

# 2021

Lodge Chief:	Anthony Mills	Vice Chief – Indian Affairs:	Josh Hanflink
Vice Chief – Program:	Nic “Texas” Fillippa	Vice Chief – Communications:	Camdon Rohrer
Vice Chief – Service:	Aiden Treier	Lodge Adviser:	Drew Maerz
Vice Chief – Administration:	Calvin Meyers	Staff Adviser:	Bud Harrelson



Officers served from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021

With the country still under the grip of the Covid-19 Coronavirus Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge altered its 2021 Spring Fellowship to a one-day event on March 13<sup>th</sup>. Lodge members arrived at Cherokee Scout Reservation and were assigned to a group, or bubble, for the day. By keeping groups separate during the day the goal was to limit exposure to illness from intermixing of attendees. Each group

stayed in different areas of camp. Activities included Leadership Challenge Events, Leadership development training, Native American choker making, Native American dance instruction and Air Soft Shooting. There was planning and preparation for attending the SR-7B Conclave in April. About 100 members attended.

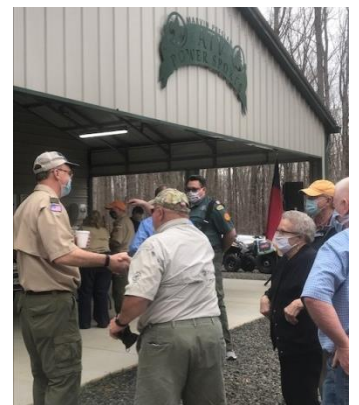
On Saturday afternoon there was a special dedication held at the camp’s new ATV – Power Sports building. Former camp ranger, Marvin Preslar, was recognized with the new building being named in his honor.

On April 16 – 18 Arrowmen from Section SR-7B were excited to attend a Conclave after the 2020 event was canceled due to the Coronavirus pandemic. In order to hold the conclave in 2021 special arrangements were required. The 510 delegates to the event chose a group of activities they wanted to participate in at Camp Bowers and were assigned to a “COHORT”. The COHORTs contained Arrowmen from all six lodges in the Section. The members of each COHORT camped in the same campsite, ate all of their meals together, attended the same activities together on Saturday, and watched the evening shows on a large monitor. At no time during the Conclave did all of the members of Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge 70 meet together, however individually the lodge members showed great enthusiasm with their



“Aloha” spirit theme. Lodge members wore Hawaiian shirts and flowered leis. There was a special flap issued for the Conclave which Brothers could pre-order. At the end of the Conclave the lodge was presented with most of the weekend’s awards. The lodge won the AIA Award, Inductions and Ceremonial Events (ICE) Award, Quest for the Golden Arrow, Cardinal Communication Award, Honor Lodge and the Spirit Award.

During June and July many lodge members are found serving on the staff at Cherokee Scout Reservation. The lodge had an OA Representative, Garrett Cook, that coordinated Order of the Arrow activities during summer camp. On Monday nights the lodge sponsored an OA Social for all Brothers in camp. Troops visiting from other councils were encouraged to send their members to the event. Ordeal members were urged to seal their membership in the Order by converting to Brotherhood. Brothers were asked to serve as torchbearers



or braves to assist with the Thursday night Candidate Call Out ceremony. During the summer of 2021 there were 122 Candidates Called Out and 53 Brotherhood Conversions.

On Thursday night, July 22, the lodge held its annual Vigil Call Out at Cherokee Scout Reservation. Following the Family Night staff program and OA Candidate Call out, the lodge recognized its 2021 selections for the Vigil Honor. The following Brothers were deemed worthy of this recognition: **Jackson Benes, David Burris, Chris Cobitz, Maggie Hanflink, Joshua Hanflink, Joshua Hester, Calvin Meyers, Woody Rice, Gordon Stallings**. A reception was held after the ceremony so that everyone could congratulate the new honorees.

On August 28 the lodge held a Workday at Hagan Sea Base. A total of 46 Brothers and 17 non-OA members gathered to complete service projects and do maintenance work around the lakeside property.



The lodge its OA Summer Induction on September 10 – 11 at the Woodfield Scout Preservation. Many important projects were completed. On October 1 – 2 the lodge held its OA Fall Induction at Cherokee Scout Reservation. Between the two events the lodge welcomed 121 New Ordeal Members.



On October 2 – 3 the lodge conducted its Vigil Weekend. The Vigil Candidates that were called out in July came to Cherokee Scout Reservation to complete their Vigil experience. Due to pandemic limitations there was a limited number of people invited to



participate in this activity.

On November 5 – 7 the Old North State Council held its 2021 Council Camporee. Scouts and Scouters were invited to camp at Woodfield Scout Preservation and to visit the NC Zoo on Saturday. The lodge provided an OA Chaos Crew to assist with all of the logistics for the weekend.

In the fall of 2021 the Boy Scouts of America was dealing with bankruptcy and thousands of lawsuits filed



related to child abuse during the many years of the Scouting program. Each BSA council was assessed an amount of money that it was required to provide to settle these financial obligations. The Old North State Council leadership choice to obtain the funds to meet their obligation by selling part of the Woodfield Scout Preservation. OA member that had helped with the Camporee were requested to stay at camp on Sunday afternoon to help remove all Boy Scout specific signage and to say farewell to the property that served for over twenty years as the Council's Cub Scout camping facility.



On November 12 – 14 the lodge held its Fall Fellowship at Cherokee Scout Reservation with 143 Brothers in attendance. The fun and Fellowship began with a Cracker Barrel, games, and laser shot. Saturday started early with Cookie Monster, a mini-catapult competition, and multiple other fun events. After lunch the lodge held elections for its officers that would serve during 2022. The following officers were chosen:

- **Lodge Chief – Nic ‘Texas’ Fillippa**
- **Vice Chief of Administration – Garrett Cook**
- **Vice Chief of Communications – Camdon Rohrer**
- **Vice Chief of American Indian Affairs – Aubreigh McPhail**
- **Vice Chief of Inductions & Ceremonies – Josh Hanflink**
- **Vice Chief of Program – Caroline Ruppel**
- **Vice Chief of Service – Andrew Bir**



Chapter elections were held, and the fun activities continued. A patch auction, and Saturday night awards banquet wrapped up the day. During the banquet outgoing Lodge Chief Anthony Mills was thanked for his service. The new lodge and chapter officers and their advisers were sworn in. The Founders Award was presented to Steve Allred and \_\_\_\_\_. Following the banquet, 13 brothers converted to Brotherhood.

On December 12 – 14 the Order of the Arrow's National Leadership Seminar (NLS) was held at the Embassy Suites in Greensboro, NC. Several lodge members attended this national training program to gain valuable resources to help the lodge in coming years.