



Message From The East



What does Freemasonry mean to me? My Masonic career began back in the mid to late 1990's with many informative discussions with Wor. Bro. Alan Wittenberg. He and I shared office space (Alan being a Podiatrist, and me a Chiropractor) for many years and during quiet times we

discussed the many virtues of lodge, Freemasonry and Masonic brotherhood. Alan invited me to the Schvitz on multiple occasions, and I must admit; I declined several times. The concept of the Schvitz was a little foreign to me, not to mention a little scary. Over time (I believe it was close to three years), I finally agreed to go.

I quickly learned and saw the great camaraderie and brotherhood that existed among the members of University Heights Lodge. This outing soon followed by other Lodge events, all which reinforced the concept of fraternal brotherhood, and was very positive for me. I joined the Lodge, and was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on Past Master's Night in June 2000. Soon after, I was appointed to the line, and within a mere 6 years I was elected to serve as Master in 2006.

I now find myself serving as Master for the second time, and the reasoning remains the same. Simply put, I enjoy being a Freemason, and specifically being a member of University Heights Lodge. I enjoy the fellowship, brotherhood, and camaraderie that this Lodge represents. I take great pride in the fact that I can help the Lodge move forward. Freemasonry is the oldest and largest fraternity in the world. We take good men and make them better. As a fraternity, we stress our social interactions, but also our history, traditions, philanthropies, and of course our ritual work. All of which separate us from other social organizations and clubs. It is all of these functions and activities through

our Lodge, which provides me with a great sense of pride and belonging. I thank all of you my brethren and friends for making University Heights Lodge such a wonderful, and rewarding experience for me.

Fraternally, Adam Rutkowski, PM
Worshipful Master

Retiring Masters Message

Brethren of University Heights Lodge, it has been a great pleasure to serve as your Master for the last year. It was something I had not thought about when I joined, but I am glad I have had the opportunity to do so. I have learned a lot about Masonry during my years as an officer and plan on continuing to learn more about Masonry for many years to come. My year has not been a perfect one. But I am always reminded of one of the great lessons in Masonry: Starting as a rough ashlar and working to becoming a perfect ashlar is a never-ending life long journey.

One of the great things that happened to me his year was marrying Cheryl. She has been of great support to me over the last year. Thank you Cheryl!

Thank you, as well, to all of my officers and all of the brethren for their support this year. I pledge support to Wor. Bro. Adam Rutkowski, all of the officers and brethren of University Heights Lodge for the coming year. Finally my Brethren, remember that MASONRY IS A WAY OF LIFE.

Leonard L. Holmes, PM

2016 Master and Warden's Dinner Dance

The Master and Wardens Dinner Dance will by popular demand return to the Mayfield Sand Ridge Club on May 14, 2016. Reserve the date on your calendars.

Rays from University Heights Lodge



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Table Lodge

University Heights Lodge will be hosting its Twentieth Table Lodge on January 28, 2016. The night will start at 6:30 PM with dinner in the Banquet Hall. You may choose from Baked Salmon or Roast Beef. Reservations should be made by January 21, 2016 with Bro. Mark Alliance. Tickets for Table Lodge are \$10.00.

The reservation form is on the flyer that came in the mail or can be found on the lodge website. Masonic guests and members are welcome.

The Table Lodge begins at 7:30 PM where the Guest Speaker is going to be Rt. Wor. Bro. William Carter, District Deputy Grand Master of the 22nd Masonic District. Table Lodge is one of the oldest traditions in Freemasonry and originated almost 300 years ago in England and France. Hope to see everyone there.

Jason Smith

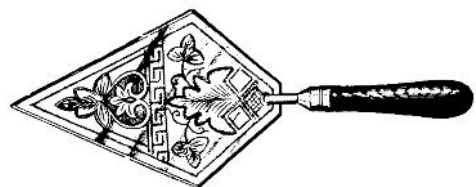
A Sweet and Succulent Way to Spend Saturday Evening!

Are you looking for a great way to deal with the cold, dark days of February? University Heights Lodge has put together an incredible night of fellowship, food and wine to break through the gray.

On Saturday evening February 20, 2016 University Lodge welcomes the Brethren and their ladies to enjoy a wonderful dinner in the Graziano Room on the second floor of Maggiano's Little Italy at Beachwood Place Mall.

Fellowship starts at 6 PM. A family style dinner will be served at 7 PM. The evening includes sampling of wines and chocolate. A table will be setup with elegant chocolates and signage noting the appropriate pairing wines. The cost is only \$30 per person. Reservations made payable to University Heights Lodge must be sent to Mark Bailin, 4886 Highland Place Court, Richmond Heights, Ohio 44143 by Thursday February 11, 2016.

Mark Bailin



Hiram Hears

Congratulations to BRO. DAVID RESNIK and Carol, who celebrated their 71st anniversary on December 19...Claire Elizabeth Gafford, grand-daughter of WOR. BRO. MICHAEL LEICHNER and Heidi was born on December 28, 2015 weighing in at 6lbs 4oz., BRO. JAMES FLAIZ and Laura are expecting their third child in July 2016. Grandparents, WOR. BRO. ALAN ARONS and Marcia, and uncles BRO. BRAD BERGER (Stephanie), BRO. JOSHUA ARONS, and BRO. DAVID ARONS (Emily) are beaming with anticipation...BRO. BERNIE ABRAHAMS will celebrate his 96th birthday on February 2nd. RT WOR. BRO. HENRY MANKOWSKI, WOR. BRO. ALAN ARONS and WOR. BRO. ROGER NEWBERRY visited Bro. Abrahams and his wife Gerrie at their home in early January to present him with his 50-year membership pin from the Grand Lodge of Ohio. Bro. Abrahams reports that his grandson, Tyler of Charlotte North Carolina is engaged to be married...

One of our Charter Members, BRO. EDWARD SINGER was slightly injured by broken glass when he fell against a door at the Lyndhurst Masonic Temple and returned home after a short visit to the hospital...WOR. BRO. MICHAEL LEICHNER had minor surgery in November and recuperated at home...WOR. BRO. HOWARD LEV had knee replacement surgery on his other leg in mid-December...BRO. EDMUND WEISLER's wife, Helen, underwent knee replacement surgery in mid-January...

BRO. LARRY COHEN lost his longtime girlfriend in California...WOR. BRO. DENNIS LINDEN (Karen) lost his uncle Earl Linden in late November...

Hiram can only tell what he hears and wants to hear it all ... Anyone with news for Hiram can mail it to the Lodge Secretary, or email it to arne.lillo@yahoo.com.

Upcoming Events

1/28/2016.....	Traditional Table Lodge Dinner at 6:30pm
2/4/2016.....	Fellowcraft Degree
2/18/2016.....	Lodge Education
2/20/2016.....	Wine and Chocolate / Dinner
3/3/2016.....	Entered Apprentice Degree
3/17/2016.....	Lodge Education
3/30/2016.....	Night at the Schvitz
4/7/2016.....	MM Degree
4/21/2016.....	Lodge Education
4/28/2016.....	Annual Inspection - FC Degree

Children's Holiday Party

One of our most popular social event once again lived up to everyone's expectation. Our brethren, their spouses, children, grandchildren and a couple of great grandchildren assembled at the Chuck E. Cheese restaurant in Mayfield Heights on December 16th. They enjoyed the fresh salad bar, several dozen pizzas with all the popular toppings and an ice cream cup for dessert.

After that, it was time for the games! Hundreds of tokens seemed to fly into (and out of) eager hands as everyone had a wonderful time with the video games, Skee-Ball and a variety of skill games that are the highlight of the party. As the clock climbed toward bed time, a full and tired gaggle of children gleefully exchanged the tickets they had won for a wide variety of toys and small games. No one left without a wide smile.

Annual Installation of Officers



Wor. Bro. Rutkowski is congratulated by Retiring Master Wor. Bro. Leonard Holmes.



Wor. Bro. Rutkowski and his Corps of Officers take the Obligation just before their installation.

Meet Your Grand Master



Most Worshipful Brother Rill was born in Oregon, Ohio on March 15, 1964 to the late Robert C Rill Sr. and Susan E. Rill. He is the oldest of 3 sons, and the family lived in Whitehouse, Ohio during his school years. He graduated from Anthony Wayne High School in 1982. He then attended the University of Toledo and graduated in 1985 with an Associate of Applied Science degree in Chemical Technology.

Most Worshipful Brother Rill was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in Northern Light Lodge No. 40 on February 23, 1993. He served his Lodge as Worshipful Master in 1997, and subsequently served as Chaplain and Trustee.

He joined the Valley of Toledo, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in 1994, and served as Thrice Potent Master of its Mi-A-Mi Lodge of Perfection in 2008 and 2009. He was coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33rd Degree, in Washington, D.C. in 2007. He is a past Trustee for the Valley of Toledo.

Most Worshipful Brother Rill is a member of Zenobia Shrine; St. Thomas Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine; O-Ton-Ta-La Grotto; Turkey Foot Council No. 253, Allied Masonic Degrees, having served as Sovereign Master in 2013; Blackstone York Rite Sovereign College; Irish Council No. 67, Knight Masons USA; the National Sojourners; and Ohio College, SRICF. He is an honorary member of the Legion of Honor of the Order of DeMolay. Most Worshipful Brother Rill served the Grand Lodge of Ohio as a District Deputy Grand Master for the 11th Masonic District from 2006-2008.

He was appointed by Most Worshipful Brother Charles R. Murphy as Junior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge of Ohio in 2009. He was subsequently appointed as Senior Grand Deacon, Grand Marshal, and Grand Orator and was elected Junior Grand Warden, Senior Grand Warden, and Deputy Grand Master. On October 23, 2015, he was elected to serve the Grand Lodge of Ohio as its Grand Master and installed into that office on October 24, 2015 during the 206th Annual Communication, held in Columbus.

Meet Your District Deputy



Born in Lakewood Ohio many moons ago as the 5th of six children. Following graduation from Lakewood High School, I lived for several years in Westlake and moved to Rocky River 23 years ago. I married my wife Janet 30 years ago and we have been blessed with two daughters, Juliet and Jillian and a Bernese mountain dog named Watson. Janet works as a licensed commercial property and casualty insurance agent, Juliet is a K through 12 art teacher, Jillian is a Junior at Miami University (OH) studying to be in sports leadership and management. Watson is three and is very much a puppy!

I am a Site Supplier Development Coordinator and Operations Team Lead at E. I. DuPont de Nemours & Company located in Valley View Ohio. My entire career has been in precision parts manufacturing and machining and in the last several years my focus has been in medical device and aerospace Quality Assurance. I am an American Society for Quality certified Quality Technician and AS 9100/ISO 9001 internal auditor.

I was raised a Master Mason in Rocky River Lodge #703 in May 1996. I was elected Worshipful Master of Rocky River Lodge in 1998 and served one term. Subsequently, I served as LEO, Trustee, Senior Deacon, Chaplain, and am currently the editor of the lodge newsletter. Last year, Most Worshipful Brother Steven E. Cokonougher appointed me to serve as District Education Officer in the 22nd Masonic District. This past October I was honored to receive my appointment as District Deputy Grand Master.

I am proud to serve this District and represent our Grand Master Most Worshipful Brother Robert C. Rill, Jr. during my travels this year. I am looking forward to meeting with each of you and sharing the fellowship of this great fraternity, this Brotherhood of Values!

Fraternally,

Rt. Wor. Bro. Jonathan H. Krapf, PM
District Deputy Grand Master

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