

Tsali Lodge 134



2018 Plan Book

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Welcome to Tsali Lodge

A Few Words from the Tsali Lodge Chief

Brothers,

Thank you for taking the time to examine the contents of Tsali Lodge's Plan book. In the document is the information that allows one to understand Tsali Lodge and the Order of the Arrow. Tsali Lodge depends on its members, like you, and this Plan book will guide you toward a productive and excellent year in the lodge. As you will remember, "you were selected for membership in the Order because your fellow Scouts saw your sincerity and acceptance of the high ideals of the Scout Oath and Law." Your first obligation is service to your scouting unit, and your experience in the Order of the Arrow should enable you to better contribute to your troop. The lodge's Plan book outlines several areas through which you can contribute to the lodge and troop. The success of the Lodge depends on your knowledge of our Lodge's goals, its purpose, its organization, and your participation.

I look forward to working with you toward ensuring a bright future for Tsali Lodge, helping members to become more involved, strengthening our bonds of friendship, and making our "Brotherhood of Cheerful Service" a fantastic experience for all in the lodge during this upcoming year.

Always in Brotherhood,
Josh Morrow
2017 Tsali Lodge Chief

Purpose of the Order of the Arrow

1. Recognize the scouts and scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives, motivating other campers to conduct themselves in a similar manner
2. Develop and maintain the camping traditions and spirit
3. Promote Scout camping by supporting the scouting units' camping programs during the year and at summer camp, as directed by the camping committee of the council
4. Foster in each scout the habit of helpfulness as a life purpose in unselfish service to others.

Lodge Mission

The mission of Tsali Lodge is to promote the purpose of the Order of the Arrow as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America in Daniel Boone Council. The lodge hopes to attain its mission through positive youth leadership under the guidance of capable adults.



2018 Tsali Lodge Goals

1. Improve chapter involvement in Lodge events and promote chapter identity
2. Conduct elections for all of the troops in the council that seek elections
3. Maintain brotherhood conversion of 40% of the lodge and retain such membership to keep the highest Journey to Excellence distinction
4. Increase lodge function attendance to 20% of lodge membership
5. Maintain the lodge's website and keep it up to date
6. Promote NEXT to develop best lodge practices and ideas for the future
7. Keep the Plan book up-to-date and distributed
8. Promote the desire to win "Lodge of the Year" at Dixie Fellowship and compete in all events
9. Increase committee involvement
10. Increase amount of service to the community and council



General Lodge Information

Council Address:

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Lodge Totem:

The lodge totem is that of the "bow". Within the bow are two letters of the Cherokee alphabet, which spells out Stale's name (Pronounced "Cha-hi")

Lodge Newsletter:

"The Bow" is the Lodge's newsletter, which is published each month. Inside "The Bow," one will find information and registration forms for upcoming events, articles of ideas, opinions, and reviews of past events. Also included are the lodge officer phone numbers and emails for contact purposes.

Uniform:

Official uniforms for lodge events include scout uniforms and OA sashes. Official uniforms must be worn at dinner during lodge functions, at the winter banquet, Lodge Executive Committee meetings, and all the other lodge functions. During workdays, service projects, and activities, uniforms are not always required, depending on the type and location of the activity. One must remember that the OA is the Honor Society of the Boy Scouts. The OA Handbook describes the correct method for wearing the OA Sash. It states that the sash is to be worn only at official OA functions and with the official uniform, with the exceptions involving elangomats in the Ordeal and any other occasion approved by the Scout Executive. At all other non-official OA functions, the flap, pocket ribbon, and pin are the official symbols of membership in the OA.

Lodge Website: www.tsalilodge.org

On this website, one can find registration forms, calendars, and the names of the recipients of the Founder's award, Vigil award, and the Distinguished Service Award. A lodge forum exists for posting questions and getting answers. (The website complies with the National criteria and outline for websites.) For Lodge members with Facebook accounts, there is a Tsali Lodge Facebook group, which sends out up-to-date information on upcoming events. To create a Facebook account, one can go to www.Facebook.com.

Lodge Dues:

Annual dues for Tsali Lodge are \$15 and are due on December 31 of each year. Forms for dues payments are available in the Daniel Boone Council's newsletter, "The Long Rifle," "The Bow," and online at the lodge's website.

Lodge Patches:



In 2017, Tsali Lodge issued three different standard lodge flaps, each with different color borders designating each honor in the order. The lodge's new patch features a Cherokee Indian standing above our mountains with a sunburst near our lodge totem.

On this retired issue is the Lodge's totem (the long bow) and five Cherokee Indians that represent Tsali, Tsali's Brother, the Cherokee chief Utsala, and Tsali's two sons.



2017 Lodge Government & Advisers

Lodge Chief: Josh Morrow



The Lodge Chief presides at all Lodge Executive Board Meetings, supervises all Lodge Vice-Chiefs and committee Chairmen, and sees that all duties are carried out. He sees that all Lodge functions are properly planned and conducted, and consults regularly with the Lodge Lay Adviser and Staff Advisers.

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Lodge Adviser: Tony Johnson



The Lodge Adviser serves as a liaison between the youth and adult members of the Lodge. He is the closest Adviser to the Chief and Executive Committee. He encourages involvement and facilitates discussion of different issues concerning the lodge.

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Staff Adviser: Sarah Barnett

The Staff Adviser is a professional Scout with the council. She is an essential link in coordinating schedules, planning programs, and managing finances. She also serves as a contact for the lodge in the council.

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Officer Biographies

Lodge Chief: Josh Morrow



Hello,
2018 Lodge Chief

I am Josh Morrow, the 2017-2018 Lodge Chief. I am 15 years old and currently a sophomore at Hendersonville High School. I got my Ordeal Membership in the Summer of 2015 and got my Brotherhood in the Spring of 2016. I was elected Vice Chief of Administration in Fall of 2016 and became acting Lodge Chief in Summer of 2017. My Administration submissions at Dixie 2017 gained very high marks and I performed with the first place Drum and Dance teams. This year I have very high hopes for the lodge and expect us to do very well at Dixie and NOAC 2018. I am looking forward to this journey with the Lodge and see you as an integral part of it. I believe in a foundation of communication between Leaders and would like to get to know each and every one of you on a personal level, so please feel free to reach out to me with any comments, suggestions, or questions.

Vice-Chief Administration: Matty Gates



Hello,

My name is Matty Gates your current Vice Chief of Administration. I'm 17, a life Scout in troop 101 and involved in many other curricular activities as scouts is one of them. I am a member of the dance team, the drum/sing team (Twisted Rawhide), The Pre-Ordeal, Brotherhood and Ordeal ceremonies team as (Kichkinet) for all three of them. This year I would like to see increased participation from everyone in the lodge. We are doing pretty well now but I know that if everyone found a way to use their unique talents in service to the lodge we could be amazing. I challenge every youth to look through the list of committees pick one or two that they might be interested in, and send an email to the lodge officer that the committee reports to If you have an additional skill, talent, or passion and you are not sure how it can help the lodge please email me at: administration@tsalilodge.org and I will help you find a way.

Vice-Chief Program: Antonio Castro



Antonio Castro joined the Boy Scouts in 2012. In the year of 2014, he became an ordeal member with the order of the Arrow. Antonio went through the Brother Hood Boards in 2015 and achieved in getting his Brother Hood. As of September 2016, he achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in The Boy Scouts. Antonio Loves to hang out with friends in the outdoors. He is a reliable person and is honored to be serving as the Vice Chief of Program for the 2017-2018 term.

- Antonio Castro

Vice-Chief Indian Affairs: Eli Kayne



Brothers of Tsali lodge,
My name is Eli Kayne and I am proud to be your new Vice Chief of Indian affairs this year. I started Scouting as a tiger cub in 2007 and I became an Eagle Scout in 2016. I joined the OA in 2013 and obtained my brotherhood in 2014. I am apart of all of our Indian affairs teams and I am a 2 time Dixie and 2015 NOAC group dance champion, 3 time Dixie drum champion, and a Dixie northern traditional individual dance champion. This past year it was my pleasure to be your treasurer. I have loved Indian affairs ever since I joined the OA and am proud to be able to run our Indian affairs program and to lead us to another NOAC championship in 2018. If you have any questions about our IA programs or want to join any of them please feel free to contact me. I can't wait for this upcoming year.

Thank you,
Eli Kayne, Vice chief of Indian affairs

Lodge Secretary: Owen Koppe



I started scouting as a Tiger Scout. I am currently an Eagle Scout and Senior Patrol Leader in Troop 58. I joined the lodge in 2016 and I am a Brotherhood member in the Order of the Arrow. As your Lodge Secretary, my goal is to win best newsletter at Dixie.

Thank You,
Owen Koppe

Lodge Treasurer: Kevin Donahue



Hello my name is Kevin Donahue and proud to be your new Tsali Lodge treasurer this year. I became a boy scout in 2015 and I am currently SPL of troop 40. Since joining the OA in the 2017 spring ordeal I have loved it, and joined the ceremonies, group dance, and drum team. I am very excited for being a part of this lodge this year and the up and coming years and plan to do great things.

Lodge Vice-Chief of Administration- Matty Gates

*Acts as the Lodge Chief in his absence and is responsible for all administrative committees

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Vice-Chief of Administration is generally responsible for lodge membership, dues, elections, and communications. He oversees the Finances of the lodge he makes sure that this plan book is updated and looking better than ever. He makes sure that the lodge gets the brotherhood conversion rating that they need for the new Journey to Excellence. He makes sure the website gets updated and one of the most important things he does is unit elections and camping promotions.

<p><u>Plan book Committee:</u> Helps with the writing and publishing of the Lodge Plan book; a book that give out the basic information about the Lodge.</p>	<p><u>Brotherhood Conversion Committee:</u> Encourages Ordeal members to attain their Brotherhood membership. Conducts "Brotherhood Enrichment" classes at Ordeals and Lodge fellowships.</p>
<p><u>Lodge NEXT Guide:</u> The NEXT Guide is intended to highlight a specific program or idea that is unique to our lodge. This program is based from Membership, Administration, American Indian Affairs, Lodge and/or Chapter Events, etc.</p>	<p><u>Lodge Display Committee:</u> The Lodge Display showcases our lodge and what we do. Each year a new theme is chosen to work from with our display.</p>
<p><u>Elections / Camping Promotions Committee:</u> Promotes camping to the troops of the council and encourage Scout Summer Camp and other outdoor programs through Chapter Chiefs and OA Troop Representatives. Oversees troop OA elections, which are done during the spring and makes sure all troops have elections.</p>	<p><u>Membership Committee:</u> Maintains the lodge membership data base and provides mailing labels for <i>The Bow</i>, determines which brothers are eligible for Brotherhood and Vigil honors.</p>

Lodge Vice-Chief of Program: Antonio Castro

*The Vice-Chief of Program: is responsible for all Programmatic Committees.

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The Vice Chief of Program is one of the most important roles in the lodge. He oversees and is responsible for one of the most important committees, the food, as well as several others. He makes sure that the Elangomats are ready prior to the ordeals. He over sees the committee that is in charge of the service projects as well as the one in charge of the activities. He is also the one to ask about attending and competing at Dixie or NOAC.

<p><u>Section Conclave / NOAC Committee:</u> Organizes the lodge's program for Dixie; Theme, cheers, spirit items, etc. Organizes Quest team and training. Follows up on Dixie Competition Guidelines.</p>	<p><u>Kitchen/Banquet Committee:</u> Plans and cooks the meals at the Lodge functions and plans the annual Winter Banquet.</p>
<p><u>Service Committee:</u> Plans the cheerful service projects which the lodge performs during the year and at Lodge functions. Plans annual "Day of Service".</p>	<p><u>Elangomat Committee:</u> Organizes and oversees the Lodge's Elangomats and plans programs for the Elangomats to perform with their Ordeal candidates.</p>
<p><u>Activities Committee:</u> Plans the Physical Activities and events that occur during the Ordeals and Fellowships.</p>	<p><u>Lodge Memorabilia and Distribution Committee:</u> Designs lodge memorabilia and merchandise for events. Staffs the lodge trading post.</p>

Vice-Chief of Indian Affairs: Eli Kayne

*The Vice Chief of Indian Affairs: is responsible for all Indian Affairs committees.

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Vice Chief of Indian affairs is generally responsible for and over sees every Indian Affairs aspect of our lodge. He is responsible for making sure the Ceremony teams are ready for each ceremony. He typically competes on the Group Dance Team, as well as the Team Sing, at Dixie and at NOAC. He makes sure that our lodge has individual dancers ready to attend any Pow-Wow in the area including Dixie and NOAC.

<p><u>Ceremonies Team Committee:</u> Organizes and oversees the Ceremonies in which the development of individual lodge performs.</p>	<p><u>Individual Dance Committee:</u> Organizes and oversees the dancers for competition at the Dixie Fellowship and NOAC.</p>
<p><u>Group Dance Team Committee:</u> Organizes and oversees the development of a group dance team for competitions and demonstrations at lodge performances and events.</p>	<p><u>Drum / Singing Team Committee:</u> Organizes and oversees the singing team for lodge fellowship as well as competition at Dixie Fellowship and NOAC</p>

Lodge Secretary: Owen Koppe

The Lodge Secretary: is responsible for taking minutes at all Lodge Executive Committee Meetings, copying those notes and distributing them at the next Executive Board Meeting, and completing official Lodge correspondence. Also gathers and types articles for *The Bow* newsletter and distributed the newsletter to the arrowmen of the lodge. He is also the one who submits the article for the section newsletter "The Five Feathers"

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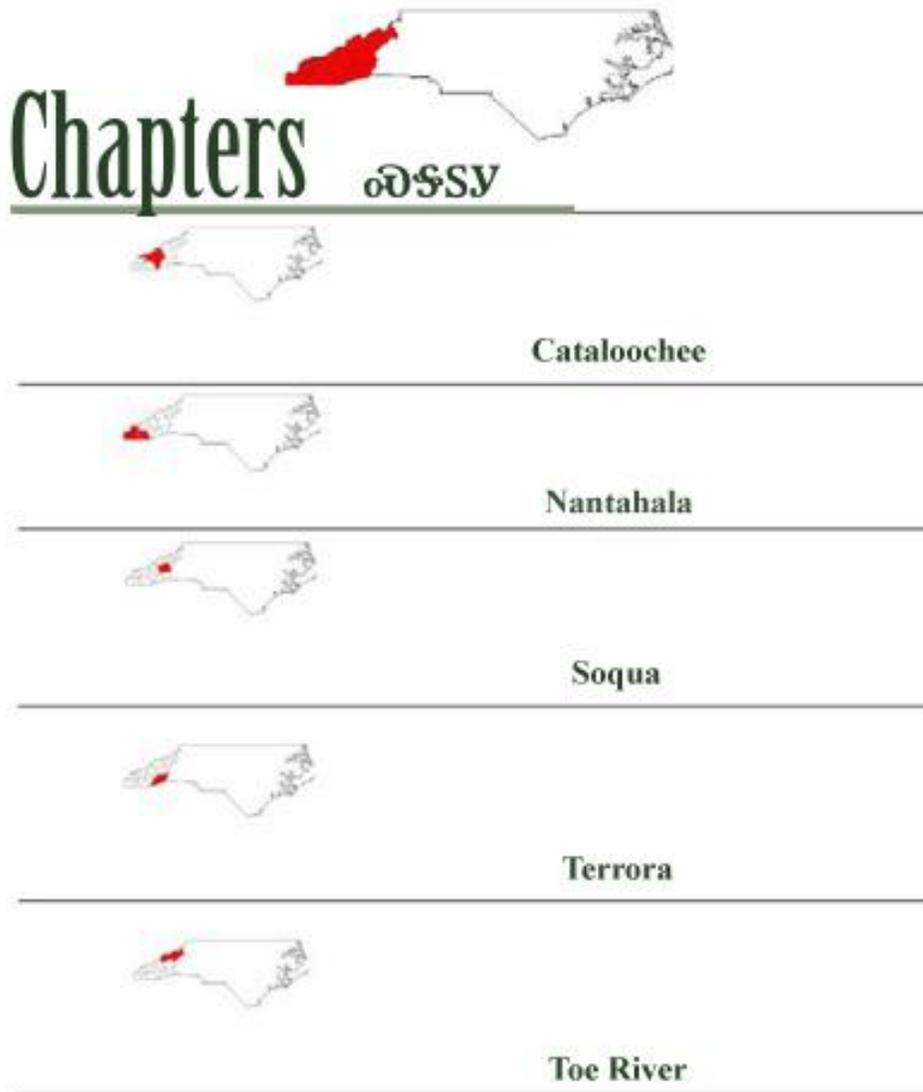
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The Chapters of Tsali Lodge

Tsali Lodge covers all of Western North Carolina and is divided up into five chapters: Cataloochee, Nantahala, Soqua, Terrora, and Toe River.



Description of Lodge Activities & Events

Spring Fellowship ᎠᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳ ᎠᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳ

Spring Fellowship is a weekend of fun, games, and fellowship. It is a time to reconnect and visit with fellow Arrowmen as well as practice IA activities and meet and work on lodge committee meetings.

At every spring fellowship, we do a small work project to benefit camp, eat lots of good food, patch trade, and conduct committee meetings. Not only that, but we also have several quest events at each fellowship. Quest events includes things such as kick ball, arrow toss, tent pitching, tug of war, knot tying really and more; sometimes we even offer archery and tomahawk throwing.

Dixie Fellowship ᎠᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳ ᎠᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳ

Every year, the lodges in a section gather for an event known as a *conclave*. Our section is unique because we have called it the “Dixie Fellowship” since the 1950’s. During a conclave, a section gathers for fellowship and the sharing of skills and best practices. Over the years, SR-5 has distinguished itself through a nationally-known program held at the Dixie Fellowship. From our unique competitions such as totem pole carving to patch trading, spirit, and amazing food, it’s an once-in-a-lifetime experience for those who can attend.

Spring Ordeal ᎠᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳ ᎠᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳ

"The induction process, called the Ordeal, is the first step toward full membership in the Order. Upon completion of the Ordeal and its ceremony, the member is expected to strengthen his involvement in the unit and encourage Scout camping."

Fellow arrowmen and candidates together help with maintaining Camp Daniel Boone during the Ordeal.

Summer Ordeal ᎠᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳ ᎠᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳ

Basically, the same as Spring Ordeal giving another opportunity for candidates to complete the inductions process.

Fall Fellowship ᎠᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳ ᎠᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳᎳ

Fall Fellowship is the lodge’s largest event of the year and is similar to Spring Fellowship however, in addition to some of our regular activities we have re-designed our quest events and added several fun activities like a water balloon fight, canoe race, archery, tomahawk throwing, and rock climbing! Annual lodge elections are held during Fall Fellowship.

Winter Banquet

For the Order of the Arrow winter time means one thing...our annual Winter Banquet! Youth and adult Arrowmen, as well as their family and friends, are invited to attend our banquet. This time of food and fellowship is our opportunity to recognize those who have gone above and beyond in their service to the Lodge and Council, as well as welcome our new brothers who have been inducted over the past year. At the Winter Banquet short speeches will be made by all the outgoing lodge leadership including the Lodge Chief, each Chapter Chief, the VCIA, the VCA, and the VCP. New officers will also be inducted and the banquet will close with the Lodge Advisor's Minute and a benediction. The Banquet will also be a good time to get to know your fellow brothers. We hope to see you there!

Lodge Leadership Development

The purpose of the Lodge Leadership Development is to build the team of lodge leaders who will guide Tsali Lodge for the coming year. This training event consists of a number of sessions over the weekend that will help attendees focus their attentions on the issues and leadership responsibilities that the lodge needs to function at its highest level while simultaneously attaining Scouting's Journey to Excellence distinction.

Carolinas Indian Seminar

CIS is a wonderful place to learn new skills and make lifelong friends and an excellent weekend of instruction, dance, crafts, fun, and fellowship. This event is open to everyone with a desire to learn. There are approximately 125 classes available with instructors traveling from all over the United States to teach. They are extremely knowledgeable and always happy to answer your questions. The weekend begins with a Powwow on Friday night and All dancers are welcome.

OA Day of Service

The Order of the Arrow will conduct Days of Service throughout the year where we will clean and repair Camp as well as other various projects for the community.



Opportunities to Serve

Elangomats



Elangomats provide examples to candidates of the Order of the Arrow during the Ordeal. They undergo the Ordeal voluntarily to show the new members what it means to be a member of the Order of the Arrow. The Elangomat also serves as a friend and coach to the New Member after the Ordeal, and for at least the next 10 months. The Elangomat calls the New Member periodically to check on his progress as an Arrowman and keeps him abreast of Chapter and Lodge activities. He encourages his Scouting Unit, but he also encourages Chapter and Lodge service and his membership conversion to the Brotherhood.

Ceremonies Team



Youth members of the Ceremonies Team can be Principles, Seconds for Principles, Torchbearers, or other helpers. Adult members may be coaches or helpers. Lodge Committees: There are plenty of available positions in the lodge's various committees for both chairmen and advisers. Committees function under the Vice-Chiefs and having somebody in charge of and advising each committee would greatly help lodge organization and operation.

Dance and Sing Teams



Members have the opportunity to participate in the lodge's Indian Dancing team, as well as individual dancing. The group dance team uses authentic Cherokee Indian Regalia, and if you dance individually, you get to design your own outfit for competition. You can make your own original dance steps, and you can choose how to make your outfit. Each dance style has guidelines for outfits, but the majority of individual dancing is personal preference. Adults can assist youth by being dance mentors or by helping out at our various regalia workshops held throughout

the year. We have formed a drum and sing team for competition, so you could also be a part of that if dancing is not quite your thing.

OA Troop Representative

If you are interested in representing the Order of the Arrow within your troop and your troop within the OA, talk to your Senior Patrol Leader about being your Troop's OA Representative. You can encourage others in your troop to participate in OA events and take important roles. You also will help your unit leaders to arrange troop OA elections to bring new members into the lodge.

Chapter Officer

Each Chapter elects a chapter chief at Fall Fellowship. The chapter chief coordinates the activities of the chapter, utilizing OA Troop Representatives and appointed committees: to encourage continued lodge membership and brotherhood conversion; to carry out chapter service projects; to hold troop elections and camp promotion; communicate within the chapter to encourage participation in lodge events.



New Members Information

Obligation:

I do hereby promise on my honor as a scout that I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the traditions of the Order of the Arrow, Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui.

I will always regard the ties of brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow as lasting, and will seek to preserve a cheerful spirit, even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, and will endeavor, so far as in my power lies, to be unselfish in service and devotion to the welfare of others.

Song:

Firm bound in brotherhood, gather the clan that cheerful service brings to fellow man. Circle our council fire, weld tightly every link that binds us in brotherhood, Wimachtendienk.

Admonition:

The admonition of the Order of the Arrow must always be given whispered in the right ear; with it's meaning then whispered in the left ear. The admonition must never be spoken aloud, and may not be printed in text or written, with the exception of some official Order of the Arrow documents. As it is, it cannot be printed in this book.

As 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."

The handclasp of the Order of the Arrow is given with the left hand, as in the scout handshake, but with the fifth fingers, or "pinkies", intertwined. It is difficult to perceive at first, but it works.

Allowat Sakima	Al'-lo-wot Sa-kee'-ma
Chingachgook	Ching'-gatch-gook
Elangomat	Ee-lan'-go-mat
Kichkinet	Kitch'-ken-et
Lenni Lenape	Len'-nee Len-ah'-pee
Meteu	Mee-tay'-o
Nutiket	Nu-te'-ket
Uncas	Un'-cuss
Wimachtendienk	Wee-mok'-ten'-dee-enk
Wingolauchsik	Win'-go-louch-sick
Witahemui	Wi'-tah-hem'-oo-ee





Brotherhood Membership

This page provides background information for Ordeal members interested in sealing their membership in OA through Brotherhood conversion. It sounds like a lot, but many members have done all the requirements while at a fellowship.

Why Brotherhood?

It is said, "In the Ordeal, the Order of the Arrow accepts the new member. In the Brotherhood, the individual accepts the lodge and the ideals of the Order." As an Ordeal member of the lodge, service to the troop is of utmost importance. Brotherhood membership in the lodge can be attained after completing ten months as an Ordeal member, and gaining an understanding of the lodge program. Advancement to Brotherhood membership is a personal decision, and we recommend that you look over the information on this page, and then refer to your Order of the Arrow Handbook for further detail.

Where/When?

Brotherhood Enrichment Classes and Ceremonies are held at Spring and Summer Ordeals, Fall Fellowship, & Spring Fellowship.

Be an Ordeal member for at least ten months. Be an active member of your Scout unit.

Be an active, paid member of Tsali Lodge. Write a letter to the Lodge Secretary.

Participate in a Brotherhood Enrichment class and Brotherhood Ceremony. Know the signs that show your membership within the Order of the Arrow:

- The Obligation (p. 10, OA Handbook)
- The Admonition
- The OA Song (p. 13, OA Handbook)
- The OA Handclasp (p. 27, OA Handbook)
- The Sign of Ordeal Membership

To gain a better understanding of the Ordeal, review the questions found on pages 52-54 of the Order of the Arrow Handbook

Once you have reviewed the above items, thought about what you have learned, done, and planned to do, write a letter to the Lodge Secretary.

The Letter

Once you feel prepared to attain Brotherhood Membership, you must write a letter to the Lodge Secretary that includes the following:

Explain what you think the Obligation means.

Describe how you have been fulfilling this obligation in your troop and in your daily life, and how you have used your understanding of the ordeal to aid in this service.

Describe your specific plans to give service in the lodge program.



The Cherokee Legend of "Tsali"
By Lowell Kirk

Under the terms of the fraudulent 1836 Treaty of New Echote, all Cherokee who lived within the Cherokee Nation was required to give up their homeland and remove west of the Mississippi River to Indian Territory. As of May 1838, only a few had done so. General Winfield Scott arrived at Calhoun, Tennessee in command of about 7,000 soldiers to forcibly remove almost 16,000 Cherokee to the west. More than 25 stockades were established in North Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia and Alabama to be used as "holding pens" for the Cherokee until they could be marched to Rattlesnake Springs. From there, they would begin the forced march under armed escort known as the Trail of Tears.

Tsali was one of the "traditionalist" Cherokee who had not been involved in the heated debates over the removal policy. He lived with his wife and three sons in a cabin near the mouth of the Nantahala River, where it flows into the Little Tennessee, near present day Bryson City, North Carolina. After an 1819 treaty, he, as well as about 1000 other Cherokee at Quallatown, lived outside the boundaries of the Cherokee Nation. Like most of the North Carolina Cherokee, he had been somewhat bypassed by the "progress" that had been made by those Cherokee who had accepted the "white man's" road after 1794. Most of the "Progressive" Cherokee lived in Georgia, Tennessee and Alabama. Most of the Cherokee who lived in the mountains of Western North Carolina were "traditionalists."

Tsali farmed a small hillside plot and hunted to provide for his family. Only now and then did an occasional bit of news about the troubles in Georgia trickle into this area of North Carolina. When the Federal troops began rounding up the Cherokee in May of 1838, it would be the primitive or "traditionalists" in North Carolina who made up the bulk of the Cherokee who refused to go to Oklahoma. They had always been outside the mainstream of Cherokee "progress", and did not live within the boundaries of the Cherokee nation as it existed from 1819 to 1838. As the historical events of 1838 began to unfold, Tsali would become a legendary hero to the Cherokee.

When James Mooney of the Smithsonian Institute lived with the Cherokee from 1887 to 1890, this is the story he was told. Tsali's brother-in-law came to Tsali's cabin in May of 1838 and told Tsali of the 7,000 soldiers who were rounding up the Cherokee to take them to a land where the setting sun bent down to touch the earth. General Winfield Scott had said that all Cherokee people must begin the long march west before the next new moon.

Tsali did not understand why the Cherokee must go, and he only thought of it for a few moments as he sat by the fire puffing his pipe. The next day he went back to his fields, with little more thought of it. And while Tsali worked his fields, the soldiers were rounding up the Cherokee and putting them in the more than 25 stockades, in preparation for the long march west. Some Cherokee believed that Tsali began dreaming of a dream of how his people might stay in their native hills. After all, that is the stuff of legends. But it is most likely that Tsali was only concerned for his crops and a good harvest to feed his family through the long winter. Soon the soldiers arrived at Tsali's cabin and told him that he and his family must go to the stockade at Bushnell, down the Little Tennessee River from Tsali's cabin. The site of Bushnell is now covered by the waters of TVA's Fontana Lake. Although Tsali did not understand, he offered no resistance. With his wife, his sons and his brother-in-law's family, they headed toward the Bushnell stockade carrying only a few things which they had managed to put into bundles. Four soldiers escorted them. According to the story which was told to Mooney, somewhere along the way, one of the soldiers prodded Tsali's wife with a bayonet, to quicken her steps. Tsali became angry. In the Cherokee language, Tsali told the other Cherokee to get prepared to take the soldier's guns when he pretended to fall, and they would escape into the hills. In the resulting scuffle, a soldier's gun discharged and ripped a hole in the side of his own head. Tsali had intended no bloodshed, but his family quickly ran into the woods and proceeded to a cave in the mountains under Clingman's Dome.

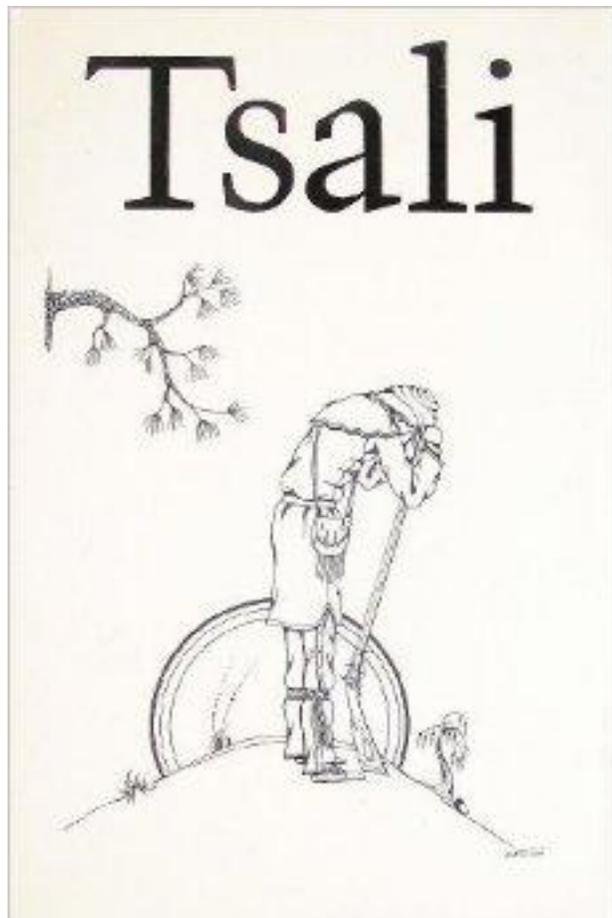
U.S. Military records give another version of the story. Second Lieutenant Andrew Jackson Smith, accompanied by three soldiers, had captured the Tsali group of twelve, five men, seven women and some children. In the morning of November 1, Smith led the "prisoners" back toward the stockade at Bushnell. Having made a camp, Smith warned his men to be on guard for trouble. Shortly thereafter, one of the Cherokee drew a hidden ax and sunk it in the forehead of one of the three soldiers. In the next moments, a second soldier was killed, and the third was wounded. Smith claimed that his horse became frightened and ran away, saving Smith's life, according to his official report. The Cherokee then fled, after taking some articles from the soldiers. Smith went to the Bushnell stockade, took the Cherokee who had been previously collected there and marched to Ft. Cass at Calhoun where he made his official report to Gen Scott on Nov 5.

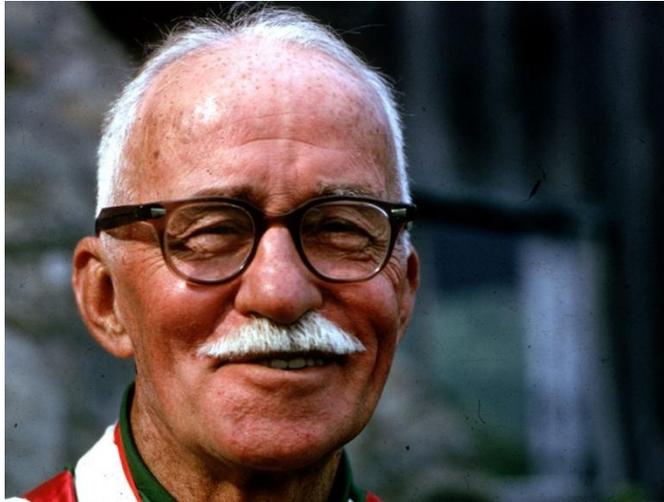
This brings up a question. How could four United States military personal, carrying rifles, one on horseback when they were supposedly camped, be overpowered by five Cherokee men and seven women and children, who were apparently armed with only one ax small enough to be hidden on a man's body? In Lt. Smith's report there was no mention of a soldier prodding Tsali's wife with a bayonet. However, what United States "officer and a gentleman" would report to his superior that one of his soldiers prodded an old woman with a bayonet, if it had happened as the Cherokee story related. On November 6, General Scott gave orders to Colonel William S. Foster to hunt down and shoot the "murderers." Foster was ordered to "collect all, or as many as practicable, of the fugitives (other than the murderers) for emigration." The aid of Drowning Bear and Will Thomas was enlisted. Thomas was the white adopted son of Chief Drowning Bear of the Quallatown band. As the Quallatown Band lived outside of the Cherokee Nation, they were not required by law to emigrate. Thanks to Will Thomas General Scott made a distinction between the Quallatown Band living near the Oconaluftee River and "fugitives". Thomas had convinced General Scott that the Quallatown Band had promised not to hide any of the "fugitives", referring to those who had fled from their homes within the Cherokee national boundaries. Even John Rose, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, sent his condolences to General Scott for the murders, saying that the Cherokee Nation should not be held responsible for this "individual" occurrence. Colonel Foster entered the upper Little Tennessee country with nine companies of the U.S. Fourth Infantry. A tenth company had proceeded toward the Oconaluftee with Will Thomas, under the command of Lieutenant Larned. Apparently, Thomas convinced the Quallatown Cherokee that if they would help catch Tsali and the other "murderers," they would be allowed to stay in North Carolina.

So, the Oconaluftee Cherokee provided a total force of about sixty men to capture the "murderers," when ten companies of U.S. troops could not! Soon the Cherokee turned over to Colonel Foster Tsali's oldest son, Nantayalee Jake, and Tsali's brother-in-law, Nantayalee George, whom Foster claimed were the "principal actors in the murder." Tsali's wife and the wife of Nantayalee George and her small daughter had also been brought in by the Oconaluftee Cherokee. By November 24, Foster reported that of the twelve Cherokee present at the murder site, all but Tsali had been captured. Three adult males were executed. The Cherokee themselves made up the six-man firing squad. Tsali's youngest son was spared, along with Tsali's wife. Colonel Foster announced that removal had officially ended and the rest of the Indians in hiding could join their brothers at Quallatown, on the Oconaluftee. Will Thomas had convinced Foster that Tsali had played only a minor role in the affair, and so Foster's Fourth

Infantry left the mountains, their mission complete. After Foster had left Bushnell, Tsali was brought in by other Quallatown Cherokee. At noon on the next day, Tsali was tied to a tree and shot in the same manner as the other three.

Colonel Foster's final report on the affair, dated December 3, 1838 reported Tsali's execution, and commended Drowning Bear for his assistance. Foster also asked that one of the "fugitive" groups under the leadership of Euchella, who had helped in the capture of Tsali, be allowed to stay with the Quallatown Cherokee. The commissioners for the Cherokee removal officially agreed to allow such in January, 1839. Soon, the story of Tsali became a legend and inspiration among Quallatown Cherokee. It was widely reported that Tsali had willingly surrendered so that the Federal troops would leave the North Carolina mountains and allow the Quallatown Cherokee to remain in their ancient homeland. Although the Federal government had declared that the removal was over, for the rest of the century the government continued to make efforts to get the Quallatown Cherokee to emigrate to the west. It was the legend of Tsali, and the belief that he had selflessly given his life in order that some of his people could remain in their beloved mountains. In the hearts and minds of the Cherokee people today, Tsali still lives! And so, do more than 10,000 Cherokee today, in the center of their ancient homeland.





Order of the Arrow History

THE "ORDER OF THE ARROW" - SCOUTING'S HONOR SOCIETY

by Jim Howes

The Order of the Arrow is a recognized official program activity of the Boy Scouts of America, intended to recognize those scouts who best exemplify the scout virtues of cheerful service, camping, and leadership.

Founded in 1915, just seven years after the acclaimed English war hero Robert Baden-Powell started scouting in Great Britain, the Order of the Arrow is the uniquely American "honor society of scouting". The "OA's" origin and development are tightly intertwined, like a well-made square knot, with scouting itself in the United States. Its history is a remarkable saga of a good-hearted visionary's effect on many generations of youth.

The new scout movement was enjoying halcyon days in an America still at peace in 1915, while young men in Europe were dying by the thousands in a war more terrible than any before in history. Boys in the U.S. seemed to be donning scout uniforms everywhere as membership grew rapidly from coast to coast. Prominent businessmen, civic and religious groups, and politicians, including Congressmen and the President, vied to match the enthusiasm of boys surging into scout camps across the nation, eager to be part of the great wave of scouting which had reached American shores in the years before World War I.

As E. Urner Goodman, then a 25-year-old scoutmaster, walked along Chestnut Street in downtown Philadelphia, PA, in May 1915, he heard newsboys hawking the Philadelphia "Inquirer's" headlines, blaring the sinking of the Cunard ocean liner "Lusitania" hit by a U-boat's torpedoes within view of the Irish coast. Urner was busy with plans that would also have far reaching effects, for he had agreed to take the job of Camp Director at the Philadelphia scout council's camp perched on idyllic Treasure Island in the Delaware River. What he had in mind was to leave a lasting imprint on thousands of American youth in the twentieth century.

Urner's thoughts in 1915 were focused on development of methods to teach the scouts attending summer camp that skill proficiency in Scoutcraft was not enough; rather, the principles embodied in the Scout Oath and Law should become realities in the lives of Scouts. As a means of accomplishing this without preaching and within a boy's interest and understanding, he decided to launch an innovative program that summer based on peer recognition and the appeal of Indian lore. Troops would choose, at the conclusion of camp, those boys from among their number best exemplifying these traits, who would be honored as members of an Indian "lodge". Boys so acknowledged in the eyes of their fellow scouts would form a fraternal bond joined together in a richly symbolic brotherhood.

Assistant Camp Director Carroll A. Edson helped Urner research the lore and language of the Delaware Indians who had inhabited Treasure Island, which they combined with characters from James Fenimore Cooper's "Last of the Mohicans", to develop dramatic induction ceremonies for the "Order of the Arrow", as the fledgling honor society was dubbed. Even today, these rites make a lasting impression on scouts who have been elected to the "Order of the Arrow".

By 1921, the idea had spread to a score of scout councils in the northeast and the first national meeting of the Order of the Arrow was held. Although the OA was initially viewed with suspicion by some Scouters as a secret society, if not an affront to the egalitarian ideals of scouting, legendary Chief Scout Executive James E. West permitted those councils desiring Order of the Arrow lodges to establish them as an "experimental" program under a "National Lodge". Not until 1948 was E. Urner Goodman's innovation fully integrated into the Scouting program.

Having observed its Diamond Anniversary in 1990, membership in the Order had grown to 160,000 of the one million eligible Boy Scouts in the U. S., organized into almost 400 lodges nationwide. Rare indeed is the council today that does not have an Order of the Arrow lodge with its own Indian name and "totem", or emblem.

It is evident that the Order of the Arrow has made a significant contribution to Scouting, as we know it today in the United States. The OA's motto, "Brotherhood of Cheerful Service", is more than just an empty slogan for many Arrowmen, who constitute a valuable council resource for camp promotion, improvement projects, and summer camp staff. The OA, at its best, continues to be a powerful teaching tool for Scouting ideals.

The OA helps in retaining older boys in Scouting, who otherwise often tend to lose interest upon reaching high school age. Notably, OA guidelines place great importance on preserving Lodge leadership in the hands of its youth members, headed by a Chief, Vice Chief(s), and an Executive Committee, all of whom must be under age 21, who plan and implement Lodge activities, service projects, ceremonies, publications, budgets, and conduct troop elections as arranged with Scoutmasters. In larger councils, lodges are often sub-divided into "chapters", with youth chapter officers and committeemen running chapter events. At the Section, Regional, and National levels, Chiefs and Vice-Chiefs are typically young men of college age, since Arrowmen are considered youth members until age 21.

Adults are crucial to the OA's success as advisers and resources, such as transportation, service project skills, and the like. Many adult Scouters find participation in the OA to be rewarding, as they help kindle anew the spirit of brotherhood in scouting's honor society.

To be inducted into the Order of the Arrow, a Scout must:

- Be At least First Class rank;
- Have at least 15 nights of camping, including a 6-day long-term camp;
- Participate in the "Ordeal" and induction ceremony, after election by his Boy Scout troop or Varsity unit.

Each Scout troop may schedule an Order of the Arrow election once annually. All registered active youth troop members have a vote, both current Arrowmen and non-Arrowmen. Membership selection is thus predominantly by non-members.

Adult Scouters may be proposed for membership in the Order of the Arrow by unit or district committees or the Lodge. Once selected, they, too, undergo the "Ordeal" and participate in the induction ceremonies.

To alleviate lingering concerns in some quarters regarding the ceremonial aspects of the Order of the Arrow, the BSA has officially stated:

"The induction is not a hazing or an initiation ceremony. The Order is not a secret Scout organization, and its ceremonies are open to any parent, Scout leader, or religious leader. There is an element of mystery in the ceremonies for the sake of its effect on the candidates. For this reason, ceremonies are not put on in public. The ceremonies...are not objectionable to any religious group."

Following 10 months as an "Ordeal" member, the Arrowman may participate in the "Brotherhood" ceremony, which signifies the sealing of his membership and an additional emphasis on OA ideals and purposes.

After an additional 2 years have elapsed, exceptional OA leaders may be recognized by conferring of the "Vigil Honor". Generally speaking, only two percent of the Lodge membership may be selected each year for this highest of Lodge honors. A special ceremony, devised by Dr. Goodman in 1915 and closely based on ancient Indian traditions, culminates this experience.

All Order of the Arrow members are reminded that their primary duty always remains to their own troop, which elected them in the first place as a result of their cheerful service to their fellow unit members. OA Lodge activities are intended to SUPPLEMENT, and not REPLACE, troop activities. Probably the single most often-heard complaint directed towards the OA program is that of Arrowmen who have forgotten this cardinal principle.

OA Lodges meet with other lodges in their sections each year and attend a nationwide gathering held on the campus of a major university every 2 years. These National Conferences, as they are called, feature individual and Lodge competitions in ceremonies, Indian dancing and costumes, and sports, along with seminars and gala arena shows. More than 6,000 Arrowmen attend, which for many is an exciting highlight of the scouting experience on a par with a National Jamboree.

For over a half century after founding the Order of the Arrow, E. Urner Goodman continued to be a towering figure in American scouting, attaining a doctorate in education and becoming National Program Director of the BSA for many years, all the while steadfastly devoted to the OA. He enjoyed meeting Arrowmen at his Order of the Arrow "lodge" home in Vermont and continued to attend events held by Unami Lodge #1 in Philadelphia for the rest of his life.

Dr. Goodman's keynote speeches were a traditional and inspiring highlight of OA National Conferences, until his final appearance in 1979 at Colorado State University, just six months before his death at 89. He was hailed by the 4000 Arrowmen present with a thunderous standing ovation. He spoke movingly of his creation of the OA as a "Thing of the Spirit" in that place ... so distant in time... on the misty shores of the Delaware River. He bade us farewell, there in the shadows of the snow-capped Rockies, with a memorable peroration to keep the OA's flame of fellowship glowing brightly in our hearts. Though a frail, elderly man stood before us, stooped with age, yet the spirit borne within would truly live on in our hearts, firm bound eternally in youthful brotherhood, wherever men strive to love and serve one another.

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Timeline History of Tsali Lodge

1938...

▪Arrowmen of Bobwhite Lodge 87 in Augusta, GA help charter Tsali Lodge 134 of Daniel Boone Council in Asheville, NC. The Lodge was named after the Cherokee Chief Tsali who sacrificed his own life so those of his people could remain in the Appalachian Mountains. Web Stacey, the Lodge's first chief takes office.

1940...

▪It is said that arrowmen from Tsali help found Atta Kulla Kull Lodge 185 of Blue Ridge Mountain Council in Greenville, SC.

1949...

▪William Roth becomes the first Arrowman of Tsali Lodge to receive the Vigil Honor and is given the Vigil name of "The Great Warrior".

1954...

▪August 27: William Roth becomes the first arrowman of Tsali Lodge to receive the Distinguished Service Award (DSA) at the 1954 National Order of The Arrow Conference at The University of Wyoming.

1964...

▪April 24-26: Tsali Lodge hosts the 1964 Dixie Fellowship "Catch the Higher Vision" at Camp Daniel Boone. The 1964 Dixie Fellowship would be the first conclave that the Lodge hosted.

▪Richard Hurley becomes the first arrowman of Tsali Lodge to hold the office of Section Chief of Area 3B. (Called Area Chief during this time)

1981...

▪April 24-26: Tsali hosts the 1981 Dixie Fellowship "Scouting, A Thing of The Spirit" at Camp Daniel Boone.

▪Lodge member Walter Dean becomes the Section's Vice Chief of Administration while Jack Cole Becomes the Section Dixie Chief.

1982...

▪Tsali Lodge Member, Walter Dean is re-elected Section Vice-Chief of Administration and Mark O'Shields becomes the Section Secretary.

1983...

▪Jeffrey Grey and Carmer Bean become the first youth and adult arrowmen of the Lodge to be presented with the Founder's Award at the Lodge Winter Banquet.

1984...

▪To promote service, the lodge issues a special silver bordered lodge flap to those who completed 100 hours of service.

1985...

▪Lodge arrowman, David Kafitz is elected Section Secretary.

1988...

▪April 22-24: Tsali hosts the 1988 Dixie Fellowship "Weld Tightly Every Link" at Camp Daniel Boone.

▪Tsali celebrates its 50th Anniversary. A commemorative patch is issued for the occasion.

▪To become historically correct, the "Smoke and Teepees" from the current lodge flap are omitted. (Cherokee Indians did not live in teepees)

1989...

▪David Kafitz is elected Section Chief and presides over the 1989 Dixie Fellowship "Aim High, Serve Y'all" at Camp Ho Non Wah in Charleston, SC.

1992...

▪Tsali Lodge hosts the Section Indian Seminar at Camp Daniel Boone.

▪Tsali provides guides to help with Kituwah, a large Native American Expo held at the Asheville Civic Center.

1993...

▪Tsali helps with Kituwah for a second year in a row.

1994...

▪Bernie Grauer is elected Section Secretary.

▪John Young is presented with the Distinguished Service Award at the 1994 NOAC, held at Purdue Univ.

▪Tsali provides assistant guides for the Kituwah for a third year in a row.

1995...

▪The warehouses which the Native American Expo Kituwah stored its supplies are destroyed by fire...the event is cancelled until 1998.

▪Tsali Lodge helps Daniel Boone Council with the selling of Christmas Trees for a fundraiser.

1997...

▪Tsali Lodge hosts the annual Section Retreat "Rekindling Old Flames" at Camp Hope.

▪Gavin Douglas is elected Section Vice-Chief of Program.

1998...

▪Due to extensive flash flood damage to Camp Daniel Boone, Tsali is forced to give up the hosting of the 1998 Dixie Fellowship.

▪Tsali celebrates its 60th anniversary. A limited issue patch is issued for the anniversary.

▪Tee Pruitt is elected Section Chief and presides over the 1999 Dixie Fellowship "Cheerfully Serving Into The 21st Century" at Camp Old Indian in Greenville, SC. ▪Gavin Douglas is re-elected Section Vice-Chief of Program.

▪Tsali sends its first official contingent to the annual Carolinas Indian Seminar in Statesville, NC.

1999...

▪Jason Laney is Elected Section Secretary.

▪Todd Knaperek is appointed Section Indian Affairs Coordinator for the 2000 Dixie Fellowship.

2000...

▪April 14-16, Tsali hosts the 2000 Dixie Fellowship "Your Journey Is Just Beginning" at Camp Daniel Boone.

▪Jason Laney is elected Section Chief and presides over the 2001 Dixie Fellowship "Remember the Past, Serve the Future" at Camp John Barnhardt in Albemarle, NC.

▪Tee Pruitt is presented with the Distinguished Service Award at the 2000 NOAC at The University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

▪Lodge Member Tee Pruitt helps create the Arrowmen of Service Award.

2001...

▪January 16-Lodge officially launches www.tsalilodge.org as the Lodge's official website.

▪William Barry is appointed Administrative Events Coordinator for the 2002 Dixie Fellowship in Charleston, SC

2002...

▪The lodge begins to build a new ecology lodge at Camp Daniel Boone.

▪Jason Laney is awarded the DSA at the 2002 National Order of the Arrow Conference.

2003...

▪Tsali is chosen to be the official service lodge of the OA Indian Summer to be held at Ridgecrest Conference Center in Black Mountain, NC.

2004...

▪Tsali lodge helps rebuild Camp Daniel Boone after massive flooding in the fall of 2004, the result of two back-to-back hurricanes.

2005...

▪Tsali lodge develops a Cherokee style dance team and competes at Dixie Fellowship, placing third. ▪Tsali lodge conducts a southern drum seminar, taught by Bo Limbaugh. A Tsali Lodge drum team is then formed.

2006...

▪The Tsali lodge Cherokee Dance team places first at Dixie Fellowship and goes on to become National Champions at the National Order of the Arrow Conference held at Michigan State University.

▪The Tsali Lodge Southern Drum team, "Twisted Rawhide" places second at Dixie Fellowship and then third at NOAC only 6 months after being formed.

2007...

▪Adam Kuykendall is elected section vice-chief.

▪"Twisted Rawhide" sing team places First at Dixie Fellowship

▪The Tsali lodge Cherokee Dance team places first at Dixie Fellowship

▪Tsali Lodge dance team is invited to perform traditional Cherokee dances at the "Fading Voices" gathering of the Snowbird Cherokee

2008...

▪"Twisted Rawhide" sing team places First at Dixie Fellowship

▪The Tsali lodge Cherokee Dance team places first at Dixie Fellowship for the third year in a row

▪The dance team performs at the Cherokee "Fading Voices" gathering for the second year in a row

2009...

▪"Twisted Rawhide" sing team places First at Dixie Fellowship for the third year in a row and then became National Champions at the National Order of the Arrow Conference.

▪The Tsali lodge Cherokee Dance team places first at Dixie Fellowship for the fourth year in a row and goes on to repeat as National Champions at the National Order of the Arrow Conference held at Bloomington, Indiana.

2010...

▪The Tsali lodge Cherokee Dance team wins at Dixie Fellowship for the fifth year in a row

▪The Tsali Lodge Southern Drum team, "Twisted Rawhide" wins at Dixie Fellowship for the fourth year in a row

▪The Tsali lodge Brotherhood Ceremonies Team wins first place at Dixie Fellowship

▪ Tsali Lodge is named "Lodge of the Year" at Dixie Fellowship

2011...

▪The Tsali lodge Cherokee Dance team wins at Dixie Fellowship for the sixth year in a row

▪The Tsali Lodge Southern Drum team, "Twisted Rawhide" wins at Dixie Fellowship for the fifth year in a row

▪Tsali Lodge is named "Lodge of the Year" at Dixie Fellowship

▪Tsali is official service lodge of the OA "Indian Summer" held at Ridgecrest Conference Center

2012...

▪James Hylemon is elected Section Chief and will preside over the 2012 Dixie Fellowship "Gathering as one"

2013...

- Tsali Lodge is named "Lodge of the Year" at Dixie Fellowship

2014...

- Travis Broadhurst is elected Section Chief

2015...

- Tsali Lodge Cherokee Dance team wins first place at NOAC

2016...

- Tsali Lodge Southern Drum Team "Twisted Rawhide" wins first place at Dixie Fellowship

2017...

- Tsali Lodge Cherokee Dance team & Southern Drum team wins first place at Dixie Fellowship



Past Lodge Chiefs



This is the roll of those who wore the horns. Each of them added to the great framework of our lodge.

Hail our predecessors!

Web Stacey	George Todd
Marshal Gravet	Joe Frick
Vernon McCurry	Dallas Hicks
Albert Blackwell	Brian McMullen
Ben Edwards	Chuck Carter
Ed McCain	Burney Mack
Joe Fulmer	Ryan Banning
Ernie Hansel	Bill Hickson
Ronald Kirby	Robbie Southern
Daren Hutcheson	Tee Pruitt
Fleet Benning	Jason Laney
Eddie Gash	Brian Simpson
Mike Roberts	Bill Barry
Don Osborne	Chris Hoover
Mike McLeod	Adam Kuykendall
David Black	Mitchell May
David Putnam	Scott Martin
Peter Sprague	James Hylemon
Mike Mann	Bryson Christy
Jack Cole	Cameron Barnett
Walter Dean	Travis Broadhurst
Jeff Grey	Taylor Hernandez
Brian Clanton	Gabriel Neckolaishen
David Atkinson	Kiffen Loomis
David Kaffitz	Pierce Asaad
	Ryan Grannan

Vigil Honor Roster

Vigil Honor Recipients 1949



Alertness to the needs of others is the mark of the Vigil Honor. It calls for an individual with an unusual awareness of the possibilities within each situation.

The Vigil Honor is the highest honor that the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon its members for service to lodge, council, and Scouting. Membership cannot be won by a person's conscious endeavors.

The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position of office to one or more of the following:

- Lodge
- Order of the Arrow
- Scouting community
- Scout Camp

Tsali Lodge Vigil Honor Roll

1949 William Roth "The Great Warrior"
1950 Vernon McCurry "The Prince"
1952 Clayton McCrackin "Big Hearted One"
1952 Francis Pless "The Woodsman"
1953 Robert Garner "Leading Chief"
1954 Gene Cocke "He Is a Man"
1955 Carmer Bean "A Leader"
1957 Thomas Speed "Flying Messenger"
1957 William Lassiter "Standing Deer"
1959 Davis Nichols "Little Big Man"
1959 Geoffrey Cooper "One Who Shoots"
1959 William Smith "Great Tree Top"
1960 Frank Biddix "Young Deer"
1960 Joe Fulmer "Young Beaver"

1961 Charles Reeves "Handsome"
1961 Paul Willis "Excel All Others"
1962 John Crawford "Peace Maker"
1962 Paul Cabe "Squirrel"
1964 Charles Worley "Chief"
1964 Ernie Hansel "He of the Beautiful Place"
1964 Minor Wilson "Feathers of All Kinds"
1964 Richard Hurley "Place of Friends"
1965 Eugene Hansel "Star"
1965 Jerry Starnes "Middle of the Day"
1965 Pat Mitchell "First in the Dance"
1965 Tom Harrison "Strong and Mighty"
1965 W.M. Vanvalkenburgh "Medicine Man"
1966 M. Hansel "Water Carrier"
1966 Mike Williams "The Traveler"
1966 Ronald Kirby "Efficient"
1966 Thomas Dillard "Lightening Bug"
1967 Charles Arthur "Enchanted Lake"
1967 Clarence Burrell "Town House"
1967 Daren Hutcheson "He of the Lookout Place"
1967 Gary Jensen "Water Side"
1967 John Brown "Frost Walker"
1968 Dan Collier "Buffalo"
1968 George Benning "The Great Bull"
1968 James Hutcheson "All Afire"
1968 Max Hughes "Standing in the Center"
1969 C. Corbin "Humming Bird"
1969 David Putnam "Deer"
1969 James Lollar "Beaver"
1969 John Ledbetter "I Think"
1969 Robert McKinney "He Is Fast"
1969 Ronald Edwards "Drum"
1969 William Green "Bee"
1970 Doug Van Valkenburgh "Little Chief"
1970 Eddie Gash "Chief"
1970 James Furr "Hello"
1970 James Lipe "Big Man"
1970 Jamie Soesbee "Jim"
1970 Jimmy Garren "Pond"
1970 Johnathan Jones "Lamp"
1970 Loren Brown "Ruler"
1970 Richard Stansbury "Doctor"
1970 Timothy Wilson "First"
1971 Bill Dyar "Arrow Maker"
1971 Brad Ripple "Chipmunk"
1971 Franklin Gordon "Night Hawk"

1971 Henry Graham "Happy"
1971 J. Arden "Tall"
1971 Jerry Jarvis "Quiet"
1971 John Daniel "Big Bear"
1971 Mike Roberts "Red Fox"
1971 Roger Corbin "Bird"
1972 Bruce Arden "Little Tall"
1972 Carl Haynes "Chief of Peace"
1972 David Henderson "Ground Hog"
1972 Ralph Putnam "Bat"
1972 Richard Gustafson "Cherokee"
1972 Robert Cansler "The Frogs Cry Here"
1972 Robert Cook "Red Bird"
1972 Robert Gash "Old Owl"
1972 William Edwards "Worker"
1973 Charles Toms "Gentle One"
1973 Dan Harrison "Dancer"
1973 David Briscoe "Moose"
1973 Donnie Osborne "Hungry Bear"
1973 Emory Gash "Mischief"
1973 Jake Wilson "Hammer"
1973 James Fender "Mountain Teacher"
1973 John Cox "Tree Friend"
1973 Robert Fisher "Standing Indian"
1974 Brent Leftwich "Wind"
1974 Dennis Stockdale "Mountain Teacher"
1974 Doug Elledge "Spider"
1974 James Deavor "Cricket"
1974 James Hatley "Hat"
1974 Richard Sharpe "Turkey"
1975 Charles Pettee "Feather Man"
1975 David McCartney "Diligent One"
1975 Donald Henderson "Sharp Knife"
1975 John McLeod "He Who Does All"
1975 Russell Matheson "Heavy Beard"
1975 Thomas Massie "Tall Walker"
1975 Thomas Wilson "Straight Bullet"
1976 Brian McKinley "Broken Wing"
1976 Charles Farr "Trained"
1976 Lewis Blodgett "Scholar"
1976 Peter Sprague "Fast Squirrel"
1976 Richard Hageman "Serious"
1976 William Taylor "Happy Leader"
1977 3rd Furtado "Helpful"
1977 Bill Taylor "Billy Bobwhite"
1977 Justin Scroggs "Faithful Friend"

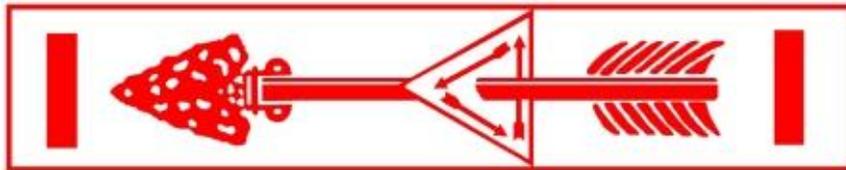
1977 Norman Harrill "Hoot Owl"
1977 Robert Harrison "Wednesday Dancer"
1977 Robert Pearson "High Flying Eagle"
1977 Todd Dingman "Strong Friend"
1978 Clifford Lively "Rock Climber"
1978 Floyd Lowrance "Rope Fox"
1978 Herman Stone "Black Gunpowder"
1978 Norman Harrill Jr. "Walking Owl"
1978 Philip Johnson "Straight Tongue"
1978 William Ratcliffe "Smart Eagle"
1979 Bruce Blakely "Election Worker"
1979 Carleton Collings "Food Master"
1979 Chris Farr "250 Miles"
1979 Jack Cole "Silent Mountain"
1979 Jeffrey Gray "Money Man"
1979 Walter Dean "Walnut Wood"
1980 Charles Potts "Food Magician"
1980 David Atkinson "Third Point"
1980 David McCurry "Proud Treasurer"
1980 Robert Weinkle "Warm Smile"
1980 Thomas Atkinson "Smart Smoker"
1980 Wiley White Jr. "Dancing Beaver"
1981 Bryan Clanton "Stompground Leader"
1981 Jon Holliday "Fast Talker"
1981 Lyndon Conley "Thoughtful One"
1981 Paul Ford "Thrifty One"
1982 Calvin Phipps "Faithful Servant"
1982 Charles Pounders "Artist"
1982 Dexter Ramey "Laughing Drummer"
1982 Douglas Fisher "Self Giver"
1982 James Remine "Thinks Quickly"
1982 Leo Adams "Good Worker"
1982 Mark O'Shields "Polite"
1982 Stephen Miller "Silent Speaker"
1983 John Lively "Father of Rock Climber"
1983 Karl Byas "Fast Reader"
1983 Tony Johnson "Reckless Writer"
1983 Wiley White "Fast Tongue"
1984 Earl Elliott "Silent Thought"
1984 Glen Wise "Musical"
1984 Greg Rutledge "Fast Canoe"
1984 Jeff Cole "Bow Hunter"
1984 Joe Glasscock "Desk Lion"
1984 Melvin Law "Meal Maker"
1985 Charles Athony Jr. "Horn Toad"
1985 Kevin Pint "Thinks Fast"

1986 Dallas Hicks "Running Jaw"
1986 David Kafitz "Carrot Top"
1986 Dr. Gary Todd "Talking Healer"
1986 Dr. Harry Summerlin "Healing Waters"
1986 Kevin Wright "Night Owl"
1986 Randy Sawald "River Rat"
1986 Robert Curtis "Swift Shooter"
1986 William McMullen "Change Maker"
1987 Brian McMullen "Ball Player"
1987 Harry Frick "User of Great Words"
1987 John Rice "Wise Leader"
1987 Michael Mann "Faithful Leader"
1987 O. Mallory "Loud Sleeper"
1987 Tim McSween "Big Friend"
1987 Tony Rice "Silent Runner"
1988 Arik Grier "Small One"
1988 Barry Clayton "Smoking Storyteller"
1988 Bill Hutters "Flat Top"
1988 George Todd "Laughing Brave"
1988 Joe Frick "Lazy Chief"
1988 Rick Cody "Ear Biter"
1989 David Krishock "Early Bird"
1989 Heath Kinsland "Bald Head"
1989 Jerry O'Neal "Music Maker"
1989 John Gibbs "Good Cook"
1990 Danny Little "One of Calm Mind"
1991 Burney Mack "Preacher"
1991 Charles Carter "Smart Chief"
1991 Glenn Banning "Careful Listener"
1991 Mike Kinsland "Quiet Water"
1991 Ryan Banning "Short Man Strong Heart"
1992 Al Cauble "Trade Man"
1992 Bernie Grauer "Perfection Man"
1992 Bill Hixson "He Who Closes Meetings"
1992 Bill Horton "Music Man"
1992 Chris Moody "He Is Hiding Groceries"
1992 Dan Little "Little Soil Shovel"
1992 Garrick Smith "Biscuit Man"
1992 Greg Galloway "Big Bow Publisher"
1992 Joe Fulmer Jr. "Big Short Joe"
1992 Martin Banning "Sock Ball Player"
1992 Travis Clayton "Quiet Big Man"
1994 Bernard Gier "Save Many Things"
1994 Bryan Taubert "Happy Feet"
1994 Chris Bertolini "Far Speaker"
1994 Chuck Rice "Information Keeper"

1994 Greg Bias "Running Far"
1994 Mitch Stevens "Eats No Chicken"
1995 Guy Little "Big Man, Little Name"
1995 Kenneth Clark "Brave Soldier"
1995 Robbie Southern "Third Eagle"
1996 Clay Hensley "Recorder"
1996 Phillip Godfrey "Cloth Sign Trader"
1997 Charlie Krug "Northern Brother"
1997 Gavin Douglas "Swift Writer"
1997 Peter Sommers "Cook"
1997 Shawn Sommers "Young Dancer"
1997 Terry "Tee" Pruitt "Chief Who Speaks"
1998 Eddie Hollifield "Fixes with Duct Tape"
1998 Greg Loomis "Icelandic Invader"
1998 Jason Laney "Leader of New Brothers"
1998 Karen Banning "Determined Mother"
1998 Simon Stricklen "Great Debater"
1998 Steve Smith "Traveling Peach"
1998 Todd Knaperek "Squeaky Runner"
1999 Brian Simpson "Talks Much, Says Little"
1999 Jim Dickson "Faithful Worker"
1999 Mike Nail "Little Fisher Bird"
2000 Rick Hulme "Lawnmower Man"
2000 Shawn Stricklen "Spark Plug"
2000 William "Bill" Barry "Quiet Riot"
2001 Alison Knaperek "Smiling Worker"
2001 Andy Clark "He Who Dances Out Fires"
2001 Dylan Hulme "Vested Man Who Burns Crackers"
2001 Edward Knaperek "The Last Buffalo"
2001 Keith Sharpton "Silent Green Man"
2001 Steve Miller "Keeper of the Mountain"
2002 Chris Hoover "Keeper of the Lost Light"
2002 Eric Mitchell "Red Scarf"
2002 Gary Brock "Trades at All Times"
2002 Russell Hughes "He Who Sees All"
2003 George Paquette "Snake Man that Steals Hat"
2003 Cody Hulme "Frank the Horned Warrior"
2004 Matt Emory "Big Arrow Man"
2004 James Greene "Big Man, Big Heart"
2004 Jim McNeal "Hawk Eyes"
2004 Rick Moninghoff "Busy Beaver"
2005 Brian Boushéy "Chief of Roosters"
2005 Adam Kuykendall "Chief with Creased Uniform"
2005 Gary Todd "Cooks for Many"
2006 Scott Martin "Blue Brother"
2006 Joey Digregorio "Patch Predator"

2006 Mark Birdsong "Fox Tail"
2006 Carroll Trantham "The One Called Spider"
2006 Lewis Kuykendall "Trading Bear"
2005 Jhon Ward "Man of the Sea"
2006 Robby Thompson "Stomps Grass"
2007 Mitchell May "Swimming Leader"
2007 Colleen Shipley "Bear with Big Heart"
2007 Kelly Snead "Bringer of the Drum"
2007 Brett Suess "Dancing Spider"
2007 Luke Braswell "Big Man, Little Drum"
2008 Lance Phillips "Working Bear"
2008 Joe DiGregorio Sr. "Morning Singer"
2008 Golda Trantham "Golden Helper"
2008 Zack Pruett "Silent Thunder"
2008 Drew Evans "Music Man"
2008 RJ Trantham "Little Warrior"
2009 Benjamin Birdsong "Singing Bird"
2009 James Hylemon "Willing Helper"
2009 Robbie Mann "Trading Man"
2009 Fred Trantham "Guarding Brother"
2009 Dan Rogers "Long Walker"
2009 Ashby Gale "Helping Brother"
2010 Jamie DiGregorio "Silent Helper"
2010 Kyle Griewisch "Gravy Man"
2010 Daniel Huff "Loud Cook"
2010 Mary Lou Farmer "Trainer of Friends"
2010 Ralph Loomis "Healing Hands"
2010 Morgan Bounds "Silent Cook"
2011 David Burrell "Working Leader"
2011 Bryson Christy "Trail Hiker"
2011 Matthew Penland "The Silent Thunder"
2012 Austin Hawkins "Dish Washer"
2012 John Mark Lampley "Contemplative Brother"
2012 Cameron Barnett "Wears Many Hats"
2012 John Lampley "Prepared Brother"
2012 Jay Madill "Camp Leader"
2013 Travis Broadhurst "Eager Leader"
2013 Chris Burke "Dynamic Trumpeter"
2013 Stan Ferguson "Detailed Cook"
2013 Joshua Christ "Loyal Servant"
2013 Tim Bounds "Bighearted Cook"
2014 Randall Hylemon "The Patient One"
2014 Nathaniel Broadhurst "Daring Adventurer"
2015 Lucas Johnson "Booming Thunder"
2015 Kevin Elliot "Midnight Wolf"
2015 Tristan Fitzpatrick "Cook Who Throws Tomahawk"

- 2015 Seth Perry "Canoe Builder"
- 2015 John Perry "Cheerful Craftsman"
- 2015 Weldon Clinard "Cheerful Trader"
- 2016 Dakota Johnson "Faithful Wolf"
- 2016 Tyler Cole "Faithful Fire Builder"
- 2016 Pierce Asaad "Singing Chief"
- 2016 Kiffen Loomis "Determined Chief"
- 2016 Zach Haas "Guide for Ideal"
- 2016 Cole Roberts "Shaking Squash Caller"
- 2016 Ryan Grannan "Laughing Drummer"
- 2017 Leslie Owen "Shadow Scribe"
- 2017 Shane Owenby "Cautious Musical Friend"
- 2017 McKinley Bias "Dancing Squirrel"
- 2017 Tyler Macalister "Laughing Warrior"
- 2017 Eli Kayne "Bearded Friend"
- 2017 David Kayne "Faithful Metal Worker"
- 2017 Spencer Roten "Reliable Musician"



Other Awards of Tsali Lodge

Distinguished Service Award DIRVJI OVAI DEAO



The Distinguished Service Award was created in 1940 to honor those who rendered service to the Order beyond the lodge level. The award is presented to those Arrowmen who have rendered distinguished and outstanding service to the Order on a sectional, regional, or national basis. The award is presented every two to three years during the National Order of the Arrow Conference. Since the time the first awards were presented, less than 840 Distinguished Service Awards have been awarded.

Tsali Lodge DSA Recipients:

William Roth - 1954

John Young - 1994

Tee Pruitt - 2000

Jason Laney – 2002



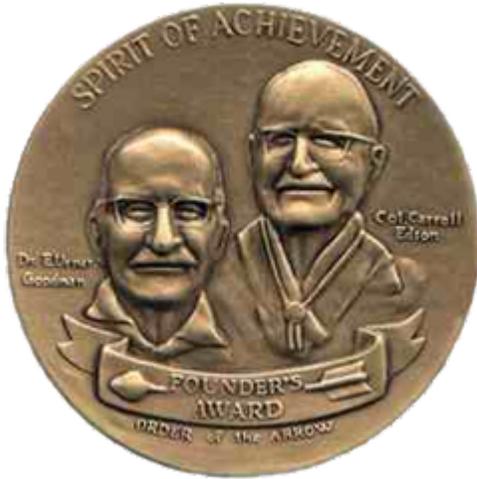
Honor of Life Membership

Perhaps the most prestigious award that Tsali Lodge once gave to one of its members was that of Life Membership. Life Membership was given out to only a handful of individuals who had gone above and beyond their call of duty to scouting, lived their lives in the path of the founder, and had dedicated their lives to the higher ideals of Scouting. To be bestowed with this honor, a scout brought it before the Council of Chiefs and had it approved. This was not an annual award and was only bestowed when one was felt worthy of such an honor. This honor pays for the arrowman's dues for the duration of his or her lifetime. Due to national policy, Tsali Lodge no longer presents this award.

Life Membership Recipients:

Tom Atkinson
Richard Barry
Bill Van Valkenburg
Ken Hadderman
Ken Clark
Charlie Krug

Founders Award Recipients DC. I. Y.



Introduced at the 1981 National Order of the Arrow Conference, the Founder's Award was created to honor and recognize those Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to their lodge. The award is reserved for an Arrowmen who demonstrates to fellow Arrowmen that he or she memorializes in his or her everyday life the spirit of achievement as personified by founder E. Uner Goodman and co-founder Carroll A. Edson.



FOUNDERS AWARD RECIPIENTS

1983 Jeffrey Gray Carmer Bean
1984 David Atkinson Norman Harrill
1985 Jeffrey Cole Thomas Atkinson
1986 David Kafitz Jim Hatley
1987 Tony Rice Melvin Law
1988 Steve Curtis Harry Frick
1989 Dallas Hicks George Todd
1990 Brian McMullen William McMullen
1991 Greg Galloway Ted White

1992 Burney Mack Ken Hadermann
1993 Heath Kinsland Dan Little
1994 Ryan Banning Glen Banning
1995 Bill Hixson William Horton
1996 Greg Bias Bob Taubert
1997 Robbie Southern Mitchell Stevens
1998 Tee Pruitt Henry Goodson
1999 Jason Laney Charlie Krug
2000 Todd Knaperek Al Cauble
2001 -- Bob Litten
2002 William Barry Hub Simmons
2003 Brian Simpson Chris Bertolini
2004 Chris Hoover Jhon Ward
2005 James Greene Keith Sharpton
2006 Adam Kuykendall Bill Dyar
2007 Brian Boushey Lewis Kuykendall
2008 Mark Birdsong Hank Birdsong
2009 Mitchell May Eddie Hollifield
2010 Scott Martin Garrick Smith
2011 Zach Pruitt Dr. Harry Summerlin
2012 James Hylemon Benjamin Birdsong
2013 Ashby Gale Richard Hulme
2014 Travis Broadhurst Joe DiGregorio
2015 Kevin Elliot Tony Johnson
2016 Lucas Johnson Randall Barnett
2017 Pierce Asaad David Kayne

Tsali Lodge Rules

I. Mission of the lodge. It is the mission of Tsali lodge to achieve the purpose of the Order of the Arrow as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America in the council through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.

II. Name and affiliation of lodge.

A. The name of this lodge of the Order of the Arrow shall be Tsali Lodge, Number 134, WWW.

B. The lodge shall be affiliated with the Daniel Boone Council, Boy Scouts of America, and shall be under the supervision of the council camping or Boy Scout committee and the administrative authority of the Scout executive.

C. Chapters of this Lodge shall be, in territory and name the same as the District Scout Executive service areas of the Daniel Boone Council, and shall come under the supervision of the related District Camping Committee and District Scout Executives. The chapters may be combined by the Lodge Executive Committee of Tsali Lodge in order to achieve more efficient administration. Such combining must have the approval of the Scout Executive.

D. The totem of this lodge shall be that of the "long bow" with the name of Tsali in Cherokee letters inserted inside.

E. Order of the Arrow sashes shall be worn in accordance with the policies established by the National Order of the Arrow Committee, Boy Scouts of America, as contained in the most current printing of the Order of The Arrow Handbook.

F. This Lodge shall issue lodge pocket flaps to be worn by its members, in accordance with the uniform standards as set forth by the

Boy Scouts of America. Members may wear any pocket flap previously issued by the Lodge, if they so desire.

***III. Election to membership.**

***A. The requirements for membership in this lodge are as stated in the current printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook and the Order of the Arrow Guide for Officers and Advisers.**

***B. Procedure for the Ordeal shall be as stated in the Order of the Arrow Handbook and the Guide to Inductions.**

C. All unit elections must follow procedures as stated in the current printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook and the Order of the Arrow Guide for Officers and Advisers.

IV. Officers.

A. The officers of this lodge shall be lodge chief, lodge vice-chiefs, lodge secretary, and lodge treasurer. These elected officers must be younger than 21 during their entire term of office. Duties of Tsali Lodge officers are detailed in the Tsali Lodge Standard Operating Procedures. Tsali Lodge Vice Chiefs are Vice Chief Administration, Vice Chief Indian Affairs, and Vice Chief Program. During Dixie Fellowship host year, Tsali Lodge will also utilize Vice Chief Dixie Fellowship. Other Vice Chief positions may be created as needed by consultation of the Chief with the Lodge Adviser, approval of the Scout Executive, and subsequent approval of the Lodge Executive Committee.

B. The Lodge Executive Committee (i.e. LEM, the Council of Chiefs, or COC) shall be composed of the elected lodge officers and their advisers, immediate past lodge chief, lodge operating committee chairmen and their appointed advisers, lodge adviser, associate lodge adviser, the council vice president of program, chapter chiefs, chapter advisers, Scout executive, and lodge staff adviser.

C. Lodge Officers shall be elected at the annual Fall Fellowship of the Lodge. The officers will be inducted and take office at the end of the annual Fall Fellowship. A formal induction ceremony will be conducted at the Winter Banquet in honor of the new lodge officers.

D. Should any Lodge officer be elected as any section officer position, he will resign from his Lodge office and an election will be held at the next lodge function to fill that officer's position.

E. Each chapter of this Lodge shall elect a Chapter Chief. Chapter Chiefs have the option to appoint, when appropriate, Chapter Vice-Chief(s), and a Chapter Secretary. These appointed officers of the chapters must be under the age of twenty-one during the entire term of office.

F. Chapter officers of this Lodge shall be elected and take office at the annual Fall Fellowship of the Lodge or at a chapter meeting no later than sixty days following the Lodge Fall Fellowship. If no chapter officers are elected, a chapter chief may be appointed by the Lodge Adviser in consultation with the Chapter Adviser and the Staff Adviser.

G. The Chapter Chief of each chapter shall appoint chapter committees as needed from time to time in consultation with the Chapter Adviser and shall appoint community service teams to promote camping and unit elections in all communities of the chapters. Chapters will not have either a finance committee or a treasurer.

H. The Lodge Adviser and Chapter Advisers shall be appointed by the Scout Executive in compliance with the current printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook and the Order of the Arrow Guide for Officers and Advisers. Appointments are made annually and are subject to change.

I. Upon appointment and election, the lodge adviser and lodge chief shall immediately become members of the Camping committee. Upon

election, each Chapter chief shall immediately become members of their respective District committee.

J. Standard operating committees of the Lodge shall be established as deemed necessary by the Lodge Chief in consultation with the Lodge Adviser and Staff Adviser in compliance with the current printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook and the Order of the Arrow Guide for Officers and Advisers. Appointments are made annually and are subject to change. All committee chairmen must be under the age of twenty-one for the entire term of their office. Each operating committee shall be under the responsibility of a lodge officer as assigned by the lodge chief.

***V. Brotherhood membership. Completion of Brotherhood membership shall be in accordance with the requirements in the current printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook and the Order of the Arrow Guide for Officers and Advisers.**

***VI. The Vigil Honor. Attainment of the Vigil Honor shall be in accordance with the requirements in the current printing of the Order of the Arrow Handbook and the Order of the Arrow Guide for Officers and Advisers. The Vigil Nominating Committee shall be advised by the Lodge Adviser or his designee. The Vigil Nominating Committee shall be composed of 5 youth members. Said members will be selected by the Lodge Chief and the Lodge Adviser in consultation. Member of this committee will be under the age of 21 and Vigil Members. In the event there are not enough Vigil youth, the balance of the committee will be brotherhood members who are not eligible for the Vigil Honor. The chairperson of this committee will be chosen by the Lodge Chief and Lodge Adviser in consultation. The deliberations and function of this committee are strictly confidential.**

***VII. Finances.**

A. All Order of the Arrow funds shall be handled through the Daniel Boone Council Service Center, and shall at all times be accessible, upon request, to the Key 3, Lodge Treasurer, and Treasurer's Adviser.

B. There shall be an induction fee of sufficient amount to cover the current cost of materials, food, and other items as required for the Ordeal. These fees are payable at the time of registration for induction.

C. Dues to Tsali Lodge are to be set by the lodge executive committee. The dues are to be paid to Daniel Boone Council, BSA. Dues for the following year should be paid by December 31st of the current year.

D. In the development of the annual budget, funds will be made available for lodge mailings, activities and service projects. All expenditures must be approved in advance by the Lodge Executive Committee and the Lodge Adviser and Staff Advisers.

***VIII. Voting.**

A. Adult Scouters, age 21 or older, do not have a vote in matters of lodge and/or chapter business.

B. A youth member must be in good standing to be eligible to vote.

C. Lodge officers shall be elected at a general lodge meeting designated as the Fall Fellowship held no earlier than 120 days prior to the start of the new term. The LEC shall set the date on the annual lodge calendar. Written notice of the meeting must be distributed to all lodge members at least 14 days prior to the meeting.

D. The lodge chief shall chair the election process. In the event that the lodge chief is on the ballot, the lodge chief shall relinquish the chair to the next lodge officer, in the order of succession, not on the ballot. Should all officers be on the ballot, the lodge chief, with the

approval of the lodge adviser, shall appoint a youth to chair the election process.

E. Separate elections shall be held for each office in the order of lodge chief, vice chief of administration, vice chief of program, vice chief of Indian Affairs, secretary, and treasurer. Nominations for each office will be accepted until immediately prior to the vote for that office. Nominees for any elected office must be physically present in order to run for office. Each nominee will be given three minutes to address the lodge before the balloting begins. A committee of youth appointed by the lodge chief and approved by the lodge adviser shall count the ballots.

F. Each lodge member under the age of 21, who has paid their dues for the year, and is physically present, is entitled to 1 vote.

G. In order to be elected, a nominee for office must receive a simple majority of the votes cast, with voting conducted by secret paper ballot. Should no nominee receive a majority on the first vote, all but the two nominees with the most votes shall be dropped from the ballot and a new vote taken. If this vote results in a tie, the chair will announce to the voting members that another ballot will be taken to break the tie and, if another tie results, the chair shall vote for the nominee of his choice to break the tie.

SECTION IX. Standard Operating Procedures

A. The Lodge Executive Committee may establish Standard Operating Procedures to govern concerns of the lodge that are not covered by these lodge rules.

B. Standard Operating Procedures of the lodge may be amended by a majority vote of the Lodge Executive Committee, subject to the approval of the Lodge Lay Adviser and Staff Adviser.

C. No portion of the Standard Operating Procedures may conflict with National Order of the Arrow policy

SECTION X. Amendments to Rules

A. These rules shall be subject to amendment at any regular or special meeting of this lodge, provided such amendments have been submitted in writing to the executive committee at least one month prior to such meeting and that due notice has been sent to all active members at least 14 days prior to such meeting. A two-thirds affirmative vote of the members present shall be required.

B. Any rule herein, conflicting with National Order of the Arrow policy shall be subject to change by the executive board without notice or approval required in Section X, Part A, of the Lodge Rules. In such event, the executive committee shall notify the active members of the lodge of the change in the next lodge publication immediately after the change has occurred. Upon receipt of such notice the membership may request a review and/or an amendment of the rule.

Tsali Lodge Standard Operating Procedures

Finances

1. Lodge members that have not paid annual dues by December 31st will be considered inactive and not in good standings, they may not participate in any lodge function until the current year's dues are paid.

2. Inactive members can reinstate their lodge membership at any time during a year by paying dues for the current year. Late dues payment is not pro-rated.

3. Yearly dues are established by the Lodge Executive Committee annually and are payable by December 31st.

4. All Lodge activities must have a balanced budget that is approved in advance by the Lodge Executive Committee.

5. All expenditures must be approved in advance by the Lodge Executive Committee

Inductions

1. Upon induction to Tsali Lodge, each new member shall receive:

a. Membership Card (with dues paid until the end of the calendar year in which inducted)

b. Order of the Arrow Sash

c. Order of the Arrow Handbook

d. A Tsali Lodge Ordeal Flap

e. A Current copy of the Tsali Lodge Plan book via appropriate electronic means

Pocket Flaps

1. The Lodge shall have one standard lodge pocket flap to be worn by its members, in accordance with the uniform standards as set forth by the Boy Scouts of America. From time to time the Lodge Executive Committee may issue commemorative or event pocket flaps that shall be made available for purchase by lodge members with certain restrictions set by the Lodge Executive Committee.

Lodge Officer Responsibilities

1. Lodge Chief: Presides at all Lodge Executive Board Meetings, supervises all Lodge Vice- Chiefs and committee chairmen and sees that they carry out their duties, sees that all Lodge functions are properly planned for and conducted, consults regularly with the Lodge Lay and Staff Advisers; voting member of Daniel Boone Council Executive Board; attends section Council of Chiefs meetings.

a. Vigil Committee (The Lodge Adviser or his designee shall serve as adviser to this committee)

b. Training Committee

2. Lodge Vice-Chief of Administration: Responsible for all Administrative committees.

a. Plan Book Committee

b. Camping Promotions and NEXT Guide Committee

c. Elections Committee

d. Lodge Display Committee

e. Brotherhood Conversion Committee

f. Membership Committee

3. Lodge Vice-Chief of Indian Affairs: Responsible for all Indian Affairs committees.

a. Ceremonies Team Committee

b. Group Dance Committee

c. Drum / Singing Team Committee

d. Individual Dance Committee

e. Fire Warrior Committee

4. Lodge Vice-Chief of Program: Responsible for all Program related Committees.

a. Activities Committee

- b. Service Committee**
- c. Section Conclave Committee**
- d. Kitchen Committee**
- e. Chorus**
- f. Elangomat committee**

5. Lodge Secretary: Responsible for taking minutes at all Lodge Executive Meetings, copying those notes and distributing them at the next Executive Meeting; completes official Lodge correspondence. He also publishes the lodge newsletter. Is responsible for communication throughout the lodge

- a. Digital Communications**
 - I. Website**
 - II. Email**
 - III. Social Media (Facebook/Twitter)**
 - IV. SMS Broadcast (Text Alerts)**
- b. The Bow**
- c. Lodge Records**

6. Lodge Treasurer: Responsible for monitoring all lodge financial accounts, as well as giving regular finance reports to the LECM. Also, responsible for creating an annual budget, in conjunction with the key
3.

- a. Finance**
- b. Trading Post (Lodge memorabilia, Distribution, and patch design)**

Lodge Election procedures

A. Adult Scouters, age 21 or over, do not have a vote in matters of lodge and/or chapter business.

B. A member must be in good standing to be eligible to vote. This includes having Lodge dues paid and being a registered Scout in the Daniel Boone Council.

C. Voting for lodge officers shall be done as follows:

a. Lodge officers shall be elected at a general lodge meeting. The LEC shall set the date on the annual lodge calendar which shall coincide with the Lodge Fall Fellowship unless otherwise noted. Written notice of the meeting must be distributed to all lodge members at least 14 days prior to the meeting.

b. The lodge chief shall chair the election process unless standing for election for a position. In the event that the lodge chief is on the ballot, the lodge chief shall relinquish the chair to the next lodge officer, in the order of succession, not on the ballot. Should all officers be on the ballot, the lodge chief, with the approval of the lodge adviser, shall appoint a youth to chair the election process.

c. Separate elections shall be held for each office in the order of lodge chief, vice chief of administration, vice chief of program, vice chief of Indian Affairs, secretary, and treasurer. A Lodge brother must be physically present to run for office. Nominations for each office will be accepted until immediately prior to the vote for that office. Each nominee will be given three minutes to address the lodge before the balloting begins. A committee of youth appointed by the lodge chief and approved by the lodge adviser shall count the ballots.

d. Each lodge member under the age of 21, who has paid their dues for the year and is physically present at the election to vote, is entitled to 1 vote.

e. Candidates running for office shall be automatically construed as voting for themselves.

f. In order to be elected, a nominee for office must receive a simple majority of the votes cast, with voting conducted by secret paper ballot. A simple majority is defined as a majority in which the highest number of votes cast for any one candidate exceeds the second-highest number, while not constituting an absolute majority. Should no nominee receive a majority on the first vote, all but the two nominees with the most votes shall be dropped from the ballot and a new vote taken. If this vote results in a tie, the chair will announce to the voting members that another ballot will be taken to break the tie and, if another tie results, the chair shall vote for the nominee of his choice to break the tie.

PROCEDURE FOR REMOVAL FROM OFFICE

a. An Officer of the lodge may be removed from office on the following grounds

1. Failure to perform duties of the office as stated in the Order of the Arrow Guide to Officers and Advisors, these Lodge Rules, or the Lodge Operating Procedures.

2. Failure to maintain registration in the Daniel Boone Council and the Boy Scouts of America.

3. Failure to maintain dues paid status in the lodge.

4. Failure to conduct himself in accordance with the Scout Oath, Law, and the Order of the Arrow Obligation.

b. The procedure for removal from office shall be as follows.

1. A letter signed by three voting members of the Lodge Executive Committee must be submitted to the Lodge Adviser and Staff Adviser stating the complaint against that Officer.

2. The Lodge Adviser and Staff Adviser may initiate the removal process if both are in agreement after reviewing the complaint; If not in agreement, the Scout Executive shall be the deciding factor.

3. The Lodge Adviser and Staff Adviser shall meet with the Officer to discuss the complaint.

4. They should then decide if the complaint has merit. If the complaint has merit, the procedure will be referred to the Lodge Executive Committee for action.

5. The Lodge Adviser shall call a special Lodge Executive Committee meeting to discuss the proposed action. Notice of the meeting must be given to all members of the Lodge Executive Committee at least 1 week prior to the meeting.

6. If the Lodge Chief is being considered for removal, he shall relinquish the chair to the next Officer in succession.

7. The Lodge Adviser shall then present the complaint against the Officer. The Officer shall then have a chance to refute those facts and mitigate the circumstances for removal.

8. Removal of the Officer shall require a 2/3s majority of the voting members of the Lodge Executive Committee in attendance at the meeting.

9. This action is subject to the approval of the Scout Executive. The Scout Executive may also undertake action including removal of any lodge officer for the good of the Lodge at his/her discretion.

MEETINGS, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

A. The lodge will hold as many meetings as deemed necessary to carry out the programs and activities of the lodge each year.

B. The executive committee of the lodge shall meet at least once every month, with no less than 12 meetings per year. However, the lodge chief may call special executive committee meetings in consultation with the lodge Adviser. A virtual meeting such as a phone or video conference is acceptable as a form of meeting

C. Chapters should schedule and conduct meetings as necessary to carry out projects and activities within the chapter. These, however, should not conflict with lodge, district, or council events.

D. Committee meetings are encouraged and should be scheduled and conducted in consultation with the appropriate lodge vice-chief or chapter chief and their advisers.

E. Recognizing that the general welfare of any group depends on the conduct of the individual members, it shall be the rule of the lodge to adhere to the following Code-of-Conduct.

CODE OF CONDUCT OF TSALI LODGE

As a member of the Order of the Arrow and Tsali Lodge, I will:

- 1. Observe the Scout Oath or Promise, the Scout Law or the Explorer Code, the Order of The Arrow Obligation, and the Outdoor Code**
- 2. Wear my official field uniform (Class A) to the evening meals, colors, and ceremonies. When not wearing the field uniform (Class A) I shall wear an acceptable scouting activity uniform (Class B), in accordance with the rules set forth by the current Guide to Awards and Insignia**
- 3. Attend all planned training and general sessions/activities and permitted ceremonies unless excused.**
- 4. Be personally responsible for breakage, damage or loss of property.**
- 5. Observe quiet hours and lights out from 11 PM to 6 AM**
- 6. Keep my quarters clean, my beds made, and dispose of trash in the proper place.**
- 7. Understand that the purchase, possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages or illicit drugs at any lodge event or function will not be permitted. This standard shall apply to all participants, both youth and adult. Violation in any way shall be grounds for immediate dismissal from a lodge event, and possibly permanent banning from the Order of the Arrow and the Boy Scouts of America and must be reported immediately to the Daniel Boone Council Scout Executive.**
- 8. Respect the state laws prohibiting the use of firearms, fireworks, and gambling. Infractions of these regulations will be cause for immediate dismissal from the activities.**
- 9. Respect any rule regarding the use of private vehicles during lodge meetings, activities, and events. No youth, defined as anyone under the age of 21, may use a private vehicle during lodge functions unless authorized by the Lodge Adviser or Staff Adviser.**
- 10. Youth members of the Lodge may not leave a Lodge function once checked in without the express knowledge and permission of the**

Lodge Adviser or the Staff Adviser. Youth members of the Lodge may not leave and return to lodge functions without the express knowledge and permission of the Lodge Adviser or the Staff Adviser. Violation in any way shall be grounds for immediate dismissal from a lodge event.

11. Not be authorized to sell items at the Lodge activity. I understand that the official lodge trading post is the only source of purchasing items at the lodge activities.

12. Be at all times the considerate guest of a considerate host, my fellow Arrowmen.

13. Secure permission from the Lodge Chief, Lodge Adviser, and Staff Adviser in the event it becomes necessary to waive any of the above points of the Code-Of-Conduct

ARTICLE IX. RATIFICATION

These Lodge Rules shall become effective when adopted by a two-thirds majority of the voting members present at a general meeting. Written notice of the meeting must be distributed to all lodge members at least 14 days prior to the meeting. These Lodge Rules and Lodge Operating Procedures shall always be in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Order of the Arrow and the Boy Scouts of America. If a policy change with the Order of the Arrow or the Boy Scouts of America occurs, then all parts of these Lodge Rules and Lodge Operating Procedures, which conflict with the policy shall be declared null and void by the Lodge Key 3 and the matter referred to the LECM. These Lodge Rules and Lodge Operating Procedures shall revoke, nullify, and supersede all previous Constitutions, Bylaws, and Standing Rules adopted by Tsali Lodge, Daniel Boone Council #134.



Tsali Lodge, Daniel Boone Council #414

Finance Budget - Tsali Lodge Budget
2018

	Revenue				Expense			
	2018 Budget	2017 Budget	2017 Actual	Variance	2018 Budget	2017 Budget	2017 Actual	Variance
Dixie Fellowship								
Dixie Income-Expense	\$5,300.00	\$8,657.00	\$5,268.00	\$3,389.00	\$4,400.00	\$9,245.00	\$4,386.89	\$4,858.11
Spring Ordeal								
Spring Ordeal Income-Expense	\$3,600.00	\$3,895.00	\$3,522.00	\$373.00	\$1,300.00	\$2,211.00	\$1,259.30	\$951.70
Spring Fellowship								
Spring Fellowship Income-Expense	\$1,200.00	\$1,400.00	\$902.00	\$498.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,359.00	\$1,004.80	\$354.20
Dues								
Dues Income-Expense	\$3,000.00	\$2,078.00	\$3,005.00	(\$927.00)	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,505.00	(\$5.00)
Winter Banquet								
Winter Banquet Income-Expense	\$1,500.00	\$1,640.00	\$1,405.00	\$235.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,450.00	\$997.00	\$453.00
Fall Fellowship								
Fall Fellowship Income-Expense	\$900.00	\$1,375.00	\$870.00	\$505.00	\$250.00	\$897.00	\$223.53	\$673.47
Summer Ordeal								
Summer Ordeal Income-Expense	\$2,500.00	\$2,145.00	\$2,403.00	(\$258.00)	\$1,000.00	\$1,334.00	\$307.73	\$1,026.27
General Account								
Supplies	\$0.00		-	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$903.00	\$2,864.67	(\$1,961.67)
Ceremonial Regalia	\$0.00		-	\$0.00	\$700.00	\$1,450.00	\$665.15	\$784.85
Mailing & Printing	\$0.00		-	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$250.00	\$50.00	\$200.00
Special Patches	\$5,500.00	\$6,358.00	\$6,009.00	\$349.00	\$2,000.00	\$905.00	\$2,091.91	(\$1,186.91)
Friends of Scouting Donation	\$0.00		-	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
James E. West Fellowship	\$0.00		-	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Founders Certificates	\$0.00		-	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
Lodge Leadership Development	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
Subtotal	\$5,500.00	\$6,508.00	\$6,159.00	\$349.00	\$8,750.00	\$5,808.00	\$7,921.73	(\$2,113.73)
National Order of the Arrow Conference								
NOAC (Based on 38 person Contingent @800 each)	\$30,400.00	NA	NA		\$30,400.00	NA	NA	
Total	\$59,400.00	\$34,206.00	\$29,693.00	\$4,513.00	\$57,350.00	\$29,612.00	\$25,527.71	\$4,084.29

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