


~ THE STAG ~

Sipp-O Lodge 377

November 2011

Great Opportunity



There is a great opportunity being offered to Sipp-O Lodge Arrowmen. We have two \$425 scholarships for next year's NOAC (July 30 - August 4 at Michigan State University) being offered by an anonymous party. One will be for an Ordeal, and the other for a Brotherhood member. If only Ordeal members apply, both scholarships will be offered to Ordeal members. Likewise, if only Brotherhood members apply, both will be given to Brotherhood members.

The **deadline is December 30**. No essays will be accepted after this date.

To apply for a scholarship, send a 400-500 word essay on "What the Order Of The Arrow Means To Me" to: In Care of Paul Cice

5734 Birchvale SW
Canton, Ohio 44706

Also, any Arrowman who is interested in attending NOAC, and has a financial issue, please contact me. There may be some additional assistance available through the Lodge.

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Eric Prather, Meschatamen
Hetuck Chapter Co-Advisor

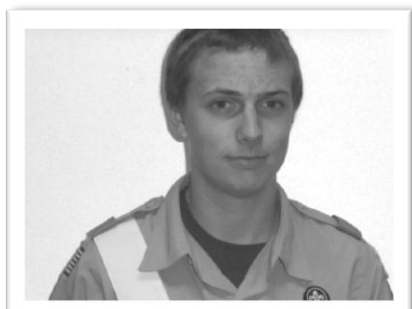


Schedule of Events

Winter Banquet	January 7
Spring Fellowship	March 23-25
C-4a Conclave	May 18-20
Spring Ordeal	June 1-3
Fall Ordeal	August 10-12
Vigil Reunion	September 8
Fall Fellowship	September 21-23

Save the Date

Join us for the Winter Banquet, January 7, 2012 at St. Johns United Church of Christ in Dover, Ohio. Look for more details and reservation form in the December *Stag*.



James Lovett, Lodge Chief

Meet Sipp-O's New Lodge Chief

My name is James Lovett, your Lodge Chief for the coming year. I am an Eagle Scout and a member of Troop 51 in the Sandy Beaver District.

One goal for the upcoming year is to bring in new members and encourage current members to become more involved in our projects and activities. Another goal is to achieve Quality Lodge for the sixth year . . . and have fun doing it.

My first experience with the OA was tap out. I came away with a sense of awe that the OA can be so serious and awesome yet you can still have fun. Of all the OA activities my favorites are the Fellowship.

I was asked to tell something about myself that people don't know and what is my dream job after school. These two answers for me go hand in hand. I plan to join the Air force after high school graduation and would like to work on fighter jet computer systems.



Recap

Just wanted to let you all know a little bit about our Fall Fellowship held September 23-25 at Seven Ranges Scout Reservation. We were again able to partner with the Busy Beavers and the Good Turn Troops by providing lunch for all the workers. I am pleased to report that everyone went away happy and full of delectable Sipp-O roast beef.

Fellowship can be accomplished in many different ways. We were able to continue to fellowship and to serve our camp by working together on finishing the roof over the flammables building at the Maintenance area. Some of our Arrowmen also visited our Brotherhood sites and surveyed them for repairs and updating.

Although we were challenged with a lower than normal turnout, we were still able to elect a full complement of officers. We are excited about our new officers and some of the ideas that came from talking over our future goals for the Lodge.

During the evening on Saturday, we remembered our friend Michael Shollenberger. We enjoyed seeing his patch collection and reminiscing about our past times with him. Some of the younger Arrowmen were fascinated with the many patches around the room. I believe that new collectors were developed during that time.

Please take time to get to know and talk with our new officers. Always know, that as a member of the Lodge, you are invited to come and fellowship with us at a meeting or event anytime. As you can see from the above report, we enjoy fellowship in all of its many forms. Please come and be a part of the great times that we enjoy as Sipp-O Lodge.

Hope to see you at the Winter Banquet.

WWW
Tony Miller



H.A.W.K.

Dear Fellow Arrowmen,

My name is Collin Appleby and I would like to inform you of the H.A.W.K. ceremony. This ceremony is performed by the OA and since last year has become very popular. James Lovett was the Vice Chief last year and really picked it up off its feet. I can say this because I was recruited as the ceremonial chief. A lot of time and work was put into the program and the ceremony has now become more than what any Cub Scout could hope to see.

The other ceremonialists and I had lots of fun going down every Tuesday and Friday to prepare and perform the H.A.W.K. ceremony. However, next summer there will be a shortage of ceremonialists. I plan on staying involved with the program and helping to train future ceremonialist. If there are any dues paying Order of the Arrow members that are interested in joining the H.A.W.K. program, please send the Lodge Chief an e-mail at Jlove7714@gmail.com.



Dear Fellow Arrowmen,

There is a very important need for ceremonialist. For those wishing to become more active in the OA this is a great opportunity.

If you, or anyone you know, are interested in participating in the Lodge's Indian Activities please contact the Lodge Chief at Jlove7714@gmail.com. Training will start in early spring for the summer's ceremonies.

Several ceremony teams are needed and all help would be greatly appreciated.



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Trading Post News

New T-Shirt Design Sought

Attention Sipp-O members! We are looking for a new t-shirt design for the Lodge. If you have any artistic abilities or have seen a design you like elsewhere, please submit it to Sipp-O Lodge at the Buckeye Council. I ask that you include your name and contact information. The winning entry will receive a free t-shirt with the new design.

Submitted by,
Andy Mark



Tony Miller Your Lodge Advisor

My name is Tony Miller. I work for the Timken Company as an electrical planner at the Gambrinus Steel Plant. I currently enjoy raising four children, Ben, Alexandria, Nathaniel, and Andrew with my wife Kim. We just recently celebrated our 24th year of marriage and make our home in Plain Township.

I am part of the Hetuck District serving as a Committeeman for Boy Scout Troop #127. During the 2011-2012 Boy Scout year, I will continue to serve Scouting in the Buckeye Council as the Order of the Arrow Lodge Adviser for Sipp-O Lodge.





Chiefly Speaking

I am James Lovett,
the new Lodge Chief for
Sipp-O Lodge #377 for
2011-2012. We would
like to see any and all of
the Arrowmen at our
events. The Lodge
Executive Committee

meets on the third Thursday of every
month at the Buckeye Council Service
Center at 7 p.m. All Arrowmen are invited,
and encouraged, to attend and support
your district Order of the Arrow group. We
would also like to reach out to the Order
of the Arrow troop representatives.

We put on ceremonies every
Wednesday night at summer camp
throughout the season. Anyone who is
interested in helping with the ceremonies
would be greatly appreciated. The Order of
the Arrow is a service organization and we
are always looking for ways to help out.

Check the Stag and our website for
upcoming events. If you have any other
questions please contact me.

Jlove7714@gmail.com, call or text 330-
949-9969, or see the Sipp-O Lodge
Facebook page.



A Message from Our Lodge Advisor

Hello everyone,

My name is Tony Miller, I am the Order of the Arrow Lodge Advisor for Sipp-O Lodge.

You may have had the opportunity to work with Sipp-O this past year. We have tried very diligently to build relationships with various Scouting groups.

During the first half of the year, I hope you had a chance to meet one of our OA Teams. We visited many troops promoting summer camp and holding elections in to the Order. We also attended Cub Scout pack meetings, performed crossover and Arrow of Light Ceremonies and a few Court of Honors. You may also have seen us at various Council events. We helped with training sessions and have been in support roles serving the various committees that make these great events happen in our Council.

At Seven Ranges Summer Camp, we traded our uniforms for Indian costuming. Each week we performed H.A.W.K. ceremonies for the Cubs at Camp Akela. At Camp Algonkin, on Wednesday evenings we had the pleasure of recognizing honored campers with the Call Out Ceremony and for those who were ready to make a deeper commitment, we performed the Brotherhood ceremony. We were also able to recognize 10 individuals, 5 youth and 5 adults, who went beyond the call of duty. They were recognized at Wednesday evening retreats and attended a Vigil weekend this fall.

This year, during District Roundtables, we continue to encourage our District OA leadership to provide programming and opportunities for Scouts to get more involved.

This is a great way for someone new to the Order to make friends and find out about the many opportunities for involvement. We also found this a great place to network with the many Scouting groups in our area.

One of our success stories involves partnering with the Busy Beavers. We were able to pool monetary resources, along with our personal effort, to provide a full course steak dinner for the United States Marines that served our camp so well this year. We served over 60 meals and there were many smiles and full bellies as we enjoyed getting to know each other better. One elder Scouter commented that his meal was the best that he was ever served at a Scout camp.

At the end of September of this year, we went through an election process and were able to elect a full complement of Lodge leaders. We will spend the next several weeks training and preparing these Scouts to serve as we look forward to another year of involvement.

For us, as a Lodge, next year will truly be one of new beginnings. Our desire is to be more active in some of the High Adventure opportunities available to OA members. Look for us to travel to the National Order of the Arrow Conference (N.O.A.C), during August 2012. We also have interests in being a part of service groups to the Summit Bechtel Reserve, Philmont, Northern Tier and Sea Base and will participate in our National Jamboree in 2013.

The next exciting event to attend will be our Sipp-O Lodge Winter Banquet held January 7, 2012. Please save the date. We will post details on our Council website.

I am glad you took a few moments to read about The Order of the Arrow. Please consider this letter my personal invitation to you to come and be involved in the many ways that we serve. Bring a fellow member and get involved.

WWW
Tony Miller
Sipp-O Lodge Adviser



The Cub Scout program is loosely patterned on the Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling. Below is one of my favorite writings by Kipling. I hope you will find inspiration in reading this poem.

Tony Miller.

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By Rudyard Kipling

*If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or, being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or, being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;*

*If you can dream - and not make dreams your master;
If you can think - and not make thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with triumph and disaster
And treat those two imposters just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to broken,
And stoop and build 'em up with wornout tools;*

*If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings
And never breath a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on";*

*If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with kings - nor lose the common touch;
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you;
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run -
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And - which is more - you'll be a Man my son!*



2012 Officers

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Vice Chief of Districts

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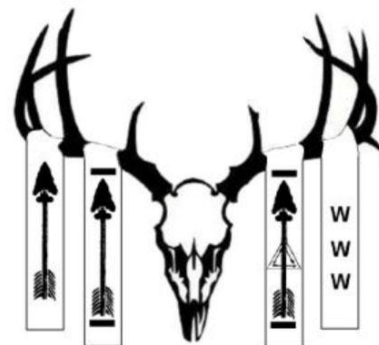
Cameron Turner

Recording Secretary

Zach Myers

Treasurer

Kevin Bhe





Are you ready for fellowship and competition with 8,000 OA Arrowmen? Start planning now for NOAC at Michigan State University July 30-August 4.

The cost is \$420 for a week of living in a college dorm, eating in a campus dining hall, and big arena shows almost every night. Join in the fun with fellow Lodge members at next summer's NOAC

You can register for a spot beginning at the Winter Banquet. A \$100 non-refundable deposit is required when you register, and the remaining cost is due by May 24. Questions? Contact Andy Mark at andymark@sssnet.com

More information is available at <http://www.event.oa-bsa.org/events/n2012/>.



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