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From the President



On behalf of the officers of the 14th District Masonic Officers Association, I wish all our brothers and their families a happy and prosperous New Year. Even though we are not able to be together in person, the officers of the 14th District remain at your service. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can be of any assistance.

The annual District Directory is currently being prepared and more information will be provided shortly on how to obtain a copy. Thank you to the lodges who participated in our "One Liner" sponsorship drive and those who purchased an advertisement. The publication of the directory is made possible through your support.

Inspection season is upon us and although it will be a different experience than ever before, we look forward to strengthening the fraternal bonds that occur whenever we have the opportunity to meet. We are hopeful that traditional activities will resume this summer.

Fraternally,

John Hicks
President

Franklin County Memorial Lodge

The 56th annual meeting for the installation of the Officers of Franklin County Memorial Lodge will be held on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 via Zoom.

Normally this is when the 2021 District Directories would be distributed. However, due to delays directories will be distributed to the Lodge's by District Officers in early February.



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2021 Inspection Schedule

The District Deputies Grand Master have finalized the 14th Masonic District inspection schedule for 2021. See below.

Per Grand Lodge Edict # 2021-4, due to the current COVID-19 pandemic inspections will be closed. Attendance at inspections will be restricted to members of the lodge being inspected, the assigned DDGM, DEO, and District Officer.

LODGE NAME	#	INSPECTION DATE	Degree
University	631	Tuesday, January 5, 2021	EA
Sparrow	400	Tuesday, January 12, 2021	EA
Capital City	656	To Be Announced	MM
Hiram	18	Tuesday, January 19, 2021	FC
New England	4	Monday, January 25, 2021	EA
Community	684	Tuesday, January 26, 2021	FC
Blendon	339	Monday, February 1, 2021	FC
Triangle	748	Thursday, February 4, 2021	EA
Groveport-Lockbourne	801	Tuesday, February 9, 2021	MM
Neoacacia	595	Wednesday, February 17, 2021	FC
Linden	637	Thursday, February 18, 2021	EA
Arts & Sciences	792	Thursday, February 18, 2021	FC
Goodale	372	Monday, February 22, 2021	MM
York	563	Monday, March 1, 2021	FC
Canal Winchester	670	Wednesday, March 3, 2021	MM
Magnolia	20	Tuesday, March 9, 2021	EA
Reynoldsburg	340	Thursday, March 11, 2021	MM
West Gate	623	Monday, March 15, 2021	FC
Avery	493	Tuesday, March 16, 2021	FC
Grove City	689	Monday, March 22, 2021	MM
Sunrise	783	Tuesday, March 23, 2021	EA

Excellence in Youth Award

The 14th Masonic District is still looking for nominations for the Grand Master's Excellence in Youth Award. The purpose of the award is to recognize excellence and leadership within The Order of DeMolay, the International Order of Job's Daughters, and the International Order of The Rainbow for Girls. Each lodge within the district is eligible to nominate a worthy member from each of the youth groups. The recipients will be honored with the award by our Grand Master at the District's reception in March. Please contact your Worshipful Master or RWB Adam Michael (adasmddgm14@yahoo.com) for a nomination form and the criteria for selection. Nominations should be emailed to RWB Michael by Tuesday, January 12, 2021.

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

Note: due to COVID-19 the listed below breakfasts are currently closed. Please confirm with the Lodges before attending a breakfast.

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

Chaplain's Corner

WB Parker Thompson, Chaplain



As the newly appointed Chaplain, I would like to thank the 14th District Masonic Officers Association for appointing me to the officer's line and I am honored by their confidence in me. I look forward, in the coming year, to working with my fellow District Officers and the Worshipful Masters of the District in promoting Freemasonry in the 14th District.

For those that may not know me I hail form York Lodge No. 563 and was Worshipful Master there for the 2019 Masonic year. Though I have been a member of York for many years I was originally raised in the 10th District at Hope Lodge No. 214 in Delphos, Ohio. It is a small-town country lodge, in a building with lots of history, populated by good men. If you find yourself in the area, I definitely recommend looking it up.

Now that I am properly introduced, I would like to wish everyone Happy New Year and a fun inspection season.

Sincerely,

Parker S. Thompson
Chaplain

Upcoming Training Sessions

The SYSK (Stuff You Should Know) series is starting this year on January 16, 2021. To reserve a spot at the sessions please contact Ronald E. Wike at 614-989-4081. Dates for the subsequent sessions are listed in *Upcoming Events & Important Dates* section below.

A Stewards training session will be held on January 6, 2021 via Zoom. A hyperlink for the meeting will be sent out several days before the event.



Grand Master's Pin

Our 2021 Grand Master's pin, pictured to the left, features the phrase "Use the Tools" as a reminder to utilize, in our daily lives, the valuable lessons taught by the fraternity. Pins can be obtained from the District Deputy Grand Master assigned to your lodge.

Upcoming Events & Important Dates

Date	Event	Location	Time
Tuesday, January 5, 2021	Inspection season begins with University Lodge No. 631	Northwest Masonic Temple **Note: Only open to Lodge Members and Inspecting Officers**	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 6, 2021	Franklin County Memorial Lodge Annual Meeting	Zoom	
Thursday, February 25, 2021	14th District Quarterly meeting	TBA	7:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 13, 2021	Canal Winchester Lodge No. 670 100 Year Reconsecration	651 Groveport Road Canal Winchester, OH 43110	1:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 13, 2021	14th District Annual Grand Master's Reception	TBA	5:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 27, 2021	14th District Annual Awards Dinner and Presentations	TBA	7:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 6, 2021	Masonic Home Day - Springfield	2655 West National Rd. Springfield, OH 45504	10:00 a.m.
Friday, June 25, 2021	Special Olympics	Jesse Owens Stadium	5:30 p.m.



