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Halloween



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- Wed., Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting
- Mon., Oct. 8 – Columbus Day, Fly Old Glory
- Thurs. thru Sat., Oct. 11 thru 13 - Grand Lodge, Sandusky, Ohio
- Wed., Oct. 17, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting
- Wed., Oct. 24, 5:00 p.m. - Bean & Chili Dinner
- Wed., Oct. 31 - Halloween

Brethren as my year is closing I would like to see more of you in lodge. We have some important business before we move forward into the next year.

Our 45<sup>th</sup> annual Bean & Chili Dinner will be on Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. All you can eat for \$5.00! Please bring your family and friends and help spread the word.

As of now we are working on being able to pay dues online. This should be up and running by the time you read this. This makes paying dues a lot easier and faster then before. So check out our website [canton60freemasons.com](http://canton60freemasons.com) and pay dues by the first meeting in November.

In 1599 William Schaw was Master of Works for James VI of Scotland. He was an influential figure to Masonry at that time. Bro. Schaw introduced the Second Schaw Statutes which specified that “ye warden of ye lug of Kilwynning” to “tak tryall of ye airt of memorie and science yrof, of everie fellowe of craft and everie prenteiss according to ayr of yr vocations”. This statute talks about “ye airt of memorie” or “the art of memory” which is the study of mnemonic principles to help organize memory impressions and improve recall. The techniques associated with the art of memory are striking visual images along with study. It has been suggested this art started with the Pythagoreans or even the ancient Egyptians.

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- Mon., Oct. 8 - Columbus Day, Fly Old Glory
- Thurs. thru Sat., Oct. 11 thru 13 - Grand Lodge, Sandusky, Ohio
- Fri., Oct. 12, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Junior Warder's Night
- Fri., Oct. 26, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Past Masters Night
- Wed., Oct. 31 - Halloween

Greetings Brothers! Its time for the leaves to fall and this year is coming to an end. It's also time for the a new Grand Master to be elected. That will happen at the Kalahari Resort in Sandusky, Ohio on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of October. For me, it was an honor to have Rick Schaul as the Grand Master of Masons in Ohio and I wish him lots of luck as he moves forward with his life.

Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup> will be out Stated Meeting with our Junior Warden, Bro. Dave Perry in the East. I'm sure he will do a fine job in the hot seat!

Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting will be our Past Masters Meeting and your all in for a little treat on this evening. Also Editor and P.M. Bob Martelet pointed out to me that the Masonic Bulletin was born 100 years ago in this month. We would like to thank the publication committee for all they do and keeping up with all the changes over the years.

It's been a great experience working with you Brethren! I'm not sure what the future of this land will bring but its sure changing fast. My Dad taught me change is good! When he was 16 he plowed corn fields with horses, when I was 16 I planted corn for the first time with a "no-till" corn planter. That was an amazing year for him..... and I hope you all have a scary Halloween.

That's all for now!

**Roger Summers W.M.**

With the Sesquicentennial of Wm. McKinley Lodge approaching in 2019, the Lodge Historians have

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- Thurs., Oct. 4, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Casual Dress
- Mon., Oct. 8 – Columbus Day, Fly Old Glory
- Thurs. thru Sat., Oct. 11 thru 13 - Grand Lodge, Sandusky, Ohio
- Thurs., Oct. 18, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Casual Dress
- Wed., Oct. 31 - Halloween

Trinity Lodge held their Memorial for Deceased Brethren the evening of September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018. It was a somber but very good evening. Brethren we would love to see more members at our meetings.

**Samuel Volpe, Worshipful Master**

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been busy at work compiling the last 25 years into a supplement for the Brethren so the Bulletin will not need to rehash this area. My thoughts are, just like the majority of Past Masters, the “boss,” the leader, the Master is only as good as his supporting staff and also the fact that no Past Master ever gets everything planned, accomplished in their year. A few egotistical Masters have tried to go it alone but soon found out that method of leadership will not work. The Brethren must be the driving force while the Master guides the plow. It has been stated that a chain is only as strong as its weakest link. That may very well be true in most cases but, with the support of many, as in the case of a Masonic Lodge, that weakness is soon surrounded by other links and the chain is again strong and secure. This is the importance of the so called “going through the chairs.” Ask any Past Master if he could organize an important meeting or give a keynote speech, ask if he could prepare a sit-down dinner for say 50 or 100, ask him if he would be tong-tied if ask by surprise, to give the dinner invocation, and to all these

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- Tues., Oct., 2, 7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting, Daughters of Mokanna
- Mon., Oct. 8 – Columbus Day, Fly Old Glory
- Wed., Oct. 10, - 5:30 p.m. – Social Hour
- 6:30 p.m. – Dinner Served
- 7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting
- Wed. Oct., 31 - Halloween

Summer is over and autumn is officially here. We had an active summer with the National Grotto Convention held in Indianapolis last June, the Ohio Grotto Association, in Pittsburg in August and the Ladies met just last month in Cleveland.

The theme of all of these gatherings, as I am sure this is a universal theme throughout our many organizations was, “we must increase our membership NOW.” Invite a friend, invite a relative, we must continue to grow in order to continue the good we have done in the past, as we must continue into the future. There is no greater organization than ours, support it!

Sincerely,

**David Cullison, Monarch**

### Secretary/Treasurer Notes:

Hello Prophets! It’s that time of year again for nominations of officers to be held at our next Stated Meeting in November. If you are interested in becoming an officer of Nazir Grotto, please contact one of our current officers with your wishes.

As an officer of the O.G.A., I would like to thank you for all your support as I move up the line and I know 2021-22 will be here soon. I will welcome Phil Scott of Baku Grotto to the O.G.A. line as, “Sentel.”

Please come out and support O.G.A.’s President, Ken Riley’s Fall Conference hosted by Yusef Khan Grotto and being held right here in Canton at the Holiday Inn at Belden Village. The conference will Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> thru Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**David A. McIntyre, P.M., S.C.D.D., Secretary/Treasurer**  
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- Mon., Oct., 7:00 p.m. - Mark Master Degree Practice
Mon., Oct. 8 - Columbus Day, Fly Old Glory
Tues. thru Thurs., Oct. 9 thru 11 - Grand Chapter, Kalahari Resort
Mon., Oct. 15, 7:00 p.m. - Mark Master Degree Practice
Tues., Oct 16, 7:00 p.m. - Stated Meeting
Thurs., Oct. 31 - Halloween
Mon., Nov. 5, 7:00 p.m. - Canton Chapter Inspection
Sat., Nov. 10, 5:00 p.m. - Grand High Priest Reception, Tadmor Shrine

My Companions! Well we are off and running! This is going to be a very exciting and busy year for us. The new Grand High Priest, Ross Black is from our district. We need to support him the best we can in his endeavors.

I have called for practices on Monday the 1st and 15th at 7:00 p.m. Because the Degree Inspection is just around the corner and we need to be ready for it. Please try to make the practices if you can and be ready with your parts, please! To my knowledge we have one candidate starting his York Rites journey. If you know of anymore possible candidates please let us know.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 9th, 10th and 11th, 2018: we will be at Kalahari Resort for the Grand Chapter. Remember this is open to any Royal Arch Mason. You don't have to be an officer to attend and if for no other reason, come and have fun with the family while you are there. As you read this REC William Stratton and REC Rick Memmer will have been installed as Grand Aids. Congratulate them when you see them.

At our Stated Meeting we will be discussing things for Grand Chapter. REC Jim Collins will be informing us of any new events that we should know about before we attend. If you have something you wish brought up before the Chapter, please let me know before Chapter so we can discuss it at this meeting.

Monday, November 5th our inspection will start at 7:00 p.m. sharp. I am sure REC Collins will wish to speak to

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**Sun. thru Mon., Oct. 7 thru 8** - Grand Council Session, Kalahari  
**Mon., Oct. 8** – Columbus Day, Fly Old Glory  
**Tues., Oct. 16, 7:45 p.m.** - Stated meeting  
**Wed., Oct. 31** - Halloween

Hello Companions! Remember all Companions are invited to attend Grand Sessions. Only those on the dais or carrying proxies may vote but, all are welcome.

As we are about to head into the Holidays, keep in mind that with the change of weather may also come the inability for some members to get to our meetings. Please keep these members in mind and reach out to them to offer rides and whatever other help they may need.

We will be starting degree practice as soon as Chapter has finished their inspections. Those practice times will be discussing at the October meeting.

**Larry Haines, Master**

**Canton Chapter No. 84, Royal Arch Masons**

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us before the inspection so will let you know what time to be there; otherwise I request you be there by 6:30 p.m. please. Dress for inspection will be red coat, if you have one, if not just a dark coat and dress pants and tie. If your part requires you wears a robe during inspection, you will be in costume for the whole inspection. Refreshments will follow the inspection downstairs.

Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> we will be at Tadmor Shrine for their fish fry. A cost of \$8.00. We will have a social time so come meet some other companions and enjoy the evening of fellowship. Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> will be the Grand High Priest's reception at Tadmor Shrine. I will have reservation forms at our October 16<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting for all who want to attend. This should be a great time for everyone!

I wish to thank all the Companions who elected me this year and I hope I can make you proud. Let's show our Canton pride. We are one of the largest Chapters in the state. Respectfully Submitted:

**Richard P. Snider Sr., H.P.**



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 7:00 p.m. – Order of Temple Practice, Speaking Parts  
**Tues., Oct. 16 8:30 p.m.** – Stated Meeting  
**Fri. thru Sat., Oct. 19 thru 20** - Grand Commandery, Columbus, Ohio  
**Wed., Oct. 31** - Halloween

Greetings Sir Knights! We have our first meeting under our sword belts and the dates for Order of the Temple practices have been discussed and listed above. I want to thank all who formed lines for Sir Knight William McKinley’s memorial and then those who could attend the spaghetti dinner provided by the brothers of McKinley Lodge following the memorial service.

The Templars’ Estates in Britain were concentrated East of England and in the South Midlands, with some lands on the English-Welsh border, with only two sites in Scotland. Their location depended mainly on which landowners had donated property although the Templar’s also purchased estates.

Templar farms and other lands were grouped into Commanderies, which were larger manors that administered several lesser holdings. Commanderies in Britain were on flat or gently rolling land and often sited on rivers for good transportation.

Hope to see all of you very soon.

Ty Youngman, Commander



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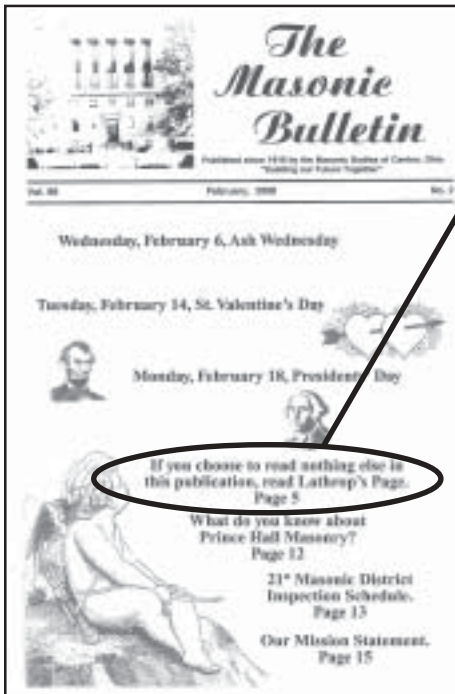
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**Do you remember the February 2008 Front Cover of the Masonic Bulletin?**



If you choose to read nothing else in this publication, read Lathrop's Page, Page 5

*We first go to the Canton Lodge article for February 2008 written by: Wor. Bro, Daniel L. Heaton, Master of Canton Lodge.*

Greetings Brethren! All formalities of the consolidation of Lathrop Lodge 676 with Canton Lodge 60 should be concluded and we extend a warm welcome to our new members. Officers and several members attended the last stated meeting and awards dinner of Lathrop Lodge, January 8<sup>th</sup>. Bro. Vernon Best received a 65 year award, W.B. Robert Rhodes a 50 year award and W.B. Frank Turner a 25 year award. Also present to assist in the presentations were R.W. Frank

Sekeres and R.W. James G. Fiddler representing Most Worshipful Ronald Winnett, Grand Master of Masons in Ohio.

After dinner we retired to the Blue Lodge Room for the final stated meeting where W.M. Gary E. Eubank opened lodge with W.B. Al Phillips (Canton 60), S.W.; Bro. Gary R. Gruber, J.W.; W.B. David B. Newkirk, Secretary; Bro. Jim Barnett, Treasurer; W.B. Ed Cox (Trinity 710), S.D.; W.B. Rodney Anderson (Trinity 710), J.D.; R.W. Thomas White, Chaplain and Bro. James E. Selig, Tyler.

After old business and tying up loose ends and final reports, W.M. Eubank asked for any last comments from the brethren. The mood being somber, few spoke. W.M. Eubank then asked if I had any comments. I offered a warm welcome to all the members of Lathrop Lodge. R.W. Thomas White assisted by R.W. Earl Blazer at the organ, passed out sheets with the lyrics to "Memories". We stood and sang three verses of which the last two had been rewritten for Lathrop Lodge. W.M. Eubank invited me to sit in the East beside him.

R.W. James Fiddler with his closing comments gave praise to the officers of Lathrop Lodge. He then, with the assistance of R.W. Frank Sekeres presented W.M. Gary Eubank, W.B. David Newkirk, Bro. Jim Barnett, W.B. Frank Turner, Bro. Gary Gruber and Bro. James Selig signed commendations from the Grand Lodge of Ohio.

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At closing the Chaplain R.W. White asked all to join hands for prayer circling the altar. W.M. Eubank declared the lodge duly closed. Then with all the respect, class and decorum due his officers, knelt at the altar, secured the Holy Bible Square and Compasses, extinguished the three lesser lights for the final time and returned to his station. **rap!**

*Now we move on to page 5.*

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### Lathrop's Page.

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On the front page of this publication is a statement: "Published since 1918 by the Masonic Bodies of Canton, Ohio." Ninety years of news and views and for the past eighty seven of those years this page has been reserved for Lathrop Lodge No. 676. Today, because of apathy, indifference, indecision and absence the Master's picture is gone. The Officers names and telephone numbers are all gone. The square and compasses are gone. Only the "cut line" remains as a vivid reminder, that this was the Bulletin page of a lodge who the majority of its 255 members abandoned their commitments for TV reality shows and more exciting endeavors in their lives. The Master pleaded for months for help of which little was forthcoming. Brethren, this is no way to celebrate the bicentennial of Freemasonry in Ohio.

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Let me now refer you to a rather obscure page located in the 2008, 21<sup>st</sup> Masonic District Calendar Booklet now being distributed. Page 23 starts with: "NOTE" and goes on to read: 1989, J. E. McFadden Lodge No. 697 consolidates with Conrad Lodge No. 271; 1991, Ashlar Lodge No. 639 moved into the 21st Masonic District, a plus; 1997, Ernest F. Schaefer Lodge & W. Edwin Palmer Lodge merge, change name to Old Portage Lodge No. 718; 1998, Henry Perkins Lodge consolidates - 1999, Loyalty Lodge consolidates and the page continues. 2000, Fidelity Lodge consolidates - 2000, Tallmadge Lodge - 2001, Joppa Lodge - and we continue on. 2002, Old Portage Lodge - 2004, Coventry Lodge - 2005, Lone Star Lodge - 2005, Amos H. Englebeck Lodge and this year, Lathrop Lodge becomes a statistic in this blight of apathy and absence.

Months ago Bulletin President, Ed Cox, asked me for room in the next edition for an editorial he thought necessary to publish. "An Unsolicited Editorial" page 13, May 2006, appeared. Perhaps you remember? It asked a pointed question. Simply stated, where are you? Rebuttals were invited. All agreed with his article. And so it was with the few comments received. The one exception (did not give his lodge or permission for his letter to be published) was he found interest in other organizations more rewarding. "Lifestyle change, social activities, friends and golf" were also noted. A recent comment by a non-active Brother revealed the regret of time. Freemasonry is not free. You can't step in and out at your will. Challenging to become and an even greater task to remain,

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you are a Mason for life. Apathy and absence are results of laziness, not of time. The idea this fraternity will outlast you is no longer valid. Your commitment to Freemasonry will find time. Many who are living full family and church lives find the time. Your lodge needs your attendance and participation. Grand Master Winnett wrote in a letter circulated to every Mason in Ohio; "It's time to wake that sleeping giant." Wake up! Get involved! If this article makes you a bit hot under the collar, great! You give the Cleveland Browns one or two evenings a month, why not your lodge? You knelt at the altar of Masonry and pledged your support. It's time to honor your pledge. Masonry is service and privilege. Share that privilege. Introduce others to service, life style changes, God, country, social events and yes, even golf. This absence must stop. It is not Masonic.

We do expect your comments, good and bad. Permit us to use them in the Bulletin. Go back to lodge. Introduce a friend to Masonry and for heavens sake, get involved again.

**Bob, Your editor**

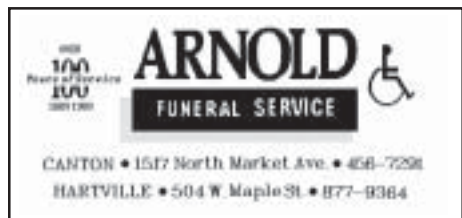
*Not all articles placed in the Bulletin over the years were "Happy Days." Many were gut wrenching like the closing of a 87 year old Lodge, but this was all part of this centuries life of the fraternity coming of age. The decline of membership and deaths not being replaced had started. Korea, Cambodia and Vietnam all registered their toll. Those of us who were fortunate enough to be Masters" of our Blue Lodges, when the lodge rooms were filled with Brethren wall to wall and folding chairs were placed on the sidelines to accommodate. Fellow Craft Teams struggled to mover about at "Raisings" and Inspections. We lived with it, loved it and made do with it! Thirty, Forty even fifty candidates a year was not unusual until ... the bottom seemed to drop out and no one had an answer. No-one!*

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and a hundred more; his answer would probably be – "been there, done that. No problem!" Thus, the importance of, "going through the chairs;" and if you stumble along the way, a brother will be there with an outstretched hand to help set things straight. This is Masonry! This is the Masonic Lodge! Masonry is much bigger than any, and I repeat, any one man. Not even the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England is not bigger than Masonry!

**"Bobel" your Editor**



## Grand Success Brings About: Second Annual Canton Masonic Temple Halloween Party to Be Held



The Canton Masonic Temple held a “Trick or Treat at the Temple” on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> 2017. We welcomed over fifty guests that evening and I am fairly certain that they all made it out of the building. There were a number of candy stops and the Ballroom was decorated accordingly. Guests enjoyed refreshments and had an opportunity to compare the spoils of their efforts.

This would not have been possible without the generous support of countless brethren and their families. Many of you stepped forward with cash donations, bags of candy, drinks and time; and I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to all of you. I also want to thank Canton Commandery No. 38 for their generous financial support and Brother Roger Offenberger and his lady Vicki, who drove up from Strasburg in their hearse and provided a great deal of extra enjoyment with their decorations! Because of the success of this first attempt, I am pleased to invite you and your family and friends to the Second Annual Canton Masonic Temple Halloween Party on Sunday, October 21, 2018, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. In addition to the numerous candy stations and Ballroom refreshments, there will be Halloween-themed games.

More information about the 2018 event will be forthcoming and I hope to see many of you and your guests there. I will ask for volunteers to help escort guests around the Temple Building, pass out candy and do their part to show our community what Freemasonry is all about.

Until then, I remain, and will remain, ever grateful for your support and if there is anything that I can do for you, do not hesitate to contact me.

**Best wishes, Jim Seelye, Ph.D.**

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October 100 years ago, the first issue of this publication was delivered to the Masonic families and the boys in the trenches serving in the First World War. Masonry was the same fraternity although the members were very different. Life was simple in those days. There was no television, cell phones or terrorists threatening our way of life. News was several days old reaching you by radio broadcast or written in daily newspapers. Fast breaking news was distributed by "Paper Boys" who stood on corners selling papers by yelling "extra, extra," when there was an organized crime murder, or important news from the trenches. It was quite exciting to hear and people flocked to purchase papers. The "Mob," as they were called, was the only real threat to the simple life of the ordinary citizen who worked every day, was paid in cash by the "Pay Master" who stood with the prepared weekly envelopes. Entertainment consisted of: the Palace or Lowe's Theaters, vaudeville on stage or the Strand or Ohio Theaters for on screen movies, the Civic Opera or Orchestra, at the Canton Civic Auditorium, now long gone; or maybe the Masonic Temple or Jewish Center. People committed to projects and used their natural talents completing monumental tasks that would take computer space and hours of time and money to accomplish today. If the Worshipful Master asked and there was a need, you got many volunteers; and so it was with the Bulletin in 1918. There-to-for Masonic news was published in the Canton newspapers reaching those who got the paper. Masonry was a closed organization in those days. Many men, heads-of-households, never divulged to their families they were active in Masonry. The families came to the Masonic Building only when there were parties at Christmas or large gathering; therefore the newspaper articles were at best, vague and lacked detail. So the Bulletin was born in hopes of ending brethren not being informed properly. Also the gossip of the Temple could now be divulged to the brethren without the public becoming involved. The smallest "tidbits" to the most monumental projects were detailed in the Bulletin several of which have re-appeared recently in this publication.

The Masonic Bulletin endured changes over the years. In the days of reporters, there was a tendency to embellish their writing with personal comments, distorting the articles much like the media does today, omitting or adding and sometimes shading the actual real truth. This is when the lodges elected to write their own articles; ending reporter personal politics. Editors were brought to task by the Masters. I witnessed articles changed or omitted by editors who did not agree with there context; and when this was brought to the attention of higher ups, you may have been informed the Editor was in the "clique," so don't make waves. Next months issue may set things straight! In those days, the Canton Masonic Temple was controlled by a handful of older Brethren and their authority was not to be challenged. We strive to dwell on future events using the space to inform rather than rehash. Every writer has a unique style and we try to allow their styles to be exhibited only changing text when clarity of subject is in question or substituting words for longer phrases

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to gain space. Many of the brethren in launching this publication were affiliated with the newspaper industry and had an inside track on printing. All printed material in those days was “typeset” with lead letters called “font.” The “Typesetter” who was a spelling expert, sat this font in boxes at an alarming rate. Newspapers were printed in narrow columns because of this. The “Off-set” printing method and “Mimeograph” machines came later and of course were utilized by the publication staff. These methods utilized the “storyboard” past method of preparing copy for printing. “Remington Rand” developed a typewriter which “justified” type, both ends of all lines were even, this typed copy could be pasted creating the image which was burned onto the printing master. The computer publication is a relatively new process where the copy is created in a computer program, than burned onto an aluminum plate which is used as the print media. In the case of the Bulletin, and this is quite interesting, the entire booklet is printed on one sheet of paper both sides, folded, stitched and trimmed around three sides and “Walla,” we have a booklet. Programming has enhanced the process a great deal. It is faster and now the entire publication can be viewed on screen before a printed proof. Mistakes, and there a lots, can be corrected before a printing press is needed. Articles are received via e-mail or placed in the mail box, edited into the form viewed in the publication and fitted into their proper page. Advertisements are than placed and a Bulletin is born. Fewer hands are needed to produce it today, lowering cost, proof reading time and mistakes, although they are still present.

Addressing is always the “millstone” around the Bulletin Committee’s neck. Because this process requires accuracy of others so this step is generally a nightmare! In the beginning employees with good penmanship addressed the mailings. It was believed that envelopes were used because they could be addressed in advance. Later the committee purchased a new ingenious machine for addressing and it was installed at the Masonic Temple. It was called an “Address-o-graph-multi-graph” machine. My Lord! What a contraption. Belts, levers, gears and chains all connected to an electric motor. Embossed lead plates were moved over an inked ribbon with a Bulletin beneath. A stomper came down and pressed the plate onto the paper. These plates were stored in long boxes and fed into position by means of levers. They often missed and flew across the room and were placed by hand. This machine was revolutionary! It did in days what workers tool weeks to do plus it could separate lodges, cities and postal zones. This equipment was used into the early 2000’s when computerized mailing lists were introduced. Operating this machine for a hour, you had ink on your hands and face, grease and oil on your clothing. Each article is spell checked, dates confirmed, edited for grammar, and placed onto the proper page. Advertisements inserted, front page designed for symmetry than; the whole thing is sent for proofing and printing. After corrections the file goes for the printing and distribution. This is the abbreviated process which takes place each month of publication and it all happen in 15 business days assuring your copy is in your mail box by the end of the month.



**Masters, Wardens & Deacons Association of Stark County**

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Sat., Oct. 6, 9:00 a.m. - Doughnuts and Coffee, North Canton Temple  
10:00 a.m. - Monthly Meeting, Officers Nominations, Hoover Lodge

Hello Brethren all! The 21<sup>st</sup> District Picnic went very well this year. Along with the normal fellowship and activities, we had a DJ for entertainment and the DeMolay from Barberton Chapter came with some games entertaining all the kids from 8 to 80. Plans for next year's picnic were brought up at our meeting in September and it looks promising to have an even better one next year!

The next Masters, Wardens and Deacons Association meeting will be on Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 at Hoover Lodge in North Canton. We will have doughnuts and coffee beforehand. I hope to see everyone there! Fraternally

**Bob Wiley, President**

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