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Sipp-O Lodge #377

Founder's Nominating Committee Meeting

There will be a meeting of the current holders of the Founder's Award at the Fall Fellowship immediately after lunch on Saturday to consider nominations for 2013 Founder's Award for Sipp-O Lodge. Written nominations may be submitted by any Lodge member. These should be sealed and presented to the Lodge Adviser or Lodge Chief for consideration by the committee. The Founder's award may be presented by a lodge to a Lodge member for outstanding service to the Lodge above and beyond the duties of any office he might hold.

Schedule of Events

Lodge Executive Committee.... August 15
 Fall Ordeal August 16-18
 Feed the Marines..... August 25
 Vigil Reunion..... Sept. 7-8
 Lodge Executive Committee..... Sept. 19
 Fall Fellowship Sept. 20-22
 Lodge Executive Committee... October 17
 LLDC (new Officer Training)October 18-19
 Alt-CNovember 1-3

Sipp-O Museum

The Sipp-O Lodge Museum will make a grand appearance at the Fall Fellowship. All of the materials in the collection will be available for viewing and discussion. If you have any items for donation, please contact Jim Holman (jholman.2@gmail.com) so the materials can be prepared for display before the event.

Meeting and Election of Officers

Sipp-O Local Rules proposed changes: There will be an Executive Committee meeting and an open meeting of the entire membership at 1:00 pm at the Fall Fellowship to consider changes to our Sipp-O Local Rules (constitution or by-laws). You may view the current Rules and the proposed new Rules on the Sipp-O Museum website (www.sippomuseum.org). Most changes are minor and consist of language corrections and clarifications. There are two new sections: the procedure for selecting members for the Founder's Award, and a section on the Sipp-O Museum. The Rule changes will take place upon approval by a majority of those present in good standing. Only youth are allowed to vote.

Elections for Lodge officers will be held after dinner at 7p.m. Elections will be held for Lodge Chief, Administrative Vice-Chief, Activities Vice-Chief, Vice-Chief of Districts, Membership Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer. Candidates for Lodge Chief must make an appointment and meet with the Supreme Chief of the Fire (Mr. Truax) before the election. Candidates must be current in dues and under 21 for the entire term of office. Nominations will be held after lunch and again before elections begin. A candidate must be present to accept nomination. Only youth and the elections team may attend the election, although all members can attend the noon nomination session. Youth interested in taking responsibility for the Lodge administration should consider running for an office or service as a committee member or chair. Any youth member is eligible to run for any office -- there is no test of honor level or tenure in order to serve.



Brotherhood

Another important activity that is vital to a healthy Lodge is Brotherhood conversion. There are aspects of this important time including The Brotherhood Hike, The Letter and the Knowledge one must retain to become a functioning and active Brotherhood member. Would you consider coming alongside an Arrowman, new or old, and helping them to achieve? There is a wonderful bond that develops between brothers when one says, "come with me and we will do this together".

Indian Activities

We are always looking for new costumes and physical items to enhance our presentations. Recently one of our drums failed and we had to replace the drum head. What a fun project. Elk rawhide was purchased, soaked to soften and then laced and stretched across the frame. The secret is

in using the elk hide. When it dries, it produces a wonderful vibrato sound. Checkout the callout drum the next time you are at camp. The sound is distinctive and I think, the artwork turned out great.

We were also able to purchase two new, readymade double trailer headdresses. One has been reserved for the Vigil ceremonies. What will we do with the other bonnet? District kits are in constant need of updating. Please contact our adult IA adviser, Chadd Kasper (chadd@kasperonline.net) for what it would take to obtain another piece for your kit.

Remember, that during the off-season we all work together to rebuild our kits. Sometimes we tan hides, repair headdresses, sew shirts, cutout and lace moccasins or even boil deer toes to make Ordeal necklaces. Keep an eye out for those crafting sessions.



Officer E-Mail Addresses

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Indian Activities, Jared Crum – sippo.ia377@gmail.com

My Brothers,

As I sit down to write this to you, I am amazed at all the activities that the Order has been involved with during the last few months. Since Spring Ordeal we have been discussing ways to enhance our Elangomat Program. Do you recall the meaning of the Lenni Lenape term Elangomat? It means a friend or one who comes alongside to help. We have identified some areas to work on and have seen renewed interest from both Arrowmen and adult advisers. Be sure to come to the Fall Fellowship to see and hear about how we plan to make the Order stronger by being a better friend to our new inductees.

As always, summer has been a busy time. We began by serving the Cub Scouting Program in the area of Day Camps. For many Cubs this was their first time to see the Indians. Our hope is to continue to serve our little brothers in blue by setting a good example for them to follow and by giving them something to look forward toward as they continue on in Scouting.

Arrowmen had the opportunity to serve first and second year Webelos by performing the H.A.W.K. ceremony on Tuesday and Friday evenings. For the Webelos the ceremony serves as a way to honor accomplishment. For younger Arrowmen it is a chance to gain valuable experience performing a ceremony in front of a group. For some it was their first time performing. We have received many positive comments about their commitment and the quality of the ceremony presented to the Webelos. Thanks everyone for a job well done.

On Wednesday evening at Camp Algonkin, we performed the Call out ceremony. Unfortunately, the weather did not always cooperate. We had to cancel during week 3 and week 4. This led to some discussion on how we could shorten the "Callout" or come up with a weather plan so that a ceremony could continue under cover. We apologize for the inconvenience that the cancellations caused. We will work on a plan that provides for our changeable Ohio weather.

Please know that these cancellations have a negative impact on our Brotherhood conversion rates as well. If you are eligible for Brotherhood, please plan to attend the Fall Ordeal and/or the Fall Fellowship for a final chance this year to convert your membership.

On a more positive note, we were able to call out 6 new Vigil candidates for 2013.

Calling All Vigils-- Please come and celebrate the great accomplishment of your fellow brothers during the Vigil Reunion on September 7-8 at Seven Ranges Scout Reservation.

I have not gotten all the reports back yet. However, Please know that we have brothers: attending Trail Crew at Philmont, serving various Hall of Fame committees (working on our Scouting float and Grand Parade) and preparing to honor our U.S. Marines with a steak fry. We will report on these and other activities as more news becomes available.

I would like to say a special Thank You to all of the Arrowmen that came out to honor our fellow brother, Dan Cheezan who passed away at the beginning of Week Six. I would especially like to thank two adult Advisers, Nathan Steele and Eric Prather for organizing a "Broken Arrow" Ceremony and the two Arrowmen, Ben Haut and Matt Diuk who presented a flawless performance before a very large crowd of mourners. My heartfelt thanks. Well done men. May we remember Dan as one who has gone before us to help prepare the way. We miss you Dan.

On a final note, many changes are on the horizon. Please plan to attend The Fall Fellowship to hear and be a part of moving forward with our great work of service to Scouting and our communities. The Game Bus will be there for us to "play" hard and all of the OA leadership will be there to pass the reins of leadership to next year's slate of officers. Make sure that you are a part of this great movement. Looking forward to being with you all,

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Tony Miller
Sipp-O #377
Lodge Adviser

Marine Steak Dinner

Over the past several years Sipp-O Lodge has sponsored a steak dinner for the Marine Corp of Engineers that help down at Seven Ranges during the spring and summer.

We are looking for volunteers to assist in setting up and serving the dinner to the Marines this year.

The date of the dinner is August 25th at Seven Ranges Dining Hall, the meal is expected to start at 5p.m. We would like to have servers and other volunteers show up between 1p.m. and 3p.m. to prepare the food and facilities.

All those who help will also be given a free steak dinner at the Lodge's expense and are asked to sit and have dinner with the Marines.

If you are interested in helping out please contact Ray Shock via email. Deadline to register to help is August 12.

rayshock4@gmail.com

Indian Activities Recruiting

There is still a need for new ceremonialist! A great way to get involved with the Lodge is participating in ceremonies. There are many different ceremonies throughout the year, including; Ordeal, Brotherhood, Callout, and H.A.W.K. If you are interested please contact me or the Lodge Chief, Collin Appleby.

-Jared Crum

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W.R.C. Hawk Program

At Webelos resident camp the camp honors program, the H.A.W.K. award, is growing in fame. Over the past two years the Order of the Arrow has run the program very well and would like to keep it on the track to success. The program can be a little short-handed sometimes and I encourage

anyone who is interested in participating in the Lodge and ceremonies to start with the H.A.W.K. Ceremony. It is a good way to get a feel for what it's like to be in an OA ceremony, I will also mention that since it is not an official OA ceremony, you do not necessarily need to be a member of the OA to participate.

If you want to paint up and have some fun doing a relaxed Native American ceremony please feel free to contact me.

-Collin Appleby (sippo.buckeye1@gmail.com)

Chiefly Speaking

Summer camp season is almost over and it's gone by fast. Although there were two weeks where Call Out and Brotherhood were cancelled due to weather, I hope you all enjoyed yourselves. I personally apologize for these incidents, I know many were disappointed but we promise not to let you down next year.

Recently there have been several outstanding youth that have stepped up to take on roles in the Lodge, it's not an easy thing to do but you learn that is has its perks and you have a lot of fun along the way. I encourage you all to get involved in some way, whether it be on the Troop, District, or Lodge level. It is nice to see active Arrowmen and greatly helps to show the pride of the Order of the Arrow and Sipp-O Lodge. I welcome you to attend all of our Lodge events including the Fellowships, Ordeals, and Executive Committee meetings. These events are open to all youth and adult Arrowmen and give a better understanding of how the Lodge is run.

Once more, I hope you all had a great summer, keep on reading up about the Lodge and I hope to see you all soon at our next event.

Your Brother In Service,

Collin Appleby

Sipp-O Lodge Chief

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 - **OR** - register online at www.buckeyecouncil.org

Canton, Ohio 44708

Or call to make reservations at 330-580-4272 (Cindy ext 141)

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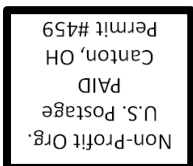
Troop Number _____

Please check all that are appropriate:

_____ Annual Dues (\$10.00) S/L 7682 (If not sure – call Cindy to check if paid)

_____ Fall Ordeal \$15 by August 12 **or** \$20 after August 15 S/L 100210

_____ Fall Fellowship (register online) S/L 100208



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