

2008

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Vice-Chief – Program:	Tyler Faucette	Vice-Chief – Communications:	Matt Moricle
Vice-Chief – Indian Affairs:	Matt Milloway	Lodge Advisor:	Rob Kennerly

The Lodge began the year with its Lodge Leadership Development Conference that was held at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Greensboro. Under the leadership of Lodge Chief Cody Harker the new lodge officers discussed setting goals for the next 17 months. A change in lodge bylaws changed the term of officers from the calendar year to June 1 through May 31. This set of officers served all of 2008 plus the first five months of 2009. The conference included time for team building and instruction on each officer's area of responsibility. Both Chapter and Lodge officers left the event ready for a busy year!



On the weekend of March 14 – 16 Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge held its 2008 Spring Fellowship at Cherokee Scout Reservation. The lodge leadership decided to use this year's conclave spirit theme as the program for this event. That is being a Lumberjack! "I'm a Lumberjack, and I'm okay. I sleep all night and I work all day..." was on everybody's mind. Friday night began with a floating dinner followed by a short campfire. Games were played on the Dining Hall lawn then a spicy nachos cracker barrel. Saturday morning featured the lodge's fourth Webelos-Ree. Over 50 Webelos Scouts came to camp for a day of activities. This year the lodge did not schedule separate events for the Cubs, but invited them to participate in the same events as the Arrowmen. They enjoyed some of the Quest games and saw Hycotee Chapter win the competition. After a lunch of Cowboy Beans many hands-on exhibits commenced. Scouts made mallets, constructed bluebird boxes, and did "rock cooking". Scouts learned how to make a fire with flint and steel. Arrowmen also got trained on being Elangomats, OA Reps, Indian Dancers and Ceremonialist. Saturday night six Arrowmen converted to Brotherhood. Conestee Chapter won the Spirit Award. On Sunday morning Mike Williams gave a short worship service followed by a slide show of the weekend's activities.



The next big event was on April 18 – 20 when the lodge attended the SR-7B Section Conclave which was hosted by Klahican Lodge #331 at Camp Bowers. The lodge arrived and donned their flannel vest and ribbon suspenders to show their spirit theme of being Lumberjacks. Bobby Mabe rehearsed the lodge in some new cheers and songs. Following supper the section's six lodges gathered for the opening show. There were skits, three dances by Tsali Lodge's dance team, and Section Officer nominations. The evening ended with lots of patch trading and cracker barrels in the campsite. Saturday started with a breakfast of eggs, bacon, biscuits, and grits. The morning was filled with the OAX and lots of great exhibits. These included a very large COPE course, a blood drive, Drunk Driving exhibit, Indian Affairs exhibits, cooking competition, and ArrowCorps5. Eleven Pre-Ordeal and four Brotherhood teams competed. There was Ceremony, Dance, Drum, and Singing competition. After lunch the Quest for the Golden Arrow found Cody Harker and Rob Kennerly tossing SPAM. Other events



included A-Frame Walk, Tent Set-up, Blind-folded Puzzle, and the First Aid Relay. Section Elections were held and Tsoiotsi Tsogalii's Matt Moricle was elected Section Secretary. After supper everyone gathered for the evening show. Results of the Indian Affairs competition were announced and a special Broken Arrow Ceremony was held to remember Arrowmen that had recently passed. On Sunday morning an inspirational worship service followed breakfast and then the Closing Awards Show. Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge won two of the three big awards. Lodge 70 brought home the Communications Award (for best newsletter and website) and the prestigious Spirit Award. Klahican Lodge took home the Honor Lodge Award. New officers were sworn in and everyone headed for home. This was a great showing for our lodge!



On May 2-4 the lodge held its May Inductions at Cherokee Scout Reservation. A total of thirty-two candidates completed their Ordeal. Projects completed around camp included constructing new tent platforms, moving campsite tents, repainting the Waterfront fence, tower, and boatshed, and fixing cots. Saturday night began with the lodge's first "Soiree". It consisted of Wii games, the movie "Remember the Titans", ice cream sundaes, buffalo wings, root beer floats, and general time for fellowship.

ARROWCORPS5 A HIGHER ADVENTURE



The Order of the Arrow introduced a new program in 2008. ArrowCorps5 was a national event where Arrowmen from across the country visited five different National Forests to provide service. Crews performed trail maintenance and helped with maintenance around the forests. Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge chose to send crews to two of the sites. On June 21 – 28 thirteen members headed to Covington, Virginia and the George Washington-Jefferson National Forest. After a day of training the Arrowmen began to do trail maintenance; most days ended with free swimming and time to discuss the day's events. On Thursday everyone traveled to West Virginia for recreation and free time. Friday included more trail work in the morning then a trip home after lunch.



On July 25th the lodge's western contingent of 22 Brothers left for the Bridger-Teton National Forest located near Jackson Hole, Wyoming. During their week the group built 12 miles of trails and removed 3 miles of fence. One day during the week the crew enjoyed a recreational day where some hiked, went white water rafting, or visited Yellowstone National Park. Everyone considered this a once in a lifetime experience!

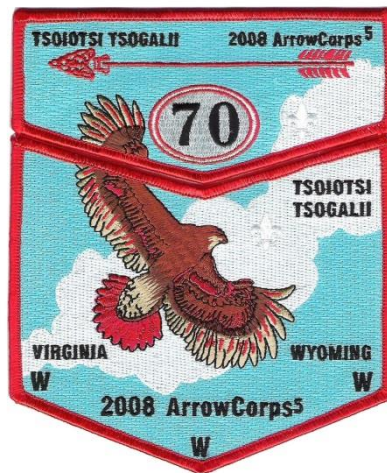


**Bridger-Teton National Forest
Jackson, Wyoming
July 26 to August 2, 2008**



**George Washington and Jefferson National Forest
Roanoke, Virginia
June 21-28, 2008**

Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge issued three, two-piece sets for ArrowCorps5. There were 1,000 black border sets, 400 red border sets, and 100 silver mylar border sets. The silver mylar sets along with 100 black and red border set were sold for \$50.00 for the six patch set. The red border patches were sold for \$5.00 per set to delegates only. The black border sets were available to everyone at \$5.00 a set.



On August 16 – 17 the lodge held its annual Vigil Weekend. This year's class included the following Arrowmen: Chris Stevens, John Thompson, Chris Bridgers, Josh Dooley, Tyler Faucette, Matt Milloway, Tom Felder, Grayson Hale, Cody Harker, Tim Krasula, and Matt Krasula.

The weekend of September 5 – 7 was the date scheduled for an Ordeal at Woodfield Scout Preservation. Unfortunately, this event had to be postponed due to Hurricane Hanna. This deadly storm came ashore near Myrtle Beach SC and tracked across North Carolina on September 6th and 7th.

The October Ordeal was held at Cherokee Scout Reservation on October 3 – 5. The weekend started with dinner then time for candidates dividing into clans and playing some team building games. As darkness took over the clans began the Ordeal process. During Saturday the clans completed numerous projects around camp. Following dinner the final ceremonies were held then there was time for fun and games. Brothers played Wii games and sports. A cracker barrel finished the evening.

On Thursday, November 13, a few lodge members arrived at Cherokee Scout Reservation and began preparing vegetables for the making of several hundred gallons of Brunswick Stew. Friday morning saw the lighting of fires and four big pots filled with Tommy Murray's secret recipe for the lodge stew. Brothers filled the pots and stirred all day until over 1400 quarts of stew was packaged. This was the start



of the 2008 Fall Fellowship. Most Brothers arrived on Friday evening and enjoyed games and fellowship. The theme for this year's event was "The Amazing Race". Teams from each chapter spent the day traveling around camp competing in numerous events. Fun was had by all. A big Patch Auction was held on Saturday afternoon, then everyone attended the Lodge Banquet. Several special presentations were made after dinner. The lodge was presented with a new drum. Lee Hubbard and Webb Athay were recognized for their role in ArrowCorps5. A James E. West Fellowship Award was given to Lodge Chief Cody Harker. The Founder's Award was presented to Ryan Elliott, Ann Jones, and Matt Moricle. A special Year-In-Review slide show ended the festivities. The evening continued with a Brotherhood ceremony and cracker barrel. It was another great lodge event!



On December 5 – 7 the lodge held a make-up Ordeal at Woodfield Scout Preservation. This event offered candidates a chance to take their Ordeal since the September event was canceled due to a passing hurricane.

