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Sipp-O Lodge 377

June 2012



Chiefly Speaking

The Lodge is doing well and running smoothly. Conclave was a blast and our youth were able to take advantage of the classes put on by the Section.

The summer camp season is upon us. We will need ceremonialists and trail runners. Anyone who wants to help out is more than welcome to come down any Wednesday for Call Out or Brotherhood.

The Hawk Ceremony will also need ceremonialists. Anyone interested should come down any Tuesday or Friday.

A word of thanks to Mr. Tancer from Sandy Beaver District for making the new Hawk totem for the circle.

James Lovett

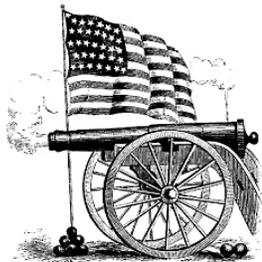


Ordeal

June 1 - 3

Ordeal is the time to come and serve your brothers. Come out on June 1-3 at Seven Ranges Scout Reservation, 7070 Meter Road, Kensington, Ohio 44427 to help lead candidates for Order of the Arrow.

Come be an Elangomat and teach the next generation of Arrowmen. Hope to see you there.



Schedule of Events

Spring Ordeal..... June 1-3
NOAC..... July 31 – August 4
Fall Ordeal August 10-12
Vigil Reunion.....September 8
Fall Fellowship September 21-23



Indian Activity

Help Needed

This summer we will be in need of OA members to assist with Wednesday nights for the Call Out Ceremonies. Members are encouraged to come up to the IA building (attached to Handicraft) after flag lowering. Bring black shorts, moccasins, and your sash.

Collin Appleby



Elections

The Districts are finishing the rest of the elections. Neta's elections are scheduled and should be done soon. The deadline for the election forms has past. If you still have not turned in your forms please call the Buckeye Council office or Tony Miller.

Jeff Barr
District Vice Chief



Cub Crossovers

As of the beginning of May the Lodge has performed crossovers. The breakdown is six crossovers done by Hetuck having 20 members assisting in the ceremonies. Sandy Beaver had five crossovers performed with the help of six members.



Sandy Beaver Spring Camporee

On April 13-15 the Sandy Beaver District OA put on a Spring Camporee with the theme "Safety 3rd". In the planning of this event the OA members hoped for 150 Scouts and leaders to show. After registration there turned out to be more than 200 people total! This was a lot more than what the OA members had expected, but they were very surprised and happy to see a great turn out.

During the weekend OA members took charge of stations that taught Scouting skills to each patrol that went through the station.

Throughout the weekend there were several meetings, including an OA social, Scoutmasters' meeting and awards ceremony. The winning patrol was from Troop 2 with the overall combined highest score.

At the end of the day Saturday, the OA asked the Scouts and Scoutmasters for some feedback on the weekend. Many of them replied with compliments, saying it was one of the best Camporees in a long time. The only real complaint was the rain, although that was out of the hands of the OA.

The District members were also recognized by the Lodge Chief at the Lodge Executive Committee meeting for their accomplishment and success. Even more positive feedback is still being heard as more and more hear about the amazing weekend.

Collin Appleby



Sandy Beaver Crossover Report

Several members of Sandy Beaver's District OA helped with Tuskegee District's Cub Scout campout a few weeks ago. They were asked by the Camp Master and another camp leader to put together a ceremony Saturday night for the Cubs.

With only a few hours before the ceremony, the OA members got a ceremony team put together, gathered regalia, wrote a script, and set up the ceremony. This small honors ceremony was a rushed project that was not intended to be something spectacular. However, the Cubmasters and adult leaders and more importantly the Cub Scouts were wowed by it. They showed great amazement and all left the ceremony with a new interest in Scouting. This makeshift ceremony may become a yearly thing.

Collin Appleby



Sandy Beaver District Report

Within the past year Sandy Beaver District OA has become very recognized in Sipp-O Lodge and the Buckeye Council. Under their new leadership, Collin Appleby, the District has excelled in Lodge activity along with District meeting attendance. They have performed many crossovers and elections.

On a larger note the District also put on a Spring Camporee which got an amazing turnout and review. In Lodge events the Sandy Beaver guys have been seen all over, helping wherever needed and representing the OA very well.

Their service to others upholds the OA's ideals. Not to mention that the Lodge Chief is a member of Sandy Beaver District but there are four Sandy Beaver guys on the Executive Board as well.

Collin Appleby



Section Conclave Report

May 18-20, 2012

A Conclave is an assembly or gathering of like-minded individuals. We meet to encourage each other to greater acts of service. Sipp-O Lodge is a part of a Section called C-4a, covering Eastern Ohio and a small portion of West Virginia. Section C-4a is made up of six Lodges. They are: Cuyahoga, Marnoc, Portage, Onondaga, Sipp-O and Wapashuwi.

This year's Conclave was held in the Onondaga area at Fort Steuben Scout Reservation near Freeport, Ohio. It was renamed "Tronclave" to spotlight the theme for the weekend. There were 169 Arrowmen in attendance. We were camped near beautiful Clendening Lake. The camp accommodated us wonderfully and we enjoyed much good food, fun fellowship and many varied activities throughout the weekend.

Sipp-O sent a group of 24 Arrowmen (16 adults and 8 youth) to take part in the various activities at Tronclave. We were involved as participants as well as staff for some selected areas. James Lovett, our Chief, was involved with writing and editing the Tronclave newsletter. Sipp-O youth led by Duke Cecil and Joshua Slutz assisted with programming some of the special shows held at check-in and again on Saturday evening. During the morning Saturday, most Arrowmen attended training seminars designed to strengthen our leadership skills. We learned much to take back to our home Lodges.

Tony Miller and Ken Lovett helped a group of woodcarvers prepare and assemble the weekend's totem pole. The totem pole was installed at the right side of the stage at the amphitheater and will be a constant reminder of the Order of the Arrow's influence at Fort Steuben. Sipp-O's totem contribution was designed by Collin Appleby and is an image of a stag riding a "troncycle".

Saturday afternoon saw many activities. We hosted a Cub Scout group who were treated with helicopter visits from an

area emergency response team; enjoyed patch trading with new and experienced traders alike and had many games and competitions.

Also on Saturday throughout the afternoon there were ceremony competitions. I am pleased to report that Sipp-O won the Pre-Ordeal Ceremony Competition. To quote Keith Boyer, Ceremony Competition Organizer, "Congrats to the Sipp-O team of James Lovett, Collin Appleby, Jared Withers and Chadd Kasper for winning the Pre-Ordeal Competition at the 2012 Tronclave! The team gave an outstanding performance in both competitions (Pre-Odeal and Brotherhood). Chadd Kasper gave an outstanding performance of Meteu's Legend. Great job guys."

For the evening activities, we all had a great deal of fun at the "Crazy Auction". The auction was designed to raise money to help offset the travel expenses incurred as the Section leadership travels to the various Lodges and to National events. A highlight was seeing our own Jon Reisdorf zipped into a giant backpack, carried around on Section Chief, Mitch Andrew's back. There was over \$750 raised as we all bid on many "crazy" items. To close out the evening, there was a special showing of the movie Tron.

Sunday morning, before we said goodbye, we installed the newly elected Section officers. Congratulations to our new section chief, Ricky Angeletti from Marnoc Lodge. Please check out our section C-4a webpage for a complete listing of new officers.

If you think any of the above sounds fun, please join us as we travel to the next section event.

ALT-C is going to be held
November 2-4, 2012 at
Camp Lazarus in Delaware, OH

Please sign up and join us as we continue to learn to lead by serving others. How many Sipp-O Arrowmen can we send?

Serving together,
Tony Miller





Jon Reisdorf - I like how the kid on the left there has an expression saying, "no big deal. I've seen a guy get carried around in a backpack before..."



OA Service

On May 12 a small rogue group of OA members led by none other than the great Karl Henley went down to Sluggers and Putters in Canal Fulton to assist with a Scout Recruit Day. They helped to set up the event and host a station for activities that included: Frisbee golf, corn hole, and horse shoes.

Throughout the day the OA members continued to help wherever needed and inspired other Scouts, that were there with their Troops, to put on their sashes to represent the OA. Also, at lunch time the Sipp-O boys served lunch to the boys and taught them how to use a pie iron.

After the event ended the OA members continued to serve by helping to take down the stations.

Collin Appleby



A Message from Our Lodge Advisor

Greetings Fellow Arrowmen,

As I write this I am trying to catch my breath and pause before we jump into an action packed summer full of many types of activity. We are fast approaching an end to our election season. Hopefully, your Troop has been visited by a District OA Election

Team. Did you all elect Troop members to be inducted into the Order? By now all Troops should have had an election and those that have elected youth should have turned in an adult candidate application.

Many District Roundtables take the summer off from meetings. This gives everyone a needed break and allows leaders to focus on summer programs. However, it makes communication just a little more challenging. Please do all that you can to find out what is happening over the summer with the Order.

"Those that have called you need you."

By being involved with ceremonies at summer camp, service projects or High Adventure, you can have a great time and also help to advance Scouting ideals amongst your peers.

Remember, in the fall, to come back to those Roundtable meetings, mentioned earlier, and look for the OA program. I am looking forward to coming, meeting with Brothers, new and old, and hearing of the many adventures of our fellow Arrowmen.

This is a National OA Conference (NOAC) year. Sipp-O will travel to Michigan State University during the first week of August. What will we tell the rest of the Nation about the Sipp-O Lodge of Buckeye Council? Please seek out an Arrowman that is attending and send your greetings with him to the other Lodges. You may even be able to make a deal and have him bring back a patch or other memento to be added to your collection.

It is difficult to share with you all of the many activities that keep us busy over the summer. Please read about them in this issue and get out there and be involved. As a member you are welcome and encouraged to attend any activity.

Come and share the bonds of Brotherhood with us as we learn leadership through service.

Serving together and hoping to serve alongside you.

Tony Miller
Sipp-O Lodge Adviser

Sipp-O Reservation Form

Please mail completed form along with your check (made out to Buckeye Council) to:

Buckeye Council BSA
2301 13th Street, NW
Canton, Ohio 44708

Or call to make reservations at 330-580-4272 (Kathy ext. 126)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State: _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____

E-mail _____

District/ Chapter _____

Troop Number _____ Youth or Adult: _____

Please check all that are appropriate:

_____ 2012 Annual Dues (\$10.00) S/L 7682

_____ Kimi Milan Scholarship Fund (\$40.00) S/L 7738

_____ Fall Ordeal (\$15.00 Per Person)



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