

UNIVERSITY LODGE #631 F. & A. M.



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UNDER THE MASTER'S HAT

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Hello Brothers,

I would like to begin by welcoming all of you to another masonic year.

I would like to thank you all for electing me to the position of Worshipful Master for the upcoming masonic year. I am truly humbled and pledge to do my best in serving this wonderful lodge of ours.

My program is entitled "Masonry a step above the rest". A mason throughout his lifetime journey learns to humble himself before his God and man, many times placing others and their needs and concerns before his own. All throughout the masonic ritual we are reminded of steps, or progressions, designed to move our actions and minds in a forward direction. These steps are alluded to us in many different ways. I urge and challenge all of us to remember the steps that we have taken in our masonic journey and to ever endeavor to hold ourselves to the "highest standards" possible, which is not always easy, but can be accomplished through time and perseverance. Keeping in mind that we are all traveling on that level of time, placed on this Earth to aide, support, and serve one another.

There is lots to talk about as we have a very busy year started already, and it is my hope that you can join in as many activities as possible.

Our stated meeting on November 15th we will be doing Two EA degrees. Come and support your brothers as we provide first light for these two worthy candidates.

Our annual holiday dinner and awards ceremony will take place on December 13, at the York Golf Club. A cash bar will open at 5:30pm, we will start recognition of awards at 6:00pm, with a wonderful holiday dinner provided by Berwick Catering to follow. Entertainment that evening



will be provided by the Dublin Scioto Choir. This is always a well attended event so get your reservations in early. Please call our office at 614-792-6311 and ask to speak with Bob.

On December 17th we will be celebrating the feast of St. John the Evangelist with an Untiled Table Lodge. We will begin around 6:15 with an open bar starting around 5:30. This event will also be held at York Golf Club. Come join us as we raise our cannons with your brothers! Our speaker that evening will be Illustrious Sir Mike Clevenger.

On January 17th University Lodge will be inspected in the Master Mason degree. The evening will begin at 5:30 with the first section, then dinner will be served followed by the second section. This will be the first inspection in the Masonic Year in the 14th District. Please come out and show your support for University Lodge.

My Brothers, these are some of the events for the beginning of this Masonic Year. I promise there is much more to come.

I urge all of you to try and make it back to lodge if you are able to, that you might join us in all the festivities and fun that are a part of this wonderful lodge that I am so privileged to serve.

Fraternally,

Craig A. Lobdell

WM University lodge 631

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS



Tuesday, November 15, 2016	Stated meeting. We will be bringing two candidates to First Light
Tuesday, November 29, 2016	Practice for the Master Mason degree
Tuesday, December 6, 2016	Stated Meeting
Tuesday, December 13, 2016	Annual awards presentation and holiday party at York Golf Club. Cash bar opens at 5:30pm. \$30 per person
Tuesday, December 27, 2016	Table-like Lodge at York Golf Club observing the Feast of St. John the Evangelist. Cash bar opens at 5:30pm.
Tuesday, January 17, 2017	University Lodge will be inspected in the Master Mason degree. The first section will start at 5:30, dinner at 6:15—6:30.
Saturday, March 11, 2017	Grand Master's Reception. Time and location TBD. Save the date!
Saturday, March 25, 2017	Grand Master's One Day Class at the Aladdin Shrine Center. Details TBD
Tuesday, March 28, 2017	The Fellowcraft Club will attend a Blue Jackets game. Tickets are \$31, which includes your club dues. See John Gray for tickets.
April 22, 2017	Pancake breakfast fundraiser for Nationwide Children's Hospital, Red Cross Blood Drive, and Temple Open House here at Northwest Masonic Temple.

LODGE GOLF SHIRTS

In response to overwhelming popular demand, we are making embroidered golf shirts available to our members. The cost is \$45 each, and they are available in either blue or white.

If you would like to order, please let us know how many shirts you would like, and the color and size of each. You'll be able to pay for and pick up your order in Lodge at a stated meeting.

Please contact Ed Badger (614-906-5621; ewbadger@gmail.com) or Bob Gieseman (614 792 6311; univ631@gmail.com) to place your order.



2016-2017 DUES AND DUES CARDS

Our dues have remained steady at \$65 for another year. If you have already paid your 2016-2017 dues, thank you very much! If you haven't done so, please take care of your Masonic obligation right away. This year we have added the ability to pay by credit card in addition to checks and cash. Note that there

is a slight surcharge if you choose to pay by credit card to offset the fees and services charges the banks impose on the Lodge for the use of this service. The Grand Lodge is creating permanent plastic dues cards rather than the cardboard ones that have been in use in recent years. Their appearance will be

similar to a credit card, but it will have the same information as currently appears on your card, along with a bar code. That code will be used in the future to determine if you have paid your dues, since by late 2017, tylers will be equipped with scanners to check members' cards.



CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have a telephone or an email address, your Lodge would like to know about it!

Less than a third of our members have their phone numbers or email addresses in our records, and it makes it difficult to communicate with you if we can't find you!

So, PLEASE send an email

to your Secretary with your name, preferred telephone number, and preferred email address.

We'll keep your information confidential, and use it only to communicate with you about things of Masonic interest.

Also, if you change addresses, please let us know that too.

We hope to hear from you soon.



TABLE LODGE

You are invited to attend a Feast of St. John the Evangelist the evening of Tuesday, December 27, 2016 in the dining room of York Golf Club.

This will be a buffet dinner meeting, including the ceremony of the seven toasts. Cost will be \$25.00 per person, payable in advance or at the door. We can

accommodate a maximum of 50 Brethren at this event. Please contact Ed Badger (614-906-5621; ewbadger@gmail.com) or Bob Giesseman to make your reservation no later than Wednesday, December 24.

We have invited Ill. Mike Clevenger to be our speaker, so this promises to be

an evening of good fellowship and good Masonic education.

Dress for this meeting will be jacket & tie.





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⁷ Thus he shewed me: and, behold, the Lord stood upon a wall made by a plumbline, with a plumbline in his hand.

⁸ And the Lord said unto me, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A plumbline. Then said the Lord, Behold, I will set a plumbline in the midst of my people Israel: I will not again pass by them any more:

Amos 7:7-8, King James Bible of 1611

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05/09/2016

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05/06/2016

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04/09/2016

Robert Clair Stewart
02/29/2016

Russell Wayne Brown
01/31/2016

Charles Russell Johnson Sr
12/18/2015

Lloyd Franklin Stemen
12/10/2015

Donald Stuart Friesz
11/17/2015

Elwood Loraine Kaler
10/23/2015

Will Robinson Watters
10/06/2015

