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Message From The East



This issue of the Rays has traditionally been our "Inspection Night" issue; and we hope that all of you attended this year's Inspection Night on March 21st.

While the excellence of our lodge is traditionally measured by our "performance" on Inspection Night, the true measure of our lodge should be determined by our charitable efforts and educational events.

A highlight of this year has been the effort of our Mitzvah committee, under the leadership of Wor. Bro. Roger Newberry, and Bro. George Cohen. The Mitzvah committee coordinated three events at Menorah Park where more than twenty of our brethren and family members participated. A special thanks to Bro. Ben Zide who was there on both Thanksgiving and Christmas, and to all of the brethren who attended for your good work.

We look forward to more activities in the near future. Opportunities will include participation in the Wheelchair Olympics, during the week of July 8th, the Grand Prix Parade on July 12th, and staffing the Masonic Booth at the Cuyahoga County Fair.

On the evening of June 6th, we will welcome members who completed their degree work at the Grand Masters All Degree Day. This "orientation" evening will include presentations by our Lodge Education Officer, Wor. Bro. Keevin Berman, and by our Candidate Counselor, Wor. Bro. Stuart Wittenberg. We invite all of our members to enjoy this event.

A big thanks to our Social Chairman, Wor. Bro. Dave Greenberg, who arranged a fabulous Valentine's dance and supper party on Saturday Evening, February 16th, at the Embassy Suites. My only complaint is that the evening didn't get me out of buying flowers for Bonnie!

Dave and his committee are now turning their attention to our annual Dinner Dance. This year's event will be Saturday Evening, April 27th, at the Oakwood Club. This promises to be a special evening, and we hope to see you there.

At this year's Installation, I stated that one of our goals this year will be for our past masters and members to join the line officers on our visits to other lodges. As we continue the Inspection season, we are presented with numerous opportunities for these visits. Please call and let one of the officers know which lodge you would like to visit, and we will make sure that you have a brother from University Heights to sit with.

Fraternally Yours,
Abraham Kay
Worshipful Master

Lodge Scheduled for Reconsecration

University Heights Lodge No. 738 F. & A.M. is proud to announce the reconsecration of our lodge, which will be held in conjunction with our 50th year celebration.

This event will be held on Thursday evening, May 30, 2002, at 7:30 p.m., at the Lyndhurst Masonic Temple, 5516 Mayfield Road, Lyndhurst, Ohio, 44124. The Reconsecration will be "open" and brethren are encouraged to invite family members and other non-Masonic guests to this rare event.

Participating in the ceremony will be our grand master, Most Wor. Bro. Thomas E. Reynolds and other grand lodge officers. Vocal entertainment will be provided by Cantor Kathryn Wolfe Sebo. The evening will also include our Mason of the Year Program.

To commemorate this milestone anniversary, we have commissioned lapel pins celebrating fifty years.. Your pin should have recently arrived in the mail. We hope that you will wear your "50 year" pin with pride; and look forward to seeing each of you throughout the year, and especially at our Reconsecration.

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Valentine’s Day Dance

While the weather outside was cold and snowy, things were cooking inside the Beachwood Embassy Suites on February 16th, where the University Heights Lodge held its second Valentine’s Day Dance. The evening began with at 6:30 p.m. when over 50 couples showed up for an hour of fellowship. Hot hors d’oeuvres, a cheese and vegetable table and beverages were a welcome opening to a special evening.

A sumptuous buffet dinner followed, featuring Prime Rib, Chicken Marcela, and baked fish. Many of the brethren were observed at the table more than once. A delicious dessert table with cakes, pastries and chocolate mousse topped off the meal.

The brethren and their ladies danced the night away to music provided by Rock-On DJ Service hosted by Bro. Gary Perl. We were serenaded with a variety of musical styles from big band to oldies and several contemporary songs. It was a grand evening and a good time was had by all.

Warren Perl

Inspection

University Heights Lodge No. 738 F.& A.M. celebrated its 49th Annual Inspection on March 21, 2002. We were inspected in the Master Mason degree by Right Worshipful Brother Harvey Morrison, DDGM.

We have always set a fine tradition with this event and the excellence continued this year. Lodge was opened at 5:30PM when the first section of the degree was conferred on Bro. Stephen Dombroski. Lodge was then called to refreshment and the brethren adjourned to the Banquet Hall for a delicious dinner of roast beef or fish, which was served with all the trimmings.

At 7:30 PM, the lodge reconvened for the conferral of the second section. The candidate received presentations from the lodge and his sponsors and we continued with the balance of the evening’s program. As is our custom, our inspection report was excellent. Congratulations to the officers and members of University Heights Lodge on another successful review.

Bernie Abrahams.

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Meet Our District Deputy

This year, our District Deputy Grand Master is Right Worshipful Brother Harvey S. Morrison. Rt. Wor. Bro. Morrison was raised in Forest City Lodge in 1968 and as worshipful master in 1983-1984. He continues to serve his lodge as editor of the Bulletin.

Rt. Wor. Bro. Morrison is in his third year as a DDGM. He was first appointed a District Deputy by Most Worshipful Brother Ronald R. Rogers and was subsequently re-appointed by M.W.B. Jack L. Allen and M.W.B. Thomas E. Reynolds.

Rt. Wor. Bro. Morrison is a native of Cleveland. He and his wife, Patsy, reside in University Heights. They have two grown children, a son Marc, who makes his home in Las Vegas, and a daughter, Jodi, who lives in Seattle.

Our District Deputy is an attorney, with offices downtown. He earned his undergraduate degree from The Ohio State University and his law degree from the University of Michigan. He enjoys sports as a spectator, particularly football in late November. He dabbles in model railroading, when his time permits.

Rt. Wor. Bro. Morrison looks forward to working with the officers and brethren of University Heights Lodge in this, our 50th year.

**Annual Dinner Dance
Oakwood Country Club
April 27th, 2002**

Meet Our District Education Officer

University Heights Lodge No. 738, F. & A. M. is honored to have Wor. Bro. Roger Lynch serve as our District Education Officer. Wor. Bro. Lynch, a native of Great Britain, came to live in the United States in 1988. He was raised in 1993 in Euclid Lodge and served his lodge as worshipful master between 1997 and 2000.

Wor. Bro. Lynch resides in Cleveland and works as the Director of Social Services at St. Augustine Manor, a long-term care facility. His son, John, is a student at Louisiana State University. His daughter, Grace, is a high school student.

When not involved with work, his children or Masonry, Wor. Bro. Lynch enjoys traveling and reading about history. He is pleased to be working with University Heights Lodge and to bring new educational material to our attention as our District Education Officer.

David Michel

Here's Our Junior Steward



University Heights Lodge is pleased to welcome Bro. Brian Krantz as our Junior Steward. Bro. Krantz was raised in September 2000 and joined the Scottish Rite this past year. He has found involvement with the ritual rewarding both in the knowledge gained and in the fellowship it offers. Community service is another aspect of our lodge that has impressed Bro. Krantz.

Bro. Krantz is a graduate of Beachwood High School. He holds a degree in Economics from the Ohio State University and works as a mortgage banker for Charterwest Mortgage. Brian and his wife, Luda, reside in Twinsburg and enjoy traveling when time permits. Luda emigrated from the former Soviet Union ten years ago and is studying psychology while working as an optician.

Please join the Rays staff in welcoming Bro. Brian Krantz to the corps of officers. We wish him well as he continues his search for light in masonry.

Lou Ross

Secretary's Corner

The Grand Master's One-Day Ritual has been much discussed. This is not only a chance to become a Mason in one day, but also chance to become a member of the Scottish Rite, and the Shrine at nearly the same time. This is the first time this opportunity has been available to Ohioans.

The degrees will be conferred upon exemplar candidates and performed by the finest ritualists. At the completion of the Master Mason degree, each candidate will be a full master mason, entitled to the same rights and having the same responsibilities as any other master mason. We will welcome our new brethren at a special evening to be held on June 6th when we will present them aprons, Bibles, and dues cards from our lodge.

Due to limited seating, brethren who wish to attend may find the best opportunity to see the festivities will be to serve as a mentor to one of our candidates or to volunteer and take part in the ritual. If you have questions, or wish to volunteer your time, please feel free to call me, or Wor. Bro. Abraham Kay.

Joel I. Newman, PM
Secretary

HIRAM HEARS:

Several of our members have been seen at the JCC keeping themselves in good shape. Among the regulars have been WOR. BRO. MICHAEL LEICHNER, WOR. BRO. STUART WITTENBERG, BRO. BERNIE AGIN, BRO. DAVID RESNIK, BRO. ELVIN SHULTZ, BRO. MURRAY ARONS, BRO. ROGER WOLFSON, BRO. BERNARD ABRAHAMS, BRO. BOB STOVSKY AND BRO. STEVE WASSERMAN...BRO. MARTIN PALEY and Marge spent the winter in Puerto Vallarta. They also celebrated two bar mitzvahs as grandsons Mitch Weiss and Ben Paley were called to the bimah...BRO. BOB STOVSKY and Alyce enjoyed the warmth of Florida for two weeks...WOR. BRO. ALAN SILVER and Rhoda also spent three months in Florida...WOR. BRO. HAVEY KUMIN, BRO. LENOARD BUCHLER and BRO. IRV LINDEN have been active with Mended Hearts, a support group of and for heart patients...WOR. BRO. KUMIN and BRO. BUCHLER serve at University Hospitals and BRO. LINDEN is at the Cleveland Clinic...BRO. BERNIE FRIEDMAN and Celia are now residing at Stone Gardens...WOR. BRO. JOEL NEWMAN and BRO. HENRY MANKOWSKI demonstrated their culinary skills as they prepared lunch for 20 ladies in honor of Elise Newman's birthday...Jamie Newberry, daughter of WOR. BRO. ROGER NEWBERRY and Carla, granddaughter of WOR. BRO. ALAN SILVER and Rhoda, made the Dean's List at Cornell University for the fall semester...BRO. EDGAR SPIZEL and Sheila divide their time between their homes in La Jolla, California and Sun Valley, Idaho...WOR. BRO. ALEX LEV and Betty celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary...WOR. BRO. HARRY MARCUS and Rita celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary...Lenore Moss, wife of WOR. BRO. ART MOSS, celebrated her 70th birthday. Mazel Tov and many happy returns...WOR. BRO. ABRAHAM KAY and Bonnie, BRO. BOB STOVSKY and BRO. GEORGE COHEN volunteered at the New Year's Party for the residents at Menorah Park. Our members helped transport the residents and then served party food to those who attended...Katie Pollock, daughter of BRO. BARRY POLLOCK and Sally and granddaughter of BRO. DAVID POLLOCK was married to Andy Symms. Congratulations to the Pollock family...BRO. MARK STOVSKY was elected to be the financial secretary of the Ohio Urological Society. BRO. ERIC SKOKE spent time in the hospital...BRO. DUANE DUKES was in Hillcrest Hospital...Yetta Roth, wife of BRO. AL ROTH, had eye surgery...BRO. HARRY ZEID shortened his stay in Florida, returned home and entered the hospital...BRO. HARRY

WITTENBERG is recovering from a nasty fall in Florida...Estelle Engel, wife of BRO. NORM ENGEL, is recovering from hip replacement surgery...BRO. BERT ZUCKER lost his mother...Ida Newman, mother-in-law of BRO. MEL DIAMOND passed away...BRO. SID MARS, a Charter Member, passed away...Doris Siegel, mother of BRO. HARVEY SIEGEL passed away...Richard Landis, father-in-law of WOR. BRO. KEEVIN BERMAN and grandfather of BRO. MICHAEL ROSEMAN passed away...Marvin Glazer, father of BRO. JEFFREY GLAZER and BRO. ALLEN GLAZER passed away...So that your brethren may share your happenings, please keep Hiram posted on what is happening with you and yours. One of the best ways is to visit our lodge website at "www.uhlodge.org" and drop Hiram an email.

Hiram

Lodge Reconsecration and Mason of the Year Night May 30th, 2002

Bro. Robert Stovsky Honored as Editor Emeritus

On March 21, 2002, University Heights Lodge No. 738, F.& A.M., honored Bro. Robert L. Stovsky as its first Editor Emeritus. Reflecting on their long association with Bro. Stovsky as the Editor of the *Rays*, the Editorial Advisory Board and past masters noted his many contributions to the lodge bulletin, including his preparation of material about our members, solicitation of articles from our many reporters, and assistance in the design and layout of the paper. Among his other accomplishments, Bro. Stovsky was our lodge's first Mason of the Year and has served as Tyler for over six years.

As a memento of his designation, Bro. Stovsky was presented a plaque in the form of a *Rays* article. The plaque was presented by Rt. Wor. Bro. Harvey S. Morrison, District Deputy Grand Master for the 22nd Masonic District during our lodge's Annual Inspection Night. On behalf of the officers and brethren of University Heights Lodge No. 738, F.& A.M., Wor. Bro. Abraham Kay extended the appreciation of the lodge to Bro. Robert L. Stovsky for his many years of service as Editor.

RAYS STAFF