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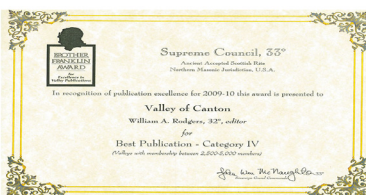
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SECRETARY COLUMN - ILL. JAMES G. FIDLER, 33°

In March our thoughts turn to Daylight Saving Time (March 10) and the promise of milder weather that the Spring Equinox (March 19) brings. We now look forward to the exciting events planned by the Valley's Officers for the enlightenment and enjoyment of the Valley's Members. The Stated Meeting at 7:30PM on March 14, 2024 will be preceded by a catered

Buffet Dinner at 6:30PM. The cost of the Dinner is \$15 per person and RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST! The Stated Meeting will feature an outstanding program. At the conclusion of the Meeting, the Brethren will have the opportunity to enjoy Taggart's Ice Cream in the Ballroom.

The Spring Reunion on April 18, 19 and 20, 2024 will honor Ill. Rodney W. Lentz, 33°, a most distinguished man and Mason who has dedicated his life to promoting this great Fraternity and who has played an integral role in the success of the Valley of Canton over many years. On Friday evening April 19 there will be a dinner open to the public featuring remarks by the Honoree followed by what promises to be an inspiring portrayal of the Feast of the Paschal Lamb by the Officers of the Brenton Chapter of Rose Croix. On Saturday April 20 the Brethren and Candidates will enjoy a light lunch and view superb presentations of the 4°, 7°, 14°, 20°, 29° and 32°. RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST! As always WE NEED CANDIDATES. So keep those petitions handy Brethren. And remember, for this Reunion only, a generous Brother of the Valley will be absorbing the \$150 petition fee of each and every Candidate!

William H. Hoover Lodge #770 will hold its annual Oyster Lodge on Thursday, March 21, 2024, check-in at 5:30PM. The Grand Master of Masons in Ohio, Ill. & MWB Paul A. Weglage, will be in attendance. Details appear elsewhere in this issue of the Chronicle.

Our hardworking Membership Chairman, Ill. & RWB Daniel J. Schario, has more fun events planned for the brethren and their families. On Friday March 8 there will be another murder mystery dinner, "Murder at a Masquerade Ball," with dinner catered by Charlie Brown, at a cost of \$30 per couple. And looking ahead to summertime, Ill. Bro. Schario has scheduled a Family Fun Day for the evening of July 20, 2024: a baseball game and picnic, followed by fireworks at Rubber Duck Park in Akron. The cost is \$40 per immediate family unit and EARLY RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!

Brethren, we say it repeatedly because it is true! The key to success for all of our events is active participation by our Members! Please support all of the events the Officers of the Valley of Canton are promoting for your convenience and enjoyment. You'll be glad you did. And so will we

Faternally,
James G. Fidler, 33°
Executive Secretary

St. Patrick's Day Facts, Fun and Folklore

- Blue was the color originally associated with St. Patrick, but green is now favored.
- St. Patrick's Day is the traditional day for planting peas.
- Cabbage seeds are often planted today, and old-time farmers believed that to make them grow well, you needed to plant them while wearing your nightclothes

FRIENDSHIP

Who is more indefatigable in toil, when there is occasion for toil, than a friend? Who is readier to rejoice in one's good fortune? Whose praise is sweeter? From whose lips does one learn the truth with less pain? What fortress, what bulwarks, what arms are more steadfast than loyal hearts?

Dio Chrysostom, First Discourse Dedicatory Ode



Saint Patrick's Day

Saint Patrick was a 5th-century Romano-British Christian missionary and bishop in Ireland. Much of what is known about Saint Patrick comes from the Declaration, which was allegedly written by Patrick himself. It is believed that he was

born in Roman Britain in the fourth century, into a wealthy Romano-British family. His father was a deacon and his grandfather was a priest in the Christian church. According to the Declaration, at the age of sixteen, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders and taken as a slave to Gaelic Ireland. It says that he spent six years there working as a shepherd and that during this time he "found God". The Declaration says that God told Patrick to flee to the coast, where a ship would be waiting to take him home. After making his way home, Patrick went on to become a priest.

According to tradition, Patrick returned to Ireland to convert the pagan Irish to Christianity. The Declaration says that he spent many years evangelizing in the northern half of Ireland and converted "thousands". Patrick's efforts against the druids were eventually turned into an allegory in which he drove "snakes" out of Ireland, despite the fact that snakes were not known to inhabit the region.

Tradition holds that he died on 17 March and was buried at Downpatrick. Over the following centuries, many legends grew up around Patrick and he became Ireland's foremost saint.

Saint Patrick's Day was made an official Christian feast day in the early 17th century and is observed by the Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion (especially the Church of Ireland), the Eastern Orthodox Church, and the Lutheran Church. The day commemorates Saint Patrick and the arrival of Christianity in Ireland, and celebrates the heritage and culture of the Irish in general. Celebrations generally involve public parades and festivals, céilís, and the wearing of green attire or shamrocks. Christians who belong to liturgical denominations also attend church services and historically the Lenten restrictions on eating and drinking alcohol were lifted for the day, which has encouraged and propagated the holiday's tradition of alcohol consumption.

Saint Patrick's Day is a public holiday in the Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, the Canadian province of Newfoundland and Labrador (for provincial government employees), and the British Overseas Territory of Montserrat. It is also widely celebrated in the United Kingdom, Canada, United States, Brazil, Argentina, Australia and New Zealand, especially amongst Irish diaspora. Saint Patrick's Day is celebrated in more countries than any other national festival. Modern celebrations have been greatly influenced by those of the Irish diaspora, particularly those that developed in North America. However, there has been criticism of Saint Patrick's Day celebrations for having become too commercialized and for fostering negative stereotypes of the Irish people.



Trestle Board



The Valley of Excellence Award
2022 & 2023

2024

Thur., Mar. 14 – 7:30 PM Stated Meeting

Thur., April 11 – Stated Meeting

April 18, 19, 20 – Spring Reunion

April 19 - 6:30 PM The Feast of the Paschal Lamb

Thur., May 9 – 7:30 PM Stated Meeting,

Election of Officers

Sat., May 11 - 3:30 PM Installation of Officers

Thur., June 13 – 7:30 PM Stated Meeting

Sat., June 22 - 6:00 PM Service Awards

Thur., July 11 - 7:30 PM Stated Meeting

Thur., Aug. 8 - 7:30 PM Stated Meeting

MARCH 14TH STATED MEETING 7:30PM

DINNER TIME: 6:30 pm Cost is \$15.00

MENU: Buffet

- Beef Tips
- Buttered Noodles
- Prince Edward Vegetables
- Tossed Salad / Assorted Dressings
- Cookies and Brownies
- Ice Tea and Ice Water
- Coffee

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY

Contacting the Valley Office at 330-455-2321 or

e-mail: valleyofcanton78@gmail.com

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATION March 11th

MEALS are CASH ONLY

Scholarship Program

Named for Leon M. Abbott, Sovereign Grand Commander from 1921 to 1932, the Scholarship Program provides financial support for continuing education of young men and women from Scottish Rite families and Masonic related youth groups. Since 1951, more than \$3 million has been awarded to students from each state of the Northern Jurisdiction.

Eligibility: Those meeting any of the following criteria are eligible to apply for the 2024 Abbott Scholarship program **after January 1, 2024**

- A Scottish Rite Mason of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.
- A child directly related (bloodline or by legal means) to a Scottish Rite Mason of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, who is a high school senior or currently enrolled at an accredited college or university, who has attained a minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.00 scale.
- A member of DeMolay, Rainbow Girls or Jobs Daughters in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction who is a high school senior or currently enrolled at an accredited college or university, who has attained a minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.
- Applicants should complete 2 copies of the form and mail it to the Valley of Canton Secretary. Applicants should submit their application for their eligibility. Deadline for submission is close of business **April 1, 2024**.
 - **The application form is available from the Supreme Council website under membership downloads at www.scottishritenmj.org or from the Valley of Canton Office.**
- Faxed/e-mailed applications or their supporting documentation will not be accepted.
- Students must re-apply annually – scholarships are not automatically renewed. Due to GPA requirements, new applicants, and funding from Supreme Council which may change yearly, each student must re-qualify each year when applying for a scholarship.

NATIONAL MEDAL of HONOR DAY

National Medal of Honor Day is observed every year on March 25 and is dedicated to Medal of Honor Recipients.

The Valley of Canton has a number of Veterans that make up its membership, we also have the distinction of being one of two Valleys in the NMJD to have a Medal of Honor Recipient as a member. Please reach out on March 25 to Ill. Brother Donald E. Ballard, 33° Medal of Honor.



THE SPRING EQUINOX

The spring equinox marks the astronomical first day of spring in the Northern hemisphere. What happens on the equinox? What determines the first day of spring?

Does spring begin on March 19, 2024 or on the equinox?

The answer is both. It depends on one's definition of "spring". Both dates are accurate; they're just from different perspectives.

Astronomically speaking, the first day of spring is marked by the spring equinox, which falls on March 19, 20, or 21 every year. The equinox happens at the same moment worldwide, although our clock times reflect a different time zone. And, as mentioned above, this date only signals spring's beginning in the Northern Hemisphere; it announces fall's arrival in the Southern Hemisphere.

Interestingly, due to time zone differences, there isn't a March 21 equinox in mainland U.S. during the entire 21st century! We won't see a March 21 equinox again until 2101.

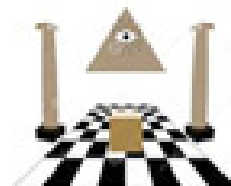
Meteorologically speaking, the official first day of spring is March 1 (and the last is May 31). Weather scientists divide the year into quarter to make it easier to compare seasonal and monthly statistics from one year to the next. The meteorological seasons are based on annual temperature cycles rather than on the position of Earth in relation to the Sun, and they more closely follow the Gregorian calendar. Using the dates of the astronomical equinoxes and solstices for the seasons would present a statistical problem, as these dates can vary slightly each year.

Are day and night equal on the equinox?

The answer is no, but they are quite close to equal. In reality, day and night are not exactly equal on the equinox for two reasons: First, daytime begins the moment any part of the Sun appears over the horizon and is not finished until the last part of the Sun disappears below the horizon. If the Sun were to shrink to a starlike point and we lived in a world without air, the spring and fall equinoxes would truly have equal nights.

Which day has the most sunlight in North America?

The Summer or June Solstice is called the "longest" day of the year! The date of the longest day actually varies from June 20 to June 22, depending on the year, and the local time zone. By "longest day", we mean the day that gets the most daylight (versus darkness).



Don't expect everyone to understand your journey, especially if they haven't walked your path.

John P. French's Masonic Powder Horn

By Stacey Fraser, Assistant Curator, Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library

The Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library holds nearly two dozen powder horns in its collection. Some are from the era of the American Revolutionary War and bear carvings that reflect that use; some feature carvings of Masonic symbols. This unusual double powder horn is particularly intriguing because it exhibits both types of carvings.

Powder horns, made from animal horn (often cow or oxen), were used by soldiers in the field to keep gunpowder dry and secure. The holes at the tips of the horns were used to pour powder into a paper cartridge or directly into the barrel of a musket. Many were carved with designs that were meaningful specifically to the owner. The words "John P. French His Horn" are carved into the surface, identifying the horn's owner. On this fascinating object, French showcased his Masonic affiliation, his interest in slogans, and possibly his personal hobbies.

One of the slogans that appears on the horn is "Don't Tread On Me" above a snake. This phrase was first used in South Carolina in 1775 by Christopher Gadsden, then-Lieutenant Governor of the state. It was inspired by Benjamin Franklin's 1754 "Join or Die" political cartoon showing the colonies as pieces of a snake, indicating that union between the British colonies was necessary for survival. The slogan became well-known after it was used on naval flags during the Revolutionary War. Another phrase that adorns French's horn is "Freedom and Victory." While there is no one known usage of this slogan, the ideals align with the goals of the American Revolutionary War.

The majority of the carvings on this double powder horn are connected to Freemasonry, perhaps a sign that the fraternity and its teachings held special meaning to French. The slogan "Cemented with Love" appears, which refers to the tight bonds that Masons encourage and enjoy with their brethren. This phrase also appears on aprons, badges, certificates, and other items in the museum and library's collections.

Along with this Masonic slogan, French applied around two dozen symbols from the teachings of Freemasonry to his horn. Some symbols are common to all forms of Freemasonry, such as a trowel, a gavel, a coffin, a beehive, and two pillars called Boaz and Jachin. One is a stone archway often represented in Royal Arch Freemasonry, the first four degrees of the York Rite. This arch is topped by a figure identified as "Hiram." Hiram Abiff is a significant character in Freemasonry's third degree.

In addition to symbols representing his political and Masonic interests, French also carved what appears to be a hunting scene, featuring a man holding a rifle, a dog, a

mountain lion, a bird, and a deer. Perhaps these symbols reflect a pre-war activity.

Unfortunately, even with the helpful addition of a middle initial, the name "John French" was so common at the time of the Revolutionary War that we cannot establish the owner's identity from military records. French appears to have been a member of the fraternity, but we cannot ascertain to which Masonic lodge he belonged. While we do not know where John P. French lived or very much about him, the symbols he chose to carve on his powder horn give us a sense of what he valued.



Photo Captions: Masonic Powder Horn, 1750-1830. John P. French. Special Acquisitions Fund, Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library, 76.10.

Spring 2024 Reunion

254th Class Honoring Ill. Rodney W. Lentz, 33°
Will be on Thursday, Friday and Saturday April
18, 19,20, 2024

The tentative schedule is:

Thursday, April 18, 7:00 PM

Officers and Candidates only

- Candidate Orientation

Friday, April 19, 2024

6:30 PM Open Family Dinner

7:30 PM Feast of the Paschal Lamb

Saturday, April 20, 2024

8:00 AM Candidates Report

Coffee & Doughnuts

9:00 AM Opening

9:15 AM 4° Builder

10:00 AM 7° Provost and Judge

11:00 AM 14° Grand Elect Mason

12:00 PM Light Lunch

1:00 PM 20° Master ad Vitam

2:00 PM 29° Knight of St. Andrew

3:00 PM 32° Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret

The Feast of the Paschal Lamb

The Feast of the Paschal lamb is neither the Feast of the Passover nor the institution of sacrament of the Holy Communion, although it commemorates both Holidays.

The Jewish Feast of the Passover commemorates the escape of the Hebrews from Egypt, when God, smiting the firstborn of the Egyptians, passed over the houses of the Israelites. Thus the blood of the paschal lamb, which had been used to mark the houses of the Israelites, has symbolized redemption. For observance of the Feast Jesus gathered his Disciples in the night in which he was betrayed. In their midst he instituted the sacrament which Christians revere as the Last Supper.

Chapters of Rose Croix observe this beautiful and symbolic celebration of the Feast of the Paschal Lamb as a memorial service honoring our brethren who have passed to their eternal reward during the preceding two years.

In spirit we seem to sense their presence at the Mystic Banquet as we seek to strengthen the ties of brotherly love which bind our hearts in holy remembrance.

In the fellowship of kindred minds, we meet to express our faith as symbolically we break the bread and drink the wine of fraternal love, becoming aware once more that the only hope of a better world still abides in the simple command of our great Exemplar, "Love one another"

PRACTICE

Spring Reunion Practice Schedule

All times are at 7:00 PM unless noted

4° April 7th 2:00 PM

7° March 19th, April 2nd, 9th, 15th

14° Feb 5, 26; Mar.4, 26, April 1, 7

20° Mar. 10,17, 24, April 7, 14 All 2-3 PM

29° Feb. 29, Mar. 13, 20, April. 10, 17

32° April 3rd, 10th, 16th

Feast of Paschal Lamb Mar.10,17,24 April 7, 14

All 3-4 PM

Please plan on attending all the practices for the degrees you are a participant in.

RESERVATION COUPON

254th Spring Reunion

WHEN: Thursday, April 18, 2024

Friday, April 19, 2024

Saturday, April 20, 2023

WHERE: Canton Masonic Temple

836 Market Ave. N

Canton, OH 44702

Thursday, April 18 (Members & Candidates Only)

NAME: _____

Friday, April 19

Family Dinner & Feast of the Paschal Lamb

NAME: _____

Number Attending Dinner _____

Saturday, April 20

NAME: _____

LUNCH: _____

RESERVATIONS MADE BY E-MAIL OR PHONE

E-Mail: valleyofcanton78@gmail.com

Office Phone: 330-455-2321

Mail TO: AASR - Valley of Canton

836 Market Ave N

Canton, OH 44702

RESERVATION DEAD LINE - April 12, 2024

**RESERVATION FOR PROGRAM/DINNER
AND SATURDAY LUNCH ARE REQUIRED**

THIS IS A MUST

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our pantry has reopened Monday, Wednesday and Friday. We are growing the capacity to serve our veterans, but we need additional volunteers to help veterans "shop", data entry, bag packing and unloading.

We Need Help For:

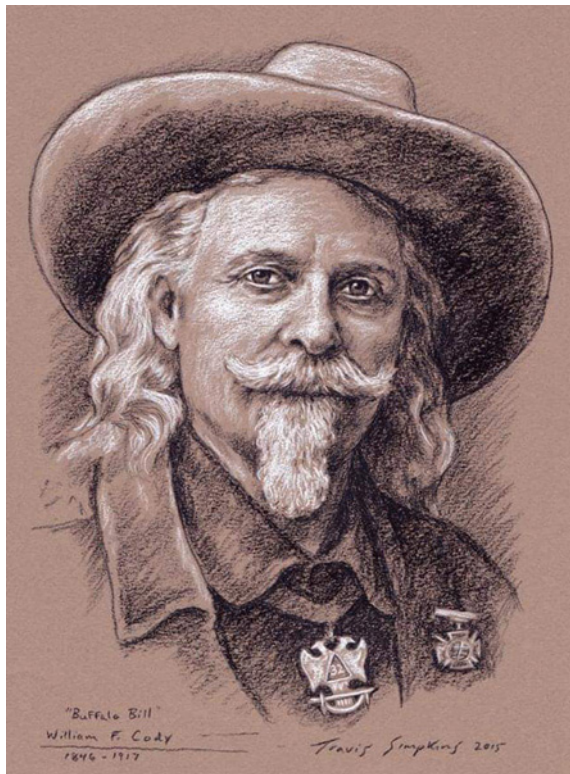
- 🕒 Shopping with the veteran
- 🕒 Entering visit information
- 🕒 Stocking shelves
- 🕒 Unloading the trucks
- 🕒 Loading groceries in the car



**MONDAY
WEDNESDAY
FRIDAY**

SAM CENTER
413 Lincolnway East,
Massillon

Call to volunteer
330-856-6162



William P. "Buffalo Bill" Cody

Raised a Master Mason on 1-10-1871 at Platts Valley Lodge # 32 in North Platt, Nebraska.



CHARLES LINDBERGH

On his famous flight across the Atlantic, Charles Lindbergh wore a Square & Compasses on his flight jacket as a good luck piece, he was a Mason.

“America has a great need for men and women with pride in our country and faith in freedom, unafraid to declare to anyone in the world ‘I believe in liberty, I believe in justice and will fight to defend the dignity of man.’”

Richard K. Sorenson, U.S. marine Corps Medal of Honor



MSA BREAKFAST

Well, we just had the second MSA breakfast of the new year, 2024, and it was a typical February winter morning, cold, and snow flurries. We had 14 brave souls who turned out for breakfast. There were 5 MSAs, four 33°s and 5 members in attendance.

The fellowship among everyone was great, discussing current events, a little history and a lot about Masonry. We also had the chance to watch via video, deer feeding at different locations around the country.

Once again, the service and food were excellent and our waitress Natasha treated us to her good humor as usual. It would be nice to see more brothers at our next breakfast in February. We are done and out by 10:00 AM.

This is an open invitation to all brethren to come and join the group for some good fellowship. You will be glad you did.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARDEES

The MSA Club breakfast is held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Athens Restaurant located at 816 Harrison Ave SW, Canton OH 44706. The breakfast is sponsored by the Canton MSA Club and is open to all Scottish Rite members and Masonic guests.

Plan on attending the March 12th breakfast, you will have a good time. The time is 9:00 AM

You might get your picture in the Chronicle.

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|----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| March 12 | June 11 | Aug. 13 | Oct. 8 | Dec. 10 |
| April 9 | July 9 | Sept. 10 | Nov. 12 | |



The MSA Breakfast on February 13, 2024

TRIVIA

I trace my roots back to 1886 when two fellows in Flint Michigan started building horse drawn carriages. One of them was tapped to manage a motor company in 1904, and it was among several businesses folded into one company, me, beginning in 1908. I introduced automatic transmissions in 1940. My navigation systems were used on multiple missions to the moon. Today, I'm a global manufacturing giant, with a recent market value near 50 billion and more than 165,000 employees. I tell people I'm working toward "a world with zero crashes, zero emissions and zero congestion." Who am I? (See page 12)

The Shamrock

We wear a shamrock on St. Patrick's Day because, legend says, St. Patrick used its three leaves to explain the Holy Trinity. [The Trinity is the Father, the Son and the Spirit as three divine persons who are one divine being (God).] The truth of the St. Patrick legend, however, is in question, as there is no direct record that the saint actually used the shamrock as a teaching tool

The measure of a man's character
is not what he gets from his ancestors,
but what he leaves his descendants.

Thursday Night at the Rite, the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction's signature virtual degree program, is back!

Exclusively for members, Season Five brings you:

- Lesser-seen degrees to help you fill your degree passport
- Degrees exemplified by an array of Valleys from across the NMJ
- Opportunities for fraternal fellowship, discussion, and reflection on each of the degrees shown

While nothing replaces the magic of our beloved Reunions, Thursday Night at the Rite offers a meaningful experience

Thursday, March 14, 2024 – 8:00 PM

16TH DEGREE

Prince of Jerusalem

Thursday, March 28, 2024 – 8:00 PM

13TH DEGREE

Master of the Ninth Arch

Thursday, April 11, 2024 – 8:00 PM

20TH DEGREE

Master Ad Vitam

Thursday, April 25, 2024 – 8:00 PM

19TH DEGREE

Brothers of the Trail



Children's Dyslexia Center Fundraiser

A one day adventure to Wheeling Casino – Racetrack.

On May 18, 2024. Cost 50.00 per person.

Dog Racing at 1:00 PM

Must be at least 21 years old.

Tickets available from Jay Seese at AASR Stated Meetings, Clinton Lodge 47 Breakfast on 2nd Saturday of each month.

Call 330-704-6361 for more details.

Limited space available.

Deadline for ticket sales is May 9th, 2024.

Tickets non-refundable.

ISALY'S KLONDIKE

Do you know that Isaly's was started in Mansfield, Ohio in the early 1900's by William Isaly? The Klondike bar was created in 1922 by Isaly and was only available in Ohio and Pennsylvania until the 1970's. By 1978 the

distribution was extended into New York, New England and Florida.

After the dissolution of the Isaly company the brand name "Isaly's Klondike Bar" was purchased by the Unilever Company and is now distributed nationwide.

"What would you do for a Klondike Bar?"



No pessimist ever discovered the secrets of the stars or sailed to an uncharted land or opened a new heaven to the human spirit.

Wheeling Island

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Casino – Racetrack

Bus Trip

Saturday, May 18, 2024

Fundraiser for Canton Children's Dyslexia Center

Pickup: 8:30 am

Valley of Canton parking lot

836 Market Avenue N

Canton, Ohio 44702

Dropoff: approx 6:45 pm

What to bring: ID & Player's Card

Cost \$50.00 per ticket *cash only*

donuts, coffee & water at 8:30 am

call/text (330) 704-6361 with questions

NON REFUNDABLE - 21 & older only



March 10, 2024 - Daylight Saving Time changes.

Sunday, March 10, 2024, 2:00 am clocks are turned forward 1 hour to 3:00 am local daylight time. You will lose one hour.

Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour later on March 10, 2024, than the day before. It will be lighter in the evening.



A true Mason takes full responsibility for the condition of his character and ever strives for its perfection.

Bro. William Howard Taft

VALLEY FUN DAY

Mark your calendar for Saturday, July 20, 2024



Yes the Valley is planning another Fun Day at the Akron Rubber Ducks Baseball game..

This will be at the Akron Rubber Ducks for an evening of baseball, buffet dinner and fireworks after the game.

This is bobblehead day and some lucky Valley Member will be able to throw the first pitch.

You get all this for only \$40.00 per family. (immediate household only)

Day: Saturday, July 20, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Location: Canal Park

300 South Main St.

Akron, OH

RESERVATION DEAD LINE – July 5, 2024



This is your Invitation to attend the Masquerade Ball Dinner being held at the Historic Masonic Temple. You will be required to assist in helping solve a Murder that has been committed at the Ball.

- The Date of the Ball is March 8, 2024.

- Time is 6:00 PM

- Price is \$30.00 per couple

Reservation only by March 1, 2024

Domino Masks and beads to be provided to each dinner guest.

If you had a good time at the Murder at a Mob Wedding, you are sure to have another good experience in solving this new crime.

VALLEY FUN DAY

Akron Rubber Ducks Baseball Game

When: Saturday, July 20, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM - bobblehead day

(Fireworks following game)

Cost: \$40.00 per family

Location: Canal Park

300 South Main St.

Akron, OH

Name: _____

Number: _____

Make check to: AASR Valley of Canton

Mail to: 836 Market Ave. N

Canton, OH 44702

All reservations must be prepaid by July 5, 2024

RESERVATION COUPON

Masquerade Ball Murder Mystery Dinner

WHEN: March 8, 2024

Cost: \$30.00 /per couple

TIME: Program begins at 6:00 PM Saturday

Buffet Reception Dinner

WHERE: Canton Masonic Temple Ballroom

NAME: _____

Guest/Spouse Name: _____

Number Attending Dinner _____ **Lodge #** _____

Make Check out to AASR Valley of Canton

Memo Line: Mystery Dinner

Mail TO: AASR - Valley of Canton

836 Market Ave N

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Reservation Deadline is March 4, 2024

20th Annual Oyster Lodge and Dinner At Wm. H. Hoover Lodge



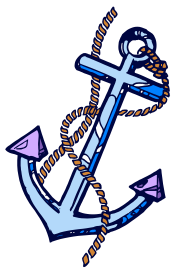
Mark your calendar now for **Thursday, March 21, 2024** to attend Hoover Lodge’s Annual Oyster Lodge and Dinner to be held in **North Canton**. Check-in will begin at **5:30 pm** with dinner starting at **6:30 pm** in the downstairs Dining area and the Oyster Lodge function will immediately follow dinner (at about 7:30 pm) in the Lodge Room. Come for an evening of good food, fun entertainment and enjoyable camaraderie. The Grand Master of Masons in Ohio, **Most Worshipful Brother Paul A. Weglage** will be in attendance. So don’t miss this “stag” event! This is not a tyled lodge and we, therefore, encourage you to invite non-masons whom you feel would make great masons. The attire for the evening is casual and we encourage all to wear their favorite *Hawaiian shirt*. The cost of this function is **25 clams per person** payable at the door (that’s \$25 to all you landlubbers) with **reservations required**. All proceeds after expenses will go to the Stark County Special Olympics. Donations are always welcome. Dinner will consist of: *Oyster Stew, Fish, Potatoes, Cole Slaw, Corn Bread, “Bill’s Rice Pudding” and Beverages*.

Because of the expense in buying the oysters, we ask that you **call/mail/e-mail your reservation by March 14, 2024** so that we can plan efficiently and provide for all who wish to eat. **Make your reservation with Rick L. Miller** by calling 330-353-2947, or e-mailing him at miller-rick@att.net or by mailing the reservation form to:

Rick L. Miller
2021 Windham St. NE
Canton, Ohio 44721

or

William H. Hoover Lodge #770
805 Orchard Ave. NE
North Canton, Ohio 44720



**Wm. H. Hoover #770 - Oyster Lodge Dinner
@ Canton Masonic Temple
March 21, 2024 @ 5:30 pm – sign-in**

Name(s) of all attending _____

Have You Attended Previously? Yes No

Number Attending _____



'Pearl Diving License' per Person - **\$25** (payable at the door)
Hawaiian Shirt Attire

(If you don’t like oysters or fish, that’s okay; come join us for some fun in Lodge at ~7:30 pm.)

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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| Gary Lee Abrams | Donald M Guisinger | Perry W. McKinley | Robert Allen Summers |
| Badie Alnemr | Randall Lee Hahn Sr. 33° | Robert Edward McNutt 33° | Russell Earl Sweitzer II |
| Ricky Allan Amos | Larry Hans Haines | Stephen Frederick Metcalf | Charles Everett Tackett II |
| John Loren Arnold | Horace T Hall II | Roger Orion Miller | R Eldon Trubee |
| Guy Junior Atkinson | Claude Onal Hanks Jr. | Travis W Miller | Lawrence Stephen Turner |
| Robert Lee Bailey | Willy Herbold | Roland Edward Minogue Jr. | Michael James Uhl |
| Dallas James Baldwin | Henry W. Hilger MSA | Ronald Lee Moreland Sr. | Michael R Urban |
| Donald Reed Baun | David Allen Hlaudy | Ray Calvin Morrison Jr. | Richard L Wallenfelsz |
| Tyson C Berkey | Ronald Jeffery Holland | Lawrence A. Mullins II | Gerald Alfred Welker |
| Anthony Patrick Bertin | Frank Wesley Hoover | James Clifford Myers | Jack Martin Welsch |
| Charles Birr | Todd Edward Hornby | Rodney J Nichols 33° | Larry D Werstler |
| William J Braucher | Ronald G Horne | Roger Lee Offenberger | Donald Eugene West |
| Bret Eugene Busby | Michael Wayne Hubbard | Kevin Duane Ott | Orville Estle West |
| Charles W. Butterbaugh | Bill T Hutchinson | David Bruce Palmer | Randy J Whitley |
| Daniel Ray Carrier | Kevin Wayne Iler | Noel Daniel Parker | Donald Eugene Wilson |
| Robert Laverne Cavinder | Albert Larry Jeffery | John M Paynter | Gearl Lee Wilson |
| Andrew W. Chellinsky | Neal Elwood Johnson | Robert Franklin Penix | Jerry Wayne Wilson |
| Michael Eugene Clouse | Paul Ray Kail | Brent Edward Polen | Ernest H Wines |
| Steven Paul Daugherty | Thomas Richard Keck Jr. | John Jacob Ristity | Don Allen Wojtowicz |
| Earl L Deem | J D Kibler | Howard Franklin Robison Jr. | William Clayton Woodside |
| Donald Allan Deguerre | Matthew Warren Knotts | Brock Adam Ryan | Patrick W Wyman |
| Dale Mervin Eberts | Phillip Eugene Lambes | Allen W Scott | Robert Allen Yoder |
| Kelly Edward Evans | I Louis Larkins | Jay William Seese | |
| Paul Robert Feaser 33° | Chester Paul Larson Jr. | Joseph Dale Sekely III | |
| Paul Robert Feaser III | William E. Loughman | Kaleel J Shaheen | |
| Michael Dean Flesher | James Earl Lovorn | George E. Shepherd 33° | |
| Clarence Leon Flowers | Brian Chester Lux 33° | Claude Shriver II | |
| William Ray Folsom | Vincent A Marion Jr. | Philip Ray Sothen | |
| Jason M Fowler | Harry Dale Matter | Ronald Neil Springer Jr. | |
| Adam Kristopher Fullmer | Denzil Cody Mayle | Raymond Charles Sprosty III | |
| Steven Ray Gerber | Harold Oliver McClintock | Donnie Elwood Strock | |
| Tracy Lynn Goddard | Richard W. McCullough | Frederick Dale Sturtz | (Answer: General Motors) |
| James Richard Groetz II | | | |

In memoriam

*The Grand Architect of the Universe has received the following into His Presence:
With sympathy and sorrow, we share in the loss of our brother*

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| John A. Berkebile | Ronald D. Edwards | Robert D. McCluggage | Brad R. Richardson | Ronald N. Springer, Jr. |
| Nolen L. Bunker | Thomas E. McCain | Robert G. Palmer | Lonnie W. Sears | |

The following have been reported as Ill or Distressed

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| Jim Adkins | John L. Henning | Theodore F. Novak | Patrick Supples |
| James W. Arnold | Henry W. Hilger, MSA | Arthur E. Overcashier | Frank H. Turner, 33° |
| Donald Baad, 33° | William H. Herman | Thomas G. Piatt | George J. Vagotis |
| George A. Boyle | Clark C. Hoehn | Donald H. Ray | Clyde H. Vickers, 33° |
| James L. Branch | Thomas Leetch | Ralph Rennie | James D. Wrana |
| George Colley | Dave E. Limbaugh, Sr. | George Shepherd, 33° | James D. Young |
| James Fugatt | Robert McNutt, 33° | Ronald Stack | John Zancouride |
| Gary W. Guist | Dale F. Mose | William Steven | |