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Important COVID-19 Update

The District Deputy Grand Masters and District Advisor have determined that for January 2022 it may not be appropriate for Lodges to meet in-person due to the Omicron COVID virus outbreak in the area. According to Edict 2022-4, Worshipful Masters now have the option (BUT ARE NOT REQUIRED) to hold regular meetings, hybrid meetings or virtual meetings during that time. Worshipful Masters may limit meetings to only their members or may require masks. Members who feel more comfortable wearing a mask, are of course, encouraged to do so at any time. We will decide later in January whether to extend this determination into February based on conditions in the district.

A special web page (https://14thmasonicdistrict.org/covid-update) has been created to notify members of changes in inspections (and if we know, to stated meetings). Please check that page before you travel to a lodge. At the time of printing, University Lodge's inspection, Franklin County Memorial Lodge, and SYSK Session 1 have been postponed and will be rescheduled. Additionally, a number of lodges are choosing to hold either hybrid or completely virtual meetings. Due to the changing nature of the situation, more changes will probably be required. Check the website frequently for updates.

14TH MASONIC DISTRICT

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SYSK Update

The SYSK session scheduled for Saturday, January 8, 2022 at Avery Masonic Lodge has been postponed. The first session will now be held on Saturday, February 5, 2022 at 8:00 A.M. at Sparrow Masonic Lodge, 87 North Morning Street, Sunbury, Ohio 43074. The updated SYSK schedule can be found on page 6 of the Ashlar.



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Reception for the Grand Master Scheduled

The Fourteenth District Masonic Officers Association has been working hard on planning and putting the program together for this year's District Reception honoring Most Worshipful Brother Timothy Wheeland, Grand Master of Masons in Ohio. As a reminder, the event will take place on Saturday, March 12th, 2022 at Villa Milano, located at 1630 Schrock Rd, Columbus, Ohio 43229. Reservations for the buffet dinner are $50 per person and must be received by February 25, 2022. ***No reservations will be accepted after this date so please plan accordingly.***

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 Villa Milano 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 promptly at 6:30pm. Tables will then begin being dismissed at 6:45pm for the "cafeteria style" buffet line. All other introductions, including the Worshipful Masters of their respective lodges, and all other presentations will be held after dinner.

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 Keith Fields, 1st Vice President at keith@oberers.com.

Franklin County Memorial Lodge

The 57th Annual Meeting and Installation of the Officers of Franklin County Memorial Lodge is tentatively **rescheduled** to be held on Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at Hiram Lodge located at 51 W William St in Delaware.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 P.M. and the cost for the dinner is only $10. A brief business meeting and the installation will follow at 7:30 P.M. This meeting is an open meeting, you're welcome to bring the ladies as well!

Franklin County Memorial Lodge provides the last rites for our sojourning Brethren whose home lodge is in another District or State. It only costs $1.00 to become a member and the lodge only meets once a year (attendance at the meeting is not required). You will be placed on a call list and when the FCML is called on, you will receive the message of when and where the funeral is to be held.

For more information or a membership card contact the Secretary, Greg Adams, adamsbuilders1@aol.com or 614-218-1328.

2022 Inspection Schedule

Due to the postponement of the inspection for University Lodge No. 631, the 2022 inspection season for the 14th District will now be starting on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at Groveport-Lockbourne Lodge No. 801.

Brethren are encouraged to attend inspections. This is a great opportunity to travel with and create stronger bonds among members from your lodge. It's also a great chance for new members to get acquainted with brethren from around the district. As a reminder, members can attend any inspection up to the highest degree they've received.

Please note that per Edict 2022-04 Worshipful Masters may choose to have closed inspections restricting attendance to only members of their lodge and inspecting officers. The most up-to-date information regarding upcoming inspections can be found on the district's website at https://14thmasonicdistrict.org/covid-update.

LODGE NAME	#	INSPECTION DATE	Degree
University	631	Postponed - New Date TBD	FC
Groveport-Lockbourne	801	Tuesday, January 11, 2022	EA
Hiram	18	Tuesday, January 18, 2022	MM
Linden	637	Thursday, January 20, 2022	FC
Community	684	Tuesday, January 25, 2022	MM
Arts & Sciences	792	Thursday, January 27, 2022	MM
Triangle	748	Thursday, February 3, 2022	FC
Blendon	339	Monday, February 7, 2022	MM
Capital City	656	Friday, February 11, 2022	EA
Sunrise	783	Tuesday, February 15, 2022	FC
Neoacacia	595	Wednesday, February 16, 2022	MM
Goodale	372	Monday, February 21, 2022	EA
New England	4	Monday, February 28, 2022	FC
Canal Winchester	670	Wednesday, March 2, 2022	EA
York	563	Monday, March 7, 2022	MM
Magnolia	20	Tuesday, March 8, 2022	FC
Avery	493	Tuesday, March 15, 2022	MM
Sparrow	400	Saturday, March 19, 2022	FC
West Gate	623	Monday, March 21, 2022	MM
Reynoldsburg	340	Tuesday, March 22, 2022	EA
Grove City	689	Monday, March 28, 2022	EA

All EA and FC Inspections begin at 7:00pm (dinner 6:15pm)
All MM inspections begin at 5:30pm (dinner at 6:15), second section at 7pm
*Sparrow 400 - breakfast at 8:00 am, degree at 9:00 am

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



Upcoming Events

Important note:
Several upcoming events have been postponed and/or rescheduled on short notice. Please check the district website at https://14thmasonicdistrict.org/covid-update for the most up-to-date information regarding any changes to scheduled events.

Event	Location	Date	Time
University Lodge No. 631	Northwest Masonic Temple, 2436 West Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus, Ohio 43235	Tuesday, January 4, 2022	**POSTPONED - New Date TBD**
Franklin County Memorial Lodge	Hiram Masonic Temple, 51 West William Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015	Wednesday, January 5, 2022	**POSTPONED - New Date is March 16, 2022**
Stuff You Should Know (SYSK) - Session 1	Avery Masonic Temple, 3980 Mainstreet, Hilliard, Ohio 43026	Saturday, January 8, 2022	**CANCELLED - 1st February Session is now Session 1**
Stuff You Should Know (SYSK) - Session 1	Sparrow Masonic Lodge, 87 North Morning Street, Sunbury, Ohio 43074	Saturday, February 5, 2022	8:00 AM
14th District Quarterly Meeting	Blendon Masonic Temple, 130 South State Street, Westerville, Ohio 43081	Thursday, February 24, 2022	Dinner - 6:00 PM Meeting - 7:00 PM
Stuff You Should Know (SYSK) - Session 2	Sparrow Masonic Lodge, 87 North Morning Street, Sunbury, Ohio 43074	Saturday, February 26, 2022	8:00 AM
14th District Reception for the Grand Master	Villa Milano Banquet and Conference Center, 1630 Schrock Road, Columbus, Ohio 43229	Saturday, March 12, 2022	5:30 PM
Franklin County Memorial Lodge	Hiram Masonic Temple, 51 West William Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015	Wednesday, March 16, 2022	Dinner - 6:30 PM Meeting - 7:30 PM
Grand Master's One Day Class	Northwest Masonic Temple, 2436 West Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus, Ohio 43235	Saturday, March 26, 2022	8:00 AM

Excellence in Youth

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 Cliff Nicol (cnicolddgm14@gmail.com) for a nomination form and the criteria for selection. Nominations should be emailed to RWB Nicol by Tuesday, January 18, 2022.

Community Service Award

The 14th Masonic District is still looking for nominations for the Grand Master's Community Service Award. The purpose of the award is to recognize members of the community that have made outstanding contributions to their community. Each lodge within the district is eligible to nominate a member of their community. 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 Ken Cohen (ken.cohen@mason340.com) for a nomination form and the criteria for selection. Nominations should be emailed to RWB Cohen by Wednesday, January 12, 2022.

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2022 SYSK



RESERVATION DEADLINE January 22, 2022

February 5, 2022.....Sparrow Lodge

February 26, 2022.....Magnolia Temple

April 9, 2022.....Blendon Lodge

April 23, 2022.....Avery Lodge

Date TBD.....Location TBD

Coffee & doughnuts: 7:45 am

Class: 8:00 AM—NOON

Cost: $25 for materials and pin

Email registration to **14thdistrictdeos@gmail.com**

with subject "**SYSK**"

DID YOU MISS A CLASS?

MAKE UP CLASSES AVAILABLE