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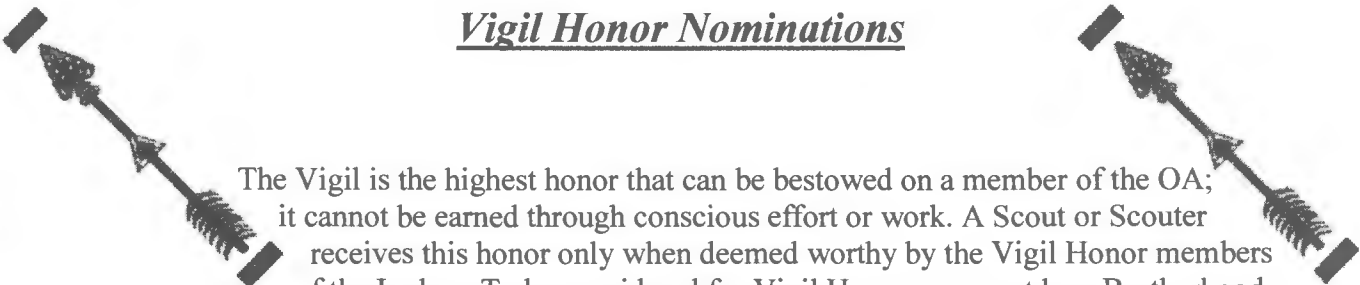
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Sipp-O Lodge #377

Buckeye Council, BSA
November, 2007

Next Event

**Lodge Leadership Development Conference December 2nd
2:00 PM until 7:00 PM Buckeye Council Headquarters**

Vigil Honor Nominations



The Vigil is the highest honor that can be bestowed on a member of the OA; it cannot be earned through conscious effort or work. A Scout or Scouter receives this honor only when deemed worthy by the Vigil Honor members of the Lodge. To be considered for Vigil Honor you must be a Brotherhood member for a minimum of two years and a dues paying member in good standing in Sipp-O Lodge. As a reminder all eligible Brotherhood members should ensure their dues are current before January 1, 2008.



Lodge Leadership Training

Come join us at 2: 00 PM on Sunday December 2, 2007 for our annual lodge leadership training. This training is essential for getting all district election teams trained and ready for the upcoming elections and camping promotions that our district OA teams perform every year. Not only is this training essential to keep our lodge membership growing, it is also a key element in completing our annual quality lodge requirements. All Executive Committee members are expected to attend, and all members at large are encouraged to attend to work together to complete our many service items in the upcoming year.



Elections



Attention Arrowmen! Would you like to help Scout candidates join our beloved lodge this year? Would like to help your district election team? Would you like to be more involved in the Lodge, but you're not quite sure how? Then contact your District Chief and/or attend your next District Roundtable to get more information on how you can be a part of the election process this year, and help strengthen our leadership in the Buckeye Council.

Troop Representatives

Arrowmen, have you been wondering what the OA is doing? Would you like a leadership position in your troop? Ask your Scoutmaster or District Chief about the Troop Representative program. Arrowmen are invited to all monthly District Roundtables to learn about all the activities our Lodge is planning. Your job is then to take that information back to your troop.

2007 Fall Fellowship

The Fall Fellowship was held September 28-30 at Seven Ranges. The weather, food, and fellowship were excellent!

The Sipp-O Lodge Officers elected for 2007 -- 2008 are as follows:

Lodge Chief- *Jon Reisdorf*
 Administrative Vice Chief- *Mike Decomo*
 Vice Chief of Activities- *Ben Miller*
 Vice Chief of Districts- *Heath Manbeck*
 Membership Secretary- *Brian Lescallett*
 Treasurer- *Robert Waters*
 Congratulations to all newly elected officers



Winter Banquet January 5, 2008

Brothers,

The Winter Banquet is just around the corner and is scheduled and will be held once again at the Skyland Pines Country Club located at 3550 Columbus Road NE in Canton 44707. We will start the evening at 6:00 PM with hors d'oeuvres, dinner will be served at 7:00 PM, and we will

close the evening with public recognition of the 2007 Vigil Class, Founders and annual awardees.

Above is a drawing of the Winter Banquet patch that will be passed out to all attendees of the banquet. This will be a white ghosted patch with a chromatic blue snowflake behind our totem. Once again the cost of the banquet is \$17.50 and the form to complete and mail in with your payment is attached at the end this edition of the Stag.

Annual Event Pass Offered Once Again

Are you tired of trying to remember to mail in your money to the council office to let it be known that you will be attending the Spring Fellowship, Spring Ordeal, Spring Ordeal, Fall Ordeal or the closing Fall Fellowship of the year? Then here is the perfect opportunity to alleviate that problem. An annual event pass, just pay one price and you are paid for the previously mentioned events for the entire year. Youth electing to purchase an annual event pass will save a total of ten dollars over the entire year. The cost \$50 for youth, \$60 for adults, purchase your annual event pass prior to or at the Winter Banquet and also receive the annual event patch exclusively given only to members who purchase this pass. Also back by request will be the special edition Kimi Milan patch awarded to all who choose to donate a minimum of \$50 to the youth scholarship fund.

Brian Lescallet, Membership Secretary



Chairmen Needed

If you were not elected to an office and are willing to serve your lodge in leadership there are many positions as committee chairmen or committee members contact Jon Reisdorf at jreisdo2@kent.edu. Open positions include Indian Activities, Brotherhood, Service, Elangomat, Vigil, Ordeal Master, Trading Post, Ox Roast and Commissary.

Include your name, email address, district and a brief explanation of how you would be successful at the job.

Quality Lodge in 2007

Sipp-O Lodge has reached the lofty goal of Quality Lodge in 2007; this is a fantastic accomplishment in that this has now been achieved in back to back years. This opens doors to scholarships from the National Order of the Arrow and the key elements that are required to attain quality lodge help us to build our membership and become a more responsible lodge to our camp, council and the community. See a member of the executive committee to see what service you can perform in our trek to attaining this goal in the year 2008.

Area Leadership Training Conference

Our Lodge Chief Jon Reisdorf and Doug Krantz along with three adult members of the lodge attended the weekend long training conference at Camp Lazarus located in Delaware, Ohio. They were joined by member of both the C5A and C5B sections of the Central Region. Many classes were available during this conference that included conducting and excellent LLDC, holding elections and how to write your own training syllabus for a training program.

The Section C5A Council of Chiefs also met at the end of the weekend to conduct normal business and to make final plans for the upcoming 2008 Conclave. Details of the Conclave will be provided at a later date.

Sixty Years of Service

Were you aware that in 2008 Sipp-O Lodge will be celebrating sixty years of service to our Boy Scout Council and Camps? In honor of the anniversary we will also be offering a commemorative patch to celebrate this milestone of service. These will be available at the Winter Banquet.



Chiefly Speaking

My Brothers,

Well it is official. Our lodge has received Quality Lodge honors for a second straight year. A special thanks to all included in achieving this esteemed title. The first step was the positive membership we received, thanks to all dues paying members. These annual fees are due again and paying is the best and easiest way to help all of us make it three straight Quality years. Most of our Lodge leadership positions have been filled and we are step up to have a fabulous year. If you are interested in taking a more meaningful role in the Lodge talk to your Scoutmaster about serving as the OA Troop Representative. This is a very crucial role to be filled so OA members in your troops do not miss out on the wonderful events on the horizon.

Our first event on schedule is our LLDC which is a training event for our leadership position holders so they can provide you with a great year. After this is the Winter Banquet which is also your last opportunity to purchase an Annual Event Pass. You will notice in this issue you can pay for the Banquet and the Event Pass as well as your annual dues! Could things be any more convenient? We are geared up for a great year and it is all set up by your participation. Remember Brothers, those who choose you need you.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Jon Reisdorf
Sipp-O Lodge Chief



Editors Notes

If you would like to submit an article for the Stag or have comments or questions contact Nicholas Kuhns at oa@troop38bsa.org



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2301 13th Street NW
Canton, OH 44708

Troop Number: _____

District: _____

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

City, St, Zip: _____

e-mail: _____

Ordeal Brotherhood Vigil Member
(circle one) Year: _____

Annual Event Pass (Youth \$50) _____

Annual Event Pass (Adult \$60) _____

Kimi Milan (Youth Scholarship \$50) _____

Winter Banquet (\$17.50 due December 28, 2007) _____

Dues for 2008 (\$10 due December 31, 2007) _____

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