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A Call to Upcoming Past Masters

RWB Chris Greise

As I reflect on today, I realize we are already a week into October — with Grand Lodge and November just around the corner. Staying busy and getting older seem to make time move even faster; blink, and months have passed.

This message is a call to all the *25ers.* Yes, the 25ers. I have realized that simply calling out the year I served in the East does not have the impact I had hoped for. What I really want to see is the Worshipful Masters from each year bonding together — taking pride in the year they led their lodges and our district successfully. Imagine showing up to a meeting and seeing seven of your fellow Past Masters from your year sitting with you. That is something special.

When I served as Master, I often leaned on others around the district whenever I had a last-minute cancellation for a degree. That cooperation — that spirit of support — is one of the main reasons we have built such strong camaraderie in our district and remained active across our appendant bodies.

Now, I want to challenge you — the outgoing Masters — to keep coming back to lodge. You can stay involved without feeling like you cannot take a breather. There is a great sense of pride in watching the officers who once helped you succeed now breaking new ground in their own journeys. Your "break" does not have to mean stepping away; it simply means you can now choose where and how you serve. Maybe that is helping fill in for a junior officer, assisting with a degree, or lending experience where the lodge needs it most.

When several Past Masters stay engaged, the work becomes lighter for everyone. It takes many hands to keep a lodge thriving, and the burden should not rest solely on the shoulders of current officers. Otherwise, burnout sets in — and what begins as a short "break" too often becomes permanent.

Conversely, the lodges that struggle are often the ones where Past Masters stop returning. The work falls entirely on the next officers, and the cycle of fatigue continues. I understand — you gave much of your time as Master, and balancing lodge with home, family, and work is never easy. But balance is the key. Do not let the pendulum swing so far that the lodge becomes an afterthought.

So, I ask you — how will you contribute to your lodge once you have passed the East? Find that sweet spot in life's balance. Remember, you are capable of far more than the bare minimum. Mediocrity is not the groove we were meant to settle into — not in Masonry, and not in life.

14TH MASONIC DISTRICT

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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

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

Lighting the Way: A Journey of Learning and Brotherhood in the 14th Masonic District

WB Jeffrey Hall

Let me start by introducing myself: my name is Jeffrey Hall. This is my first year serving as a District Education Officer in the 14th Masonic District, alongside Worshipful Brother Brad Love and Worshipful Brother Michael Heath, and I am extremely honored and humbled to serve in this role.

A little about me: my home lodge is Sparrow Lodge No. 400, and I served as its Past Master in 2022. I am also a plural member at Hiram Lodge No. 18. I have been a Mason for just over ten years, and I am deeply committed to our craft. Beyond Masonry, I also have the privilege of serving as the Assistant Circus Director for the Aladdin Shrine Circus. On a personal note, I am happily married to my wonderful wife Annette, and we have six children aged 30 and younger.

This year, our Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Shawn Johnson, has chosen the theme "Commit to the Craft." I truly believe that education is a cornerstone of that commitment—from the moment you become a candidate, through receiving your Master Mason degree, and well beyond. It is how we pass on our traditions and values to every Brother in every lodge.

I am looking forward to working with all of you to enhance Masonic education across the 14th District and to make this a truly memorable year. This year, the District Education Officers of the 14th Masonic District proudly bring you several education series that will not only increase your knowledge but also help you truly commit to the craft. We have the Worshipful Master and Lodge Education Officer training on November 19th at 7 PM at Magnolia Lodge, and the Stewards and Deacons training on December 17th at 7 PM at Reynoldsburg Lodge.

We are also excited to offer the SYSK (Stuff You Should Know) series to deepen your Masonic education. This series is open to everyone—not just those interested in formal leadership positions, but anyone who wants to be a leader in the lodge in a broader sense. It is important to recognize that true leadership is not just about holding a chair—it is about being a supportive and inspiring presence in our lodge community.

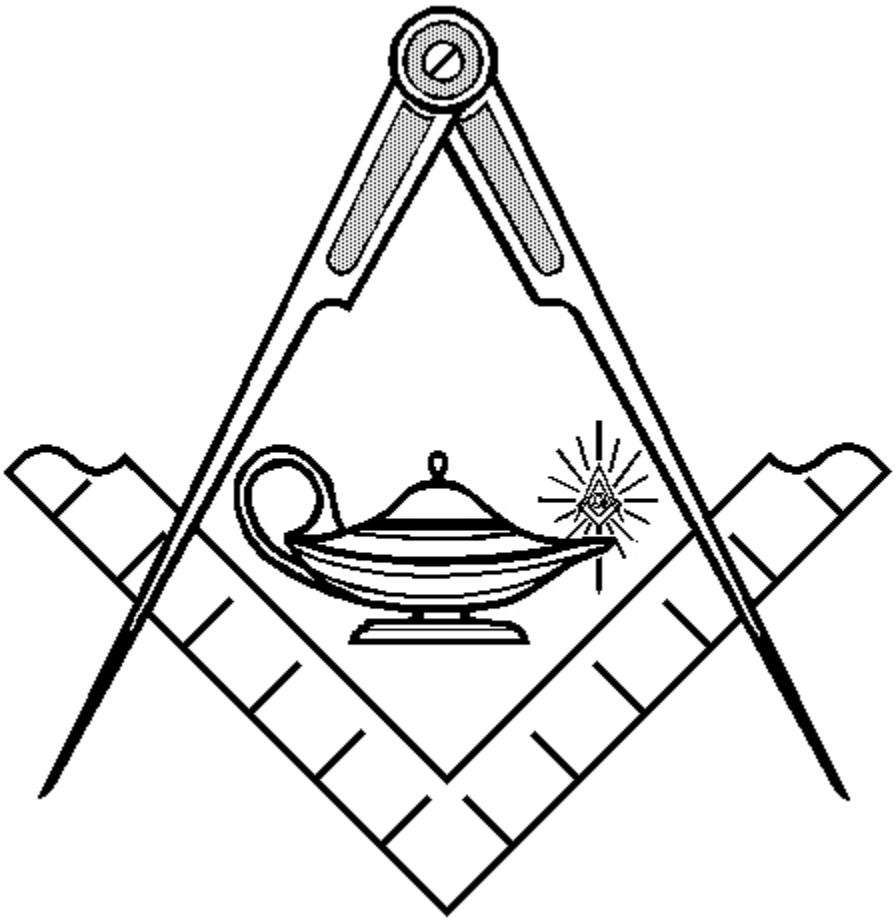
The SYSK classes will be held:

- 1/10/2026 from 8AM-3PM (Avery Lodge)
- 2/7/2026 from 8AM-3PM (location TBA)
- 3/7/2026 from 8AM-3PM (Sparrow Lodge)
- 4/11/2026 from 8AM-12PM (Hiram Lodge)

By joining these sessions, you will help ensure that we have a lodge full of knowledgeable and committed brothers, ready to lead in many ways and truly embody what it means to 'Commit to the Craft.'

I bet you are sitting there wondering, 'Well, how do I sign up for all this good stuff?' Do not worry, we have got you covered! We have attached the links you need, and you can also drop us an email or keep an eye on our Facebook page for all the sign-up dates and links. We promise we will not make you jump through any flaming hoops, just a couple of clicks, and you are all set!

In essence, Masonic education is one of the most valuable tools we have to enrich our lodges. It is not just about learning rituals or taking on roles—it is about deepening our understanding of our Masonic history and values and truly embracing what it means to commit to the craft. By making education easy and accessible, we not only benefit the brothers who attend, but we also pave the way for new members to feel welcome and informed. Plus, it is a fantastic opportunity to network with brothers from other lodges, building those connections that help all of us grow stronger together. In short, when we commit to Masonic education, we commit to a brighter future for every brother and a stronger, more connected fraternity.



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Registration Links

WM & LEO Workshop: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfxr3hLjOe8-F2EVaQRVy31TOxp5qquSSu4iAyTtKVzd42bMg/viewform?usp=header

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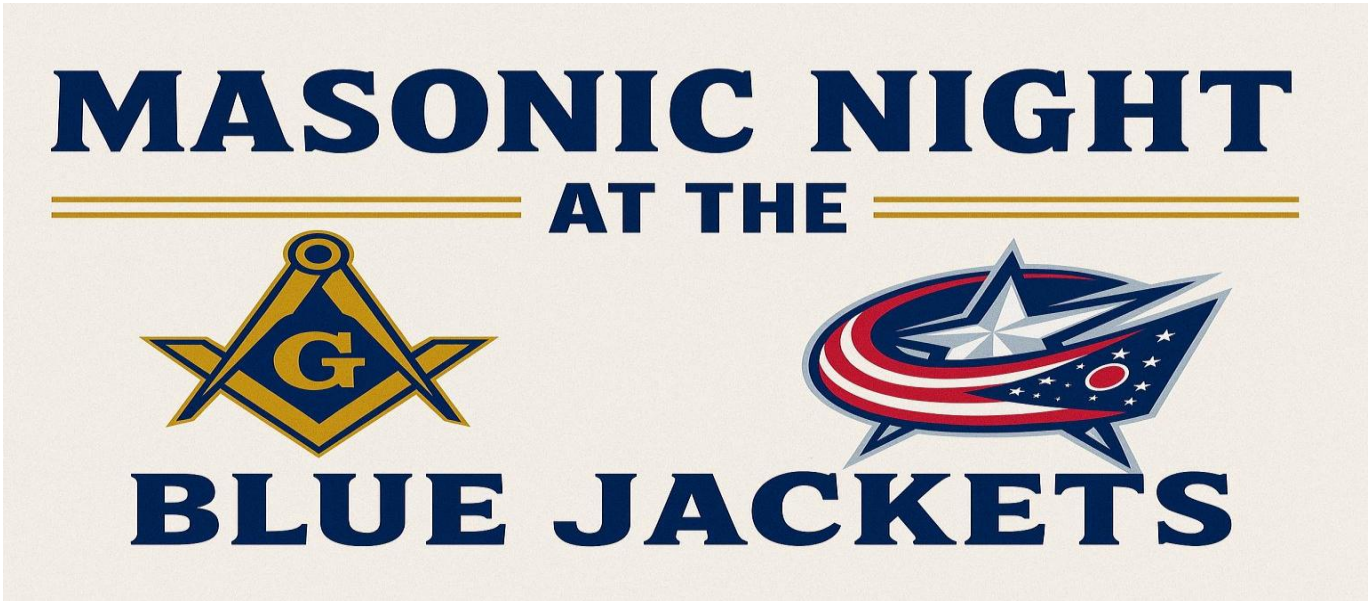
Upcoming Events

Event	Location	Date	Time
Installation of DDGM/DEO	Hiram Lodge	Sunday, November 2, 2025	5pm
Valley of Columbus Social Dinner	Villa Milano Banquet Center	Friday, November 7, 2025	6pm
Valley of Columbus Reunion	Villa Milano Banquet Center	Saturday, November 8, 2025	9am (Registration at 8am)
WM & LEO Workshop	Magnolia Lodge	Wednesday, November 19, 2025	7pm
Deacons & Stewards Training	TBD	Wednesday, December 17, 2025	7pm
Blue Jackets Night	Nationwide Arena	Wednesday, January 28, 2026	7pm

Please have all articles and advertisements into the Communication Committee by the 15th of each month to ensure your content is included in the next release:

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WHO: Open to all Masons and families of the 14th and our friends in surrounding districts.

WHEN: 1/28/2026

HOW MUCH: $65 (includes $5 food voucher and a jersey)

HOW:

Contact Jay Firm

Text: 614 816-4088

Email jay05firm@gmail.com

Please include how many tickets you need and jersey sizes. Sooner is better for the best seats.



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- SCRAMBLED EGGS
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BOWLERS TO VETERANS LINK

USBC CENTRAL OHIO ASSOCIATION

3rd Annual Charity Fundraiser

Saturday, Nov. 8th, 2025 - 1:00 PM

at HP Lanes

2012 Innis Rd, Columbus, OH 43224

- 3 games of 9-pin No-tap bowling
- Entry fee $25.00 per person (Singles event)
- Proceeds benefit Veterans in the Central Ohio area
- Purchase BVL apparel, 50/50 raffle, and silent auction
- Register online or by calling/emailing Joyce or Dean
  - On-line at www.bowlcentralohio.org or using QR code →
  - Joyce Latham, 614-806-7949 or jlatham1057@gmail.com
  - Dean Dabe, deandabe@aol.com
- Walk-ins will be permitted based on lane availability and will need to check-in by 12:15 pm.

Scan to Register

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100% PURE **OHIO** MAPLE SYRUP

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100% Pure maple syrup aged 6 to 9 months in Kentucky bourbon barrels. Our bourbon barrels create a rich, maple flavor.
8 oz | $15
12.7 oz | $20



Milligan's Maple Syrup
100% Pure, Grade A maple syrup. Great on pancakes and waffles. Delicious used as a glaze in cooking, and tastes great on ice cream and in cocktails.
8 oz | $10

Milligan's Maple Syrup is crafted from the Milligan Family Sustainable Forest and other quality Ohio producers. We offer 100% pure maple syrup.

MILLIGAN'S 100% Pure MAPLE SYRUP



Milligan's Maple Caramel Corn with Peanuts
Milligan's Maple syrup is cooked to a delicious caramel and tossed with fresh popcorn and Spanish peanuts. A delicious, sweet and savory treat. (Milligan's Maple syrup, popcorn, peanuts, butter, salt.)
4 oz | $6; or, 2 for $10



Milligan's Sweet & Savory Trail Mix
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4 oz | $8



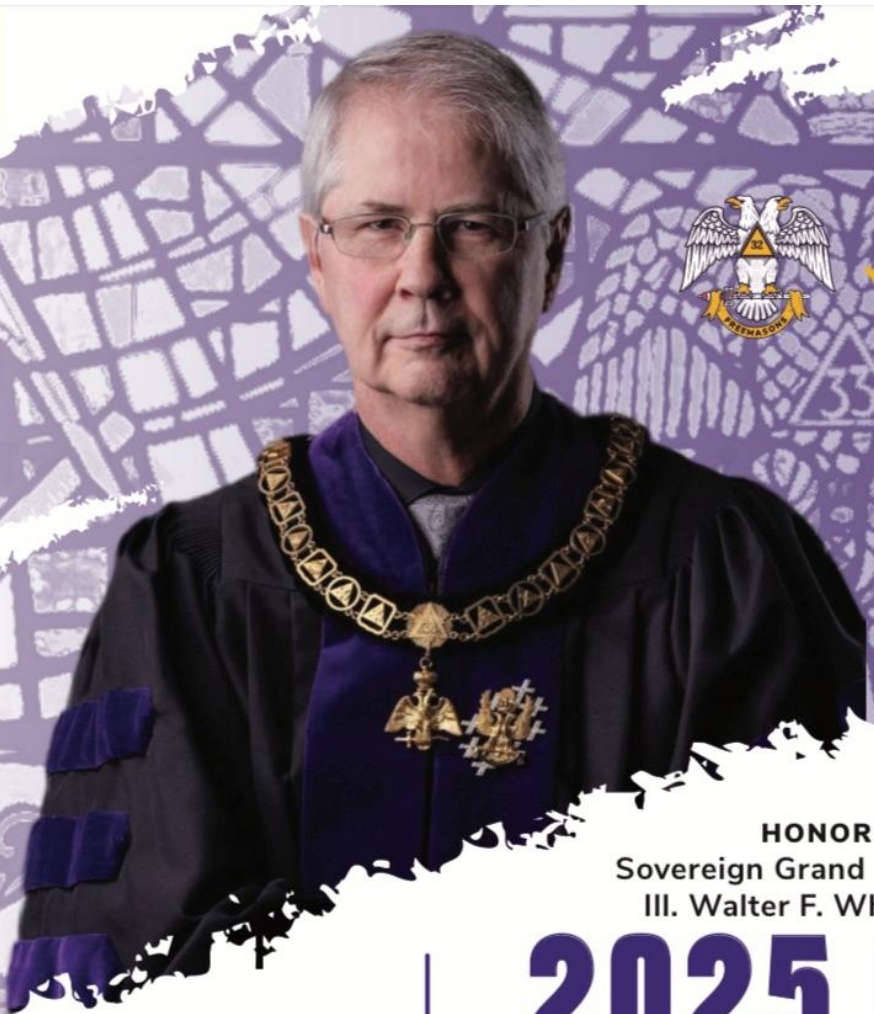
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Sweet and salty peanuts, cashews, pecans and hazelnuts glazed with 100% Milligan's Maple caramel and a touch of salt. (Milligan's Maple syrup, cashews, hazelnuts, peanuts, pecans, butter, salt.)
4 oz | $8
8 oz | $15



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Crunchy, buttery and sweet. Huskless, baked corn puffs tossed with 100% Milligan's Maple caramel. (Milligan's Maple syrup, corn puffs, butter, salt.)
4 oz | $8

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TWO-DAY EVENT NOV 7 & 8, 2025



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2025 FALL REUNION

Friday Evening, November 7, 2025 and
Saturday, November 8, 2025
Villa Milano Banquet Center

Friday Evening Dinner with Ladies
Cost $40 per person | Social 6:00 PM | Dinner 7:00 PM
Entertainment by Aladdin Shrine Dixieland Band

Saturday Degree Day
Men's Lunch $20 per person
Candidate Registration 7:30 AM
Orientation 8:00 AM | Member Registration 8:00 AM
Reunion Opens 9:00 AM
Order of Degrees 4th, 14th, 16th,
18th, Lunch, and 32nd

Saturday Ladies' Program
Admission and lunch is courtesy of the Valley of Columbus
Depart Crown Plaza at 10:00 AM to **Franklin Park Conservatory & Botanical Gardens**, then **Lunch at the Wyandotte Winery** (excludes alcohol).

For those interested, we have a block of rooms available at the Crown Plaza Hotel. Rate is $119 / night + taxes until October 17, 2025.

Call the Valley office for full details.
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www.valleyofcolumbus.com

ALL RESERVATIONS, INCLUDING THE HOTEL, ARE DUE BEFORE OCTOBER 17, 2025.

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