

# The Stag

The Elogamgussit of Sipp-O Lodge #377

April 1996

## Spring Fellowship Is Smashing Success



*Mike Mossor coaches Allan Kintz over the edge during the morning rappelling practice.*

Sixty arrowmen gathered at Camp McKinley the weekend of March 23-25 for the Spring Fellowship. The temperature was a steamy thirty degrees for most of the weekend, but that didn't stop anyone from having a great weekend. Saturday morning kicked off with a tour of the

camp led by Ranger Gonzo. The group then spent the rest of the morning rappelling at the quarry in camp.

After lunch, the group went to the cliffs on the far side of the camp. There they rappelled and climbed the afternoon away off of eighty foot cliffs! The evening was capped off by a campfire led by Todd Edgar from the camp staff and Ranger Gonzo, and then a viewing of the comet.

Special thanks to Mike Mossor and John Richard for their help with the rappelling and to Kevin Powell for cooking for the weekend. The fellowship was a huge success and a good time was had by all.



## Be There Or Be Square

Hurry up and send those forms in and don't miss the 1996 Section C5A Conclave! The Conclave is May 3-4-5 at Camp Manatoc in Peninsula, Ohio. It is being hosted by our brothers to the north, Marnoc Lodge #151.

There will be a rededication ceremony, a POW-WOW including all styles of dance competition, black powder shooting, tomahawk throwing, shotgun, and archery ranges. Many interesting training sessions will be conducted along with either patch trading, a late night beach party, and a sand volley ball tournament. It will be lots of good clean fun with Brotherhood team competition and a Brotherhood Ceremony.

To reserve your spot at the 1996 Conclave, you must return the enclosed registration form on page 5. Please note that the form and \$25 fee are to be sent directly to the Great Trail Council by April 8th. Reservations after this date have a late fee of an additional \$5.

The lodge has set a goal of having one member per troop attend the Conclave. Please help the lodge meet this goal by attending. **MARK YOUR CALENDERS AND SEND YOUR RESERVATION IN TODAY!!!**

The Lodge would like to organize car pooling in order to provide transportation for all Arrowmen to the Conclave. Call Dan Lutz at 499-4759 if you need transportation.



## Scout-O-Rama Sipp-O's Big Chance

This year's four Scout-O-Rama shows will provide Sipp-O lodge with a golden opportunity to demonstrate to the scouting public just what we can do.

The Netawotwes show at the Tuscarawas County Fairgrounds will feature a calling-out ceremony Saturday evening and an OA trading post.

The Killbuck show at the Wayne County Fairgrounds will open with a calling-out on Friday evening. This should set the tone for a great weekend. The lodge will operate a concession stand and a trading post on Saturday, making food and refreshments available for all in attendance. Sunday morning, a pancake breakfast will feed all the participants before leaving for home.

The Sandy Beaver show will take place at the KSU-Salem Campus. The lodge will operate a food concession and trading post at this one, too.

The Stark County show is being held at Clay's Park in Canal Fulton. Sipp-O Lodge is responsible for the concessions at this show as well, along with a trading post selling lodge supplies. A "Cruise-In" car show is planned, with Sipp-O entering a car that everyone will be able to "hit-on"!

These four show will take a lot of manpower for them to be successful. This is a chance for the lodge to earn needed funds for camp improvements and new ceremonial costuming. Contact the Arrowman below from your district to lend a hand:

Netawotwes—Ray Palmer	330-364-8988
Killbuck—Jason Yoh	330-264-8986
Sandy Beaver—Kevin Bhe	330-332-5747
Stark—Joe Bomba	330-699-9075



## Attention Scoutmasters

Unit elections and camp promotions began January 1 with elections ending May 15th. All Troop O/A elections must be performed by an official Lodge Election Team. If you would like to help with elections or camp promotions, please contact Ben Senff at (330) 262-8622. To schedule an election or camp promotion presentation, please contact your District Coordinator listed below.

Killbuck - Jason Yoh - 264-8986

Netawotwes - Ryan Howell - 364-6960

Sandy Beaver - Jeff Hall - 482-4437

Seneca - Troy Alpeter - 499-3026

Wapakonachee - Matt Flanagan - 862-2718

Westark - Ryan Pittinger - 832-8712

## Hutch's Day

As you make your plans for summer camp, don't forget to mark June 8th on your calendar for Hutch's Day.

Hutch's Day is a council wide service project sponsored by the Order of the Arrow. It is open to all Scouts and Scouters. The purpose of the day is to prepare Seven Ranges Scout Reservation for summer camp. This includes setting platforms, outriggers, uprights, and tents—over 400!

Hutch's Day is extremely important to the summer camp program. It benefits all who attend the camp by giving the staff more time to prepare program.

Hutch's Day is June 8th 1996 at Seven Ranges Scout Reservation. Loading will begin at 7:00 A.M. at the maintenance building. Distribution will start at 8:00 A.M. from the administration building. Lunch will be provided for all. Any Arrowmen are welcome to attend the dinner of the Ordeal for \$5.00.

In addition to manpower, we will also need many trucks to transport all the materials. Pick-ups, flat beds, stake beds, any size, any shape.

If you have any questions or feel you can help in any way, contact Dan Lutz at 330-499-4759.

**DON'T FORGET!**  
Hutch's Day Service Project  
Seven Ranges Scout Reservation  
June 8th, 1996

## Red Men Unite



Join with your brothers in the heart of our lodge. Anyone interested in painting their face and performing in Indian ceremonies, now is the time to do it. If this interests you, call Jeremy Ayers at (330) 492-6258.

Anyone interested in a character part in Calling-out, Pre-Ordeal, Ordeal, or Brotherhood ceremonies will need to attend the following practices:

Wednesday, April 17th 6:30 P.M.

Sunday, April 21st 1:30 P.M.

The practices will be held at  
Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church.  
1001 39th Street NW  
Canton, OH 44709

## Our Goal in '96 Make Sipp-O a Quality Lodge

In achieving this goal, there are various requirements that all Arrowmen can help with:

1. Eligible Ordeal members attain the Brotherhood Honor
2. Unit Elections held in each troop desiring one.
3. Trained Elangomats participated in all Ordeals.
4. Average attendance at Lodge Events must exceed 25% of registered membership—this means at least 100 Arrowmen per event!

## Brotherhood Update

At the Spring Fellowship, seven arrowmen entered into the circle of Brotherhood. They are John Anderson, Joe Bomba, Chris Croft, Mike Kaszyca, Bart Shaffer, Adam Woodruff, and Jason Yoh. Congratulations to Sipp-O's newest Brotherhood members.

Arrowmen who wish to seal their membership in the Order of the Arrow by joining the circle of Brotherhood will be able to do so at the C-5A Conclave on May 3, 4, 5, 1996. The cost will be \$10.00 for the sash.

To earn the Brotherhood, five challenges must be met. These challenges are described in detail on pages 51-53 of the Order of the Arrow Handbook.

## Spring Ordeal

The days are growing longer and the sun is higher in the sky. This can only mean that spring is here! Therefore, the Spring Ordeal cannot be far away. It will be taking place the weekend of June 7-9, 1996 at Seven Ranges Scout Reservation.

With the success of the year's elections and the calling-out ceremonies at Scout-O-Rama, the lodge should be able to induct a large group of new arrowmen. The Ordeal will be combined with Hutch's Day on Saturday to provide extra manpower in our service to the camp.

The cost for the weekend will be \$10.00 for members. Reservations must be sent to the council office by May 31st. Use the reservation form found on page 7.

The Ordeal always involves a day of service, but it also includes a weekend of fellowship and fun which cannot be a success without you!

## Officer Profile: Adam Woodruff



Our officer profile of the month is on Adam Woodruff. Adam is the Recording Secretary in Sipp-O-Lodge, and is a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow. He is 15 years old, and a Star Scout in Troop 44, Louisville. Adam is a Sophomore at St. Thomas Aquinas. If Adam could do anything that he wanted on a Friday he would go white water rafting.



## Arrowmen Honored

Congratulations to Jeff Hall, Sandy Beaver District Coordinator and Chapter Chief, on recently being awarded the rank of Eagle Scout.

Congratulations to Dave Croft, Adviser to the Brotherhood Committee, on his being awarded the district award of merit.

Congratulations to Bart Shaffer from the Indian Activities on receiving the Eagle Award

Sipp-O Lodge is proud and honored to have all of you as members.



## Want Adventure This Summer

There are still a few slots left on the council contingents for Philmont and Northern Tier Canoe Base. If you are interested in either of these contingents, contact Program Director Don Schneck at (330)580-4272 or 1-800-589-9812.



## Dig into Your Pockets

Dues are still being collected for 1996. The cost of dues is \$5.00 per year per person. This fee is used to pay national OA registration, printing and postage cost for the Stag, service projects, and camp promotions.

Dues for the current year are only accepted. Any advance payment will be refunded. Members who have not paid their dues will be dropped from the mailing list.

Please pay your dues now. Dues should be sent to Sipp-O Lodge c/o Buckeye Council.

You must also be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America in order to be a member of the Order of the Arrow. This is a national policy. Please make sure that your registration in Scouting is current!



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## Bowling for Dollars Sipp-O style

The first annual Sipp-O Bowl-a-Thon was a smashing success despite the diminishing scores of a certain adviser who claims to bowl in a league. We don't want to embarrass him, so we won't mention his name, but his initials are Dave Fernandez. There were 14 Arrowmen in attendance who successfully raised more than \$1,100.00 for the Lodge. A thanks to North Canton Recreation Lanes for providing the facilities. I'm sure the Center has seen better bowlers there, but probably hasn't seen a group have as much fun as we did. Thanks to the Arrowmen that participated. If you happen to see a certain adviser, you might mention to him that the Lodge could have raised more if his bowling weren't so mediocre





*REGISTRATION FORM*  
*1996 Order of the Arrow - Section 5A Conclave*

Registration deadline: MONDAY, April 8, 1996

Instructions: Please enter one character per "\_" and PRINT ALL INFORMATION.

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ MIDDLE INITIAL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

STATUS: \_\_\_ (*Y* - Youth; *A* - Adult) SEX: \_\_\_ (*M* - Male; *F* - Female)

PHYSICAL HANDICAP: \_\_\_ (*Y* - Yes; *N* - No) Do you need a place to sleep? \_\_\_ (*Y* or *N*)

COUNCIL: \_\_\_\_\_

LODGE: \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: Before April 9: \$25.00; AFTER APRIL 8: \$30.00

To receive the regular price, this form and payment must be received at Great Trail Council's Service Center before TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 1996.

All registration forms and/or payments received after MONDAY, APRIL 8, 1996 will result in a late fee of \$5.00 being charged.

Checks should be made payable to: *GREAT TRAIL COUNCIL, B.S.A.* and mailed to the address below:

GREAT TRAIL COUNCIL, B.S.A.  
ATTN: SECTION 5A CONCLAVE REGISTRATION  
P. O. BOX 68  
AKRON, OH 44309-0068

## Chiefly Speaking

This past weekend, I had the opportunity to do the Brotherhood testing at the Spring Fellowship. One question I asked the candidates was "What does the Obligation mean to you?" Listening to each person's unique answer, I thought about what the Obligation means to me.

When I give the Obligation of the Order of the Arrow, three phrases jump out at me. They are "unselfish service", "cheerful spirit", and "always and faithfully". These are the phrases that have the most impact on me in my life.

"Unselfish service" Sometimes it appears as if our world is not heliocentric, but rather me-centric. Everyone is out for themselves, and forget the little guy. Even in my own life, I find myself action in my own best interests. However, the Obligation bids us as Scouts and Arrowmen to a higher calling. It calls us to forget ourselves and to do what is best for others. The Obligation makes us the protector of the meek, the sick, the weak, and the less fortunate. In a self-serving society,

this is truly the noblest of tasks.

"Cheerful spirit" Having a cheerful spirit is what separates an average Scout from a true Scout. A Scout does not need a cheerful spirit to put in a hard day's work at camp or to help a Tenderfoot meet the requirement of first class. Yet, is he truly helping if he does it begrudgingly or complains about it the whole time? It takes a true Scout to do so with a cheerful spirit. On a rainy day, a freezing night, or blistering afternoon, it takes the most helpful and friendly Scout to gladly pitch in and lend a hand.

"Always and faithfully"--This phrase perhaps had the most impact on me. Its importance is clear in its elegant simplicity. When I give the Obligation, I am dedication myself to "unselfish service and dedication" and "cheerful spirit" forever. Not just as I recite it, or at OA events, or with my troop, but always. In school, at work, wherever--always. By taking the Obligation upon myself, I am choosing not just how I will live as a Scout, but also a way of life.

*In Brotherhood,*

*Dan Lutz*

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Cut Along Dotted Line

## SIPP-O RESERVATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Troop \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Brotherhood at Conclave	X	\$10.00	=	_____
Spring Ordeal	X	\$10.00	=	_____
Brotherhood at Ordeal	X	\$10.00	=	_____
NOAC Reservation	X	\$50.00	=	_____
1996 Dues	X	\$5.00	=	_____
			TOTAL	_____

Send to:  
Sipp-O Lodge  
c/o Buckeye Council, BSA  
2301 13th Street N.W.,  
Canton Ohio, 44708

**Make Check Payable to:  
Buckeye Council, BSA**

# CALENDAR of EVENTS

- January 1 - May 15 ..... Unit Elections
- April 17 & 21 ..... Indian Activities Practice
- April 28 ..... Executive Committee Meeting
- May 3-5 ..... Section C5A Conclave
- May 17-19 ..... Scout-O-Rama
- June 7-9 ..... Spring Ordeal
- June 8 ..... Hutch's Day
- June 16 - Aug. 10 ..... Summer Camp
- August 11-15 ..... NOAC
- August 23-25 ..... Fall Ordeal
- September 21,22 ..... Vigil Weekend
- October 4-6 ..... Fall Fellowship
- November 15-17 ..... Officer Training

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# 1995-96 LODGE OFFICERS

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- Administrative Vice Chief ..... Ray Palmer  
330-364-8988
- Activities Vice Chief ..... Ted Dryden  
330-343-4208
- Vice Chief of Chapters..... Brian Seeton  
330-454-1024
- District Vice Chief ..... Ben Senff  
330-262-8622
- Membership Secretary ..... Jeremy Edwards  
330-488-0941
- Recording Secretary ..... Adam Woodruff  
330-875-9658
- Treasurer ..... Joe Bomba  
330-699-9075

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