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# FIRST EVENT

**TRIVIA**

**In what year did the Order of the Arrow come to North Carolina.**

**This question was in issue number 2. The answer is 1933.**

Brothers,

I just wanted to take the time to remind you about registering for First Event. First Event will be held Saturday, January 2, 2010 at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Greensboro. Registration is only $8 with lunch included. Patches for the event will be on sale as well. Tons of training, activities, demonstrations, booths, games, and lots of fun will all be offered this year. For those of you participating in the Patch Contest there will be a patch making session where you can go and get help with your designs. Also, those of you wanting to hold a leadership position within the lodge next year, First Event is the perfect place to get training and meet the people you need to know. So come out and enjoy finding where you fit best within our Lodge and Council.

Yours in service,
Chad Riesett
Training Committee Chairman

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# A Year in Review and a look ahead with some of our Officers

# Indian Affairs

Brothers,

Let us reflect back on the year that has passed by so quickly.

Starting back at Conclave in 2009, many teams competed in ceremonies. Many people also participated in the Drum and Dance competitions. From this there were teams and individuals that placed at Conclave. Make sure you mark your calendar for April 16-18, 2010 for Conclave at Camp Boddie. I encourage everyone to participate in Indian Affairs activities, contact myself or Mr. Shahbaz for more information on how you can be a part of it.

At summer camp many people were interested in Indian Affairs on account of the Pow-Wow and the Tap-Out Ceremony. We were also able to convert about 40 Ordeal members to Brotherhood at summer camp.

Into late summer and early fall there were three inductions weekends. Many scouts and scouters were able to become a part of this Brotherhood. This could not of happened without the ceremonies teams. Thanks to everyone that helped on the ceremonies teams, although, we always want more ceremony teams for inductions. Get together as a chapter and build a team. It is a lot of fun and it is a way to serve cheerfully.

Finally, we ended the year with our annual Fall Fellowship. Here we converted almost 30 brothers to Brotherhood. We also gave out awards to those that helped and participated in Indian Affairs this past year. Thanks, again to those that helped out this year.

Another huge occurrence in the future is Vigil. The nominations will be put on lodge70.org soon. If you think that someone is deserving of this honor nominate them.

Now is time to look at the year ahead, 2010. Let us may this the best year yet!

Yours in the Brotherhood,
Dustin Cocklereece
Vice-Chief of Indian Affairs

# Fall Fellowship Review

Fall Fellowship went over great this year. We kicked off the weekend with a great theme, FIESTA. Saturday we had a morning full of fun. We held a camp wide scavenger hunt finding items such as a gallon of lake water, a maple leaf signed by the lodge chief, and getting Rob Kennerly to do the Macarena. Then the afternoon was full of fun athletic games such as Frisbee, soccer and basketball. We also held the annual patch auction and it was extremely successful, some patches going for a few hundred dollars. It was a great weekend and the activities were very exciting. That night we had a wonderful banquet full of brotherhood, camaraderie, and good food. We had steaks that were simply amazing and a masterpiece of the cooks. During the banquet many awards were presented to many deserving people. A few of the big awards that were given were the Red Feather award which was presented to Delores Weber and the Founders award which was presented to three people this year, Jim Smith, Caleb Smith, and Johnny Somers, all were very deserving of their awards. Then to finish off the night we had a pow-wow at the dance arbor and a large extremely good dutch oven cracker-barrel.  If you missed the weekend you missed out on a lot of lodge fun.

# The Chief

Friends, brothers, Arrowmen lend me your ear!

As one year ends and another one is waiting shortly around the corner, let us reflect back upon this year. Our inductions have done amazing amounts of service to not only our home camp at Cherokee Scout Reservation but as well as our sister camps Woodfield Scout Preservation and Hagan Sea Base. These amazing feats of service do much for the camps and I would like to personally thanks all of those who helped make them possible. Also during these induction weekends we were able to welcome out newest brothers into our lodge.

This fall at Cherokee Scout Reservation we had a great event called Fall Fellowship. This event is not a weekend of work and service but a weekend of relax and fun. At Fall Fellowship the entire weekend is like one big party, with fun happening all weekend where ever you may look! The entire weekend was Fiesta themed and was a great success with Unaliyi Chapter dominating most of the events. We also converted almost 30 brotherhood candidates!

On the first Saturday of the New Year, January 2, 2010, our lodge will be sponsoring First Event at St. Paul the Apostle Church in Greensboro, NC. First event is a great way to get a good start in the Order of the Arrow. We will be having people there to help you create Native American crafts, leadership training, and help you get started doing ceremonies, drumming, and dancing and so much more to name!

Also, upcoming in 2010 we will be having 2 more ordeals to welcome our newest brothers, one in the spring and one more in the fall. In March we will be having spring fellowship. This event will be getting you pumped for the greatest event of the year, Conclave!

Conclave will be at Camp Bodie off the Pamlico Sound in April. This is a massive event that will include every lodge in our section. This event has been in the work for a long time so come out and see what the section has to offer!

Yours in Service,
John “Chip” Elliott
Lodge Chief

# NEMAT

NEMAT means brother. This program has the elangomat serving as the mentor on the path to brotherhood membership. The qualifications for the NEMAT patch are as follows: to have 30% of "your" clan to complete brotherhood. This will require the elangomat to maintain contact with the members of "your" clan. This must be completed within 18 months of the original Ordeal.

**NEMAT Patch Form**

Name_____

Address_____

Phone_____Email_____

What Ordeal you elangomated for_____

The names of the brothers you converted to brotherhood:

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## Tsoiotsi Tsogalii 15th Anniversary Service Backpatch

The lodge is offering a special service patch in 2009. These patches will be identical to the 15th Anniversary backpatch except the border will be white. You can only purchase these patches if you earn a service ticket. For each ticket you earn, you can purchase one service backpatch. The ticket must be turned in with the order form, and it will be validated by the lodge staff.

**The patch costs $8.00 each.**

## Tsoiotsi Tsogalii 15th Anniversary Backpatch

These patches are available on a pre-order basis. You can order as many of these as you wish. The order will be placed in late November, and the patches will be available at the council office at the end of January 2010.

**The patch costs $8.00 each.**

**How can I earn a service ticket? Perform one of the service items below and receive a service ticket from a ticket master.**

| | Ticket Masters |
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| Serve as an elangomat in March, August, September, or October Inductions 2009 | VC-Program / Chris Woody / Chris Bridgers |
| Serve as a ceremony principle between March 2009 and November 2009 | VC – IA / IA Adviser |
| Set up or tear down a ceremony ring between March 2009 and November 2009 | VC – IA / IA Adviser |
| Work at least three meals of a cook crew on the same OA weekend before or on Fall Fellowship 2009 | VC – Admin / Admin Adviser |
| Draw a patch for the patch committee before or on Fall Fellowship 2009 | VC – Admin / Admin Adviser |
| Convert To Brotherhood before or on Fall Fellowship 2009 | VC – IA / IA Adviser |
| Take your Ordeal at March, August, September, or October Inductions 2009 | VC – Program / Service Adviser |
| Serve on a chapter or lodge unit elections team before May 31, 2009 | VC – Admin / UE Adviser |
| Serve as a committee chairman, committee chairman adviser, lodge office, lodge officer adviser, chapter chief or chapter adviser in the June 2009 – May 2010 term | Lodge Chief / Lodge Adviser |
| Work at least 4 hours on a museum workday before October Inductions 2009 | Museum Adviser |
| Submit an article for the newsletter, website, or press release before Fall Fellowship 2009 | VC – Communications / Comm. Adviser |
| Work a shift at the annual stew sale on November 13, 2009 | Stew Chairman / Stew Adviser |

**Name:** _____ **Chapter:** _____ **Phone:** _____

**Address:** _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

**Email:** _____

**___ I want to pick up my patches at the Council Office.**

**___ I want my patches mailed ($3.00 Extra).**

**Form Due By: November 15, 2009**

**15th Anniversary Patch Qty:** _____ **@ $8=**_____

**15th Anniversary Svc Patch Qty:** _____ **@ $8 =**_____

**Service Ticket Must Be Included to Order**

**Shipping (If Applicable)** _____

**Total:** _____