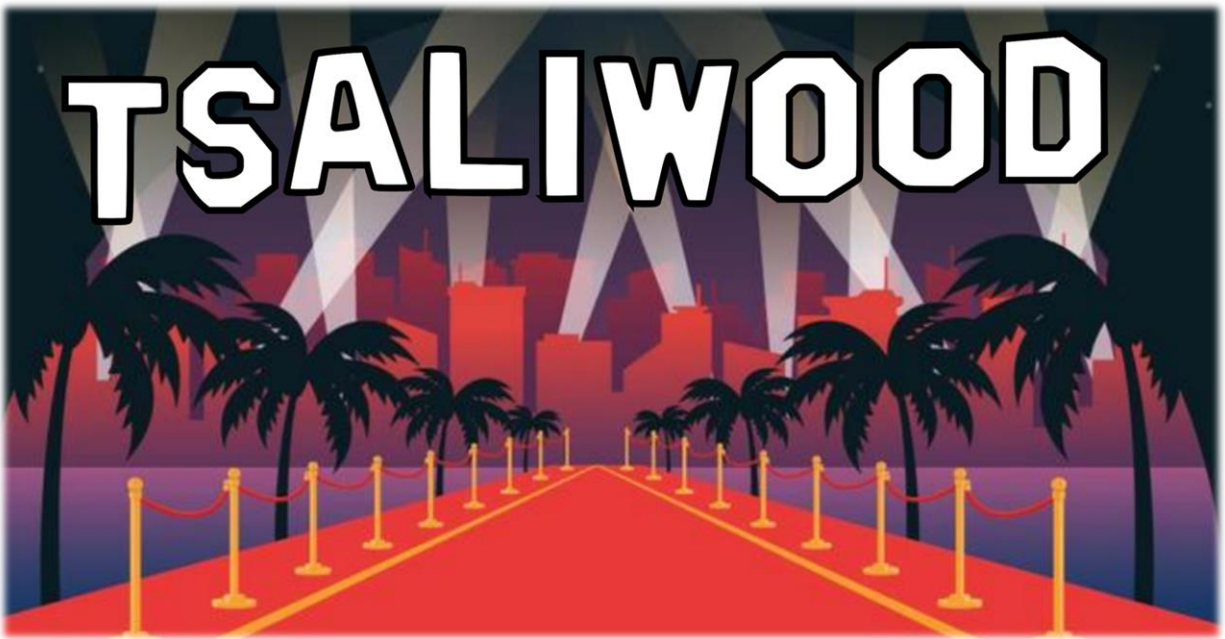


Tsali Lodge



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Lodge Officers



Meet the Chief of Tsali

Hello, my name is Matty Gates, your current Lodge Chief. I'm 17, a Eagle 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 (Kitchenet) 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: lodgechief@tsalilodge.org and I will help you find a way.

Matty Gates - Lodge Chief lodgechief@tsalilodge.org



Meet the Vice Chief of Administration

My Name is Kevin Donahue and I am Tsali Lodge's 2018-2019 Vice Chief of Administration. I'm a life scout in Troop 40. I've been in the lodge for just over a year and I've been a part of the 2018 national champion drum team. My plan for this year is to have the best lodge display, next guide, and plan books possible for Dixie this year. I also want to make sure that everyone has fun and benefits from coming to lodge events. I am honored to be serving this lodge for my term and can't wait to get started.

Kevin Donahue - Vice Chief of Administration
administration@tsalilodge.org



Meet the Vice Chief of Program

My name is Davis Roberts, I am a Junior at Enka High School in Asheville, and current 2018-19 VCP! I've been in the OA for over 3 years now, have been on the Pre-Ordeal and Ordeal ceremony teams for 3 years, and am starting my first year on the Brotherhood ceremony team. I am also a member of Tsali Lodge's group dance team, and have been a member for the past three years. I play Varsity Football and Basketball, and I hope I can create a positive and committed working environment, and continue to maintain that attitude.

Davis Roberts - Vice Chief of Program
program@tsalilodge.org



Meet the Vice Chief of Indian Affairs

Hello my name is Eli Kayne and I am your 2018-19 vice chief of Indian affairs. I have been a part of Tsali lodge for 5 years and I have been a part of the Indian affairs teams for 4 years. I am an Eagle scout from troop 40 and a vigil honor member. This will be my 2nd term of being VCIA and hope to make all the IA teams the best they can be to compete at Dixie and to perform all around the council and section. Thank you.

Eli Kayne - Vice Chief of Indian Affairs
indian.affairs@tsalilodge.org



Meet the Secretary

Hello, my name is Samuel Brown and I am your Lodge Secretary for the 2018-19 lodge year. I am a 16 year old Life Scout in Troop 40, and am a Vigil Honor member in Tsali Lodge. I have served the lodge as Unit Elections Chairman and Website Chairman, and have also served on The Bow Newsletter committee for the past year. I am looking forward to serving the lodge as Secretary, and hope to take first place in website and newsletter at Dixie 2019. I have already begun optimizing the lodge website for mobile use, and have been redeveloping the Tsali news section. Check out the lodge website at tsalilodge.org.

Samuel Brown - Lodge Secretary
secretary@tsalilodge.org



Meet the Treasurer

Hello everyone, my name is Thomas Elley and I'm the 2018-19 lodge treasurer. I joined the OA at spring ordeal in 2016 and earned my brotherhood at Spring Ordeal in 2017. I'm currently a freshman at Hendersonville High School. I've done scouting since I was a Tiger Scout, and I'm very close to earning my eagle as a part of troop 601 in Hendersonville, where I've been the Senior Patrol Leader and I'm currently the OA rep. I was the 2017-18 Terrora Chief, and in the lodge, I am very excited to serve and make Tsali Lodge the best it can be!

Thomas Elley- Lodge Treasurer
treasurer@tsalilodge.org



Meet the Terrora Chapter Chief

Hello everyone my name is Quentin Stalker and I'm the 2018-2019 Terrora Chapter Chief. I joined the OA in the spring of 2017 and earned my brotherhood a year later in the spring of 2018. I'm currently a sophomore at Carolina Day School and I have been in scouting since fourth grade. My troop is troop 601 and I am very close to earning my eagle. I was the 2017-2018 Terrora Chapter Secretary and I am now the 2018-2019 Terrora Chapter Chief. I am extremely excited to serve the Terrora Chapter and Tsali Lodge. Quentin Stalker - **Terrora Chapter Chief**
terrora.chief@tsalilodge.org



Lodge Calendar

January 4-5, 2019

Lodge Leadership Development

January 18-19, 2019

Carolinas Indian Seminar

February 16, 2019

IA Practice Day

March 17, 2019

IA practice Day

April 7, 2019

IA Practice Day

April 12-14, 2019

Spring Fellowship

April 26-28, 2019

2019 Dixie Fellowship

May 17-19, 2019

Spring Ordeal

Saturday, May 27, 2019

AICA Powwow

Wednesday, June 12, 19, 26, & July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2019

Call Out Ceremony

August 16-18, 2019

Summer Ordeal

October 4-6, 2019

Fall Fellowship

Saturday, December 7, 2019

Winter Banquet

Lodge Purpose & Goals

Lodge Purpose

Tsali lodge serves a useful purpose that supports our council camping program which causes the Scout Oath and Law to spring into action. Arrowmen are known for maintaining camping traditions and spirit, promoting year-round and long-term resident camping, and providing cheerful service to others.

Lodge Goals

The Tsali lodge goal is to provide quality OA service, activities, adventures, and training for youth and adults. In addition, Tsali's goal is to model quality leadership development and programming that enrich and help to extend Scouting to America's youth. Along with some more specific goal Tsali want to accomplish this year

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 and attendance to 20% of lodge membership
5. Maintain the lodge's website and keep it up to date along with updating our website software to make it more easy, efficient, and attractive
6. Design a lodge display that can be used around our council to promote our lodge
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. Most importantly Increase amount of service to the community and council

Description of Lodge Activities & Events

Lodge Leadership Development (January 4-5)



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 (January 18-19)



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.

Spring Fellowship (April 12-14)



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 (April 26-28)



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 a once-in-a-lifetime experience for those who can attend.

Spring Ordeal (May 17-19)



"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 (August 16-18)



Summer ordeal is an event very similar to spring ordeal except held toward the end of august. This event gives selected scouts another opportunity to become a part of the order if they could not attend spring ordeal. The service project is different than spring ordeal and gives more opportunity for people to earn their spot into our lodge.

Fall Fellowship (October 4-6)



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 (December 7)



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!

OA Day of Service (multiple days throughout the year)

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.



Ways to get Involved

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.

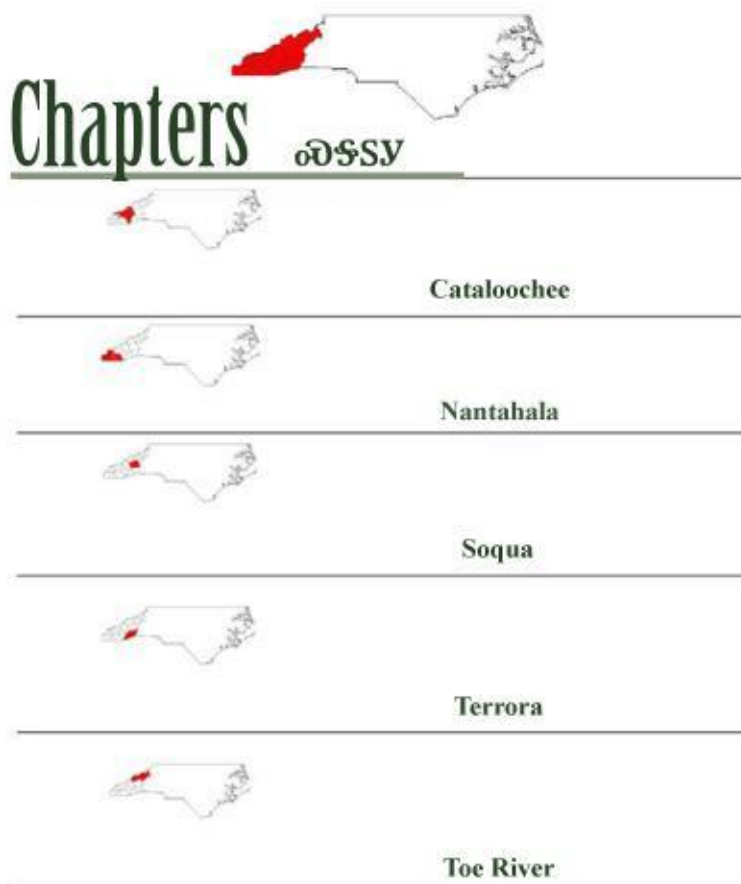
OA Troop Representative



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.





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 forcible 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 Cherokees 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.

Tsali Lodge Budget



Tsali Lodge, Daniel Boone Council #414

Finance Budget - Tsali Lodge Budget
2019

| | | Revenue | | | | Expense | | | |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | | 2019 Budget | 2018 Budget | 2018 Actual | Variance | 2019 Budget | 2018 Budget | 2018 Actual | Variance |
| Dixie Fellowship | | | | | | | | | |
| (No Bus in 2019) | Dixie Income-Expense | \$2,500.00 | \$3,650.00 | \$3,187.46 | \$462.54 | \$1,950.00 | \$4,386.89 | \$4,182.66 | \$204.23 |
| Spring Ordeal | | | | | | | | | |
| | Spring Ordeal Income-Expense | \$2,100.00 | \$2,250.00 | \$2,100.00 | \$150.00 | \$2,000.00 | \$2,211.00 | \$2,061.00 | \$150.00 |
| Spring Fellowship | | | | | | | | | |
| | Spring Fellowship Income-Expense | \$900.00 | \$1,050.00 | \$841.00 | \$209.00 | \$500.00 | \$859.00 | \$471.10 | \$387.90 |
| Dues | | | | | | | | | |
| | Dues Income-Expense | \$1,700.00 | \$1,850.00 | \$1,665.00 | \$185.00 | \$1,500.00 | \$1,500.00 | \$1,500.00 | \$0.00 |
| Winter Banquet | | | | | | | | | |
| | Winter Banquet Income-Expense | \$1,100.00 | \$1,200.00 | \$1,108.00 | \$92.00 | \$1,000.00 | \$1,050.00 | \$996.33 | \$53.67 |
| Fall Fellowship | | | | | | | | | |
| | Fall Fellowship Income-Expense | \$750.00 | \$950.00 | \$709.00 | \$241.00 | \$350.00 | \$897.00 | \$314.34 | \$582.66 |
| Summer Ordeal | | | | | | | | | |
| | Summer Ordeal Income-Expense | \$2,000.00 | \$2,145.00 | \$2,071.19 | \$73.81 | \$750.00 | \$1,334.00 | \$695.46 | \$638.54 |
| General Account | | | | | | | | | |
| | Supplies | \$0.00 | | - | \$0.00 | \$1,700.00 | \$1,600.00 | \$1,717.89 | (\$117.89) |
| | Ceremonial Regalia | \$0.00 | | - | \$0.00 | \$400.00 | \$500.00 | \$0.00 | \$500.00 |
| | Mailing & Printing | \$0.00 | | - | \$0.00 | \$100.00 | \$160.00 | \$0.00 | \$160.00 |
| | Special Patches | \$7,500.00 | \$6,358.00 | \$8,708.00 | (\$2,350.00) | \$4,500.00 | \$5,895.88 | \$4,490.00 | \$1,405.88 |
| | 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 | \$110.00 | \$40.00 |
| | Lodge Leadership Development | \$0.00 | \$150.00 | \$150.00 | \$0.00 | \$100.00 | \$150.00 | \$100.00 | \$50.00 |
| | Subtotal | \$7,500.00 | \$6,508.00 | \$8,858.00 | (\$2,350.00) | \$8,950.00 | \$10,455.88 | \$8,417.89 | \$2,037.99 |
| National Order of the Arrow Conference | | | | | | | | | |
| | NOAC | N/A | \$30,000.00 | \$27,125.00 | \$2,875.00 | N/A | \$30,000.00 | \$21,641.52 | \$8,358.48 |
| | Total | \$26,050.00 | \$56,111.00 | \$56,522.65 | (\$411.65) | \$25,950.00 | \$63,149.65 | \$48,698.19 | \$14,451.46 |

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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.