fellowship was held. The weekend was kicked off with a great theme, FIESTA. Friday evening there were games in the Dining Hall and even a few patch traders. Saturday was a morning full of fun. There was a camp wide scavenger hunt finding items such as a gallon of lake water, a maple leaf



signed by the lodge chief, and getting Rob Kennerly to do the Macarena. Then the afternoon was full of fun athletic games such as Frisbee, soccer and basketball. There was the annual patch auction and it was extremely successful, some patches going for a few hundred dollars. It was a great weekend and the activities were very exciting. That night there was a wonderful banquet full of brotherhood, camaraderie, and good food. The meal included steaks that were simply amazing and a masterpiece of the cooks. During the banquet many awards were presented to many deserving people. A few of the big awards that were given were the Red Feather award which was presented to Delores Weber and the Founders Award which was presented to three people this year, Jim Smith, Caleb Smith, and Johnny Somers. There was a special slide show with lots of pictures of all the events of 2009. About 30 Arrowmen sealed their membership in the Order by becoming Brotherhood members. Then to finish off the night there was a pow-wow at the dance arbor and a large extremely good Dutch oven cracker-barrel. It was a great event to finish a big year for the lodge!

