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**Sat., April 1** – Grand Master's "One Day Class"  
**Wed., April 5, 7:30 p.m.** - Stated Meeting  
**Sat., April 8, 10 a.m.** - Masters, Wardens and Deacons, Hoover Lodge  
**Sun., April 9** – Palm Sunday  
**Fri., April 14** – Good Friday  
**Sun., April 16** – Easter Sunday  
**Wed., April 19, 7:30 p.m.** - Stated Meeting

Greetings Brethren! The Grand Master's "One Day Class" is Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. if you have been asked or chosen to be a mentor for one of the new Master Masons take the opportunity to foster that desire and help them on their journey, support your lodges and your brothers, the results can be great. I want to thank all who came out and attended our inspection; the rest of the year is looking great. We are getting closer to the Tercentennial, 300<sup>th</sup> year celebration; my brothers reach out to your lodge and see what they may be planning and get involved. This will only happen once in our lifetime but we can share this with future generations. Do not miss the opportunity. This summer is looking like it will be busy. We have the "Kitchen Sink Degree" planned, more to come on that once a date is set. Canton No. 60 "Golf Outing" has a new date because of conflicts with other events and people wanting to attend. We will be having a lodge picnic which will be held at Craftsman Park and much more to come on all these events as they are finalized. Remember Brethren, it truly is what you put into this great fraternity and the return, I assure you, will always be greater. A big shout out to Wor. Bro. Ted Rhodes and the team he assembled for the conferring of all three degrees on his son and our newest member Bro. Seth Rhodes, if you were there it was memorable. There is more to come and I hope to keep you all informed also I really hope to see you in lodge. Have a great Easter celebration!

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**Fri., April 7, 7:00 p.m.** – Special Meeting, Degree Work  
**Sun., April 9** – Palm Sunday  
**Fri., April 14** – Good Friday, No Lodge Meeting  
**Sun., April 16** – Easter Sunday  
**Fri., April 28, 7:30 p.m.** – Stated Meeting, Senior Warden Night  
 Shoe-and-tell

A welcome to spring Brethren! Spring is a time of renewal, the beginning of the growing season and smack-dab in the middle of inspections for all the lodges. We tend to get busier with kids, life, spring cleaning, diets, and resolutions. Sometimes it gets difficult to take time to sit back and enjoy our families, friends and brethren without running around ricocheting from place to place like ping pong balls. It is important that we set some time aside to slow down and enjoy family, friends or assist someone in need. Sometimes just a conversation helps. Your "cable tow" is not of finite length it can stretch, sometimes you just need to tug a little. Enjoy your spring and by all means, enjoy your Easter celebration and Holey Week everyone!

There will be no Stated Meeting on Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> as usual because our lodge By-laws do not allow us to meet on Good Friday during Holy Week. Enjoy a night off and the meaning of the season. Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, our Senior Warden, Roger Summers will take the East for his evening in the hot seat. We will also have a "show-an-tell that evening so bring a treasure or some memorabilia and explain its history or tell a story and educate.

Have a great Easter celebration!

**Jeff Hager, Worshipful Master**

Word of the Month: disagreeing or incongruous; harsh and jarring because of a lack of harmony.

**(Answer on page 12)**

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**Thurs., April 6, 7:30 p.m.** – Stated Meeting

**Sun., April 9** – Palm Sunday

**Fri., April 14** – Good Friday

**Sun., April 16** – Easter Sunday

**Thurs., April 20, 7:30 p.m.** – Stated Meeting

It was with great sadness with receiving the news of the passing Wor. Bro. Johnnie Jones on February 28, 2017. A Masonic service was held on Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at John Knox Presbyterian Church at 2:45 p.m. There were many brothers in attendance. Our prayers are with Carol (CJ) and his extended family.

Please make note: R. Wor. Bro. Richard Landals has allowed us to change our inspection date to Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup> in the Master Mason Degree, due to a conflict with my work schedule. This will be at our Stated Meeting and will commence at 7:30 p.m.

It appears as if we will have eight candidates for the Grand Lodge "One Day Class" on April 1<sup>st</sup> at the Canton Masonic Temple. We are looking forward to welcoming these new members into our ranks.

It is with great joy to announce we will be having our annual "Cinco Del Mayo" dinner on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Canton Masonic Temple. Please text Ann Bowers at (330) 936-3162 or Brad Cioca at (330) 309-9984. Cost for the dinner is \$10.00 for Adults and \$5.00 for Children 5 to 14 years old. We need your reservation in by Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> 2017 in order to have enough food prepared. Brent and Ann Bowers will be preparing the dinner again and as everyone who has attended these dinners in the past know, they do a terrific job.

Our stated meetings are on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of the month, please brothers, we need your attendance. Thank you and have a great Easter celebration!

**Brad Cioca, Worshipful Master**

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Sun., April 9 - Palm Sunday

Wed., April 12, 5:30 p.m. - Social Hour

6:30 p.m. - Dinner

7:30 p.m. – Nazir Stated Meeting

Fri., April 14 - Good Friday

Sun., April 16 – Easter Sunday

### Coming Events

Steak Fry's - Fri., May 19<sup>th</sup>; Fri., June 16<sup>th</sup>; Fri., July 21<sup>st</sup> and Fri., August 11<sup>th</sup>

### Monarch's Message


Nazir Grotto has lost two Prophets in the last few months to the Celestial Lodge above: Fred Shaheen and Johnnie Jones. May God watch over the families in their time of mourning.

Nazir Grotto is looking for a few good men. The Grotto is a social branch of Masonry. We have our own ritual work but we also like to have fun. If you are interested in learning about us or joining, come and visit us for dinner before our Stated Meetings and I'll even pay for your dinner.

Speaking of dinners, our "Steak Fry's" will be here before you know it so keep these dates open: Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup> and Friday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. More details will follow!

Attend your Blue Lodge regularly!

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Sun., April 16 – Easter Sunday  
Tues., April 18, 7:00 p.m. - Stated Meeting  
Sat., May 6, 8:00 a.m. - York Rite Festival

Hello Companions! Spring is officially here and the days are longer and hopefully a little warmer. With spring comes spring cleaning and projects. I know that many of our companions need some help. I also know that many of us are too proud or just too stubborn to ask for help. I would challenge all of you, who can, to reach out and help a companion in need. Do not call and ask; just go and do. If you do not know of anyone who may need help, call Bill Stratton down at the Temple; he can get you in touch with some good honest recipients and labor.

I need all who can attend this month's Stated Meeting to please do so. There is a chance we may be voting to accept the Companions from Tuscarawas Chapter into our folds. Please come and help me welcome them with open arms.

**Larry Haines, High Priest**

**Twenty-first Masonic District April Inspection Schedule**

Mon., Apr. 3, 7:00 p.m. - Mystic Tie 194, F.C. Refresh, Wallick, Muehlenbein  
Wed., Apr. 5, 7:00 p.m. - Cuyahoga Falls 735, M.M. Refresh. Landals, Tanner  
Sat., Apr. 8, 7:00 p.m. - Meridian Sun 69, M.M. Dinner, Murphy, Landals  
Tues., Apr. 18, 7:00 p.m. – National 568, F.C. Dinner, Hopkins, Muehlenbein  
Mon., Apr. 24, 7:00 p.m. - Mt. Akra 680, M.M. Dinner, Murphy, Tanner  
Thurs., Apr. 27, 7:00 p.m. – Coventry-Akron 83, F.C., Refresh. Hopkins, Landa  
Tues., May. 4, 7:30 p.m. - Trinity 710, M.M. Dinner, Landals, Schario



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**Sat., May 6, 8:00 a.m.** – York Rite “All Degree Day”

I sincerely thank all the Companions who assisted in performing the Royal Master Degree. As always you Companions did an outstanding job. Thank you!

On Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> there will be an “All York Rite Day” at the Canton Masonic Temple where you will be able to receive your Royal Arch Degree in Chapter, Knight Templar Degree in Commandery and your Select Master Degree in Council (Cryptic Masons.) If you wish to only receive you Knight Templar Degree you only have to attend for those degrees. If you want to receive your Select Master Degree, you must receive your Royal Arch Degree in Chapter first. Please contact any of the York Rite Bodies for scheduling of times. We must receive your petition before our Stated Meetings prior to the “All Degree Day.” Degree work will start at 8:00 a.m. sharp, which is the Mark Master Degree in Chapter.

Our Stated Meeting is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month.

Thank you and enjoy your Easter celebration.

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Greetings Sir Knights! Hope each of you have had a very enjoyable winter (Ha ha ha.) We anticipate approaching spring and than summer and I am really looking forward to this.

We still have work to do. We need to do the Red Cross and Malta Orders and I will call a Special Meeting on Tuesday, the 25<sup>th</sup> of April for this. Easter is on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> of April and I hope each of you will be attending your church and celebration our Savior.

We have the York Rite “One day Class” coming up on May 6<sup>th</sup>. If you know of a brother who would like to become a York Rite Mason, this would be the perfect time. He could receive all three Bodies on the same day and we could use some new Companions and Sir Knights’ help with the work. That day we will be posting Colors, helping move the equipment around for the degrees and serving the lunch. Please come and help if you can! See you soon, fraternally

**Bill Stratton. Commander**

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## FREEMASONRY; City Stories

Wednesday, 14 December 2011


### The Goose and Gridiron, 300 Years of Freemasonry



Unfortunately, and rather surprisingly, there appear to be no mementos of this historic tavern situated in what was St. Paul's Church Yard and the only surviving item, now in the Museum of London, is the pub sign. Up until the Great Fire of London in 1666, the Goose and Gridiron was known as the Mitre. After being devastated in the blaze, it was rebuilt and renamed The Lyre, on account of the tavern's musical associations (a musical society met on its premises,) and took as its sign Apollo's lyre surmounted by a swan. However, this image was

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### **Communication Answers**

Last months communication article, page 9, March 2017 Masonic Bulletin; generated several comments ranging from "you're nuts" to "I agree" and "lets hear more." Encouraging! Let's investigate by the numbers. One - Average age of Masons in Ohio is well over 60. Two - Spectrum, old Time Warner Cable, indicates 80 percent of internet access is through mobile devices. Three - Although reputedly requested, the Bulletin e-mails only nine issues to the brethren. They do not like the Bulletin on line. Four - Referring to "The Successful Lodge, a recent publication by Most Worshipful Brother James F. Easterling and written by 70 traveled Brethren; electronic communication is only mentioned twice. Putting this into prospective; the older brethren do not communicate electronically when given a choice. One cannot excuse the fact a large percentage of Brethren fit this category. Masonry will always adapt to the climate in which it exists but perhaps better communication would halt the recent decline of membership but, we are not very good a that. Is Masonry changing? Of course it is! This is the main reason many agree. The Trestle Board is still the bridge that connects yesterday, today and tomorrow into togetherness and will do it in the future.



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**TRESTLE BOARD**

Sat., April 8, 10:00 a.m. - Hoover Lodge  
North Canton, Breakfast at 8:00 a.m.

Greetings Brethren all! Masters Warden's & Deacons met at Clinton Lodge on March 11<sup>th</sup> and many topics were discussed. The trip to the Special Olympics was one of the main topics and I have more info to pass along. We will be touring the Thomas Candy Factory. For the Brethren who do not know, this is where the candy bars for the special Olympic are produced. We will also be stopping at Grater's Ice Cream Shop. The cost for transportation is still \$20.00 per person. Please start informing the lodge Masters if you and/or a guest would like to attend.

We are also trying to get a "shoot off" for the month of May. This will take place at T.D.T. Shooting Range. This range is indoors and is located at 6<sup>th</sup> Street and Harrison Avenue S.W. The cost will be \$20.00 per person. This should be a day of fun and ribbing. Please let me know if you are interested via e-mail.

Last but not lest, remember the 21<sup>st</sup> Masonic District Picnic which is held in August. Please check your calendar book for the date. The only cost to the brethren is a covered dish. This year we will be asking each lodge to donate \$25.00 so we can draw for gift cards. There will be a 50/50 drawing also. Fraternally,

**Daniel J. Schario, President**

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