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Grand Master's Reception



The Fourteenth District Masonic Officers Association has been working hard on planning and putting the program together for this year's Grand Master's Reception honoring Most Worshipful Brother Jess N. Raines, Grand Master of Masons in Ohio. As a reminder, the event will take place on Saturday, March 9th, 2019 at the Makoy Center at at 5462 Center Street, Hilliard, Ohio 43026. We sincerely thank all of the lodges of the Fourteenth District for their support of this traditional event.

Social time will begin at 5:30pm. Please do not arrive any earlier than this time so the district officers can prepare for the evening and the Makoy staff can setup promptly. All will be asked to be seated at their assigned tables by 6:15pm, as the evening will begin shortly after that time and will be followed by introductions of all the grand lodge officers at 6:30pm. Tables will then begin being dismissed at 6:45pm for the buffet line. All other introductions, including the worshipful masters of their respective lodges, and all other presentations will be held after dinner. As the worshipful masters and ladies will be introduced from their tables, they will then make their way to the front of the stage where they will be greeted by our grand master. Following this, they will both make their way onto the stage for a photo. After the program has concluded, there will be a cash bar open for more fellowship.

We are looking forward to a fantastic evening with all of you and in honoring our Grand Master. The evening is sure to be a memorable one.

If there are any questions, please reach out to WB Timothy Robinett, 1st Vice President at t_robinett@hotmail.com.

14TH MASONIC DISTRICT

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DEADLINE FOR APRIL ASHLAR:

March 20, 2019

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14th District Golf Outing

The Eighth Annual 14th Masonic District Golf Outing, benefiting the 14th District Grand Lodge Officers Fund, is scheduled for May 4th, 2019 at York Golf Club. Lunch will be served at 1:00pm and there will be a shotgun start at 2:00pm.

The cost of this event is $90 per person if reservation is received by April 6th and includes lunch, a round of golf, cart, and 2 drink tickets. After April 6th, the cost goes up to $150 per golfer. Deadline for all reservations is April 27th, 2019.

This event is open to all golfers. There will be plenty of prizes to be won and a cash bar will be available. Assemble your team of 4 now for an opportunity to enjoy some great fellowship and to experience this beautiful course.

To submit your reservations, please contact WB John Hicks or WB Craig Shumaker.

Remaining 2019 Inspections

LODGE NAME	#	INSPECTION DATE	Degree
York	563	Monday, March 04, 2019	MM
Sunrise	783	Tuesday, March 05, 2019	FC
Grove City	689	Monday, March 11, 2019	FC
Magnolia	20	Tuesday, March 12, 2019	FC
Avery	493	Tuesday, March 19, 2019	MM
Neoacacia	595	Wednesday, March 20, 2019	FC
New England	4	Monday, March 25, 2019	FC

All EA and FC inspections begin at 7:00pm, with dinner served at 6:15pm. All MM inspections will begin with the first section at 5:30pm, dinner will be served at 6:15pm, and the second section will begin at 7:00pm.

VA Hospital Visitation Scheduled for March



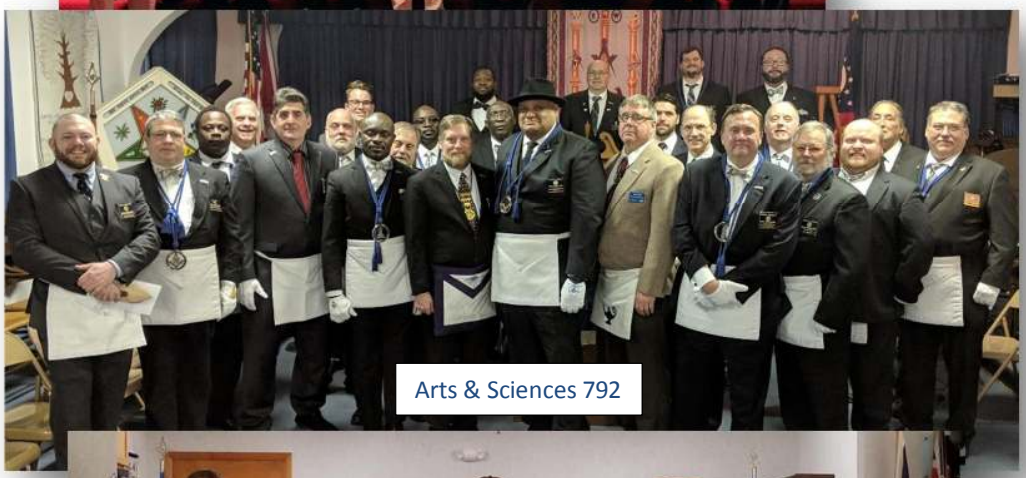
Visitations to the VA Hospital in Chillicothe will begin on Sunday, March 3rd, 2019 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. On this date, the following lodges are assigned to participate with the first lodge listed as the designated organizer for the day: University No. 631, Community No. 684, and Capital City No. 656.

The next visit will be on Sunday, April 7th, with the following lodges assigned to participate: Blendon No. 339, York No. 563, New England No. 4, Triangle No. 748.

Inspection Photos



Goodale 372



Arts & Sciences 792



Reynoldsburg 340



University 631

Dates

3/4 - Inspection – MM – York

3/5 – Inspection – FC – Sunrise

3/9 – Grand Master's Reception – Makoy Center

3/11 – Inspection – FC – Grove City

3/12 – Inspection – FC - Magnolia

3/16 – DDGM Breakfast – Northwest Temple

3/16 – SYSK II – Hiram

3/19 – Inspection – MM – Avery

3/20 – Inspection – FC – Neoacacia

3/23 – Masonic Roadshow – Hiram

3/25 – Inspection – FC – New England

3/30 – AASR Valley of Columbus Spring Reunion

4/20 – SYSK III – RR Rickly

5/4 – 14th District Golf Outing – York Golf Club

5/11 – SYSK IV – Turner Temple

5/18 – Grand Master's One Day Class – Magnolia

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
Grove City Lodge:
Breakfast, 8 - 10a

First Saturday at
Hiram Lodge:
Breakfast, 8 - 10a
EXCEPT JULY AND AUGUST

Second Saturday at
West Gate Lodge:
Breakfast, 9a – 12p

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

Last Saturday at
Reynoldsburg Lodge:
Breakfast, 8 - 10a

If you are having an event and want to invite the district, please send an email to:

ashlar@14thmasonicdistrict.org

1st Annual DDGM Breakfast to Celebrate our 2019 Inspection Season



Prepared for you by present and past DDGMs of the 14th District

March 16, 2019
8-10:00a
Northwest Temple
2436 W. Dublin Granville Rd
Columbus, OH 43235

Proceeds benefit the 14th District Grand Lodge Officer Fund

University 5K Run

Special Olympics
Blue Lodge Run

5K and Kids Fun Run
Sponsored by
University Lodge #631
March 30, 2019 @ 9:30 am
2436 W. Dublin Granville Rd, Columbus, Ohio 43235
Cost $35
Please Join Us
Community, Brotherhood and Fundraising
www.university631.com
BlueLodgeRun@gmail.com
614.792-6311
Sign up by 3/16/2019 for $10 member discount or $35 on race day.

First Visit to Switzerland

Brother Jerod Burton



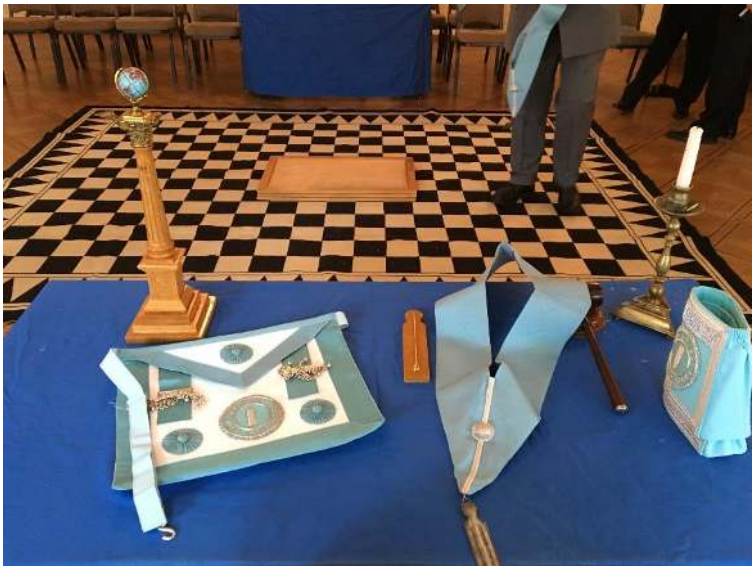
In 2016, I was afforded the opportunity to travel to Switzerland and live for three months while my wife worked. Being new in the fraternity of Freemasonry, I relied on my brothers to give me a crash course in etiquette and rituals before we took off. Our lodge secretary contacted the grand lodge to compile a list of English speaking lodges for me to visit. With papers in hand, I began an adventure that, to this day, has opened doors to many lodges for a traveling man to visit.

Once we settled in, my daughter and I took to the streets of Lausanne. As we were on the subway traveling from the borough of Chauderon (showd-ron), to the borough of Ouchy- Olympique (ou-she Olympique) where the shore of Lake Geneva is, a well-dressed man noticed my backpack with the square and compasses. He stared at us for a couple stops, and not speaking French, I did I best to avoid eye contact. He pulled back his scarf, and a Forget-Me-Not was proudly displayed as a lapel pin… In my limited French, I said "mon frere?" He smiled greatly and pulled us off the subway. He then told me, in his limited English, to cover it up because persecution for being a Freemason is still happening in Switzerland. As early as 2018, a law went to vote in the Canton of Bern that if you are a Freemason, you are to make it known. It failed to be ratified by the people, but it is a constant reminder that what you do as a Mason in your actions, is and will be, scrutinized.



I attended St. Johns Lodge No. 85 in Morges, Switzerland for their installation. The lodge formed in 2013 to serve the growing English speaking brethren, in Emulation Rite, who work near there. The Worshipful Master for 2016 was going to be Frederico Stewart. They met in a hotel ballroom, which became a discotheque at midnight. All working tools, carpet, trestle-boards, were brought in from the Past Master's place each time they met (nine times a year). As with any new visiting brother, I had to give proof of being a Freemason, and, with everyone doing things just a bit different, I was put last as I was different than anyone else. We had refreshment after saluting the WM in each degree. I met many brethren at the Festive Board, including a Swiss Moroccan by the name of Medi Warmbrodt, who offered up his home and couch anytime I come back. This brother had spent many years in Thailand and was accustomed to western Freemasonry.

A brother by the name of Sean Gordon, from the UK, introduced himself and introduced brethren from other parts of the UK, Austria, Netherlands, and Sweden. A brother, PM Andreas Herbst, invited me to his lodge in Bern, Lodge Zur Hoffnung (lodge of hope). I met three Americans who are members of St. Georges, who rarely travel to other lodges or back home.

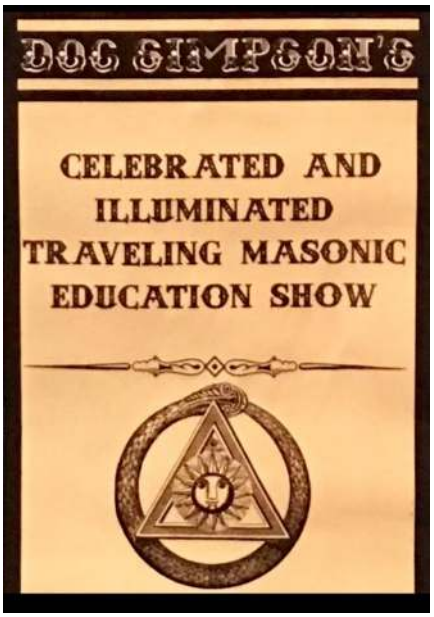


A few weeks later, I attended Lodge Zur Hoffnung in Bern. Lodge Zur Hoffnung is a German speaking lodge. It was formed in 1803, by a charter under the French Constitution. Brother Andreas met me at the door, and conducted me to the lounge where brethren were socializing and having a drink before lodge. I was provided a brother to help me translate if I could not understand when the meeting started. I was told to do exactly what I do at my mother lodge in order to make it a comfortable experience. It was a Fellow Craft meeting, discussing the importance of the degree and the working tools of both Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft in everyday life. It just so happened that the Grand Master of Suisse Aplina, GM Maurice Handt, was there. After saluting and giving regards, he stepped off from behind the WM and sat next to me. After the lecture (first time I have ever heard German spoken poetically) we retired to the dining area. At each end of the table, the SW, and JW would pound gavels every so often to raise toasts, introduce visiting brethren, and ask for words to be spoken.

There was a lot of knowledge, experiences, and scenery to soak up from my visit. Doors to other lodges, brother's homes, countries and friendships blossomed in 2016, making way for a spectacular 2018 visit which I will write about soon.



Traveling Masonic Roadshow



Hiram Lodge No. 18 will host the Masonic Education Road Show on Saturday, March 23rd. Come join us for a day of food, fellowship, and Freemasonry. Recommended attire is slacks and a collared shirt. During the day, we will only use the title "Brother".

Hiram Lodge No. 18, 51 West Williams Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015.

Our theme for the day is: *Invest - in Your Lodge, Yourself, Your Community, and Your Freemasonry*. Each presenter will share practical do's and dont's to help you reap positive returns on your investments.

Schedule
8:00 am - Coffee & donuts (donation)
9:30 am - Opening & welcome
9:40 am - *Invest in Your Lodge - The Chamber for Preparation*, Roan Yarn, LEO
10:30 am - *Invest in Yourself - When Masonry becomes the Other Woman*, Antonio Caffey, PM
Break
11:30 - *Invest in Your Community - Backpacks to feed the Kids*, David Kelly, Principal & SD
12:10 pm - Lunch (donation)
1:00 pm - *Invest in Your Community - Building Community with Breakfast*, Shaun Marolt, GT
1:40 pm - Activity: Designing your own Chamber
2:00 pm - **Ice-cold milk and fresh-baked cookies!**
2:15 pm - *Investing in Your Freemasonry*, Jess Raines, GM
3:00 pm - Closing Remarks

RSVP ASAP to Chad Simpson, cesimp@yahoo.com or C 614-273-9314.

QUESTIONS ABOUT AGING?

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is here to help!

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omhresourcecenter.org

GOODALE NO. 372

GUN RAFFLE

WIN IN MAY

The purchase of a $20 raffle ticket makes its holder eligible to win a firearm any day in May (except Sundays; tickets are not drawn on Sundays). If the last three numbers of your ticket match last night's Ohio Pick 3, you win during the month of May.

$20 PER TICKET

To purchase, contact a brother of Goodale or write Allen Cochran at allenjcochran@gmail.com or (513) 633-8888.

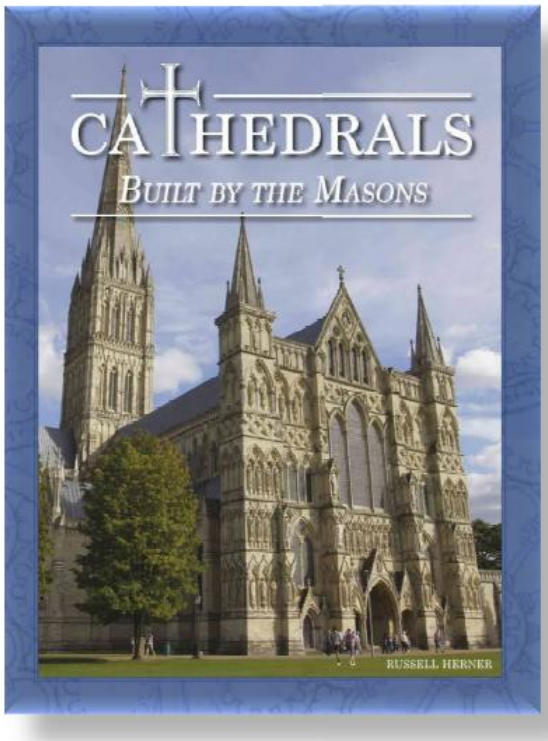
Proceeds support Honor Flight Columbus

Rules available at:
https://alln.me/2019rafflerules



More Light Night

Cathedrals Built by the Masons



Medieval cathedrals are awesome works of genius. Learn how operative masons designed & built them with tools Masons now use symbolically.

Russell Herner has studied cathedrals for 50 years. He will present seldom seen features of cathedrals, examples of masons' tools, ideas & social forces behind these "books in stone", and the basis for some Masonic traditions & symbols. His book (240 pages of incisive text & 259 photos) will be available for purchase.

Bro. Herner became a Mason in 1962. He served as WM of Roby Lodge #534 (Monroeville, OH), DDGM of the 16th Masonic District, and Master of the Ohio Lodge of Research. He received the 33rd Degree of Scottish Rite from the Valley of Toledo.

March 26, 2019 – 7:30 pm

Northwest Masonic Temple
2436 W. Dublin-Granville Rd. Columbus, OH

Free of charge & open to the public (non-tiled)

Questions: Bill Schuck, 614-459-2504 or ws095@hotmail.com

SOUTHGATE-POTTER #782 AND BREWDOG PRESENT

A NIGHT IN THE DOG HOUSE

CHARITY RAFFLE

EVERY MAN FINDS HIMSELF IN THE DOGHOUSE
PLANNED OR UNPLANNED
NOW YOU HAVE A REAL DOGHOUSE



Drawing March 25,2019

*1st prize - Paid night in the Dog House a $250.00 value
*2nd prize - $ 60.00 in Brew Dog Brew Bucks
*3rd prize - $ 40.00 in Brew Dog Brew Bucks

Contact an officer of SGP for more information


All You Can Eat
FISH FRY
3rd Annual
Friday
April 12,
2019
4:30pm-7:30pm
Law
Enforcement
Eats Free
All proceeds benefit
Special Olympics
Blendon Masonic Temple
130 S State St I Westerville I OH
$10.00 AYCE | Hand Breaded Alaskan
Pollock | Apple Sauce | Cole Slaw |
French Fries | Mac and Cheese
Carryout orders available!
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Donate Blood in memory of

Susan Vermiere



Susan Vermeire, known for her love of golf, hockey, teaching, family time and playing the church organ, passed away suddenly from a vascular condition which caused severe internal bleeding. She lost 12 pints of blood. Her family and friends invite the community to give blood in her name. Please give in memory of Susan.

Blood Drive

University Lodge 631 F & AM
York Golf Club

Banquet Hall
7459 N High St
Columbus, OH 43235

Saturday, April 6, 2019
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

To schedule an appointment call Glenn Johnson or Chuck Dahn at 614-885-5968 or email at yorkgc@columbus.rr.com.

American Red Cross

redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767

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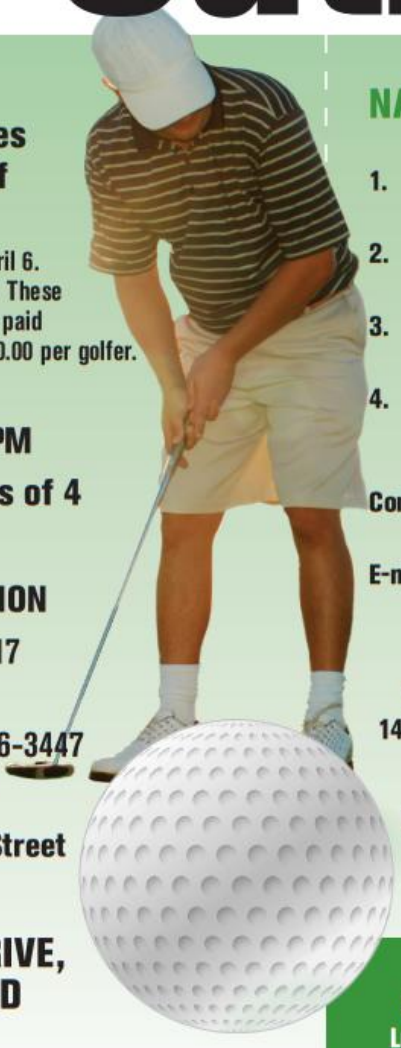
THE 14TH DISTRICT MASONIC OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

EIGHTH ANNUAL YORK GOLF CLUB

Saturday
May 4, 2019

REGISTRATION FORM

Golf Outing



SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019

$90 PER PERSON* | Includes lunch, a round of golf, golf cart, and 2 drink tickets

*Cost is $90.00 per person, if paid by April 6. Cost is $100.00 per person after April 6. These rates apply to the first 100 golfers with paid reservations; after that, the rate is $150.00 per golfer.

LUNCH AT 1:00 PM
SHOTGUN START AT 2:00 PM

Open to All Golfers | Teams of 4
PRIZES | CASH BAR

CONTACTS FOR INFORMATION

- WB John Hicks | 614-264-6317
  johnmh3@gmail.com
- WB Craig Shumaker | 419-236-3447
  craig.j.shumaker@gmail.com

York Golf Club | 7459 N. High Street
Columbus, OH 43235

PRIZES FOR LONGEST DRIVE, CLOSEST TO THE PIN AND LONGEST PUTT!

Deadline for Reservations: April 27, 2019

NAMES OF GOLFERS

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Contact _____

E-mail _____

Make checks payable to:
14th District Masonic Officers Association

Mail registration form to:
3285 Grasmere Avenue
Columbus, OH 43224

COSTS

$90 PER GOLFER* – Includes Lunch, Round of Golf, Golf Cart and 3 Drink Tickets

*Cost is $90.00 per person, if paid by April 6.

Magnolia Lodge #20 F & AM
Golf Outing June, 22nd, 2019

Most Worshipful Brother
Jess N. Raines
Grand Master of Masons
of Ohio in Attendance

1:00 PM Shot Gun Start
Split Rock Golf Club
10210 Scioto-Darby Rd,
Orient, OH 43146

Net Proceeds Benefit
Masonic Model Student
Assistance Program



Entry Fee: $260 per Team,
$65 per Person, Individuals are
Welcome!

Dinner Only Option:
$20 per Person



OUTING INCLUDES:

- 18 HOLE SCRAMBLE
- GOLF CART AND LUNCH AT THE TURN
- AWARDS FOR LONGEST DRIVE, LONGEST PUTT, AND CLOSEST TO THE PIN
- DOOR PRIZES
- ALL YOU CAN EAT BARBEQUE DINNER BY CONCRETE BBQ

See Back for
Golfer Sign-up

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