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Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, Lent Begins, Eastern Orthodox Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, St Patrick's Day. Page 6 Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, Palm Sunday Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, Good Friday Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, Easter Sunday March, Twenty-First Masonic District Inspection Schedule. Page 9



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#### TRESTLE BOARD

Wed., March 2, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Ohio Masonic Home Program
 Sun., March 13, 2:00 a.m. - Daylight Savings Time Begins
 Wed., March 16, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, White Apron Night D.E.O. Program

Fri., March 18 - Refuge of Hope Food Drive Delivery Wed., March 30, 6:30 p.m. - Oyster Lodge, Hoover No. 770

Greetings Brethren! Another month has come upon us and we will be seeing the welcome signs of spring. Tulips and daffodils will be popping up soon, birds will be returning and the temperatures will rise.

This month is another busy and enjoyable month for Canton Lodge. The Stated Meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup> will be highlighted by a program by Bro. Jesse Pertee on the Ohio Masonic Home. Fill the seats for this program that details the works of the O.M.H. in caring for our older brethren as we are charged to do.

The Stated Meeting theme on March 16<sup>th</sup> will be "White Apron Night." Bring your lambskin you were presented at your raising and wear it proudly. Also, that same evening, we will be blessed with Wor. Bro. Kevin Tanner, our district D.E.O., as he presents his program to the lodge.

March is the final month for the food drive for the "Refuge of Hope." Please get your donations in before the 18<sup>th</sup> which is the delivery day. We are accepting canned goods and monetary donations. Remember, monetary donations are tax deductible so checks should be made out to Refuge of Hope. Any cash donations will be deposited and a check from the lodge will be written. I wish to thank everyone who is participating in this program that raises awareness in the community and affords us the opportunity to practice charity and relief for the distressed.

St. Patrick's Day is one of my favorite holidays and I ask that you celebrate responsibly and enjoy the traditional Irish fare food with thanks. Holy week begins March 20<sup>th</sup> starting

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Fri., March 4, 6:00 p.m. – Inspection Dinner
7:00 p.m. – Inspection, Entered Apprentice Degree
Fri., March 11, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Examination, Bowling Night
Sun., March 13, 2:00 a.m. - Daylight Savings Time Begins
Fri., March 18, 7:00 p.m. – Fellow Craft Team & Officers Practice
Fri., March 25 - Good Friday, No Lodge Meeting

Greetings Brethren! We are well into the inspection season with ours not being that far away. One thing I must say I have enjoyed a lot is the visits to the other lodges in the district. There are still plenty of them left so please attend as many as you can. They are the means by which we can observe the true strength of Masons in Ohio and meet Brothers we wouldn't have otherwise.

Back in February our Senior Steward Dr. Seelye did a program on John F. Kennedy which was a huge success. I would like to thank all those Brethren who were in attendance and hope they enjoyed the program as much as I did. I felt proud that our younger Freemasons are as interested in our rich history as our senior Brethren.

March is a big month for us as our inspection is on the very first Friday in the Entered Apprentice Degree. The candidate is very excited and it will be an honor to have you in attendance while we initiate him into this great fraternity. The dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. while the inspection starts at 7:00 p.m. It is amazing how quickly time flies; I feel like my installation just happened yesterday.

We will have a bowling night on our first stated meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup>. We will open lodge, conduct the new and old business, examine one candidate and

head out to the bowling lanes after closing the lodge. I encourage you to bring your families to the bowling lanes and help make this a true fun event. Since the dress code is casual, there should be no reason you cannot

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Thurs., March 3, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Ladies Night Sun., March 13, 2:00 a.m. – Daylight Saving Time Begins Thurs., March 17, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting

Hello Brothers! I would like to start by thanking everyone for their hard work so far this year. We had a great inspection thank to the effort that everyone.

Now it is time to have some fun. On March 3rd we will have a short Stated Meeting and then take the ladies to La Pizzeria for a nice dinner and fellowship. This was originally supposed to be closer to Valentines Day, but I am sure the ladies will still appreciate it.

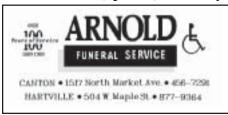
We also have several inspections that are coming up for other local lodges. Please attend whenever possible. This is a great opportunity for younger officers to see the work that they will soon be doing and for the veterans to continue to learn some subtleties in the various degrees that can add to the Candidates experience. And don't forget about the opportunity to meet new friends and catch up with old ones that you do not get to see very often.

Larry Haines, W.M.

# A Message from: Dennis (Sparkie) Moriarty

Are you a PHILATELIST? Do you read "STAMP ACT" in The Northern Light? The 85th Annual stamp show, sponsored by the McKinley Stamp Club will be Saturday, March 19th from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 20th from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at: the St. George Serbian Social Hall; 4667 Applegrove Street N.W., North Canton. Handicapped accessible. fr More info? Call (330) 832-5992 lincolnway@sssnet.com or "mksc.web.com"

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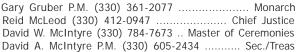


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Tues., March 1, 7:30 p.m. — Caldron Meeting Thurs., March 3, 4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. - Spaghetti Dinner Meatless Sauce Available

Wed., March 9, 5:30 p.m. - Attitude Adjustment 6:30 p.m. - Dinner Served 7:30 p.m. - Nazir Grotto Stated Meeting Sun., March 13, 2:00 a.m. - Daylight Savings Time, Clocks Forward

#### Monarchs Message

We have nothing to report for January since we had to Cancel the meeting due to the weather. We did have our February Spaghetti Dinner and the turnout was not too bad. I would also like to add that due to requests, we are going to serve "Meatless Spaghetti Sauce" along with our regular "Meat Sauce" at our Spaghetti Dinners starting this month.

If you have not seen or visited the Grotto Hall for awhile, I encourage and invite you come down and see the big changes that have taken place. We are really very proud of our Grotto Hall.

"Sarge" Hicks is finally up and around now after his surgery. It was good to see him and Gail at the Stated Meetings. Caldron Daughter P.M.C.O., Cindy Gay is recuperating from knee replacement at home. We hear she is doing well; it will be good to see her and the other ladies in March.

In Closing, I would like to say, please visit your Blue Lodge, they need your support!

Thank You

Gary Gruber P.M., Monarch





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#### TRESTLE BOARD

Mon., March 7, 7:00 p.m. – Inspection, Hiram Chapter, Most Excellent Master Tues., March 8, 7:30 p.m. - Inspection, Kent Chapter, Mark Master Degree Sun., March 13, 2:00 a.m.- Daylight Savings Time Begins Tues., March 15, 7:00 p.m. - Stated Meeting Canton No. 84

Greetings Companions! The Season is about to change and spring will be here. Warmer weather and longer days will soon be upon us, We still have inspections to attend and District Schools to complete. This year is going faster than usual; and we still have a lot to complete before the year is over.

I want to thank the officers of Canton Chapter along with all the Companions for assisting and having a positive turnout and great inspection last month. The dinner as well as the inspection went very well. And I want to thank each one of you for your assistance.

May all of you and your families have a Blessed Easter celebration! **Reid A. McLeod, H.P.** 

# Brief History of St. Patrick's Day

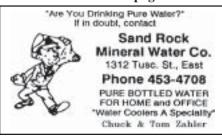
Favorite Sayings:

When Irish eyes are smiling... they are probably up to something.





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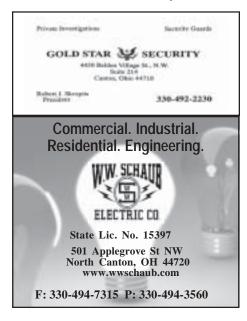
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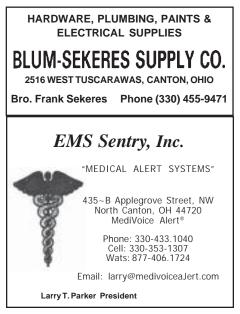
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Tues., March 8, 7:00 p.m. - Loyalty & Canton Councils Duo Conferral Super Excellent Master Degree, in Carrollton Sun., March 13, 2:00 a.m. - Daylight Savings Time, Set Clock Ahead Tues., March 15, 7:45 p.m. - Stated Meeting

Greetings Companions! Hope this month brings you good health and happiness. If you are Irish you will be wear'en of the green in March on St. Patrick's Day and possibly having an emerald colored drink as well. Easter is also on its way so let's hope the weather is warm for all the little egg hunters. But most of all, let us not forget what Easter is really about; that we honor our Savior Jesus Christ by attending your Church. On Sunday, March 13th Daylight Savings time begins and the next Sunday spring begins with Palm Sunday on 20th, From Canton Council No. 35, have a wonderful Easter Celebration. Bob Habony, Master







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#### TRESTLE BOARD

Tues., March 15, 8:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting Mon., March 28 - O.T. Practice

Hello Sir Knights! We had an amazing inspection this year. We had over 45 Sir Knights in attendance with 15 ladies. Our inspecting officer, Sir Knight Richard Brady PEGC and his Lady Donna, had a great time thanks to our Commandery's hospitality. A special thanks to Bill Stratton and his family.

We will be having an "All Commandery Order Day" that will be discussed at the next stated meeting. If you would like a part please let me know. We will need a lot of Sir Knights to help. We will have between 5 and 9 candidates.

Larry Haines, E.C.

### Brief History of St. Patrick's Day Continued from page 6

St Patrick is known as the patron saint of Ireland. He was not a born Irish but he has become an integral part of the Irish heritage. Patrick was born in the later half of the 4<sup>th</sup> century AD. Probably around 373 AD. His birth place is said to be in either Scotland or Roman England. His real name was probably Maewyn Succat. Patricius was his Romanicized name, he came to be familiar as Patrick.

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the Easter celebration and is time for reflection. Let us keep in mind the solemnity of the week and give thanks for the salvation that was given so long ago. Also celebrate the day with your family and enjoy the children as they hunt for the Easter eggs and baskets.

The last event of the month is the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Oyster Lodge at Hoover Lodge No. 770 on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Check in begins at 5:30 p.m. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. with Oyster Lodge following. Cost is \$15.00 per person payable at the door and reservations are required. Contact Rick Miller at (330) 353-2947 or email miller-rick@att.net Deadline is March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Finally Brethren, if you know of anyone who is sick or distressed, please contact the Secretary or me so we can follow up and keep them lifted in prayer for healing and comfort.

Brethren, have a great month and enjoy your family time. God bless! Eric Muehlenbein, Worshipful Master

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attend this stated meeting.

We will have a Fellow Craft Team practice on the 18<sup>th</sup> and there will be no meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> because that is Good Friday. Also, I am working with my lodge officers to host a "More Light" event on one of our stated meetings and will report the date back to you as soon as it is decided. I also encourage you to like our "Facebook" page if you can, so that you will be able to enjoy all that is going on.

Mother Nature has been rather kind to us this season with some bumps here and there. Still; stay safe and drive carefully. Until next time! God Bless.

# Razza Fayyaz, Worshipful Master

# March 2016, Twenty-first Masonic District Inspection Schedule

Fri., March 4, 7:00 p.m. - Wm McKinley 431, E.A. Degree, Dinner Before, Landals Sat., March 5, 9:00 a.m. - Victory 649, M.M. Degree, Lunch, Murphy Wed., March 9, 7:00 p.m. - Tuscarawas 59, M.M. Degree, Refreshments, Hopkins Mon., March 14, 7:00 p.m. - New Philadelphia 177, M.M. Degree, Refreshments, Landals Sat., March 19, 9:00 a.m. - Caldwell 330, E.A. Degree, Dinner After, Lengler Thurs., March 31, 7:00 p.m. - Coventry-Akron 83, E.A. Degree, Refreshments, Hopkins

### April 2016, Twenty-first Masonic District Inspection Schedule

Sat., April 2, 7:00 p.m. - Meridian Sun 69, F.C. Degree, Dinner Before, Murphy Tues., April 5, 7:00 p.m. - Tubal 551, F.C. Degree, Unknown, Landals Mon., April 11, 7:00 p.m. - MT. Akra 680, F.C. Degree, Dinner Before, Murphy Wed., April 13, 7:00 p.m. - Cuyahoga Falls 735, F.C. Degree, Refreshments, Landals Tues., April 19, 7:00 p.m. - National 568, E.A. Degree, Dinner Before, Hopkins Tues., April 26, 7:00 p.m. - Conrad 271, M.M. Degree, Refreshments, Lengler Thurs., April 28, 7:00 p.m. - Summit 213, E.A. Degree, Refreshments, Murphy

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Patrick, as a boy, was kidnapped by a band of pirates in south Wales along with many others. They sold him into slavery in Ireland and he was there for six years, mostly imprisoned. This was when changes came over him. He dreamed of having seen God. Legend says, he was then dictated by God to escape. Finally he did escape and went to Britain and then to France. There he joined a monastery and studied under St. Germain, the bishop of Auxerre. He spent

twelve years in training and became a Bishop. He dreamed the Irish were calling him back to Ireland to tell them about God. The Confessio, Patrick's spiritual autobiography, tells of a dream after his return to Britain, in which one Victoricus delivered him a letter titled "The Voice of the Irish."

So he set out for Ireland with the Pope's blessings. There he converted the Gaelic Irish, mostly Pagans, to Christianity. He was confident in the Lord and journeyed far and wide, baptizing and confirming with untiring zeal. And, in a diplomatic fashion, he brought gifts to a king here and a lawgiver there, but accepted none from them.

Patrick was quite successful at winning converts through active preaching. He made converts among even the royal families; a fact that upset the Celtic Druids. Patrick was arrested several times but escaped each time. For twenty years he traveled throughout Ireland establishing monasteries across the country. He also set up schools and churches which aided him in his conversion.

Patrick's doctrine is considered orthodox and has been interpreted as anti-Pelagian. Not particularly noted as a man of learning, a few of his writings remain extant. The Lorica ("Breastplate"), a famous hymn attributed to Patrick,



may date to a later period. By the end of the 7<sup>th</sup> century, Patrick had become a legendary figure and the legends have continued to grow. It is said that he used the three-leafed shamrock to explain the Trinity; which refers to the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit. Legend also has that Saint Patrick put the curse of God on venomous snakes in Ireland and drove the snakes into the sea. After 1500 years, these legends have

been inseparably combined with facts and together they have helped us know much about the Saint and the spirit behind the celebration of the day. Patrick died on March 17, AD 461. That day has been commemorated as St. Patrick's



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Sat., Mar. 5, 10:00 a.m. - Monthly Meeting Conrad Lodge, Coffee and Snacks Beforehand No further communication received.

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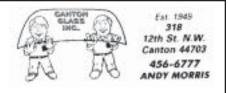
Day ever since. The day's spirit is to celebrate the universal baptization of Ireland. Originally, a Catholic holy day, St. Patrick's Day has evolved into more of a secular holiday. Or rather, 'be an Irish Day '. The Irish has borne it as part of their national tradition everywhere they populate. The leprechaun, a Celtic fairy, has become entrenched as a chief symbol for this holiday as is the shamrock. It is fitting this holiday should fall at the time of spring and the icons, like the green color, the tri-leafed shamrock, the leprechaun, the pot of gold and Blarney's stone, all came to be associated with the celebration of this Day. O'Bobel - Editor

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