

2002

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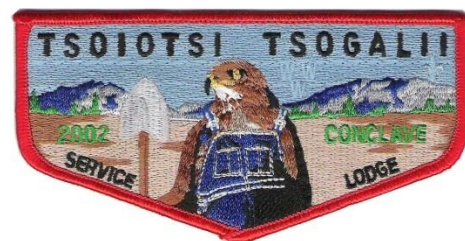
On January 5 – 6, 2002 the lodge held its annual Lodge Leadership Development Course at a snowy Woodfield Scout Preservation. The event included training, fellowship, planning, great food, and communications. It was reported that there was a real sense of service felt in the new Lodge and Chapter Officers as they prepared for an eventful year. In 2002 Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge hosted the SR-7B Section Conclave and sent a delegation to the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) in addition to all of its usual activities.

On February 24 the lodge hosted a Camp Promotional Dinner at Cherokee Scout Reservation. Over 190 Scout Leaders attended and learned about CSR, the upcoming conclave, and received a Where-To-Go-Camping Booklet CD.

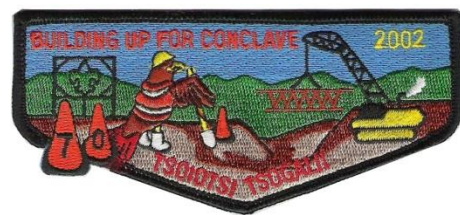


On March 1 – 3 Brothers gathered at Cherokee Scout Reservation for the Spring Fellowship. The weather was cool and moist but this did not dampen the spirits of the many participants. Friday night was filled with games including Monopoly, Jenga, Clue, Risk, Life, Chess, Checkers and Magic. Saturday was time for some training and testing, but most of the day was spent preparing for the SR-7B Section Conclave which the lodge would host in April. Conclave Committee members met to work on details and develop effective teams for the big event. At supper the lodge's Founder's Award recipients were recognized. They were Ken Shahbaz and Chris Phillips. Later that evening 17 members sealed their membership in the Order by participating in the Brotherhood Ceremony.

Conclave Workdays were held on March 16, March 23, and April 13. Hundreds of Brothers arrived early each Saturday morning to prepare Cherokee Scout Reservation for the Section Conclave. One of the major projects was the construction of a Dance Arbor. Workday Flaps were available to those that helped on each of these days. So many members participated that the lodge had to reorder the patches. The days were very productive and camp looked its best to host the 1,000 Arrowman from across the state.



On April 19 – 21 Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge hosted the SR-7B Section Conclave. Lodge members paid \$17.00 to attend the event. The lodge was divided into two groups for the conclave: Lodge Delegates and Service Lodge. The Lodge Delegates had a theme, "Building Up for Conclave". Members wore orange vests and carried shovels, orange traffic cones, and other construction tools to show their lodge spirit. Everyone arrived on Friday to start this big event. The lodge served a delicious dinner and delegates ate in the dining hall or under a big tent on the



lawn. Following dinner everyone headed to the Council Ring for the Opening Show. Lodges demonstrated lots of spirit and everyone enjoyed the show. Saturday started early with the Vigil Breakfast and a special Rededication ceremony. Attendees received a special gift. After everyone else ate breakfast it was time for training. There were fifteen topics that participants could take in including WWW on the WWW, History of the OA, High Adventure Opportunities and more. This year the Section enjoyed a new activity – The Conclave Camping Expo. Lots of outside organizations came to camp and set up exhibits. The afternoon included competition in Indian Dancing and the Quest for the Golden Arrow. Section Elections were held and two lodge members were chosen - **Michael Long** was elected Section Chief and **Travis Ramsey** was picked for Section Secretary.



May 3 – 5 was the lodge's Brotherhood Weekend. Over 100 Brothers showed up to help prepare CSR for summer camp and for National Camp School which the Southern Region was holding there in late May. The biggest project completed was a new storage shed located behind the OA Lodge. It will hold regalia and ceremony supplies. A total of 24 members sealed their membership in the Order by becoming Brotherhood.

On July 18 during the Thursday night Family Campfire at camp the lodge called out eight Brothers as candidates for the Vigil honor: Zach Conaway, David Pugh, Chris Williams, Danny Carter, Michael Phillips, Tim Phillips, Ryan Elliott, and Rob Kennerly.



On July 27 – August 1 the lodge sent 75 delegates and 6 staff members to the National OA Conference at Indiana University. The group encountered a delay when they found I-40 closed in the mountains due to an 18-wheeler accident. When they finally got through they headed to their accommodations in Seymour, Indiana. arrived in Bloomington they were greeted by staff members Ted Williams and Section Chief Michael Long. The lodge settled in and prepared for a great week. All delegates are expected to attend training, but some groups are more diligent than others. The lodge wanted 100% and came close with 94.6%. The lodge set several goals for NOAC and here are some results: Lodge Newsletter - 2nd Place nationally, 3rd Place Soccer Team, Award of Merit Lodge History, 1st Place Where To Go Camping Booklet, 1st Place Camp Promotions Booth, 1st Place Dutch Oven – Youth and Adult, and 1st Place Ice Cream Making. The lodge also competed in the NOAC Pinewood Derby. Dale Allred won a 1st in consolation, Steve Allred – 5th Place, and Jeremiah Lynch – 9th Place. The biggest honor the lodge received was the “Spirit Award”. Only 20 lodges in the country received this recognition. On Founder’s Day the lodge had a popular booth which served Cheerwine and hush puppies.



The lodge held an Induction Weekend at Woodfield Scout Preservation on August 16 – 18. A total of 126 candidates passed the Ordeal and 23 members earned their Brotherhood. Lots of service hours were given to improve the council’s Cub Scout facilities.

In July the lodge called out its class of Vigil candidates for 2002. On September 21 – 22 special activities were held on the Vigil Weekend. The following Arrowmen received their Vigil: **Zach Conaway, David Pugh, Chris Williams, Danny Carter, Michael Phillips, Tim Phillips, Ryan Elliott, Rob Kennerly.**

The lodge's largest Ordeal of the year was held on October 4 – 6 at Cherokee Scout Reservation. A total of 228 candidates were inducted. A group of 40 earned their Brotherhood.

On November 1 - 2 the lodge held its annual Stew Sale. A group of dedicated Brothers peeled potatoes, chopped onions and stirred stew for hours. The lodge dipped 1,257 quarts of Brunswick Stew for a profit of about \$2,200.

The 2002 Fall Fellowship was held on November 15 – 17 at Cherokee Scout Reservation. It was a rainy weekend as Arrowmen arrived and enjoyed a floating supper. The evening activities began with a huge patch auction. After raising lots of money the participants feasted on a convoy of Dutch ovens that were prepared for a wonderful cracker barrel. Saturday morning was time for merit badge classes. A wide variety of subjects were available including Engineering, Auto Mechanics and Fire Safety. In the afternoon the lodge held its officer elections. The following Scouts were chosen: **Ryan Elliott** – Lodge Chief, **Joey Petrack** – VC of

Program, **Trey Stowe** – VC of Service, **Ben Stanley** – VC of Indian Affairs, **John Noor** – VC of Finance, **John Fennimore** – VC of Publications, and **Bo Salsi** – VC of Records. The annual Lodge Banquet was held on Saturday night. Following a delicious supper the lodge heard from a special guest, National Vice-Chief Riley Berg. He was an Eagle Scout from Tah-Heetch Lodge #195 from Fresno, California. The highlight of the banquet was the slide show reviewing the many events of 2002. A Brotherhood Ceremony was held after dark and eight members sealed their membership in the Order. A cracker barrel was held for fellowship and some Brothers played board games. On Sunday there was a brief worship service following breakfast then final announcements. Everyone headed for home celebrating another year of achievements for Tsoitsi Tsogalii Lodge.

For the fifth year in a row Tsoitsi Tsogalii Lodge met the requirements necessary for **National Quality Lodge**. The lodge ended the year with 1,336 members: 503 Ordeal, 682 Brotherhood, and 151 Vigil members. There were 365 new Ordeal members inducted and 219 became Brotherhood.

2002 NOAC Contingent

