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Grand Lodge Scheduled

If you haven't made arrangements to attend Grand Lodge, **October 23 and 24**, the deadline is rapidly closing. The Annual Grand Lodge Communication is being held at the Columbus Convention Center. The following link will aid with registration: http://www.gl2015res.com/. Meal reservation deadline is Saturday, October 10th. Ladies Brunch and program is $30.00 and the Grand Lodge Banquet is $48.00. You can pay by check or credit card. If paying by check, make your check payable to GL2015. The checks and reservation form from the above link should be mailed to N. Crowell Shane at 1326 Bradshire Dr., Columbus, OH 43220. Hotel information can also be found at the above link.

VA Hospital Visitation

October 4 with Linden #637, Community #684, Capital City #656, and University #631.

The visitation is planned from 1:00 pm – 3:15 pm. The first lodge listed, Columbus Lodge is the organizational Lodge and will contact the representatives of the other lodges to arrange what to bring. Refreshments of six dozen of each of apples, oranges, bananas, and about 12-15 dozen cookies (not homemade) are appreciated for the patients.

Next Visitation - **November 7** with York #563, New England #4, Triangle #748 and Blendon #339.

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September District Quarterly Meeting

The 14th District Masonic Officer's Association held the quarterly meeting on September 24th at Luther B. Turner Lodge. WB Mike Saum, President of the Association welcomed the brethren and their ladies to the meeting. He thanked the members of Luther B. Turner #732 for hosting and cooking the dinner prior to the meeting.

All business was suspended so awards could be presented at this meeting. WB Saum started by presenting an 80% attendance ribbon to University #631 for having a representative at the district inspections this season. The 90% attendance ribbons went to New England #4 and Luther B. Turner #732. Lodges receiving a 100% attendance ribbon included: Hiram #18, Magnolia #20, Lockbourne #232, Groveport #240, Blendon #339, Reynoldsburg #340, Goodale #372, Neoacacia #595, West Gate #623, Linden #637, Community #684, Grove City #689, Triangle #748, South Gate–Potter #782, and Sunrise #783. Brethren representing those respective lodges were thanked for their support in having a representative at each of the 26 inspections.

The next set of awards presented went to individual brethren who attended the all the inspections that started in December 2014 and ran through June 2015. These brethren included: Br. Bob Boyer, WB David Roach, WB Mike Saum, RWB Gary Fortner, WB Bob Neff, Br, Benjamin Okwumabua, WB Ted Pummell, WB Jim Shore, WB Mike Martin, MWB Steve Cokonougher, Br. Fredrick Hummler, WB Phil Miller, WM Tim Robinette, and Br. Neal Wengatz.

The District Deputy Grand Masters then presented plaques to the following brethren based on their presentations:

- Best Entered Apprentice Lecture – WB Paul 'Pete' Hammond of Neoacacia #595
- Best Entered Apprentice Charge – Br. Nick Bolyard of Neoacacia #595
- Best Fellow Craft Lecture – Br. Blake Oates – Avery #493
- Best Fellow Craft Charge – Br. Ron Wike – Avery #493
- Best Master Mason Lecture – Br. Jim Bage – Goodale #372
- Best Master Mason Charge – WB Roy Owens – Goodale #372

WB Saum presented MWB Cokonougher, Grand Master with a 24 inch gauge to commemorate the Lodge Inspections this season with the assistance of the District Deputy Grand Masters.



Plaques for best degree went to:

- Entered Apprentice – University #631
- Fellow Craft – Hiram #18
- Master Mason – Capital City #656

The deputies determined that the best overall degree went to University #631.

There was a tie for the best Craft Team presentation during the Master Mason degree between Goodale #372 and Capital City #656.

WB Adam Michael presented the attendance report for the meeting which included over 50 brethren attending representing 21 lodges and 10 worshipful masters.



RWB Stoots, District Deputy Grand Master presented information about a special Master Mason degree being presented to candidates of Columbus #30 which will be held at Luther B. Turner Lodge on **Saturday, October 17th** starting at about 8:00 a.m. If there are brethren that want to help participate, please contact RWB Estell.

Dates

10/4
VA Hospital Visitation

10/23-10/24
Grand Lodge

11/1
VA Hospital Visitation

11/1
DEO/DDGM Installation
Northwest Masonic Temple

11/8
District Serves at Faith Mission

12/5
Past Master Convocation
District Annual Meeting
Luther B. Turner

1/18/2016
First Inspection

DEO/DDGM Installation

Don't forget the installation of two District Education Officers and the new District Deputy Grand Master on Sunday, November 1, 2015 at Northwest Masonic Temple. The DEO installation will begin at 3pm and the DDGM installation will follow immediately. Master Masons are invited to join Linden DeMolay for their meeting following the installation. All Master Masons and their guests are invited the installation.

Purple Pancakes

Saturday, November 7th is the date for the 7th Annual Purple Pancakes for Pancreatic Cancer. This fundraiser is being held at York Golf Club at 7495 N. High Street (north of 270) and will be held from 8 a.m. until noon. There will also be silent auction.

Masonic Meals

Enjoy Some Great Fellowship

Come out for one of the many breakfasts or dinners around the District and enjoy some great food & fellowship

First Saturday at **Lockbourne Lodge: Breakfast**, 8 - 10a

First Saturday at **Grove City Lodge: Breakfast**, 8 - 10a

First Saturday at **Hiram Lodge: Breakfast**, 8-10 a January - November

Third Saturday at **Groveport Lodge: Breakfast**, 7:30 - 10a EXCEPT JULY AND AUGUST

Last Saturday at **Reynoldsburg Lodge: Breakfast**, 8 - 11a

Scottish Rite

The Fall Reunion is scheduled for **October 31st** at the Villa Milano Banquet Center, 1630 Schrock Rd., Columbus. The degrees planned to be presented are the 4th, 18th, 22nd (video), 27th and 32nd. We hope you can join us on Halloween day! The cost to join remains $100.00. Lunch is $10.00 and reservations are REQUIRED. Please call Susan at the Valley office at 800-344-9741 or locally at 614-766-2272. Those phone numbers will also help with further information about the reunion and the petition and flyer can be found at the Scottish Rite website, www.valleyofcolumbus.com.

Aladdin Shrine



October 3rd is the date for the ceremonial, the LAST ONE HELD at the 3950 Stelzer Rd. address. The Ceremonial fee is $194 (THIS IS A NEW FEE) if a fez is not required and $279 if one is needed. Both fees include $89 (THIS IS A NEW FEE) for the candidate's 2016 dues. The petition deadline is 4:00 p.m. on Monday, September 28. Check with brethren to see if they might want to join Aladdin!

The auction of items at Aladdin Shrine has been set for October 17th. The building will be opened at 8am.

Worthington Market Day

The district sold fried bologna sandwiches and maple syrup at Worthington Market Day, Saturday, September 26. The booth was set up in front of the old New England lodge building.



Save the Date
Past Master's Convocation
Saturday, December 5, 2015
Luther B. Turner Lodge
2933 Valleyview Drive
All brothers who will serve as Worshipful Master in 2015-2016 are required to attend. Actual Past Masters are also invited.
The 14th District annual meeting and installation will follow in the afternoon. All masons may attend the afternoon session.