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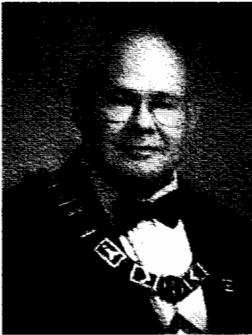


LODGE NO. 388 F. & A. M.

Spring, 2004

Lyndhurst, Ohio

MASTER'S MESSAGE



Dear Brethren:

Excuse me for making reference to the hourglass and how swiftly the sands of time pass. It is hard for me to realize that Installation was just a short time ago and that we have successfully completed so many of the activities planned for this year. Our Officers' Reception at

Tanglewood was a smashing success and Brotherhood Night was most impressive. Our Annual Inspection was another great evening, and the Lodge can be proud of the quality of ritual work presented that evening. In order not to miss anyone involved, allow me to express my appreciation to all of the Brethren who have helped make all of your Lodge's activities so successful.

We also enjoyed a very interesting Mystery Party and an evening with the Cleveland Orchestra. We are now looking forward to our annual Master and Wardens Dinner Dance, a sold-out bus trip to take in some great theater in Toronto, our summer golf outing and our Steak Roast. Having had the opportunity to travel and visit other Lodges in the 22nd District, I can tell you that we are one the most active Lodges around, and our programs are not only plentiful, but they are quality. I'm going to beat the same old drum, but if you don't take advantage of what we have to offer, it is only your loss.

Please make a special note to reserve Monday evening, April 24 for Friendship Night at the Lodge. The program will begin with a dinner to which ladies and guest are invited. The purpose of the evening is to introduce non-Masons to our fraternity. Our special guest speaker will be M.W.B. Thomas H. Galyen, Past Grand Master and current Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Ohio.

I thank you all for your support and I look forward to seeing you at our functions (and especially at our meetings).

Fraternally yours,
Ronald L. Jacobs
Worshipful Master

Freemasonry in France

By Franck T. Kakou, Senior Steward

French Freemasonry is very secret and powerful. Most of the richer and more powerful Brothers hold very influential, decision-making positions within the country; these positions vary from political, administrative and as owners of major corporations.

All Lodges are divided into several rites and obediences, such as the Grand Orient de France and the Grand Lodge de France, which are federations of Lodges working with different rituals. All of these obediences work with different rites, such as the Ancient and Corrected Scottish Rite, the French Rite, the Modern Rite or the York Rite.

The Grand Lodge National de France is the only one to be recognized by all of the different Grand Lodges in the world and the only one to work with the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

The Grand Lodge National de France secretly promotes an enormous amount of work through charities and donations from Brethren for hospital programs, support of the elderly and youth organizations. Additional, the Grand Lodge contributes to the expansion of Freemasonry all over the world by helping to open Lodges and establish.

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

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Thanks to the hard work of Brother Alan Rothman, our Junior Deacon, Forest City Lodge now has an Internet presence. The site provides useful information, such as a Trestleboard, Sunshine, news and photos of past events as well as previews of coming events. The website is constantly being updated and has the advantage of being more readily adaptable than this Bulletin.

Other bodies have been impressed with our website, and as of this writing, it has received awards from at least five other Masonic bodies. This is quite an accomplishment, considering the short time that it has been operating.

We look forward to working with Brother Alan to integrate the content of the Bulletin into our website, so that you will have as much information as possible on a current basis.

There was some interesting reading in the *Cleveland Jewish News*' "Kvell Corner", which recently selected Evan Schreiber, grandson of Bro. Lenny and Pauline Markowitz for distinction. At 11½ years old, Evan is a very skilled pianist who studies at the Cleveland Institute of Music. He recently appeared in concert with the Firelands Symphony Orchestra headquartered in Sandusky, Ohio, after winning the orchestra's Young Artists Competition in his grade level. Well done – and we expect to read more about this talented young man in the future.

Congratulations to Richard and Charlotte Rickman, whose son Gregg, will be receiving his Ph.D. in International Relations in May from the University of Miami in Coral Gables. Gregg is on the staff of Florida congresswoman Ileana Ross-Lehtinen and serves as Senior Professional Staff Member and is Director of Arab-Israeli terror issues.

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Your 2003-2004 Officers



Mosaic Lodge visits on Brotherhood Night

Sunshine Committee Report

Members who have passed to the Celestial Lodge above:

Bro. Ernest O. Brody; Bro. Allen W. Epstein; Bro. Barry Gershen; Bro. Phillip Glickman; Bro. Mervyn R. Hirsh; Bro. William B. Hirsh; Bro. Jerome Metzler; Bro. Leon J. Miller; Bro. Norman Serabin; Bro. Ernest Siegler; Bro. Harry Stein and Bro. Mitchell Young.

Deceased Relations of our Brethren and/or their families:

Greta Melamed - wife of Wor. Bro. Maynard

Hospitalized or Recuperating either at Home or in a Nursing Facility:

Bro. Aaron "Sonny" Berlin is recuperating; Bro. Morris Blatt is recuperating at home following surgery; Bro. Julian Cohen had lower back surgery and is recuperating at home; P.M. Bro. Don Samuels wife, Paula Samuels, was in Hillcrest Hospital; Bro. Louis Snow was hospitalized from an auto accident. He had some broken ribs and a collapsed lung; Bro. Warren Snow is home recuperating from ankle surgery; Bro. Charles Sternberg is recuperating at home following bypass surgery and Bro. Morris Stoller at home recuperating.

Wedding Anniversaries since our last bulletin:

Bro. Myron and Ruth Lane – 65 years – *AWESOME!!*

Bro. Leonard and Florence Shorr – 60 years – *WOW!!*

Congratulations to:

Bro. Stanley and Kathy Berlin whose daughter Stephanie Berlin married Christopher Wingader. Her grandparents are Bro. Aaron and Reita Berlin and her brother is Bro. Gregory Berlin.

Bro. Greg Berlin for achieving his MBA from Weatherhead School of Management at CWRU.

Bro. Al and Veronica Hammes on the birth of a new grandson, Yitzak Yosef Berkintal. The parents are Merick and Traci of Brooklyn, NY.

Bro. Marvin and Marilyn Hersch. Their son Scott married Jamie Beth Sandman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sandman. The couple plans to reside in Solon, Ohio.

Wor. Bro. Ronald Jacobs and his corps of officers for an outstanding "Lodge Inspection".

Bro. Scott Kamenir was recently married.

Bro. Zalman and Robin Rzepka on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Nathan.

Bro. Jerry and Linda Savransky on the birth of their new granddaughter, Ashley Hanna Savransky. The parents are Barry and Stephanie Savransky of Parkland, Florida.

Bro. Dr. Jackie Woldering whose son Tom was accepted on full scholarship to NROTC...good luck.

Bro. Sanford and Sally Ziff who were honored by Ohio First Lady Hope Taft and by the Ohio Department of Aging. They received the "Joint Hands in Giving Award" given to couples who have been married 50 years or more, and still regularly perform acts of community service together.

PLEASE CALL US WITH *YOUR* NEWS OF BIRTHS, GRADUATIONS, WEDDINGS, ANNIVERSARIES AND OTHER HAPPENINGS.

PLEASE: Notify Bro. Richard Sanders of **any** Sunshine Fund happenings. Call Dick at (440) 255-4155 or FAX (440) 255-0048 or e-mail at light-up@msn.com. Answering machine and fax are always on.

A MASONIC BELIEF

As a Mason, I share the strong ties of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth in the Craft. This noble tradition stresses that we are part of this world and should strive to perfect our world for the sake of those around us and ourselves. From the time of the dim past, we have taken pride in extending a charitable hand to those in need. In the face of persecution, and, believe me, Freemasonry has had more than its share, we have not denied our pledge to help.

We know the importance of family ties. Our more senior members grew up in larger, tightly knit families, shaping values and world outlook. Today, we are told that the family is in danger. Let us, then, rededicate ourselves to the Masonic family as a goal. Is there any better investment than our determination to strengthen this great Fraternity?

Fortunate are we to be living in a country where its compatible to be both an American and a Mason. Let us re-pledge ourselves to the traditional values of Freemasonry and the service of humanity.

We must put our shoulders into the effort of strengthening the American community, to enriching Masonic life and the enhancing of our world outlook.

David Kaplan
Lodge Education Officer

THEY SAID IT

"We represent a fraternity which believes in justice and truth and honorable action in your community...men who are endeavoring to become better citizens...[and] to make a great country greater. This is the only institution in the world where we can meet on the level all sorts of people who want to live rightly."

Harry S. Truman

"Freemasonry embraces the highest moral laws and will bear the test of any system of ethics or philosophy ever promulgated for the uplift of man."

General Douglas MacArthur

"A Freemason, therefore, should be a man of honor and of conscience, preferring his duty to everything beside, even his life; independent in his opinions, and of good morals, submissive to the laws, devoted to humanity, to his country, to his family; kind and indulgent to his brethren, friend of all virtuous men, and ready to assist his fellows by all means and power."

Albert Pike, Author and Mason

Our thanks to *The Florida Mason*
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Trestleboard

NOTE: Stated Meetings are scheduled for the **first and third Wednesday** of each month. Variations from this schedule will, to the extent possible, be indicated in **bold type**.

Wed., May 19, 2004Mason of the Year
6:30 p.m. Dinner with Ladies
7:30 p.m. Program in Lodge Hall

Sat., May 22, 2004....Master & Wardens Dinner Dance
The Bertram, Aurora Ohio

6:30 p.m. Social Hour
7:30 p.m. Dinner and Entertainment

Wed., May 24, 2004.....Special Meetings
5:30 p.m. Membership Committee
6:15 p.m. Light Dinner (Free)
7:00 p.m. Master Mason Degree

Wed., June 2, 2004
7:30 p.m..... Stated Meeting

Fri.-Sun., June 11-13, 2004TORONTO BUS TRIP
(Sorry, this event is sold out)

Wed., June 16, 200425th Annual Table Lodge
5:30 p.m. E.A. Degree
6:30 p.m. Dinner and Program

Mon., July 19, 2004 Annual Golf Outing - See Insert

Wed., August 11, 200416th Annual Steak Roast
5:00 – 8:30 p.m.....Horseshoe Lake

Wed., September 1, 2004
Memorial Night and Widows Night
6:30 p.m.Dinner with the Ladies
7:30 p.m. Program

Mason of the Year Dinner with the Ladies

Wednesday, May 19, 2004 – 6:30 p.m.

There will be a full evening of activities when we honor our Mason of the Year. Dinner tickets are in your Fellowship Book, and individual tickets can be obtained from the Ticket Committee or any officer for \$8.00.



Wor. Bro. Ronald L. Jacobs and Most Wor. Bro. Steven J. Krekus, Grand Master, Brotherhood night 2003

Master and Wardens Dinner Dance Saturday, May 22, 2004 – 6:30 p.m. Bertram Inn – Aurora, Ohio

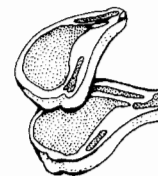
A sumptuous dinner and entertainment and dancing to the music of the Eddie Polina Band will be featured at this year's edition of the Master and Wardens Dinner Dance. The menu is either charbroiled New York steak or broiled salmon. Hors d'ouerves will be plentiful.

The cost for Brethren and their ladies is \$45.00 per person. The cost for guests is \$55.00 per person. For reservations or further information, call Bro. Dan Lash at (216) 531-2668.

25th Annual Table Lodge Wednesday, June 16, 2004 – 5:30 p.m.

The Lodge has traditionally closed for the "Summer Break" with the Annual Table Lodge, and the tradition will continue this year. Lodge will open at 5:30 p.m. for the conferring of an Entered Apprentice Degree, followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. Our featured speaker will be Right Worshipful Brother Bradford Goebel, Junior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge of Ohio. Seating is limited. Cost of this dinner is \$8.00, and tickets are available from the officers. Don't miss this unusual event.

The Table Lodge ceremony has its origins in England, and the program was initiated at Forest City Lodge 25 years ago by W.B. Gerald D. Marks during his term in office. We have been assured that W.B. Marks will be here from his home in Florida to celebrate this special anniversary evening.



16th Annual Steak Roast Wednesday, August 11, 2004 Horseshoe Lake – Shaker Heights 5:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Forget about "Atkins" or "South Beach" – and make plans to join your Forest City family and friends for another great Steak Roast at the shelter at Horseshoe Lake. As usual, W.B. Mort Negin has the great menu of salads, steak, corn-on-the-cob, watermelon, dessert and assorted soft drinks, all for the low cost of \$13.00 per person. As space limitations require us to stop at 200 -persons, act now and get your group together. **To make reservations, call W.B. Mort Negin at (440) 942-1144.**

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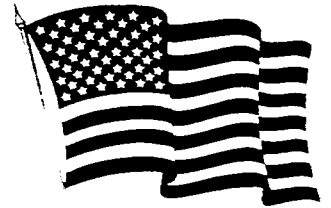
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IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!!!

THE ANNUAL MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

MONDAY, JULY 19, 2004

AT

ST. DENIS GOLF COURSE & PARTY CENTER

10660 CHARDON ROAD, CHARDON, OHIO

Although it may not seem like it at this time, Spring is, indeed, on its way! You all know what that means! "Golf Season" is almost here! Last years' Memorial Golf Tournament is still fresh in our memories. Those memories make us eager for this years' tournament. Last year we had 124 golfers; plus marshals and others in attendance. We are hoping for even more this year, despite the economy. Those who attended the past few years know that the food and prizes were "Grrreat!" We plan on making things even better this year!

Early reservations are a **MUST**, as we anticipate a sellout!

(A sign-up coupon is printed below.)

It is important to remember that not only is this one of THE social events of the Summer, but it is also a **Major Charitable Fund-Raising Event** for our Lodge. Please make your plans (and reservations) early, so that YOU can participate in this fabulous day of fun and fellowship.

Fraternal Regards,

BARRY WESSLER, RICHARD LANDIS, & BURTON J. TASK, P.M., GOLF CO-CHAIRMEN

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Steak Dinner • Door Prizes Galore

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& 1 Set of Golf Clubs
Plus other Prizes for Closest to the Pin, Etc.

REGISTRATION: Starts @ 9:30 A.M.

FEE: Lunch, Golf, Cart, Dinner, & Prizes = \$110.00/person

LUNCH: **10:45 A.M. SHARP**

Lunch, Dinner, & Prizes ONLY = \$55.00/person

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