

May 2008

Message From the East

Hello Brethren:

The Inspection season is over and I and WB **Al Young** attended all of the inspections of the First Masonic District!! I don't see how Bro **Howard Kipp** attended them for so many years! Our Lodge Inspection was one of, or was, the most attended in the District. Our officers are to be commended for the show that we put on that night, which is still talked about by all who were there.

Please come to our family outing on May 17th. We are going on a field trip to Wright Patterson Air Force Base for a tour of the museum and to see a movie at the IMAX Theater. As a bonus, the Air Force "Band of Flight" is having a Glen Miller Tribute which is free and starts at 6:30 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs for the concert for an entertaining evening.

The Annual Corn Roast is quickly approaching and we hope to see you there.

We are going to have an MM Degree to perform on Bro. **Robert Schlueter** on the 22nd of this month. Come out and give him our best.

Please visit our Lodge website for fast and up to the minute information at <http://www.chhsj641.org>. Always remember to replace yourself by bringing to light 1 or 2 friends you find worthy to keep our "World's Oldest Fraternity" prosperous.

Fraternally,

W.M. Rich Dickerscheid

STATED MEETING-MAY 1, 2008

After a delicious Meal of Pork and Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Bread & Butter and Pies, the W.M. opened a Lodge of FC in due form at 7:30 p.m. with all officers, except the Stewards, present. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the W.M. announced that this Lodge of FC was opened for the purpose of holding our May Stated Meeting. He then appointed a Committee of Remembrance consisting of W.B. **Ira Greenlee** (in absentia), and Brothers **Jack Manning** and **Bill Welland**. The Chaplain read the In Memoriams for our late Brothers, **Fred Mahler** and **Jimmy York**, followed by a Moment of Silence.

W.B. **Dwight Ferguson**, P.M., examined Brother **Rob Schlueter** in the F.C. degree and, upon a Motion by W.B. **Tony Dsuban**, P.M., seconded by W.B. **Daniel Floyd**, P.M., the Lodge voted to accept the exam, followed by applause.

The Minutes were accepted as corrected. The Secretary then read the Petitions for the Three Degrees from Mr. Richard Alan Long, the Secretary of the H.E .Long Co., and from Mr. Matthew Alan Long, the Service Parts Manager at Enthusiast Auto Group. They were recommended by W.B. **Henry E. Long**, P.M. and RWB **Barrie R. Owen**. Upon a Motion by RWB **Owen**, seconded by W.B. **Richard Wendt**, the Lodge voted to receive these and to refer them to the Investigating Committee. The correspondence of the evening was circulated and/or read, including the favorable Inspection Report received from RWB **Robert Coster**.

The LEO, Brother **Harry Klein** presented a report Brother **George Weedon**, an officer in the Revolutionary War. The Treasurer's Report was circulated and, upon a Motion by W.B. **Floyd**, seconded by Brother **Earl Rechel**, the Lodge voted to pay the Bills of the evening. Committee Reports and reports on Appendent bodies were made. Eleven Past Masters and two 50-plus members were recognized and applauded. Twenty members enjoyed the evening.

SPECIAL MEETING-April 14, 2008

After a Pizza meal, the W.M. opened a Lodge of MM in short form at 7:30 p.m. All officers were present except the J.D. and the J.S. W.B. **Chuck Hicks**, P.M. sat in as J.D., and W.B. **George Siddall**, P.M. was J.S. The protocol for the Inspection was practiced. The MM Lodge was closed in short form at 7:45 p.m. The W.M. then opened a Lodge of FC in due form at 7:50 p.m. The various parts of the FC degree were then practiced. The Master gave an excellent Lecture and the S.W., Brother **Steve Croucher**, gave an excellent "G" Lecture. The S.S., Brother **Dave Ritzie**, gave a letter perfect Charge. The W.M. closed the Lodge in due form and harmony at 9:10 p.m. Fifteen members enjoyed the evening.

SPECIAL MEETING-APR. 17, 2008

The evening of our Annual Inspection began with an excellent meal of Roast Pork, Broccoli au Gratin, Salad, Rolls and cake, prepared by the Master's Mother and Wife. Thanks!!! The Master opened a Lodge of MM at 7:15 p.m. Thirteen Past Masters processed into Lodge, were recognized and applauded. Four Past District Deputies were admitted, recognized and applauded. Four District Deputy Grand Masters and the Senior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge were admitted, recognized and applauded. The Inspecting Officer, RWB **Robert H. Coster**, then entered, was introduced at the Altar, conducted to the East and accorded Grand Honors. The MM Lodge was closed at 7:36 p.m.

A Lodge of Fellow Crafts was opened at 7:37 p.m. for the purpose of holding our Annual Inspection. Brother **Robert Schlueter** was our pro-tem candidate. The Master portrayed the First Section with all officers present. The Junior Steward was W.B. **George Siddall**, P.M. and the Organist was W.B. **Seymour Broad**, P.M. of Avon- Miami Lodge. The Master then recognized ten 50+ members. He then presented the Traveling Gavel to Hoffner Lodge No. 253 with thirteen members present.

The Master gave an excellent Lecture. The S.W. and the Master shared the "G" Lecture. More excellent work. The S.S. then gave a letter-perfect Charge. The L.E.O. then presented a paper on the comic strip "Barney Google". Appendent body reports were received. The Inspecting Officer then gave his report and was very well pleased with the work of the officers. This was the Inspecting Officer's final inspection and presentations were made the other Deputies and the SGD. Thirty members and 56 visitors enjoyed the evening, possibly the highest attendance at any Inspection in the First Masonic District this Masonic Year. The Lodge was closed in due form and harmony at 9:40 p.m.

FROM THE SECRETARY

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TRESTLEBOARD

Thursday, May 8, 2008

FC Team Practice Dinner 6 p.m.-Practice 7p.m.

Thursday, May 15, 2008

DARK

Saturday, May 17, 2008

Family Outing to Wright Patterson AFB

See Cover for details.

Thursday, May 22, 2008

**MM Degree-Robert L. Schlueter
Dinner 6:30 p.m. Degree 7:30 p.m.**

Thursday, May 29, 2008

DARK

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Stated Meeting

Dinner 6:30 p.m. Meeting 7:30 p.m.

FROM THE L.E.O.

William McKinley, Jr., Civil War Union Army Major; 1877-82, 1885-91, Ohio U.S. Rep.; 1892-96 Governor of Ohio; 1897-1901 President of the U.S. Assassinated Sept. 6, 1901. His portrait appeared on U.S. \$500 bill 1928-1946. Hiram Lodge #21, Winchester, VA.

IN MEMORIAM

WILLIAM FRED MAHLER

Born: July 25, 1925

Entered Apprentice: February 12, 1959

Fellow Craft: March 19, 1959

Master Mason: April 16, 1959

Died: April 3, 2008

JIMMY YORK

Born: May 20, 1929

Entered Apprentice: January 15, 1976

Fellow Craft: February 19, 1976

Master Mason: April 10, 1976

Died: April 29, 1976

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