

# The Stag

*The Elogamgusst of Sipp-O Lodge #377*

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## **Winter Banquet January 3, 2003**

Can't decide which party you want to go to for the Fiesta Bowl? Don't worry, we have the solution for you. Sipp-O Lodge #377 will be holding it's annual Winter Banquet. But that's not all. 2003 is Sipp-O's 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and the Winter Banquet will kick-off this exciting year.

You're probably thinking, "So what", watching Ohio State in the Fiesta Bowl would be much better. Wrong - on top of a great dinner and wonderful entertainment, there will be many different awards, great fellowship, and a presentation of some of the Lodge's history. This is all great stuff but to make the night even more worth your coming, you get a great patch, which will be a collector's item. It is the first in a multi-flap series coming out next year, commemorating Sipp-O's 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary. You will not be able to purchase the 2003 Winter Banquet Flap separately after the event. The Early Bird reservation is \$15 due before December 20, after this date the cost will be \$20, which **MUST** be paid by December 26. No reservations will be accepted after December 26.

This great event will happen on January 3 with registration beginning at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the Foltz Community Center, 224 North Wood Street, East Canton, Ohio. So, make your reservation now, because this is surely an event you will not want to miss.

If you have any questions, you can e-mail me at [krbmgb@raex.com](mailto:krbmgb@raex.com), Ross Miltner at [rpmguy@hotmail.com](mailto:rpmguy@hotmail.com) or call the Council Office.

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Brain Bailey  
Winter Banquet Chairman



**Lodge Chief**



**Ross Patrick Miltner**

Meet Lodge Chief Ross Miltner. Ross is a senior at Hoover High School this year and resides in North Canton. He is an active member of Troop 126. His past troop positions include Patrol Leader, Den Chief, SPL (twice), OA troop Rep. (current). He entered the Lodge in the fall of 1998, Brotherhood in the summer of 1999 and Vigil Honor in the summer of 2002.

Past Lodge positions held: Seneca District Chief, Recording Secretary, Activities Vice Chief and currently Lodge Chief.

His favorite OA activity is Ordeals and his favorite Lodge committee is Indian Activities.



**District Roundtable Meetings**

The Order of the Arrow holds a meeting at the monthly District Roundtables. All Arrowmen are welcome and encouraged to attend. Contact your Scoutmaster for time and location.

**Service Chairman/Winter Banuquet Chairman**



**Brian Bailey**

Brian is a freshman at Hoover High School, where he participates in Mini-Golf Club and German Club, as well as many various other activities. Brian is a Life Scout and the Senior Patrol Leader of Troop 12.

His scouting activities include JLTC, OA and camping. In OA, Brian is the past recording secretary and is active in ceremonies.

This is Brian's second year on the Executive Committee.



**Do your Dues**

As the year draws to a close, it's time for all good Sipp-O's to reaffirm their commitment and pay their Lodge dues for the upcoming year. New Ordeal members dues are paid through 2003. The rest of us need to break out that checkbook, write a check for \$7 and send in the dues from located on page 3.



*What do you call Santa's helpers?  
Subordinate Clauses*



### Schedule Of Events

Winter Banquet.....January 3  
 OA Elections ..... January 1 – May 15  
 Conclave..... May 16-18  
 Spring Ordeal.....June 6-8

### List of Officers with Phone Numbers

Lodge Chief	Ross Miltner	330-966-4978
Ad. Vice Chief	Matt Long	330-287-3000 ext. 5538
Vice Chief Activities	Chip Ronning	330-497-1449
Vice Chief Districts	Chris Esber	330-477-1882
Recording Secretary	Logan Mark	330-698-5906
Treasurer	Chris McIntyre	330-497-0131



Articles for the next issue of  
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### Sipp-O Lodge Officers Elected



Chris McIntyre, Logan Mark, Matt Long, Ross Miltner,  
Chip Ronning, Chris Esber, and Adam Oyer

Sipp-O Lodge kicked off its new year with the election of officers at the Annual Fall Fellowship held at Atwood Lake.



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Philip Oyer ..... Editor in Chief  
 Ross Miltner..... Lodge Chief  
 Jim Holman .....Lodge Advisor  
 Dan Wagner ..... Staff Advisor

### Sipp-O Lodge #377 Reservation Form Winter Banquet January 3, 2003

Please mail completed form, along with your check, by December 26, 2002 to:

Buckeye Council, BSA  
 2301 13<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
 Canton, Ohio 44708

Troop \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Winter Banquet: \$15 (before December 20) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winter Banquet: \$20 (after December 20) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dues for Year 2003: \$7.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

### Chiefly Speaking

My brothers, when the time came for me to write this, my very first "Chiefly Speaking" article, it made me stop and think. Not think about what to write exactly, but to think that I even get to write this article; that I am Lodge Chief.

I certainly never would have guessed when I was getting tapped out at summer camp four years ago that I would one day be the leader of the Lodge. It was, I guarantee it, the last thing on my mind as I toiled and labored at my Ordeal. It also had nothing to do with my becoming a Brotherhood member. I never really meant to become so active in the Order of the Arrow either. In fact, it was a full year after my Ordeal until I even came to another OA event. And yet, here I am today. Sure, I had some lucky breaks along the way: meeting important people, going to various events, winning certain elections to take on different offices, etc. But there is nothing special about my story. Four years ago I was just a random scout, one of over a hundred brand new Lodge members that year, who read an article in a *Stag* just like this one and decided to give OA a try. I came to an event, a Fall Ordeal, a whole year after my own Ordeal. Well, something must have clicked because they have not been able to keep me away ever since!

So to all you members out there who are new in the Lodge, have not gotten active before, or maybe don't know what OA is even all about, it's never too late to get involved. Start out easy by coming to one of our events (like the Winter Banquet coming up on January 3) and give OA a try. Sure, you might not like it, but I'd be willing to bet that you will find something in the Order of the Arrow that will interest you. I know I did!

As we celebrate the 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Sipp-O Lodge #377 this year, we will be reflecting on our Lodge's past, enjoying the present, and building for a bright future. I look forward to a wonderful new year of growth and prosperity for our Lodge, and I am honored to be your Lodge Chief for what I know will be an outstanding year for us all!

Yours in Brotherhood,  
Ross P. Miltner, Lodge Chief

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