

The Stag

The Elogamgussit of Sipp-O Lodge #377



THE THREE F'S AT CONCLAVE

On June 6-8, 1997 Sipp-O Lodge will host the Section C5-A Conclave. What is a Conclave? It is a gathering of Arrowmen for the five lodges across NorthEastern Ohio. These Arrowmen will gather for a weekend of **fellowship, food,** and most of all **fun.**

Our Conclave will feature distinguished guests, great food, inter-lodge competition, an American Indian Pow Wow, ceremonies, fantastic entertainment, and much more.

The Conclave Committee has been working hard to plan this huge event. The following are those who are presently serving on the Conclave Committee: Bart Shaffer, Jeremy Edwards, Joe Bomba, Chris Sandrock, Greg Clements, Matt Fernandez, Rob Sick, Eric Beachy, Matt

Flanagan, Doug Prosperi, Troy Alpeter, Andy Flanagan, and Jed Hill.

All of these people are looking for people to serve on their committees. If you are interested please call Bart Shaffer at (330)-588-5342. Give me a call and help plan the most exciting event this year!

Also remember Sipp-O reserved 120 sports for this event. Get your reservations in today! The cost is \$25.00 if paid before May 4th. A reservation form is enclosed in this issue of "The Stag". On May 3, and May 24, there will be work days to prepare the camp for the Conclave. Come and join the fun!

Yours in Service,
Bart Shaffer
Conclave Chairman



97 Winter Banquet is a hit!

Sipp-O Lodge held it's annual Winter Banquet on January 3, 1997 at Trinity United Church of Christ. With over 140 members in attendance we set a new record this year. Our speaker was Mr. Pitt Sanders, a big game hunter of the world. He told us of the many interesting encounters that he had while out in Africa. If you weren't there, you missed out. We had many other guests: Mr Jack Johnson, Buckeye Council Scout Executive; Gary Gole, Order of the Arrow Section C5-A Advisor; and Alan

Lepard, Section C5-A Chief. On the business side of the evening the lodge voted in the District Plan. A goal was set for the Lodge to have at least 100 members at this years Conclave at Seven Ranges. This was the start of many successful events to come in Sipp-O Lodge. Congratulations to Ken Flanagan on receiving The Founders Award for his many years of dedicated service to the lodge.



Look into Indian Activities

Fellow Arrowmen, I am writing to you to say that Indian Activities is a big part of our program. We need you to participate in the ceremonies! If you are interested in being a character call Rick Wheeler at (330)-488-8268 for information.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Rick Wheeler



Vigil Nominations

The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position or office to Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or their council camp. Also he must have been a brotherhood member for at least two years. Please send any Vigil Nominations to:

Jeff Hall
Vigil Committee Chairman
702 Fairfield Ave.
Columbiana, OH 44408



SIPP-O ON THE WEB

Sipp-O Lodge is now on the web. To keep up with the times we are now part of the information super-highway. From this page you can now E-mail your favorite executive officer, find a date on our calendar, find out brotherhood requirements, and other great events info. We'll take your suggestions, comments, and ideas. Just let us know through E-mail or your friendly Vice-Chief. Check it out at <http://www.imperium.net/~sippo>

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"SHIRLEY" IS HONORED

The first ever Sipp-O Distinguished Service Award was presented to Shirley Warehime at the Council Recognition Dinner on January 22, 1997. Shirley has been our Secretary at the Council Service Center for 27 years, and has been an important part of Lodge's operations. Congratulations Shirley on Recognition long overdue.

O.A. Coordinators

Sipp-O Lodge voted at the January Executive Committee meeting to recognize a new position for interested Arrowmen, available at the troop level, the OA Coordinator. These OA Coordinators will act as messengers from the Lodge to the troop, will help to filter down meeting dates, election information, or the latest on the next service event. They will also act as a representative of the Lodge on the troop level.

You do not need to be Brotherhood, or active

in the Lodge. You do need an interest in the position and you must be able to attend your troop meetings to relay the information. These OA Coordinators are the backbone of the new District calling committees and their service is greatly needed. Ask your District Chief at your next meeting for specific information for your area.



Elections

Yes, it's that time of the year. It's time for your annual Order of the Arrow elections! Elections run from January 1st to May 15th. Time is running short, so schedule your election now! Along with the election you will receive a Seven Ranges Camp Promotion by your District Promotions Team. Remember the requirements your Scouts must meet to be eligible for the Order of the Arrow. 1) He must hold the First Class Rank. 2) He must have camped 15 days and nights in the our-of-doors including one long term camp out of six days and nights in the past two years. 3) He must live by the Scout Oath and Law. 4) He must be approved by the Scoutmaster. If you have any Scouts that meet these requirements then schedule your elections now! If not, we will still be happy to give you a camp promotion.

If you are a youth or adviser interested in helping with elections and camp promotions give your District Vice Chief of Promotions, or Vice Chief of Elections a call. There are still many opportunities for you to help!

Vice Chiefs of Promotions:

Wapa - Greg Bauman (330)-862-3764
Sandy Beaver - Ben Miller (330)-375-9352
Westark - Justin Klein (330) 837-8183
Seneca - Jesse Leshar (330) 488-1536
Killbuck - Joe McNeil (330) 262-1630
Neta - Shawn Beachy (330) 853-3198

Vice Chiefs of Elections:

Wapa - Jeremy Lotze (330)-875-2989
Sandy Beaver - Doug O'Hara (330)-386-6425
Westark - Zeb Hibben (330)-879-2320
Seneca - Jamison Conley (330)-497-9262
Killbuck - Matt Long (330)-345-7256
Neta- David Rhode (330)-343-9553



You Might Be an Overactive Arrowman If...

- You have an entire room in your house devoted to your patch collection...
- You prefer to be called by your Vigil Indian name rather than your real one...
- You've ever performed more than three different ceremonies in one weekend...
- You've ever taken the Ordeal again, "just for fun..."
- You've ever hosted a lodge event at your house...
- You named your first son Uncas...
- You know the following acronyms and abbreviations mean: LEC, LLDC, SOTC, COC, NOAC, NLS, EEP, ASK, TOAP, PTC... and

- you use them in everyday conversation but don't even realize you're doing it...
- Your driver's licence has a gold mylar border...
- You've been Kichkinet so long you start to slip and close the ceremony by saying "As god of this lodge..."

Taken from the Red Flame, Illinek Lodge #132

District Profile

Sandy Beaver

Sandy Beaver District had their first Order of the Arrow meeting on January 9th at the District Round Table. We elected three Arrowmen for the three Vice Chiefs positions. Bill Miller was elected for the position of Vice Chief of Promotions, Doug O'Hara was elected for the position of Vice Chief of Elections, and Jed Hill was elected for the position of Vice Chief of Activities. If you need to contact any of these officers their numbers are the following: Doug's phone (330)-386-6925,

Jed's phone(330)-222-2275, Bill's phone (330)-385-9352. If you want to help these officers by being on committees, please feel free to call them. Our next OA meeting is on March 12 at 7:00 pm in the Dining Hall at Camp McKinley. When you arrive please sign in and come into the Kitchen where we will hold the meeting.

Sandy Beaver District Chief,
John Burkey



Wapakonachee

I encourage everyone to come to the Wapakonachee District round table meeting on Tuesday, March 11, 1997. It will be held at the Abiding Savior Lutheran Church, 1845 Sawburg Ave, in Alliance at 7:30 pm. The meeting will be interesting and a lot of fun. All OA members from Wapakonachee District are invited, and your presence will be greatly appreciated. Also a bead will be

given to any person with perfect attendance all year long. Going to these district meetings will allow you to get valuable information and help you to become more active in the OA. I hope to see you there.

Kenny Varian - District Chief



Netawotwes

Congratulations to the new Vice Chiefs for Netawotwes. District: Vice Chief of Elections: David Rhode, Advisor: Bob Rhode, Vice Chief of Promotions: Shaw Beachy, Advisor: Vice Chief of Activities: Eric Beachy Advisor: Although these positions have already been filled, there are lots more still open. With troop elections coming up, it is critical that we fill many of our positions immediately. (In short, election teams would be useful during elections.) We still need people to serve on the committees listed below. Each

committee needs a Chairman, an adult Advisor for the Chairman, and Committee Members. Current committees are Service, Elangomat, Publications, Events, Promotions, Election Teams, Elections, Camp Promotions Teams, Phone Tree Committee, Troop Coordinators. Any Arrowman who is interested in serving in any of these positions, please call Joshua Knudsen at (330) 859-2246. I look forward to seeing all of you at the next Roundtable. Come for Fun, Food and Beads!

Joshua Knudsen - NETA Chief



Killbuck

The Killbuck District arrowmen held our first meeting January 9th; all 12 in attendance had a good time of fellowship and fun, but the main purpose of the meeting was to get officers in place. Our district officers are as follows: Matt Long is our Vice Chief of Elections, Joe McNeil is our Vice Chief of Promotion, and Tim Fluharty is our Vice chief of Activities. It's great to see Arrowmen willing to

take on these responsibilities, and I'm sure they will do an exceptional job for the district. Our next meeting will be held March 13, at the Zion Lutheran Church. WE ARE PUSHING THE TIME BACK TO 7:30 PM TO COINCIDE WITH THE SCOUT ROUND TABLE. We have new and exciting things planned so come on down. We'll see you there!

Jason Yoh - Chief



Seneca

Seneca District had its first meeting on the 8th of January, and it was a great success. While munching on subs provided by Blimpies, we discussed up-coming lodge events, the District system, and we elected our three vice chiefs. They are Jamison Conley, Vice Chief of Elections, Jesse Leshner, Vice Chief of Promotions, and Bart Shaffer,

Vice Chief of Activities.

Our next meetings are at Faith United Methodist Church, 3000 9th Street, North Canton, on March 12 and April 9. Your attendance would be appreciated. If you are interested in being an OA Coordinator, please contact Dan Taylor at 456-5251.

Chris Sandrock - Chief



Westark

The new District plan is in full effect in the Westark District. We are off to a very good start. At the last meeting we had 18 people attend. That is very good, but my goal is to have 25 at the next meeting. So, be there if you can. Plenty of things are going on in Westark.

1)The Klondike was held in January. We had several OA members there helping out. It was a big success and it gave OA a lot of promotion.

2)All three of my vice chief positions have been filled now. But, if you can still help out, there are PLENTY of positions that need to be filled.

3)We have been asked to form a Webelos cross over team, and a few other ceremonial Indian teams. We need costumes and people! So, if you can help in either one of these areas call me please!

4)One of the purpose of OA is to serve other people. We in Westark are really trying to keep up with this. The OA is now capable of helping all scouts in many ways. We will now help scouts with their Eagle projects if they are short of man power. We will perform Webelos crossovers and various other tasks.

5)The next meeting is on March 12. Remember we need you there!

If you can help or need help in any of the areas I have mentioned above, or have any questions, call me at (330) 837-5727. Thanks again.

Lucas Cary - Westark District Chief





REGISTRATION FORM
1997 Order of the Arrow - Section C5A Conclave
Conclave is June 6, 7, and 8
Registration Deadline : Sunday May 4, 1997

LAST NAME: _____

FIRST NAME: _____ MIDDLE INITIAL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____

ZIP CODE: _____ - _____ HOME PHONE: _____ - _____

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

COUNCIL: _____

LODGE: _____

Cost: Before May 4, 1997: \$25.00; After May 4, 1997: \$30.00

To receive the regular price, this form and payment must be received at **The Buckeye Council Service Center before SUNDAY, MAY 4, 1997.**

All registration forms and/or payments received after **SUNDAY, MAY 4, 1997** will result in a late fee of \$5.00. **No Registrations after May 23, 1997**

Checks should be made payable to: Sipp-O Lodge Buckeye Council, B.S.A. and mailed to the address below:

Sipp-O Lodge
c/o Buckeye Council, B.S.A.
ATTN: Section C5A Conclave Registration
2301 13th Street N.W.,
Canton, Ohio 44708

Chiefly Speaking

My Brothers,

These last two months have been a great success for Sipp-O Lodge. Your participation brought over ninety people to meetings last month. Order of the Arrow has also received many compliments and "Thank you's" for our service to the District. Feel proud, my brothers, that you are a part of the organization. Together we are helping to make Scouting and the Order better than ever in our council.

Over ninety people participated in Lodge meetings last month! The brand new District program provided service to many of the Council Klondikes. Taking all of this into account, the Lodge and Section leadership decided to raise our Conclave attendance goal from 100 Arrowmen to 120 Arrowmen for Sipp-o Lodge. This goal is very attainable and I feel confident that 120 of us will have a

lot of fun at the most exciting Scouting event of the year!

We still need your help! Attend your District meetings and get involved. You can be a part of the action! Help to make OA and Scouting a better program. Together, we can do it! There are many areas where you can help. If you would like to be on an election team or camp promotions team, if you would like to be a part of Indian Activities, or publications, if you would like to help plan a district event, you can! Call your District chief. Come and check out your District meetings held at the same place and time as the Roundtables. I will see you there!

Yours in Brotherhood,
 Brian Seeton -
 Lodge Chief



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SIPP-O RESERVATION FORM

Name _____ Troop # _____

Phone Number _____

Brotherhood at Conclave - \$10.00 = \$ _____

1997 Dues — \$5.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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 Sipp-O Lodge
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 2301 13th Street N.W.,
 Canton, Ohio 44708

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(330) 699-9075
Activities Vice Chief Rob Sick
(330) 454-6384
District Vice Chief Adam Woodruff
(330) 875-9658
Membership Secretary Jeremy Edwards
(330) 448-0941
Recording Secretary Matt Flanagan
(330) 862-2718
Treasurer Troy Alpeter
(330) 499-3026
Lodge Adviser Jim Cassler
(330) 497-1440
Work- (330) 456-8319

CALENDAR of EVENTS



February 27----- Executive Committee Meeting
March 2----- Bowl-A-Thon
March 27----- Executive Committee Meeting
April 24----- Executive Committee Meeting
May 3----- Conclave Work Day
May 4----- Early Conclave Registrations Due
May 15----- Unit Elections End



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