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Message From The East



“The days dwindle down to a precious few, September, November.”

Oh, how true. The summer has given way to autumn and our lodge has returned from our much deserved recess to meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month and, if I may add, at 7:30 pm.

The summer picnic was a great success. At the same old place, but the children and the adults all had a grand time. The games for the children were as rewarding as the many prizes that were given to their smiling faces. There were no complaints from any of those who participated in the games. Oh, maybe something was said very softly as a balloon broke during the balloon toss, but all in all it was a great day, with good fellowship, highly spirited fun, and great food. Our paint-ball outing was another successful event, so this could possibly become an annual affair.

As we begin to return to the routine of attending lodge meetings, we look forward to seeing those brethren that have been recently initiated and passed, as we have a great deal of “light” to share with all of you. So we are looking for your return soon.

Are there any of you out there that remember the warm weather we all experienced this past July and August? The old saying goes, “If you don’t like the weather in Cleveland, just wait a short time and it’ll change”. And so it has. The nights are now becoming more comfortable, the days a little cooler, and we are now enjoying autumn.

But my brethren, we still have much work to do. We have prospective candidates to interview. We have

degrees to confer. We have examinations to be given. Grand Lodge is coming in October, our annual meeting is in November, as well as our Charter Night. December brings us the annual installation and a new corps of officers. That is when we begin another chapter in the history of University Heights Lodge. So come along and join with us as we finish the current chapter, and be on hand as we begin a new chapter in the life of our lodge.

We’ll see you at the next meeting. May God bless us all.

Fraternally yours,
Russell H. Van Scyoc
Worshipful Master

54th Annual Charter Night

On April 23, 1952, The Grand Lodge of Ohio issued a dispensation for a new lodge. 230 Masons had signed the petition and University Heights Lodge came into existence. On November 16, 2006, we will gather to commemorate the occasion and honor those original brethren.

During the evening, Bros. Harold Linden, Irv Linden, and Harry Wittenberg will be honored for 60-years of membership. Our Lodge also will award 25- and 40-year pins to several brethren. Our District Deputy Grand Master will award 50-year pins to those who have achieved that milestone in Masonry. A memorial service will be held for our departed brethren and we will recognize our newly raised members and our valued blood bank donors.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Judy Dunn, a docent at The Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage. She will discuss some of the special parts of the museum’s permanent collection as well as some of the upcoming special exhibits. A terrific dessert spread is planned after Lodge.

Charter Night is an open event for all members and their guests. It is a wonderful occasion to introduce a



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prospective member to our Lodge. Please mark the date on your calendars.

Marc Reiff

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Our New "Mailing" Program

In an effort to improve communication with our members, University Heights Lodge has instituted a program of emailing information to our brethren. We began this program last spring on a trial basis. The Officers Committee authorized an expanded program this fall.

Our plan is to send an email once per month announcing upcoming events. Part of the email will include links to the flyers and the trestle board for the next several weeks. All brethren will continue to receive the trestle board and flyers on paper and in the mail. Over 200 of our members have shared their email addresses with us to date. Each of these brethren was included in the emailing on October 1st.

If you have not received a message from the lodge, there are several possible reasons. First, your email address might not be correct in our records. To check this, take a look at the Directory published last summer. If your email is not listed or has changed, please update your roster information on our website at www.uhlodge.org.

Another possibility is that your email client or Internet Service Provider has blocked the message, thinking it is spam. In the future, all email will originate from the address alana@webndata.com. Please take the time to enter this address into your address book. This will ensure that our emails are recognized as legitimate communications.

The reaction to our "Mailing" has been overwhelmingly positive. Those who responded told us they like the convenience of the email and the timeliness of the messages. Do we have your email address? If not, please share it with us. If you recently submitted it, please do it again. Some technical problems caused some address changes not to be transmitted properly. Finally, please feel free to contact me by email if you have any questions or problems at alana@webndata.com.

Alan Arons, PM
University Heights Lodge Webmaster

 **Chuck E. Cheese
December 13th
Pizza – Salad
Dessert**

CHUCK "E" CHEESE HOLIDAY PARTY

Our annual holiday party will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 2006, beginning at 6:00 PM, at the Chuck E Cheese Golden Gate location. Everyone always has a lot of fun participating with their children and grandchildren with the tokens, games, and prizes that are part of the evening's festivities. Children and grandchildren of Masonic members as well as prospective members and families are welcome.

Dinner will be served between 6:00-7:30 PM and will include pizza, salad bar, and dessert. The cost of this wonderful evening will be \$5.00 per person. Children under 5 years old will be free. Watch your email in November for a flyer with a reservation form attached. We hope to see you there!

Barry Pollack

Hiram Hears

The lodge family is growing...BRO. CHARLES REINER and Susan became grandparents twice over the summer. Lucas James Schell was born to daughter Robin and son-in-law David in early June. Then, in August, son Dennis and daughter-in-law Karyn welcomed Robert Jason Lockshine into the world...Not to be outdone by his cousin, WOR.BRO. ALAN WITTENBERG and Margo announced that their daughter Jacqui and husband Todd Pencek celebrated the birth of a son, Trevor Owen, in late August. BRO. HARRY WITTENBERG, is the proud great-grandfather...BRO. JARED ZAK and Julie welcomed son Tyler to their family in August. Tyler is the first great-grandson of BRO. MARTY PALEY and Margery. BRO. DAVID PALEY and Carol are the proud great uncle and great aunt, respectively...BRO. MARK STOVSKY and Shannon are beaming over their son, Jacob Torch Bresin, born August 12th. Mazel tov to proud grandfather BRO. BOB STOVSKY, and respective uncles and aunts, BRO. RICH STOVSKY and Betsy, and BRO. MICHAEL STOVSKY and Jill...BRO. BRAD ZUCKER and Lisa welcomed daughter Camryn Ally on July 6th. Proud grandparents are BRO. BURT ZUCKER and Sandi...Wedding bells recently rang for Marni Greenblatt and Daniel Sulzer, son of BRO. LOUIS (Buddy) SULZER and Linda...WOR. BRO. HOWARD LEV reported that the correct spelling of his granddaughter's name is "Kaitlyn Lily"...ILL. & RT. WOR. BRO. RUSSELL VAN SCYOC and Delores celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary on October 6...An email to uhlodge.org from BRO. BARRY LEAVITT and Cindy advised that

they are still living their dream in their motor home "Homer". They were in Alaska last summer and, after taking their time exploring the west coast, have found themselves in Santa Fe where they plan to stay for another month or two. BRO. LEAVITT and Cindy have been on the road for the past 11 years...WOR. BRO. Michael Leichner and Heidi are planning a June 2007 wedding for their eldest daughter, Jackie...BRO. HARRY ZEID was honored by his golf club for shooting his age or better four times...BRO. MARTY MITTLEMAN told Hiram he will retire on October 27th. He and Illeen will spend the winter in Bonita Springs, Florida, before returning to Cleveland in April...Laura Mankowski, daughter of WOR.BRO. HENRY MANKOWSKI and Ann Levin, graduated from The Ohio State University in May and is pursuing a career in Florida. Her brother, Michael, graduated from Shaker Hts. High and is studying secondary education at Kent State... ILL. & RT. WOR. BRO. RUSSEL VAN SCYOC and Delores celebrated two graduations this spring-grandson Charles from Marquette University and grandson Matthew from Strongsville High School...Hiram leads a chorus of happy birthday to BRO. HARRY WITTENBERG, who recently celebrated #92!...WOR. BRO. JERRY ACK suffered a heart attack in July. He is recovering at home after a short stay at Menorah Park... WOR. BRO. STUART WITTENBERG had shoulder surgery and is recovering at home...BRO. BEN ZIDE spent a some time at Hillcrest Hospital...BRO. HARRY ZEID was ill...Alyce Stovsky, wife of BRO. BOB STOVSKY and mother of BRO. RICH STOVSKY, BRO. MARK STOVSKY and BRO. MICHAEL STOVSKY, passed away after a long illness. For many years our brethren enjoyed the centerpieces at the dinner dance this lovely lady crafted for us...BRO. SOL SIEGEL lost his wife, Molly...Florence Dexter, sister-in-law of BRO. ELVIN SHULTZ and sister of his wife, Polly, passed away...BRO. JOSEPH PAULIN passed away in Colorado... BRO. LEONARD BUCHLER, 1994 Mason of the Year, passed away in October...Hiram owes an apology to BRO. WILLIAM KRAUS. BRO. KRAUS has informed us that Sharon, who passed away, was his sister-in-law and not his mother. Hiram regrets the error and vows to try harder to get his facts correct in the future...Hiram can only hear what he is told...If you have news that would be of interest to your brethren, you can send an email to hiram@uhlodge.org, call BRO. HARRY ZEID, Sunshine Committee Chairman, at (216) 464-0567, or send him an email at floandharry@aol.com.

HIRAM

Our Year in Pictures

