



The Bow

Tsali Lodge Newsletter

April 2013

2013 Lodge Officers

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Vice Chief Programs - Kameron Vaughn

Vice Chief Administration - Chambers Loomis

Vice Chief Indian Affairs - Dakota Johnson

Lodge Secretary - Kevin Elliott

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We've gone Green

New Bow - same great news

In order to be better stewards of our limited resources and environmentally friendly we have gone totally green for the Bow. We hope you enjoy the new look and the interactivity. Look forward to new and innovative articles in future issue

Lodge Chief's Address

Brothers,

There are lots of exciting events going on in our lodge! These opportunities are listed below in the rest of The Bow, and I encourage everyone to take advantage of these chances to become more involved in the lodge. Our upcoming events include an Indian Affairs practice on Saturday, February 2nd, the Spring Ordeal from April 12th-14th, and Dixie Fellowship from April 19th-21st. The Dixie Fellowship is our most exciting event of the year, and I hope to see a great turnout from Tsali lodge so that we can achieve Lodge of the Year for the 4th year straight!

As 2013 Lodge Chief, I have numerous goals I would like to be achieved by Tsali lodge. Some of the more overall goals are to earn Lodge of the Year at Dixie, maintain a 35% Brotherhood conversion, elect a chapter chief for Toe River Chapter, and have every chapter represented at every event to compete in Quest Events for Dixie and to ensure that our lodge continues to run smoothly. I would also like to continue our proud tradition of success in Indian Affairs, patch trading, and administration.

Lastly, I would like to make the unit elections process more efficient and effective. If you would like to have a unit election and have not yet been contacted by one of our chapter chiefs, you can contact them using the emails and phone numbers below, or email me. Thank you for your continued involvement and support! I know we can make this a great year for Tsali lodge!

WWW, Travis Broadhurst

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Indian Affair's Progress

Dixie is upon us! We are extremely excited!! I am pleased to share that our Indian Affairs programs have been preparing feverishly for Dixie. Many thank yous to all of our Dance Team Members, Ceremonialist, Fire Warriors, and other Indian Affairs youth. A huge thank you as well to our adult advisers for all of their support!

Bringing you up to speed, our Ceremonies teams are preparing to compete in Pre-Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies competitions. Our Dance Team has worked hard

to update its dances and songs for another great competition. Our Drum Team is in fine form performing at many of our Council and Lodge functions and will drum us into and through Dixie in true Tsali fashion!

In other news, our Lodge is facilitating troop tapout ceremonies with advice, regalia, and ceremonies participants. We are also working in several Eagle Scout Ceremonies, Webelos Crossover ceremonies, and will be involved in Arrow of Light Ceremonies for some of our Cub Scout Packs soon. Service in the Spirit of WWW!

Come join me not only for Ordeal Weekend but for the best event in the Southeast Region, the Dixie Fellowship at Camp Ho-Nan-Wah in Charleston, SC! I'll see you there, spirit hat on, cheerfully serving, as Tsali Lodge takes the lead! We plan on winning the Lodge of the Year again as well as demonstrating Tsali Spirit for all to see! I will also be on hand to welcome each new brother during our Spring Ordeal Weekend and to renew friendships with brothers returning to help. I am looking forward to seeing each of you at the Spring Ordeal as well.

As I close, I want to leave you with a thought: We have been chosen not for what we have done, but for what we are going to do in the future! Join me as we serve our Lodge, our Council, and all of the Scouting Movement by providing cheerful service and having a load of fun doing it!

In the Spirit of WWW,
Dakota Johnson, Vice Chief Indian Affairs

Brotherhood Membership

Attaining your Brotherhood Membership is a great way to become more active in Tsali Lodge and to also seal your membership in the lodge. If our lodge inducts enough Brotherhood Members, we can become a Quality Lodge of the Year. The four events

during the year where you can earn your Brotherhood are the Spring Fellowship, Spring Ordeal, Summer Ordeal, and Fall Fellowship. All four events are held at Camp Daniel Boone, and all of these events are great opportunities to achieve your Brotherhood Membership.

Here is what you must do to become a Brotherhood member:

1. Be an Ordeal member for at least 10 months.
2. Be an active member of your Scout unit.
3. Be an active and paid member of Tsali Lodge.
4. Write a letter to the Lodge Secretary (Kevin Elliott).
5. Know the signs that show your membership within the OA

- The Obligation (p.10 O.A. Handbook)

- The Admonition (ask one of your fellow brothers)

- The OA Song (p.13 O.A. Handbook)

- The OA Handclasp (p.27 O.A. Handbook)

- The Sign of Ordeal Membership: Allowat Sakima describes it in the Ordeal ceremony, "The hailing sign of the ordeal is made with the right hand over the left shoulder, moving as if drawing an arrow from a quiver."

6. To gain a better understanding of the Ordeal review the questions found on pages 52-54 of the O.A. Handbook.

By the way there is no additional cost for attaining Brotherhood Membership.

Dues

Now the time to get your dues paid so that you can be an active member of Tsali

Lodge! It's only \$8. You must be a registered member so that you can participate in all of the exciting activities we plan as a lodge, as well as go to Dixie Fellowship.

Have you ever wondered why you have to pay \$8 every year? First of all, most lodges charge \$10 - \$20 dollars per year, but we have been able to keep that lower. Every year, the National Order of the Arrow Committee requires us to pay 2\$ per person registered. In addition, as a part of the new Lodge's Journey to Excellence the criteria for gold is donating \$5 per person to the Council's Friends of Scouting Campaign. The last dollar is used for lodge plaques, certificates, newsletters, and upkeep of the website.

To pay your dues, just print out the form below, fill it out with the enclosed dues, and mail it to the council office. We are also submitting dues over the phone through the council office you can use your credit card to do this. Lastly, you can give it to the Lodge Secretary if you see him at any event. If you have already paid your dues for the year, thank you very much! Thank you as well to everyone else for continuing to make our lodge the heart of cheerful service in Western North Carolina!

Webmaster

Tsali lodge is in search of a new webmaster! If you are either an adult or youth, and are proficient in computer skills, Tsali lodge wants YOU! For more details on the specifics of the position, please email the current lodge Chief, Travis Broadhurst, or the Vice Chief of Administration, Chambers Loomis! (see contact info above)

2013 Summit Jamboree Opportunities

For those of you that are not going to the Summit Jamboree as part of the council contingent, there are multiple opportunities available for Arrowmen. We are all being asked to serve on staff as a part of Project 2013! Serving on Project 2013 is only a fraction of the price of going as a participant: \$425! For the first week you are at the Jamboree site, you will get to be the first scouts across the country to participate in all of the activities the Summit has to offer. There are many different ways to participate, including five O.A. trek guides, O.A. day of service foremen, and much more! For more

information on this exciting opportunity, visit

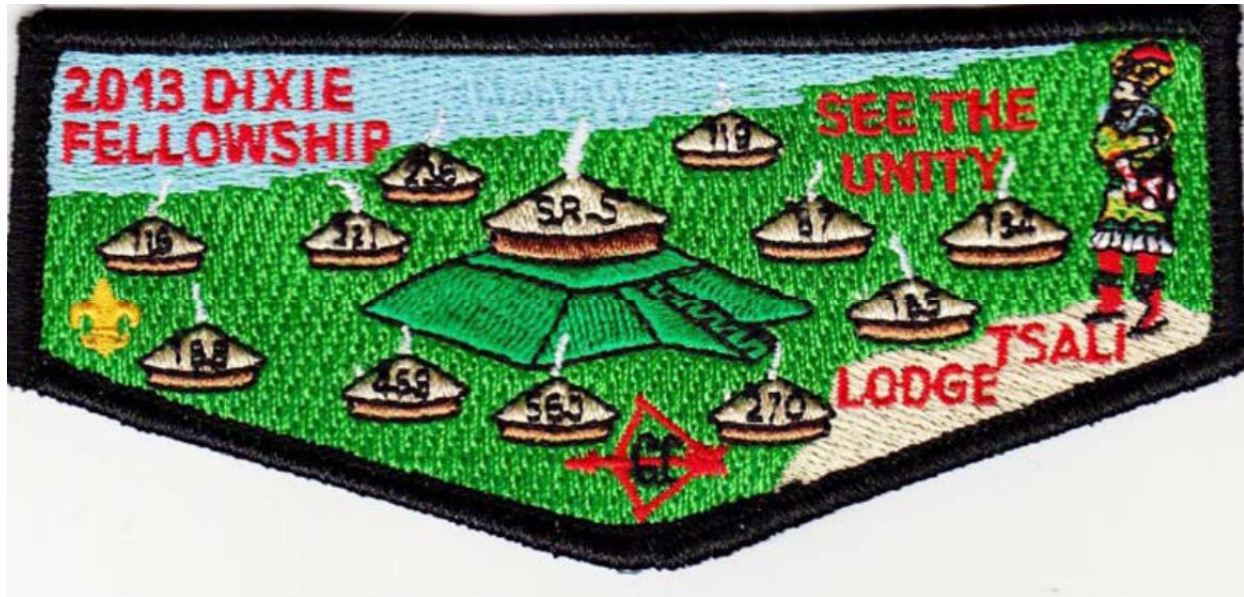
<http://event.oa-bsa.org/events/jambo2013/> or email the Lodge Chief.

Spring Ordeal 2013

The 2013 Spring Ordeal will be held the weekend of April 12-14 at Camp Daniel Boone. This will be the first Ordeal of 2013 for our new Arrowmen, so we need as many people as possible to help with work projects, Elangomats, and ceremonies. This is the weekend we will be inducting new Ordeal members into Tsali Lodge. There is a chance we will be inducting 60 new members into the lodge! You can also achieve Brotherhood membership the same weekend. We will also practice events for Dixie as it is the week before Tsali's most exciting event of the year. Everyone should come out to Camp Daniel Boone that weekend to support the Ordeal candidates and to demonstrate the three W's of the obligation: brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service. You can find registration forms at end of the Bow.

2013 Dixie Fellowship

The Dixie Fellowship is the highlight of the O.A. year. All aspects of the O.A. program from training to Indian affairs, to athletic competition, and more are held. In April, over 1,300 members from eleven lodges will gather at Camp Ho-Non-Wah in Charleston, SC for fellowship and competition. Come do your part to show every one that Tsali is the best lodge in SR-5! Fill out the registration form, and mail it to the council office before Monday, April, 15th to take part in the most exciting section event of the year! Make sure that you are registered for Dixie. Don't be discouraged about missing the deadline for pre-ordering memorabilia you can still purchase them at Dixie. Hope to see you there!



O.A. High Adventure

If you or your scout is between the ages of 16, and 21 you should look into the Order of the Arrow High Adventure. The three adventures are O.A. Trail Crew at Philmont Scout Ranch, O.A. Ocean Adventure at Sea Base, O.A. Wilderness Voyage at Northern Tier, and O.A. Canadian Odyssey in Ontario, Canada. Each of these adventures are wonderful experiences to go on with your fellow Brothers across the Nation.

O.A. Trail Crew

For two weeks you get to experience Scouting's premiere high adventure base Philmont Scout Ranch. The first week you spend building trails in the back country. You will be building switchbacks, retention bars, clearing trails, and other erosion controls. The second week, you get to experience Philmont like no other regular Philmont crew. You get to make your own itinerary instead of a pre-made one. You can go to the far corners of Philmont, from Mount Baldy to the Tooth of Time, in one trek!

O.A. Ocean Adventure

During this ten day program, you will experience a full array of cheerful service. Based in the Florida Keys. You will have opportunities that include developing the Florida Keys Heritage Trail, removing invasive species in and around the Sea Base's Munson Island, and supporting both the Crane Point Nature Center and Marathon Wild Bird Center in preserving the Keys' wildlife. You will camp at both Munson Island and Crane Point during the service part. Afterwards you will get to sail on a 40-50' yacht for four days. You will experience the life in the Keys and as well as a sailor. You will snorkel on pristine coral reefs, troll for sport fish, and swim in the warm waters of the Keys.

O.A. Wilderness Voyage

During the Wilderness Voyage, you will experience all that the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness has to offer for two weeks. The first week you will spend giving back to the Boundary Waters by restoring trails that have existed for centuries. You will have a chance to leave your mark on the Boundary Waters that will allow millions each year enjoy their experiences even more. The second week of the program is a trek planned by the crew. You can go on an 8-1/2 mile "Grand Portage" leading to Lake Superior, or to the Height of Land, or even to the pictographs on Fishdance Lake.

O.A. Canadian Odyssey

As part of the Wilderness Voyage, you will experience the beauty of the Quetico Provincial Park of Ontario, Canada. Just like Wilderness Voyage, the first week is spent trail restoration. The second part of this adventure is a 90 mile trek from Atikokan, Ontario to Ely, Minnesota.

2013 Log Rolling

Tsali lodge will be having its annual Log Rolling on Saturday, June 1st, 2013 at Camp

Daniel Boone! This is the best way for us to give back to the council for everything they do for us. We will help set up camp by setting up tents, supplying the campsites, and getting all the program areas ready. It is the week right before Staff week at CDB, so we all need to come out, give some cheerful service, and help get camp ready for another tremendous summer!

2013 Daniel Boone Council Banquet

At the beginning of the 2013 Daniel Boone council banquet guests were treated to several songs by our drum team, as well as several traditional Cherokee dances preformed by our very own dance team. After the singing and dancing the banquet was shown some of the regalia, and told of the challenge of producing such beautiful outfits. The banquet honored our lodge with a standing ovation! Thank you to all the drum and dance team members that made this exhibition such a great success!

Mississippi AIA Seminar

During the weekend of February 22-24, Twisted Rawhide was invited back to be the Host Drum at the Second Annual Mississippi American Indian Activities Seminar. The event was hosted by Sebooney Okasucca Lodge of the Andrew Jackson Council, at Hinds Community College in Raymond, MS. A contingent of nine Tsali Lodge members and Homer Dearmin, of Wahissa Lodge, represented North Carolina at the seminar, with Benjamin Birdsong as Lead Singer at the Friday and Saturday night powwows. The weekend consisted of educational classes regarding American Indian crafts, Powwow etiquette, singing and drumming, dancing, and much more. The singing was excellent, and it was clear that the dancers—adorned with beautiful regalia across the spectrum of the American Indian culture—were enjoying themselves. Overall, it was a great weekend to learn and continue the American Indian culture. A big thanks to Sebooney Okasucca Lodge for hosting this event.



2013 Spring Fellowship/Winter Banquet

This year's Spring Fellowship and Winter Banquet were a success. The weekend was spent with cheerful service to the lodge with our Brothers. We had seven Ordeal members receive their Brotherhood membership. The Winter Banquet was also a success. There was a great dinner and a lot of awards given out. We had three Vigil tap outs at the banquet. Those three were Travis Broadhurst, Stan Ferguson, and Chris Burke. Ashby Gale and Rick Hulme received the Founder's Award. Ashby Gale also received the Warrior's Award for his dedication to the Indian Affairs program. The NOAC Group Dance champions were acknowledged and given a special plaque for their success. It was, yet, another great weekend Tsali Lodge showed its brotherhood, cheerfulness, service, and success in the OA!





2013 Lodge/ Chapter Officer Oath

2012-2013 Indian Affairs Calendar



*Friday-Sunday, April 12-14, Tsali Lodge Spring Ordeal, Camp Daniel Boone,
(drum, ceremonies and dance team practices & performances)

* Friday-Sunday, April 19-21, **Dixie Fellowship**, Camp Ho-Non-Wah, Charleston, SC.

* June 14-16: American Indian Cultural Association Powwow, Union Grove, NC, (Great opportunity for individual dancers and Southern Drum singers!)

*August 23-25, 2013: Summer Ordeal, Camp Daniel Boone, (drum, ceremonies and dance team practices & performances)

*October 4-6, 2013: Fall Fellowship, Camp Daniel Boone, (drum, ceremonies and dance team practices & performances)

Need more information? Contact Bill Dyar: billdyar@frontier.com or call him at 828-524-8129

Delegate Registration for Dixie Fellowship

April 19-21, 2013

Camp Ho Non Wah

Charleston, S.C.

Total Cost of \$65.00



Name _____

Address _____

Street

City

state

zip

Phone Number _____

E-mail address _____

Make checks payable to:

Daniel Boone Council

333 W. Haywood St.

Asheville, NC 28801

Account Number: 995

Dues payment form

Name: _____

Year: _____

Additional names 1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ___ Zip: _____

Dues are \$8.00 per person

Number of persons paid for _____ X \$8.00 = _____

Submit this form to the Council Service Center or to the Lodge Secretary at any event!

Account Number: 994

Spring Ordeal

April 12-14, 2013

Address _____

Street

City

state

zip

Phone Number _____

E-mail address _____

Members attending Spring Ordeal _____ x \$20 = _____

Name: _____

Additional Names _____

Ordeal members attending _____ x 40 = _____

Name(s): _____

Make checks payable to:

Daniel Boone Council

333 W. Haywood St.

Asheville, NC 28801

Account Number: 985