

# The STAG

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## Help!

We, the new officers, have almost exhausted our ears on the phones. We have spent most of our time looking for Arrowmen to fill in the holes that exist in the making of a powerful and exceptional lodge. That's where you, the member, can help. If you are interested in helping with anything such as elections or Ordeals, we need you! All that you need to do is call me at 875-4605, and I will take care of you. The need is there. Will you be willing to help? You, the member, make the lodge operate and continue to operate in the coming year.

-In Brotherhood,  
Bryan Lewis

## SUMMER CAMP IS ON ITS WAY!

The time is nearing that first week of summer camp when thousands of Scouts will visit Seven Ranges. They will come from as far away as North Carolina, Michigan, Illinois, and Wisconsin. But this dream of having the best time they have ever had at summer camp won't become a reality without your help. We, the 1992 staff, are looking for some hard working Scouts and Scouters looking for something to do over the summer. All that you, the youth leaders of your troop, need to do is get an application from the Council Service Center, fill it out, and return it to the Service Center. Interviews are approaching so get your application turned in soon!

## VIGIL CHANGE

A proposal for changing the Vigil Honor selection process to permit public Vigil Honor calling out ceremonies each week at summer camp was originally approved at the February 17, 1987 Sipp-O Lodge Executive Committee Meeting, but the lodge rules were never changed to reflect the adopted proposal. The changes have been proposed to bring the lodge rules into conformity with current practice. This item was discussed at the August 24, 1991 Executive Committee Meeting at the Fall Ordeal.

The proposed change reads as follows:

### IV. THE VIGIL HONOR

**B.** The Vigil Committee shall be a standing operating Committee of the lodge. The Vigil Committee shall be comprised of all Vigil Honor members of Sipp-O Lodge. The main responsibilities of the Vigil Committee shall be: (1) To meet annually, by January 15th of each year; (2) To provide the opportunity for the input of all Vigil Honor members for the selection of Vigil Honor nominees; (3) To perform the Vigil Honor Induction.

**E.** Recommendations for Vigil Honor will be accepted by the Vigil Honor Nominating Committee from any lodge member. Recommendations for Vigil Honor nominations shall start by December 1st and finish no

later than February 1st.

**F.** Final nomination of Vigil Honor Candidates by the Vigil Honor Nominating Committee shall take place before April 1st. Official petitions must be signed by the Lodge Chief and Scout Executive by April 15th.

This proposal will be voted on by the lodge (THAT'S YOU!) at the Winter Banquet on December 30, 1991. You are an important part of this lodge! Your vote counts! Be sure to be in attendance so that you can voice your opinion.

## ***This time, it's going to work...***

The O.A. Building is going to happen this year. We've been given a green light by the properties committee, and we are more than ready. Within the next months, many things need to fall into place. Norm Saeger has been working on the state approval, I am working on the site, and Mike Kuhn is approaching people for help. Things are really looking up for the O.A. building.

Over the past three to four years, many donations were made, and labor help promised. I need to know who all of these people are, so I can begin to make arrangements. If anyone

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else has any other skills that they are willing to donate such as carpentry, masonry, electrical, or plumbing, please give me a call and let me know, I could really use your help. Please call me as soon as possible so I can begin to get a good list of volunteers for this project.

I can be reached at 854-2469, anytime after 5:00 PM. Do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions, or if you can help.

In Brotherhood,  
Todd Westover  
Building Advisor

## WELCOME NEW VIGILS

I would like to Welcome the new Vigils that have joined the brotherhood of the Vigil Honor. This is the highest honor given to an Order of the Arrow member. It is given to those Scouts and Scouters who show cheerful service and dedication. These Scouters really deserve it. They are:

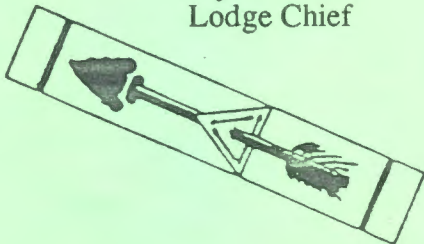
Glen Angerman, Jon Grega, Jason Kuhn, Bryan Lewis, Kevin Puls, Richard Snider, Jr., Jim Booth, Mike Kuhn, Tim Lewis, Jerry Lockshin, John Ramos, and John Weaver.

And from Scaroyadii:

John Santini, Jr., Dave Antram, Paul Antram, and Bill Goodchild.

Congratulations to all and keep up the good work!

-Bryan Lewis,  
Lodge Chief



# \$ PAY \$ YOUR DUES!

Have you thought about paying your dues? If not, please due! (Ha! Ha! Ha!) The dues are the most important responsibility of a member, and since you are all members, your dues need to be paid. The dues are an important part of the lodge. They keep the lodge running and operating. Without them the lodge can't function. So as soon as you can, pay your dues since they expired on December 1st. You can renew your membership by mailing \$3.00 to:

Order of the Arrow  
Sipp-O Lodge #377  
Buckeye Council, BSA  
5136 Tuscarawas St. West  
Canton, Ohio 44708

Remember to include your name, address, phone number, and O/A honor (Ordeal, Brotherhood, or Vigil)

**Due it TODAY!**

## FUN-FUN-FUN at the Fall Fellowship

Friday night was spent watching the films of our choice. The next day was spent relaxing, walking around the camp, and playing the annual football game. Most people walked away with only minor injuries.

The elections were then held. Congratulations to the new officers! They include:

Lodge Chief- Bryan Lewis, Administrative VC- Eric Matheny, Activities VC- Jason Kuhn, District VC- Bob Schlunecker, Recording Secretary- Joel Bente, Membership Secretary- Matt Harper, and Treasurer- Trevor Mills. Good job guys! I would also like to thank all of the people that cooked and helped cook the meals for the weekend!

-Bryan Lewis

## ... UPDATE ...

The new OA Building is on its way! Well not right away. There are still many things to be done. We do, however, have the foundation permit. We are still working on the State's approval. There has been a new change made with the building. It's not the plans, but instead the location. The location has been moved from behind Chippawa campsite to an area across from the main entrance of the camp. This location will eliminate the distractions from and to the nearby campsites. It is also hidden better in the new location rather than the other. This building will help the OA activities run smoother as well as give us a real home at Seven Ranges. Eventhough the building is on its way, there is still a need for more funding to construct the new building.



## FLORIDA SEA BASE

The Florida Sea Base SCUBA Certification Program will be July 26-August 2, 1992. It is located 75 miles south of Miami, on the Lower Matecumbe Key. Crews sleep in elevated dormitories and eat in the Sea Base Galley. Participation fee is \$365.00 per person and includes all food, lodging, books, instruction and equipment, at the Sea Base. It is recommended, but not required, that participants have their snorkeling gear. The payment schedule is \$182.50 per person due by January 15, 1992, \$182.50 per person due April 15, 1992. A \$100.00 security deposit per crew is required upon checkin. Crews are trained by professional instructors in specially designed dive tanks. Open water dives are conducted near coral reefs just offshore from the Sea Base. Certification, by an internationally recognized training agency, is included for those who successfully complete the course. Eligibility: (1) registered Scout or Explorer; (2) must be 14 years old by July 26, 1992. (Strongly recommend that crew members under age 15 have an adult family member involved in SCUBA.); (3) able to swim 200 yards and

stay afloat for 10 minutes; and (4) in good health.

To reserve your spot, send \$25.00 non-refundable deposit to the Buckeye Council, 5136 Tuscarawas Street West, Canton OH 44708, Attention Steve Williams, Florida Sea Base.

## MANY THANKS...

It is Saturday, August 24, 1991. The sun is about to set, the dust has settled, paint and feathers are in place. 100+ candidates have almost completed their 'ORDEAL' and will shortly take unto themselves the obligation of our Brotherhood, W.W.W.

From my point of view, it was an exciting day: the 300 platforms got stacked; 50 tents, cots, etc., were removed from Camp Akela; hundreds of blocks were stacked; broken block was cleared out of Troop sites. Lots of other worthwhile projects were completed.

It was a worthwhile experience for everyone. **Many Thanks** to Sipp-O Lodge for all of their help in putting Seven Ranges to bed for the winter.

In Brotherhood,  
John F. Dodge  
Property Manager

## LEGEND STRIPS

Would you be interested in an embroidered Legend Strip? If so, we're offering one to you! They are each \$10.00 which includes a 10 color, 2 1/4" by 19", display of the Order of the Arrow Legend. If interested please send your name, address, phone number, the number of strips that you want, and \$10.00 to O/A Legend Strips, Council Service Center, 5136 Tuscarawas Street West, Canton OH 44708.

### Winter Banquet

It's time once again for the annual Winter Banquet. The Banquet will be held at Village Buffet in Belden Village on December 30th. The cost this year will be \$8.00 per person. This includes an all you can eat buffet. Our speaker this year will be speaking about the Native American Indians. She will be worth coming to listen to. Family members and friends are welcome. The meal will start at 7:00 P.M. Please make your reservations by the 20th of December by filling out the form and sending it to the Council Service Center.

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### WINTER BANQUET RESERVATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Troop #: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

--- Cost \$8.00 per. person ---

Number of people: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Inclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

--- Reservations due by December 20th ---

Mail to:

Council Service Center  
c/o OA Winter Banquet  
5136 Tuscarawas Street West  
Canton, Ohio 44708

1-2371-000-00

# 1992 PHILMONT EXPEDITION

Philmont Scout Reservation is a 137,493 acre tract of land near Cimarron, New Mexico, owned and operated by the Boy Scouts of America for older Scouts and Explorers seeking opportunities to reach for new challenges and new adventures.

During the Philmont expedition, the campers hike and camp along the rugged mountain trails. Activities emphasize hiking, mountain

climbing, fishing, conservation, gold panning, archaeology, horseback riding, and training in various Scouting skills.

Philmont is an unforgettable adventure in sky-high back-country. The broad-shouldered traditions, the best of the old west - horseback riding, burro packing, gold panning - are combined in an unbeatable recipe for fast-moving fun and adventure.

Buckeye Council's contingent for the Philmont expedition is scheduled for July 4-18, 1992. Transportation is by Amtrak Train from Youngstown, Ohio to

Raton, New Mexico. The Philmont bus will be taken from Raton to the Ranch. The trip will include a tour of Chicago. Total cost is \$700.00. This includes transportation, all meals, tour, and Philmont High Adventure program. Those interested must be 13 year of age or older, mature and physically fit. The maximum signup is 30 Scouts and 6 adults. Reservation fee of \$50.00, which is not refundable but transferable, should be sent to the Council Service Center.

The contingent is starting to fill up. Come join us for a great summer experience.

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DON'T FORGET TO PRY YOUR DUES!