

December, 1997

The Stag

The Elogamgussit of Sipp-O Lodge #3177

Come one, Come all, to the 1998 Winter Banquet

You have heard about Ghost Flaps, now it is your turn to own one! That's right, Sipp-O Lodge is putting out an ALL GOLD, LIMITED EDITION GHOST FLAP to commemorate our fiftieth anniversary. This new lodge flap will only be available at the Winter Banquet. Only 200 are being made! Order one for only \$3.00 when you register for the Winter Banquet. Extra patches will be available at the Winter Banquet for \$6.00.

So, how do you get to the Winter Banquet? The Winter Banquet will be at the Foltz Community Center in East Canton on January 2 at 6:00 P.M.. The cost is \$10.00. This is an event that you will not want to miss! There will also be a Native American dance team after the meal! Our brothers to the north, Wapashuwi Lodge will be coming down to dance for us. We will also discuss starting our own Dance Team.

The Foltz Community Center is located one block north of the corner of State Route 44 and State Route 172, or two blocks north of US Route 30.

Do not miss this once-in-a-lifetime event!

NOTE: Family members are also allowed to attend the Winter Banquet.

Dues are due!

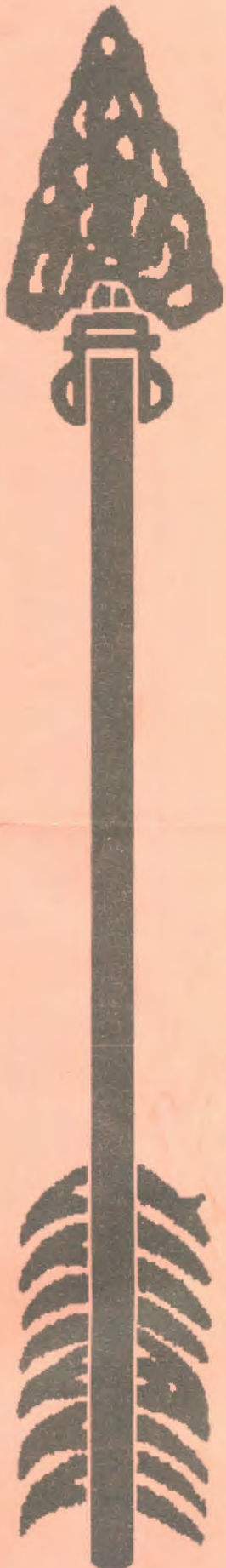
If you have not already done so, it is time to pay your dues for the year of 1998. Dues are what keeps our lodge running and delivers the Stag to your door every two months. Show your support in the Order of the Arrow and pay your dues! Dues collected now are for 1998 only, and cannot be paid for any Future years. Arrowmen who received their Ordeal in 1997 are already paid through 1998.

Scouting Ohio


After much research, writing, and editing, the "Where To Go Camping" book is finally done! Scouting Ohio is one of the most thorough and "where to go camping" publications Sipp-O Lodge has ever put out. This long awaited book is the first of its kind since the early 1980's! Many congratulations go out to last years Camp Promotions Committee Chairman Ben Davis and his adviser Dan Berlyoung.

Each troop in the council will receive one free book at their Roundtable Meeting. Other books are available at the Council Service Center for \$3.00.

N.B. Remember to attend district meetings



District Training Campout



As the days grow shorter, the weather grows colder, and our lodge leadership grows bolder, we encourage all O.A. members to seek out their District Chiefs and become involved. There is something that all of you can do. Everyone has talents or abilities that they can use to serve others. To help the District Chiefs get everyone involved, the Vice Chief of Districts, Chris Sandrock, is sponsoring a training session at Tuscazoar to train all district personnel and all other interested Arrowmen.

On Saturday we will get down to business with training sessions combined with hour breaks to make up the morning schedule. A service project and games will follow in the afternoon. It will truly be a weekend of solid fun and learning. If you have any questions, contact Chris Sandrock at 499-0637, or talk to your District Chief at your next meeting.

Committees, committees, committees!

With the beginning of a new lodge year comes new officers, new committee chairmen, and committees! Each committee chairman is expected to have a committee. This is a great way to become involved and get a piece of the action! How would you like to help plan an Ordeal or Fellowship or be on a ceremony team, or write a Stag? The chairmen are looking for people to assist them, and what better way to serve your council and make some new friends while you're at it? Call the chairman that does what most interests you. He will be glad to hear from you!

Brotherhood Chairman-Tim Fluharty-345-7161
Commissary-Bret Taylor-343-5901
Elangomant-Brandon Holman-345-8154
Indian Activities-Rob Sick-454-6384
Ordealmaster-Greg Clements -343-8409
Camp Promotions-Jeff Raker-699-9602
Publications(Stag and Webpage)-Jason Yoh-264-8986
Service-Lucas Cary-837-5727

My First Stag!

My Brothers,

I'd like to welcome you to the first Stag of this session of Sipp-O Lodge. I am very much looking forward to being the Editor-in-Chief of the Stag. I have an abundance of ideas that I think will make the Stag one of the best newsletters in the Order of Arrow. To do that, I need your help. Any article will be appreciated as long as it is sent to me two weeks before publication of the next Stag. I will do my best to fit in! Also, if you have any humorous anecdotes or drawings to share, those will be appreciated as well! Also, if you need to fax, please call before so I can set up the fax. Thank you for your support and have a happy holiday season!

Matt Wiggins - Stag Editor
493-4929

CHIEFLY SPEAKING

My Brothers,

Thank you for reelecting me to another term as Lodge Chief. I have made it my goal to serve the lodge and you better than I did last year.

Last year was a very good year for the Order of the Arrow. This year can be better. The key to a productive year of fun and service is participation. Get involved! You will be glad you did. There are many ways to get involved, come to lodge events, go to your district meetings, and most importantly, tell someone you want to help out! There are as many opportunities to serve as there are Arrowmen in this lodge! Give a committee chairman, your District Chief, or myself a call. We will get you set up with exactly what you want to do. Remember, many times things do not come to you, you have to go out there and let someone know you want to help out! I will be very happy to have you aboard! Do not hesitate to call me, (330) 454-1024 at home or (330) 672-6746 at school.

Yours in Service
Brian Seeton
Lodge Chief

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SIPP-O RESERVATION FORM

Name _____ Troop # _____

Phone Number _____

Winter Banquet — _____ x \$10.00 = \$ _____

Ghost Patch — _____ x \$ 3.00 = \$ _____
(ONE PATCH PER BANQUET RESERVATION ONLY)

1998 Dues — _____ x \$5.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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

Reservations must be postmarked by Monday December 22.
OR
Reservation must be at the Council Office by December 23.

The 1997 Fall Fellowship

If you were not at the Fall Fellowship, then you missed out! A great time was had by all who attended. On Friday evening a Lodge Rededication ceremony took place. It was splendiferous. Kichkinet led the Arrowmen on a trail back through time to the old O.A. Rock. At the O.A. Rock, which is a sixty foot high cliff with a red arrow painted across the side, Allowat Sakima preformed the first Pre-Ordeal Ceremony for the Arrowmen. From there the group went further down the trail to Buckey's Pond. Once there, Meteu, silhouetted red by a glowing fire, related the Legend of our Order. Congratulations to Brian Seeton, Chris Sandrock, Rob Sick, and Kieth Boyer for an excellent ceremony.

Saturday morning we hiked to the not so nearby Dundee Falls for an excellent time of fellowship and fun. The day was spent enjoying nature's splendor and rapelling. Yes, Kevin Bhe did take the plunge, and then suddenly the cliff didn't seem so high. Thank you to Mike Mossor for putting on the rappelling session.

In the evening the annual Lodge elections were held. Congratulations to our new Lodge leaders! They are as follows: Lodge Chief Brian Seeton, Administrative Vice Chief Joe Bomba, Activities Vice Chief Rick Wheeler, Vice Chief of Districts Chris Sandrock, Membership Secretary Ben Parker, Recording Secretary Brian Lux, and Treasurer Andy Flanagan.

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