

# The Stag

The Elogamgussit of Sipp-O Lodge #377



## Brian Seeton Presented With Distinguished Service Award

In 1940, the Distinguished Service Award was created to honor those who render service to the Order beyond the lodge level. The award is presented to those Arrowmen who have rendered distinguished and outstanding service to the Order on a sectional, area, regional, or national basis. It is given primarily for dedicated service to the Order and Scouting over a period of years. Less than 750 Arrowmen have ever received the DSA.

Brian Seeton is from Kent, Ohio, and the Buckeye Council. He is an Eagle Scout and Assistant Scoutmaster in Troop 25. Brian has served as a two-term Sipp-O Lodge Chief and Section Chief of C-5A. He has given extensive service to the OA Voyage at Northern Tier since its inception, including three years as a member of the administrative team and two years as Director. "Brian's quiet and selfless leadership sets the example for Voyage staff and participants," says his nomination. He is the only person from Buckeye Council to have received the Distinguished Service Award. Currently Brian serves as the Associate Section Adviser.

## Conclave's a Coming!!

Submitted by Christopher Esber, Conclave Chair

Remember how you read way back in August that Sipp-O Lodge was hosting this year's Conclave? Well, it is only a few months away and we need to get this show on the road. This is an event we host every 10 years, at which arrowmen from 9 other lodges join for a weekend of great fun! We have formed several committees which you may assist in the next few months. The Conclave is May 20 -22 at Seven Ranges, and we need outstanding attendance from our Lodge. Our goal is to have 100 Sipp-O Arrowmen, and I feel that this is attainable with your support. First, we need to schedule all elections. Ask your scoutmaster if he has been contacted for an election, and if not, call your District Chief and tell him to quickly schedule an OA election. It is vital that each troop supports this Conclave and promotes it to all of the Arrowmen in the troop. We will be performing an Ordeal May 6-8. It is important that newly elected members attend this Ordeal so that they can come enjoy our Conclave. Sipp-O's Conclave is loaded with fun events such as an Indian Village, shows, live-performers, games, and other special events. I know that we can make this Conclave a success, and with your help, we can make it rock!



## Killbuck District OA Spring Banquet

The third annual Killbuck District OA Spring Banquet will be held at the Amish Door, Wooster on Thursday, March 31. Dinner will begin at 6 p.m. Cost for the banquet will be \$14. For more information contact Andy Mark at 330-698-5906.

### Schedule of Events

- OA Elections ..... Jan. 1 – May 15
- Lodge Training ..... March 5
- Indian Activities Try-outs..... March 5
- Conclave Work Day ..... March 19
- One Day of Service ..... April 2
- Spring Ordeal ..... May 6-8
- Conclave Work Day..... May 14
- Conclave..... May 20-22
- Hutch's Day/Spring Fellowship ... June 11

## WE WANT YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS

Sipp-O Lodge is going to put together a database of members' e-mail addresses. This list will be used for sending out notification of Lodge events and any other important Lodge info. To be added to the list, send an e-mail to Ken Flanagan at achpamsin@direcway.com. In the subject line type "Sipp-O e-mail address". In the text of your message please include your name so we know who it is from.

If you change addresses in the future, please notify us immediately. We need everyone's cooperation to make this work. Thank You.

Travis Oyer  
Lodge Membership Secretary

## Interested in Indian Activities? We Need You!!!

If you have ever participated in any of Sipp-O's Indian ceremonies, or if you want to get involved in this activity, chairman Jeremy Blanton wants you! There will be a meeting on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM at the Buckeye Council Service Center in Canton for all youth & adults who wish to be involved. At this meeting, teams will be organized, try-outs & rehearsals will be held, & parts will be assigned. People are needed for all positions including trail personnel & adult advisers. We will also do some much-needed regalia maintenance. Contact Jeremy at 330-866-9121 for more information.

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- Logan Mark ..... Lodge Chief
- Jim Cassler..... Lodge Advisor
- Ron Onslow ..... Staff Advisor

## Unit Elections

Submitted by Chris Bartos

Scouts & Scoutmasters – have you had your OA Unit Election yet? Is it scheduled? If you have – thanks a lot! If not, you may call your District Chief (numbers enclosed in roster), or if there is not a District Chief for your district, please call me, Chris Bartos, at 330-478-2530. Please plan on getting your elections finished by mid April.

It is encouraged that you allow your elected scouts attend the Spring Ordeal to get camp ready for Conclave in May. If they still want public recognition, it will still be possible to be tapped out at Summer Camp even if they already attended Spring Ordeal.

For all Arrowmen, we still need District Chiefs for Wapa and Neta districts. If you're interested - call me.

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**NOTICE.....**

Anyone willing to volunteer to fill the vacancies on this list please contact Logan Mark for the youth positions and Jim Cassler for the adult positions.

## We're Sorry, New Members

For our newest members just inducted last summer, this is your first issue of "The Stag". An unfortunate clerical error resulted in your information being omitted from the mailing list. We are very sorry about this occurrence, and want you to know that we really do want you to be involved in our program. In fact, we feel so strongly about this, we are extending this offer. Since new members did not have the opportunity to purchase the 1st in the series of 2005 event patches at the Winter Banquet, they will be available while supplies last ONLY to new members, and ONLY to those who attend the Spring Ordeal. Don't miss this chance to secure one of these great patches! Plan on attending the Ordeal and the Conclave, and seal your membership in our Order.

*Jim Cassler, Lodge Adviser*

## Conclave Registration

Visit <http://conclave.aa-c4a.org> to register on-line for the Conclave as well as view the schedule of events, directions, order patches, and program areas.

## Dues are Due

New Ordeal members, your dues are already paid through 2005 which was part of your Ordeal cost. The rest of us need to write out a check for \$7 and send it in to the Council office, if you have not already done so, with the form located below.

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## 2005 Sipp-O Patch Set

Submitted by Logan Mark

With the new year now upon us, Sipp-O Lodge has begun issuing a new, four patch set that will be released throughout 2005. This patch set will include each ceremonial character, one for each patch. The set debuted at this year's Winter Banquet, where the Nutiket patch was released. The next, the Kichkinet patch, is set to be available to all Arrowmen that participate in the Spring Ordeal & Section Conclave. Then, Meteu will be released for those who attend, go through, & aid the Fall Ordeal. The final patch, Allowat Sakima, will be available for all of those that attend the Fall Fellowship.

These are the only opportunities to acquire these rare patches. They will not be offered anywhere else and extras will not be available as they are only a limited issue for each patch. So make sure to attend all your Sipp-O Lodge events throughout the year and collect each ceremony character. Happy Patch Collecting!

## Check Out the Sipp-O Website

Check out the Sipp-O website for postings of past issues of *The Stag*, requirements for the Ceremony Team Jacket patch, and how to earn your activity beads.

The address is -- <http://sipp-o.aa-c4a.org>

### Sipp-O Lodge #377 Reservation Form

Please mail completed form, along with your check to:  
Buckeye Council, BSA, 2301 13<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Canton, Ohio 44708



Troop \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_

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

Killbuck District Spring Banquet: \$14 \_\_\_\_\_

Spring Ordeal for members: \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

Dues for Year 2005: \$7 \_\_\_\_\_



# Chiefly Speaking

My Brothers,

With the Conclave rising before us like a sunrise in the morning, Sipp-O is hard at work

preparing for one of the largest events in the new century. Pieces of the puzzle are starting to come together, and a larger picture for the process is beginning to come into view. Now, the step that we need to take is to take action and begin constructing the Best Section Conclave since the last one Sipp-O hosted!!

The time is now to take up arms and show the entire section what Sipp-O is made of. Your contribution and support are greatly appreciated and welcomed for the Conclave. We need a lot of Sipp-O Arrowmen to hit this battlefield, so your presence and hard work will be well rewarded and appreciated. Only you can help us engrave Sipp-O into scouting history (again!)



So if you are looking forward to one of the most enjoyable, more exciting highlights in your scouting career, I encourage you to take part in the Section Conclave this year. We

always welcome new faces, and I guarantee, that you will walk out of the weekend having just had one of the greatest times of your life. So bring a friend, bring many friends! The more the merrier, and insure that the Sipp-O hosted Section Conclave for 2005 is a complete, total, and extremely fun experience.

Also, we have just finished up our Winter Banquet and released our first patch "Nutiket" in our four-patch character set. We thank all those that attended the banquet, and look forward to seeing all those that attend the Conclave as well. Our second patch in the set "Kichkinet" will only be available to those who attend the Spring Ordeal & the Conclave, so I encourage you, make it to the Conclave to be one step further in completing your patch set.

That's all for now. May the spirit of the Great Chief and Scoutmaster be with you always.

In Brotherhood,

Logan J. Mark  
Lodge Chief

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