SEPTEMBER 2006
Message From the East

Brethren:

I can't believe it is September already!! We had an excellent Corn Roast and a great family picnic. If you didn't make it then you missed a great time. Our I-Care Committee has been mentioned in the Beacon and we are very proud that the incoming Grand Master has promoted the program and our Lodge as the first in Ohio to implement the program. We are having a Thanksgiving Day Raising again this year and we are also doing a Fellowcraft Degree at Bradford Lodge in Kentucky. We are working hard as my year as Master winds down so that the momentum continues for the officers moving up the line. Our line is strong and I hope that anyone who hasn't been out in a while to see these guys work can make it out to see the great job they do. Hope to see you all soon. Thanks,

Chuck

SPECIAL MEETING OF JUNE 8, 2006

After KFC Dinners, training in the "I-CARE" Program was provided by OMH representatives to six members of that Committee. The practice for the E.A. degree was abandoned by Brother **Richard Dickerscheid** due to lack of participation.

SPECIAL MEETING OF JUNE 22, 2006

After a dinner of Pizza, obtained by Brother **Tony Dsuban**, S.W., he opened a Lodge of E.A. in candle light. The E.A. degree was them exemplifies on one pro-tem candidate, Brother **Doug Menke**. The Apron Lecture was given by Brother **Steven Croucher**, J.S. Brother **Dsuban** exemplified the First Section and gave the Lecture in a fine manner. Brother **Croucher** gave the Charge and the L.E.O., Brother **Harry Klein,** gave the Protocol and the exam and degree booklets. Brother **Richard Jung** announced that RWB **Herb Luckey Kern,** P.M. has been selected to receive the Meritorious Service Award by the Scottish Rite Bodies next June. Fifteen members enjoyed the evening.

PAST MASTERS' BANQUET

The annual Past Masters' Banquet was held at Symmes Tavern on August 24, 2006. Seventeen P.M.s and seven officers were present. The officers presented their plans for next year and the Past Masters offered their comments. A highly enjoyable evening was had by all.

STATED MEETING OF SEPT. 7, 2006

After a meal of Brats, Potato Chips and cake, provided by the Master, he opened a Lodge of MM at 7:15 p.m. and stated the purpose was the monthly Stated Meeting and also instruction in the I-Care Program. Amy Colley and Nancy Schwindall from the OMH and also the Deputy Grand Master, RWB **Michael A. Himes**, provided information. Past Masters **Owen, Greenlee,** Ferguson**, Boyington, Perry, Dsuban, Wendt and Hicks** were recognized and applauded, as were 50+ year members, **Owen, Greenlee, Fangman, Schaefer and Rechel**. The usual Lodge business was transacted. There were no objections to a Dimit for Brother **Donald Rolfe Weaver.** The Lodge approved requesting a Dispensation for the Bradford Lodge visit on Oct. 12. Upon a Motion by W.B. **Perry,** seconded by W.B. **Young**, the Lodge voted to hold an Open Installation on Nov. 25. Eighteen members, 4 Visitors and 2 guests attended.

FROM THE L.E.O.

Brother **Garret Augustus Hobart** was born June 3, 1844 in Long Branch, New Jersey. A Republican, he was elected Vice President of the United States March 4, 1897 and served until his death on November 21, 1899 under President and Brother **William McKinley**. He died in Paterson, New Jersey. He was a member of Falls City Lodge #82, Paterson, New Jersey.

TRESTLEBOARD

Thursday September 14, 2006
DARK
Thursday September 21, 2006
Senior Wardens' Night-see Bulletin Back
Thursday September 28, 2006
Wives' & Widows' Night-see Bulletin Back
Thursday, October 5, 2006
Monthly Stated Meeting – Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
Thursday October 12, 2006
Visit to Bradford Lodge, KY – see Bulletin Back

IN MEMORIAM

THOMAS RICHARD HOSKINS
Born: July 23, 1927
Initiated: July 14, 1955
Passed: July 22, 1955
Raised: July 28, 1955
Affiliated: February 1, 1995
Deceased: June 23, 2006

W.B. ROBERT WAITE CROSS, P.M.
Born: August 6, 1920
Initiated: September 28, 1944
Passed: October 5, 1944
Raised: January 25, 1945
Deceased: June 24, 2006

RALPH ELLIS MARTIN
Born: September 2, 1917
Initiated: January 15, 1960
Passed: February 19, 1960
Raised: March 18, 1960
Affiliated: February 1, 1995
Deceased: June 27, 2006

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LODGE HISTORY AVAILABLE

Our history, spanning 1917 to 2005 and including both Lodges, is now available. Prices for the 100 page book, complete with photos, are $10.00 for pick up at Lodge and $11.75 for mailing to your home. Now is your chance to review our glorious past. Copies will go fast, so send your check to the Secretary to order yours today.

Robert O. Boyington
P.M. and Lodge Historian

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SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS FOR OUR MILITARY VETERANS AND RETIREES AWARDS NIGHT, DECEMBER 14, 2006.

Please be sure to answer the question about this in your dues notice, so your award can be prepared.

ANNUAL REPORT

Master Masons @ 8/1/2005…….393
Raised……..3
Affiliated……..1
Reinstated…….2
Total additions…….6
Total……399
Deaths……..13
Withdrawn……3
Suspended Non Payment of Dues..3
Total deductions……....19
Master Masons @8/1/2006…….……..380

Grand Lodge Dues and Fees……$3,997.00

No. of 60 or more years members……6
Number of 50 to 60 years members……46
Members 90 + years of age……..8
Members 80 to 90+ years of age ……...75

Our Senior Member in age is Brother **William Waidner**, age **93**, a 60 year Mason. Our Senior Member in years as a Mason is Brother **Lester Zorb**, age 89, a 63 year Mason. Congrats to these members and all our Senior Members. Thank you for being Masons for all these years.