



The Bow

Tsali Lodge 134, Daniel Boone Council, BSA

December 2015

From the Outgoing Lodge Chief

I became Lodge Chief, the youth leadership convened to discuss goals for the coming year. We set out to improve three distinct parts of Tsali Lodge operations: service, membership, and events.

1) Service. As a part of the OA, we make up the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. Due in great part to the Indian Affairs program under Lucas Johnson, Tsali Lodge has posted an 89% increase in annual service hours from last year. As you can see in this statistic, the WNC community—of more than just Scouters—feels the effect of Tsali Lodge's devotion to giving back. In an effort to grow our service platform in the coming year, we have promised the North Carolina State Legislature that we will conduct a service project in all 14 Counties under Tsali Lodge's footprint.

2) Membership. As of a few weeks ago, we have grown by more than 7% in the past ten months. This feat is credited to each one of our Chapter Chiefs, who held troop elections throughout our Council, and to the youth who helped out at the Lodge's two Ordeals. During the Ordeal weekends, we inducted over sixty new OA brothers. In the five years I have been part of Tsali Lodge, I have never seen such positive candidates and encouraging elangomats throughout the Ordeal process. I would like to extend a warm OA welcome to each of our new brothers.

3) Events. Under the leadership of Ryan Grannan, our former Vice-Chief of Program, we have experienced a 72% increase in average event registration. From our Fall and Spring Fellowships to Dixie and NOAC, Tsali Lodge has had a busy last year. We emerged victorious in everything from the national championships at NOAC to the egg toss competition at Dixie!

Tsali Lodge has had an incredible year. I am overwhelmingly optimistic about the Lodge's future and cannot wait to see what the new team of leaders will accomplish.

WWW,After
Kiffen Loomis
Lodge Chief Emeritus

2015 Winter Banquet Recap

Election of New Officers, A Goodbye to Dan, Honorees, Barbeque, and a National Jamboree Promo. If you don't know what I'm talking about, then you must not have made it to the 2015 Winter Banquet!

The Winter Banquet was a resounding success, welcoming in over eighty OA brothers for celebration and camaraderie. With guest appearances from Scout Executive Joshua Christ, Council President Richard Hurley, and former Lodge Chief Travis Broadhurst, the event was one not to miss. Below is a summary of the awards given to our extraordinary members!

-Garrick "Doogan" Smith- Tsali Lodge's 2015 James E. West Fellowship Recipient

-Dan Little- a special James E. West Fellowship given in honor of his 15-year tenure as Lodge Advisor

-Pierce Asaad- James E. West Fellowship Award

-Kevin Elliott- 2015 Founder's Award

-Tony Johnson- 2015 Founder's Award

-Eli Kayne- a special award given for exemplary service to disabled scouts

-Indian Affairs NOAC awards

I can't wait to see next year's Winter Banquet build on the success of this year's Banquet!

WWW,
Kiffen Loomis



Meet the new Lodge Chief, Pierce Asaad

I am thrilled to have been elected as your new Lodge Chief. I started scouting as a Bear in Cub Scouts and quickly worked my way up through the ranks until I became an Eagle Scout and earned a silver palm. I

have enjoyed scouting very much and will continue to stay active in the program. I am currently an assistant scoutmaster with troop 8, a unit commissioner, and I spend the summer working on staff at Camp Daniel Boone. I am also a National Employee for the supply division of the BSA. I went through my ordeal in 2011, in time for Dixie Fellowship that year, and sealed my membership in 2013. I served as the 2015 Vice-Chief of Administration for the lodge, and chaired several committees. I am also the Section 5 Program Coordinator for the 2016 Dixie Fellowship. I look forward to serving this lodge and the council as your new Lodge Chief. I will work hard to improve this lodge. Thank you.

Pierce Asaad
2016 Lodge Chief



2016 Lodge Officers



2016 Spring Fellowship

April 8 - 10, 2016 at **Camp Daniel Boone**

Spring Fellowship is right around the corner, and there's lots you can do!

There will be a Brotherhood ceremony for anyone who is eligible and wants their Brotherhood. It is highly encouraged to do your Brotherhood, so why not?! There will also be a Quest for the Golden Arrow. All IA practices will be there too.

If you're looking for anymore information about Spring Fellowship, go to the Lodge's Website.

www.tsalilodge.org

WWW,
Trevor Nail

Communications Update

The Tsali Lodge website team recently set up Google Apps, which enables use of @tsalilodge.org email addresses, and access to the entire Google productivity ecosystem.

This will allow for a more simplified and unified experience while collaborating and sharing. Each Lodge officer will have an account with an email address that reflects his position. To reach out to the Lodge Leaders, use the email addresses below.

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Vice Chief of Indian Affairs Cole Roberts

Hello everyone,
My name is Cole Roberts and I am your current VCIA. I got into OA in 2011, four years ago. As soon as I entered, my friends encouraged me to join IA. I thought it was pretty cool and I joined group dance. Now that I've joined all four categories it is a lot of work but it is so much fun. For those of you who don't know the four Indian affairs categories are group dance, southern drum, individual dance, and ceremonies. I'm currently involved in all of them and am the group dance chairman. We just got back from NOAC and won first place nationally for group dance and third place for drum. We also got best regalia for ceremonies and did well in individual dance as well. So this program is very successful and I'm proud to be apart of it. As VCIA I will do my best to keep up the good traditions of Indian affairs in Tsali lodge as well as recruit more people to all of these categories. I hope some of you will become involved in IA too.

In Brotherhood,
Cole Roberts

Lodge Treasurer Nick Lundy

Hi,
My name's Nick Lundy and I'm the 2016 Lodge Treasurer for Tsali Lodge. I've been with the Lodge for three years now, and am happy to be serving it.

Thank you
Nick Lundy

Meet the New Lodge Secretary, Trevor Nail

Hello, my name is Trevor Nail. I am the 2016 Tsali Lodge Secretary. I have been in scouting as a whole for a year and a half. I have been a member of Tsali Lodge for six months, and plan to seal my membership by obtaining Brotherhood at the upcoming Spring Fellowship. I am a star scout of Troop 101.

During my tenure as secretary, I plan to publish the Bow once every month. I will work hard to help plan future lodge events, and keep accurate minutes of all lodge meetings.

Yours in cheerful service,

Trevor Nail

Meet the New SoQua Chapter Chief, Eli Kayne

Hi, my name is Eli Kayne and I am the new Soqua chapter chief and historic group dance chair. I got into the OA at the summer ordeal of 2013. Until I got my brotherhood I wasn't really involved but when I got brotherhood I did started out by doing drum and ceremonies and did that for a few months until I got interested in group dance so I started doing that and a few months later I started to grass dance. I competed at Dixie and NOAC in all 4 Indian affairs. I am very involved now and am glad that i am. I hope to get to every troop in Soqua district for an election so we can get more members for Tsali lodge

WWW,
Eli Kayne



Vice Chief of Administration Ryan Grannan

Hello,
My name is Ryan Grannan and I am happy to be the new Vice Chief of Administration for Tsali Lodge. I am a member of Troop 15. I have been a member of Tsali Lodge since 2012 and a brotherhood member since 2013. As Vice Chief of Administration, I hope to increase the number of active members in our lodge, especially those who have recently gone through their ordeal. Please contact me when you have any questions or suggestions.

WWW
Ryan Grannan

Vice Chief of Program Rain Libby-Bradford

Hello my fellow brothers,

My name is Rain Libby-Bradford. I am an Eagle Scout in Troop 15, Junior Assistant Scout Master, President of Crew 15 and now your new VCP (Vice Chief of Program) for Tsali Lodge. I hope to accomplish many things during my time as VCP. I would like to develop a quest events team for future Dixies, plan for new activities and games for our lodge events and to increase overall membership and participation in the lodge. I plan to serve you, my fellow brothers, fellow lodge officers, and lodge Chief, with great commitment and to my utmost ability.

In brotherhood and cheerful service,
WWW
Rain Libby-Bradford VCP

2016 Dixie Fellowship

It's that time of year again to start thinking about the Dixie Fellowship! The Dixie Fellowship is the highlight of the OA year. All aspects of the OA program, from training to Indian affairs to athletic competition and beyond! In April, over 1,000 members from 11 lodges will gather at Belk Scout Reservation in fellowship and competition. Come do your part to show everyone that Tsali is the best lodge in SR-5! This Dixie is going to be unlike any other, one new thing that will be happening is the addition of the Iron Scout event; a triathlon that involves running, biking and kayaking! Also, for the first time, there will be a human foosball event at Dixie as well. Not only that but SR-5 is going to attempt to break the record for the world's largest shaving crème fight at Dixie! This is just a glimpse into how awesome and exciting Dixie fellowship is going to be. I hope to see everyone there!

WWW,
Pierce Asaad

Meet the new Lodge Adviser, Tony Johnson!

Tony Johnson is Tsali Lodge's new Lodge Adviser. Here's some things to know about him.

Tony Johnson has been in Scouting for 44 years! He joined in 1977. He is a Vigil honor member of Tsali Lodge, and is a former Lodge Secretary. Tony has two sons (Lucas and Dakota) who are former Vice Chiefs. Tony has National Leader Training, and is the Committee Chair of Troop 101.

A note from the editor:

If you have an article or a photo you would like published in the Bow, please email to Tsali Lodge Secretary, Trevor Nail.

secretary@tsalilodge.org



2016 Calendar of Events

January 8 - 10: **Lodge Leadership Development**

Camp Daniel Boone, Canton, NC

January 22 - 24: **Carolina's Indian Seminar**

Mitchell Community College, Statesville, NC

<http://aicapowwow.wix.com/cispowwow>

April 8 - 10: **Spring Fellowship**

Camp Daniel Boone, Canton, NC

April 22 - 24 : **Dixie Fellowship**

Knox Scout Reservation,

May 20 - 22: **Spring Ordeal**

Camp Daniel Boone, Canton, NC

August 19 - 21: **Summer Ordeal**

Camp Daniel Boone, Canton, NC

September 30 - October 2: **Fall Fellowship**

Camp Daniel Boone, Canton, NC

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