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Mon., Sept. 1 - Labor Day

Wed., Sept. 3, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting

Thurs., Sept. 11 - Patriot Day

Wed., Sept. 17, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Ladies Appreciation Night

Mon., Sept. 22 - Autumn

Wed., Sept 24 - Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown

Wed., Oct. 1, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting

Brethren! If you would like to come to a Masonic meeting or event and do not have a ride; call us and we will make arrangements! I want to make sure everyone who wants to come has the opportunity to come to our meetings. That includes Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite events and York Rite events.

Our website is now up and operational at http://www.canton60freemasons.com and can be displayed on tablets and smart phones as well your computer. I am making this Masonic web template available to any other Masonic body who wants it as well. If you are on "Facebook" there is a link at the bottom to our "Facebook" page. By the time this article comes out I hope to have a link to a "Youtube" channel, a Linked-In account and a "Twitter" account for the lodge also. This will put us in all the most popular social media sites. This is all part of our goal to keep the lodge going forward into the 21st Century. Some of the new features of the website include a list of all current officers and past masters, the ability to download a petition and an inquiry form to request information about our lodge. There is also a link to "SuggestionOx," which is a website we are using to collect anonymous suggestions on ways to improve the lodge and our meetings. Do you have a great idea on how we can make ourselves better? Please send it in. There are plans in the works to do an electronic newsletter and update our old projector so come on out and see what all the excitement is about. But we will continue using this newsletter and traditional forms of communication, even though there are new things.

To facilitate a better succession plan and since inspection season is now over, the

Senior Warden and Junior Warden will be conferring degrees on any candidate in the degree of their inspection year. This should give them a jump start on learning their parts and keep our officers sharp so that every member of Canton Lodge No. 60 can be proud of them and our lodge.

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Fri., Sept. 12, 5:00 p.m. - McKinley Observance at the National Memorial

**6:00 p.m. –** Dinner in the Masonic Temple Ballroom

7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, By-laws Change an Adoption Voting

Fri., Sept. 19, 6:00 p.m. - Fellow Craft Team Practice, Time is Tentative

Sat., Sept. 20, 6:00 p.m. - Outdoor Lodge Dinner

**7:00 p.m. –** Outdoor Lodge, Master Mason Degree

Mon., Sept. 22 – Autumn

Wed., Sept. 24 - Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown

Fri., Sept. 26, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting

Well Brethren, the summer is almost over and time is clicking by fast. I hope all of you had an enjoyable vacation but now, it's time to get back to work. We have an exciting September planned. We are going to hit the ground hard right away with our McKinley Observance at the National Memorial at 5:00 p.m., Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup> followed by a dinner at 6:00 p.m. at the Temple and then lodge. If you have never witnessed this ceremony, please come out and observe as we honor our lodges' namesake.

Our outdoor lodge this year will be at the same place as always, Greenport Tactical. We will post all the info needed on "Facebook" and all the lodges in the district will receive fliers. This is a very fun event for us so come and watch as we confer the Master Mason Degree by the light of torches and campfires. Bring jackets and chairs, it may get chilly. We will have a Military theme again this year to honor all our veterans throughout all of time; and the food will be great as always. They don't call us "The Belly Lodge" for no reason, my weight was 185lbs. when I became a member....and look at me now.

We had a lodge trip in the beginning of August to the beautiful town of Marietta, Ohio. We visited American Union Lodge No. 1 and had an awesome lunch prepared by their brethren. Wor. Bro. William Reynolds P.M. and the current L.E.O. gave us a tour of the Temple and enlightened us on the early history of the first lodge in the Northwest Territory and also the formation of: The Grand Lodge of Ohio and the first Grand Master.

Then later we boarded a stern wheeler boat for a dinner cruise on the Ohio River after which we retired to the historic Lafayette Hotel. We all had a very good time. A little trivia for you...the name Ohio is a Native American word meaning "Beautiful River."

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Thurs., Sept. 4, 6:30 p.m. – Dinner by Reservation

7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting, Awards and Memorial Night

Thurs., Sept. 11 – Patriot Day

Thurs., Sept. 18, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting

Mon., Sept. 22 - Autumn Begins

Wed., Sept. 24 - Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown

Thurs., Sept. 25, 7:00 p.m. - Special Meeting, Fellow Craft Degree

Thurs., Oct. 2, 7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting, Jobs Daughter Visitation

Greetings Brethren! It's hard to believe that summer has almost passed and autumn is right around the corner. I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer with family and friends but, it is time to resume our labors and concentrate on the remainder of this year as well as our upcoming year.

With that in mind, here is our Trestle Board: September 4th is our Annual Awards and Memorial evening. We will be having dinner before the Meeting so please call Reid McLeod or Brent Bowers for your reservations. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. sharp and the meeting will follow at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 18th, 7:30 p.m. is our second stated meeting. See you there!

Thursday, September 25th, 7:00 p.m. A special meeting to confer the Fellow Craft Degree on two Entered Apprentice Degree Brethren! Please attend! I know these brothers would be proud to have a nice turnout that night.

Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Stated Meeting there will be a visitation from the Jobs

Daughters. These young Ladies have been working very hard and deserve our recognition as well as support, So, lets attend, and show them our Masonic brotherly support! Fraternally,

Reid McLeod, Master

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Mon., Sept. 1 - Labor Day

Thurs., Sept. 4, 4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. – Spaghetti Dinner Served, Public Welcome

Wed., Sept. 10, 5:30 p.m. - Nazir Board Meeting, Attitude Adjustment

6:30 p.m. - Dinner

7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting

Thurs., Sept. 11 - Patriot Day

Sun., Sept. 21, 12:30 p.m. - Trolley leaves "Sarge" Hicks Home

2:00 p.m. - Louisville Constitution Day Parade

Mon., Sept. 22 - Autumn

4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. - Steak Dinner, Public Welcome

Wed., Sept. 24 - Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown

#### Monarchs' Message

Now that summer is nearly over and Nazir Grotto is progressing back into light, we have several things that we're working on for the upcoming month.

We are going to participate in the Supreme Session Toothbrush Program; the date, time and place are to be announced later. We also are getting old "Tommy the trolley" back on track. Several of our members have been working on this project and we hope to have him refurbished in the very near future. New paint job, new tires and some fixing up of the inside will do wonders for the old boy. "Tommy" is an Icon.

Our steak fries will end soon but will start up again next spring. The date will be determined by the weather.

We are still having our spaghetti dinners on the first Thursday of each month. This is a meal that can't be beat for the price and the public is welcome.

The Trolley will also be participating in the Louisville Constitution Day Parade. This event is scheduled for Sunday, September the 21st and we invite all to come out and join in the festivities.

Smile, God Loves You!

#### Dave, Monarch

#### Klown Korner

A Big tip of the Grotto Fez goes to: Bro. Brent Bowers of Trinity Lodge and Nazir Grotto Officers: Reid McLeod, P.M., "Sarge" Hicks and "Sparkie" for the repairs and clean-up/paint-up of old Tommy the Trolley. Once again the best

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Thurs., Sept.11 — Patriot Day
Tues., Sept. 16, 7:00 p.m. — Stated Meeting
Mon., Sept.22 — Autumn
Wed., Sept. 24 — Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown

Hello companions! Hope all went well for you this summer. Yes! It's time to get back to work. We have a busy schedule with new faces in new places. Come join us welcoming our new companions as they proceed through the degrees. Remember those who were there for you! Brotherly love is a big part of Royal Arch Masonry and the friendship after each meeting, is the best there is! Attend the next meeting and find out for yourself.

Bob Habony, H.P.

## Wm. McKinley Lodge No. 431, F. & A. M. Continued from page 3

Brethren all of you know that we lost an "Icon" in our lodge this summer. It seems summer sometimes isn't kind to our lodge; just as it wasn't last summer with the passing of Wor. Bro. Beaver. R. Wor. Bro. William S. Merriman was one of a kind for sure and it will be impossible to replace the void that his passing left behind. His booming voice, his dedication and his mere presence were incredible to say the least. He will be missed however, this is life and we will carry on. We have a great lodge, full of great Masons. We have many "Icons" in our lodge. I just wish I could see more of them on the side lines on Friday evenings. So get your butts back to lodge; that's an order right from the top. The same goes for the newer Brethren! Don't worry about anything; just come back and let us show you what this fraternity is all about. You've invested your time to join, now reap the rewards of your investment. I have some interesting programs coming up! I'm not done!

Remember brethren, we will be voting on the By-laws changes the first stated meeting back on Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup> after the President and Brother, William McKinley Observance program. See you in lodge.

Mark J. Gold W.M.

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Tues., Sept. 16, 7:45 p.m. - Stated Meeting

Mon., Sept. 24 - Autumn

Wed., Sept. 24 - Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown

Tues., Oct. 7, 7:30 – Quarterly Arch Meeting

Hello Companions! I hope you all had a great summer. I am very excited to get back to Masonry. I did a little reading over the summer to better understand the degrees in council. A lot of you will know most of what I learned but I figured I would share a little bit for all the new companions who have joined us last year.

The degrees of the York Rite are classified as Symbolic: (Lodge of Master Masons). Capitular: (Chapter of Royal Arch Masons) Cryptic; (Council of Cryptic Masons) and Chivalric; (Commander of Knights Templar) The Cryptic Rite or degrees derives its name from the setting of the degrees of Royal Master and Select Master Degrees in the underground crypt beneath King Solomon's Temple. The word "cryptic", means hidden. Hence its use in describing the above degrees.

The Super Excellent Degree does not take place in the Crypt but does relate to certain events that involved the Crypt; so it is included. These three degrees are very beautiful and meaningful as they complete the story you started to learn as an entered apprentice.

I look forward to seeing you all again and having a great year.

If you would like to learn more visit the Ohio Grand Council's web page and take the

Cell Courses. They are very informative and free. If you complete them you will receive a certificate of completion from the Grand Council. Log into, ohiocouncil-masons.org for the program.

Larry Haines, Master



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6:30 p.m. - Monthly Dinner Served

Tues., Sept. 16, 8:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting

Mon., Sept. 22 - Autumn

Wed., Sept. 24 - Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown

Greetings Sir Knights! I hope that each of you and your families had an enjoyable summer. Thanks to each of you who help with the dinners for Scottish Rite and also the recent corn roast; it was a great success. Thank you again and we have couple small dinners in the future; I will keep you posted.

We each have friends who belong to our beautiful fraternity. We should ask them to join the York Rite to further their knowledge in Masonry, especially Commandery.

There are a number of changes coming from Grand Commandery this year. We will keep you all informed, better yet, come to our stated meetings and hear first hand. Let's all

continue to work together to make Canton Commandery No. 38 one of the best in the state of Ohio.

Thank you Sir Knights for all you do! Fraternally,

Bill Stratton, Eminent Commander









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Fri., Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Short Form Opening Refreshments: Jim and Mina Jane Groetz

Mon., Sept. 22 - Autumn

Wed., Sept. 24 - Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown

Fri., Sept. 26 - No Stated Meeting, Grand Chapter, Dayton, OH

Grand Chapter will be held in Dayton, Ohio on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 25th, 26th, 27th and 28th, 2014.

We had a wonderful picnic at Pat and Al Slater's farm in July. Al was the chief griller. There was lots of good food and we all had fun playing Bingo after dinner. Even the weather cooperated and all who attended had a good time.

We hope everyone had a wonderful summer and are refreshed and ready to return to our fall meetings. It will be great to see everyone again.

A card was sent to congratulate Jamey and Ashley Groetz on the birth of their new baby girl, Julia Rose. She was also welcomed into this world by her brother and two sisters, Jay, Justine and Jessica on May  $23^{\rm rd}$ , 2014.

Congratulations were also sent to Marc Shefelton on his graduation from seminary which was sponsored by Delta Chapter through ESTARL.

Sympathy cards were sent to Paul Feaser on the death of his father; also to the family's of Janet Hill and Gladys Tripplett, due to the death of her husband.

Get well cards were sent to Carolyn Herrick who is recuperating from a back injury and also to Larry Kerns (Past Grand Matron's husband who served with Trevor Sproul;) who had surgery; also to Dawn Thomas for her surgery; to Heather Norris who has been ill; and also to Diane Phillips who was in the hospital.

If you have not already done so, please see that Pat Slatzer receives your 2014-15 dues. They are \$35.00 and must be paid by October 1, 2014.

There are only three meetings left in our term and they will all be "short form"

openings. We saved them until the end so it would be easier to have all our memorization work done by June.

Johnnie and I are looking forward to seeing you at our September Meeting.

Mina Jane Groetz, W. M. Johnnie Jones, W. P.



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No further communication received for September.

#### Isn't it True?

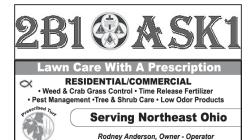
Oh yes we all are Craftsmen, And very proud to be; We wear our little pins and rings For everyone to see.

But let us ask the question, E'en though the thought may sting-Would you know me for a Mason If you did not see my ring?

True men show the Tenets of Our ancient hallowed Creeds: Not just on coat and finger, But by their words and deeds.

There's one thing to remember, If I've learned my lessons well. My deeds are more convincing Than my finger or lapel.

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We are developing a membership committee to help the lodge grow and a committee for brothers in need. If anyone wished to help on those committees please contact me or Gary Dressler the Secretary.

If you have any interest in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, now is the time to petition because they are planning their next reunion October 23<sup>rd</sup> thru October 25<sup>th</sup>. The Shrine is having their next hot sands in November and The York Rite is also accepted new petitions. I have seen huge improvements in all these organizations in the last year.

Canton No. 60 will have a ladies appreciation night Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested in bringing their ladies please RSVP to the secretary or myself. Our ladies are well deserving of this honor since they have supported us through our Masonic endeavors.

Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> will be our annual Chili and Bean Dinner so you'll not want to miss that night. I hope to see everyone in lodge.

Steve Morosko, Worshipful Master

## Nazir Grotto, M.O.V.P.E.R. Continued from page 5

parade unit was near the end. Tommy the Trolley will again be in the Louisville Constitution Parade, Sunday, September 21st. Stepping off time at 2:00 p.m. The Trolley will leave "Sarge" Hicks's home on Hollywood Ave. N.E. at 12:30 p.m. The Nazir Grotto Clown Unit was again shown that the public appreciates us by having our "after the parade breakfast/lunch at the Athens Restaurant's tab, taken care of by local business man: Mr. Tom Schervish. The Nazir Clown's thank him for his generosity and support.

"Sparkie" sparkieincanton1@att.net

#### I'm A Little Coffee Pot - Short And Stout!

Hello there! My name is Gemini, a coffee maker. I live in the main kitchen at the Canton Masonic Temple. You will find me to the left as you come through the kitchen door sitting proudly on a large table with my lights all a blaze. Many a Mason has enjoyed the brew I make as they partake in the many meals served at my home. Lately though, I have not been feeling well as age and neglect has taken their toll. I was reminded of my 20 year age last month and also my condition as a good Samaritan lodge brother stepped forward and donated to my overdue repair. I hope I will feel better soon and look forward to doing my job once again. But, my grandson, Gemini new coffee maker, has his petition waiting and ready for approval if he is needed; and many brethren have stated they will donate to his initiation fee if need be. I'm excited about this!

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## **Editorial for September**



#### By the Editor

Being very depressed and rather disappointed at the attendance in lodge during a meeting where important business was being conducted, I exclaimed, under my breath aloud, "this is pathetic." Since that date, which was not long ago, maybe near the period when the lodge goes dark for the summer, I took the time and started reading, on line, what the "Masonic experts" were writing about the attendance, or lack of, in all lodges as of late. Every one of these Masonic authors stressed and wrote the need for "change." "We must change or we will cease to exist. We need programs to interest the brethren. The lodge should be more open to the community and on and on." Change, change, change. Great! Change what? Everyone suggest change but there is no concrete suggestion for what exactly should be changed. Do we change the lodge name; the meeting time or evening? Change the ritual? (If we do it wouldn't be Masonry any longer.) Add a tavern to the building like in Masonry's early days. Invite dancing girls; show movies; serve dinner before each lodge meeting; get on our knees and beg; what? We have all read the satire of how Masons change light bulbs. Even the "we must changer authors," write this humor. Exploring the term "change" in itself suggests uncertainty; and we are now, without a doubt, in a period of uncertainty. Examining this small publication, nearly 100 years in print, we wonder if we are reaching the brethren who we should; and I ask this very question of myself every month, while struggling through the editing of articles. We search the words of Masonic authors on the internet for interesting articles as fill, only to wonder if anyone reads those articles. Pictures of lodge activities are a big part of many articles, but if the same people reading the Bulletin are those who attended the activity, what does it matter? We do know that some of the most successful programs ever presented in lodge were those where the brethren took an active and direct role in the program such as, educational show and tell, debates on policy and also degree work. Even word games, although youthful in content, are interesting. Programs dealing with yesteryear or the "good old days" are boring for the young, because they have no connection to it and those who are, either attended that activity or are not interested in the "good old days." Health care programs interest the very old but the young don't really give a hoot. Changing the degrees to on screen movies answer the lack of personnel available to confer those degrees but, I wonder if it also encourages the brethren to not attend lodge during the most important meetings, the initiating and raising of the candidates. The one on one trustworthy camaraderie relationship between brethren seems to have gone by the wayside somewhat, because we are not together in lodge as much. We are not as close a nit group as we were. The young candidate, attending the one day classes, takes a look at the elderly Brethren strutting around answering questions like gods, with a ton of brass hanging from their chests, the Fellow Craft, each wearing hats and smocks distinguishing them into their particular duty, all with more brass, the hustle and bustle of keeping the time element on track with people moving in all directions at once, the grandeur of the building they are now thrust into with its secrecy and closed doors everywhere and the element of fear takes hold as to what is going to happen next, and, we never see them again. Even with great change we may never overcome this overwhelming all important, first impression. What to do? Yes we need to change alright. Maybe not so much a change in the lodge structure, as a change within ourselves! After all is said and done, Masonry is



## **Editorial for September**



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a very personal experience to behold. This experience of mortality and becoming a Master Mason is different for each of us. Until each of us admits in his own mind and heart that Masonry, in its entirety, is more than a fraternity, more than a place to go twice a month, more than a group of guys having a night out, more than a learning experience of biblical heritage, more than a big beautiful building in a large city or small town, more than a community status symbol, more than any or all of these; Masonry is an attitude! A dream! A state of mind! An attitude towards all mankind and until we are able to renew our attitude, both young and old alike, we will not change Masonry. Just because Masonry has survived for thousand of years, does not guarantee it will survive today's on-slot of technology and speed. Be aware, as I'm learning, the world has developed from the 19th century of communication and thinking into the 21st century "speed on light" and has accomplished this in less than 50 years. It's as if we skipped a portion of the 20th century and flew into the 21st. There are older citizens who traveled via horse a wagon in their early years and have now witnessed a man walking on the surface of the moon via television. Worldwide communication via a hand held devise was a "Dick Tracy" comic book imagination less than 50 years ago. Now, it's a given to even the very young and companies have taken a photograph of the entire planet. Search "Google Maps!" Many "baby-boomers" have had to scramble to keep up with technical change and it's all in there attitude that makes this change. I wish there was an "app" to automatically zap our attitude on lodge night, only to be shut off when our implanted "bar-code" passes through the lodge room door, "Social media" does not replace the hand shake and smile of brethren meeting one another, it just makes us more vulnerable to mistrust. Attitude! Attitude! Attitude! Masonry has always adopted itself to the world around it; it's just that at this time in history, the world around us has advanced faster than the actual membership rank and file. Granted! Masonry will survive through your lifetime; this selfish statement I have heard many times from others, but how about your children and their children? Shouldn't we be planning a future for them? They may not inherit the most, safe world to exist in because of greed and religious indifference, but at least they should inherit a world with Masonry strong and vital in their lives. Masonry may not be as we know it today, in their lives, but we should make sure there is Masonry available for them. Their own attitudes will determine whether they care to covet it or not, but let that choice be theirs not ours. Attitude is everything. A chosen few cannot do this alone. It takes more than a village or town or country. It takes you! Remember, the most successful programs in the lodge were those where the brethren took an active role; well then get with the program; take an active role and stop avoiding your duty to attend lodge. Your attitude is necessary to assist Masonry to make these changes insuring your children will have Masonry for their children and, as the attendance grows so will the camaraderie, brotherly love and quality of programs. Guaranteed!

This is my opinion and I believe I have earned a right to it because; I attend every lodge meeting I can. And I will not allow anyone to tell me that they do not have the time to fulfill their duty to be a part of their lodge meetings. No one is too busy to put on a pair of slacks, get off their behinds, call a brother to ride with and make it to a lodge meeting. "No one!"

Bobel, Your editor.

## Nazir Grotto at the Football Hall of Fame Festivities!



Pretty Girls with Mr. Bill



Mr. Bill with Kids



Tommy's Coming



We got 'er ready Mom



Tommy Waits



The Black Fez



Old Tommy needs a Dentist!



"The "Boys"



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Sat., Sept. 6, 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Breakfast

> **10:00 a.m. -** Monthly Meeting, Conrad Lodge, Alliance

Brethren, thanks to all who attended and supported the "Celebration of Freemasonry" covered dish dinner August 23<sup>rd</sup>, it was a great event and everyone seemed to have a really good time.

As we start the fall season, lodges need to work more closely together. providing interesting programs, drawing brethren into lodge and keeping newer members active. Look to the 21<sup>st</sup> Masonic District website for all Masonic activities. Grand Lodge information is now communicated by computer as we are in the computer age. Help keep those brothers, who may are not yet be computer literate, informed. Help get them out by visiting not only your lodge but by visiting other lodges as well.

Lodges need a more public presence by assisting in the community, joining local civic organizations and having more events open to the public, such as an open house, etc. We also need to utilize our most important asset, our ladies!

M. W. & D. Asso. has been having great Saturday morning breakfast meetings throughout the county. We encourage not only all lodges participate but everyone is welcome. Following is a list of breakfast meetings: (breakfast at 8:00 a.m.; meeting at 10:00 a.m.) for the rest of the year: Sat., Sept. 6th Conrad Lodge 271; Sat., Oct. 11th Clinton Lodge 47 Sat., Nov. 8th Wm. H. Hoover 770 and Sat., Dec. 6th Conrad Lodge 271.

Lastly, we are saddened to see Juilliard Lodge No. 460 go dark and wish them good luck in their merger with Wm. H. Hoover Lodge No. 770.

Gordon Broome, President

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