



**Message From The East**



A brother recently called me and said that our annual dinner dance, which he did not attend, was not a success. The reason, he explained, was there were only 136 attendees, and in the past we had more. He seems to think there is a magic number that makes a dance great. Funny thing. I have been

to dances where more than 200 came, and dances with less. At each, I came with my wife and we danced together. The magic was in an evening spent with Judy and with our friends.

On Memorial Day, we had 25 members and 9 of their family members carry the flag. Despite a torrential down pour at 12:30, 45 members and 47 family members enjoyed the after-parade picnic. We shared hamburgers, hotdogs, desserts, and umbrellas. The magic was in being under the umbrellas and tents with our friends.

Mason of the Year garnered 82 members and guests to honor Brother Ben Zide. We had great entertainment, and a great dessert reception. The magic was in the hearts of the attendees as we honored one of our own

Three different events and many different participants at each, all in May.

What does this mean? Just that some people prefer one event and some another. The same applies to meetings. We have had many guest speakers this year, dinner meetings, hot dog nights, and degree nights.

**Pioneer Waterland  
And  
Dry Fun Park  
July 11, 2010**

All were designed to provide a varied and interesting calendar.

On Veterans' Night, the wife of one our members first learned about the right of every veteran to a military burial. The next day, tragically, her father passed away. At his funeral, there was the honor guard she now knew to order. The magic was in the comfort that she received from the honor bestowed on her father as a veteran, and in the flag that she was honored to receive.

I wish you have a safe and magical summer.

Fraternally,  
Keevin J. Berman, PM  
Worshipful Master

**Members March on Memorial Day**

Our Lodge had the honor of leading the City of University Heights Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 31st. Approximately thirty brethren and family members helped carry the oversized American flag up Silsby to John Carroll University preceded by the lodge banner. Everyone wore a light blue tee-shirt identifying the lodge. Wor. Bro. Keevin Berman oversaw the parade from his trusty bike. A pair of four legged, tail wagging friends marched with the group. It was a close race with nature as the flag was barely folded when the rain began. At least it didn't rain on our parade.

After the parade we repaired to Wor. Bro. Keevin and Judy Berman's home for our annual picnic. The rain interrupted the beginning of the picnic; but failed to dampen spirits. Kudos's to the fearless grilling team of Wor. Bro. Joel Newman, Wor. Bro. Jeff Schultz, and Wor. Bro. Roger Newberry; who braved the thunder, lightning and downpour to serve up hamburgers and hot dogs that were grilled to perfection. A variety of side dishes and desserts were provided by the brethren. The picnic was enjoyed by well over 80 of our brethren and their family members who ended up in the dry – mostly.

Bro. Jerrold Kozack

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**A Surprised Mason of the Year**



**Bro Ben Zide  
2010 Mason of the Year**

On Thursday May 27th, the brethren of University Heights Lodge and many guests gathered together for a full evening of laughs, song, dance, and celebration at the annual Mason of the Year and Friendship Night.

After the ode to the flag, expertly delivered by Bro. Matt Harris, program chairman Wor. Bro. Dennis

Linden outlined the festivities of the evening and introduced the entertainment. "Soundsation," the show choir from Brush High School, danced and sang a fantastic series of songs that surely brought memories back to many in attendance.

Following the entertainment, there was a role call of the past recipients of the Ill. & Rt. Wor. Bro. Joseph H. Silbert Mason of the Year award. Then to his great surprise, Bro. Ben Zide was announced as the 2010 Mason of the Year. Bro. Zide was overjoyed at seeing many members of his family enter the lodge room in celebration of his many years of hard work and dedication to the fraternity.

All in attendance were treated to a fantastic reception featuring several light hors d'oeuvres and desserts from Appetite following the presentation. It was truly a night of celebration for everyone, especially our 2010 Mason of the Year, Bro. Ben Zide.

Matthew Harris

**Fall Reunion at the Al Koran Shrine**

This year's fall reunion will be held on September 19th at the Al Koran Shrine in Broadview Heights. Those who joined us last year enjoyed an outstanding clambake and this year should be no exception. Besides all the clams you can eat, you will also have your choice of a large succulent lobster or delicious grilled steak. Of course, there will also be the usual sides such as chicken, coleslaw, sweet potatoes and dessert.

Plan on being there starting at 3:00 for what looks to be a great event. The cost of the event is expected to be \$25 per person. Watch your mail later this summer for the flyers and reservation form.

David Michel

## **Veterans Honored**

A full house of members, family, and guests gathered at University Heights Lodge on April 22, 2010, to recognize and remember our members who are military veterans. The national colors were presented as Wor.Bro. Marc Reiff, who served in Vietnam, delivered the Ode to the Flag.

Wor.Bro. Keevin Berman opened the meeting and introduced Dr. Edgardo Padin-Rivera, Chief of Psychological Services at Louis Stokes VA Hospital in Cleveland. Dr. Padin-Rivera reviewed and explained the belated recognition, analysis, and treatment of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, from the beginning of our Republic to the current wars. His report was enlightening, discomfoting, and somewhat hopeful. Dr. Padin-Rivera's recommendation: recognize our military personnel and veterans and thank them regularly for their service and sacrifice.

After the presentation by Dr. Padin-Rivera, military veterans in University Heights Lodge were introduced and presented the Masonic Major Jonathan Heart Service to Country Award. After a moment of silent reflection in memory of our departed veterans, the members and guests retired for refreshments.

It was noted during the ceremonies that The Honor Flight Network continues to offer fully chaperoned and totally free day trips to Washington, DC, via airplane for World War II veterans between April and November. Application forms are available from the Lodge Secretary, Wor. Bro. Joel Newman or from Wor. Bro. Alan Silver who has taken the flight. Additional local information is available at: [www.honorflightcak.org](http://www.honorflightcak.org).

The brethren listed below are members of University Heights Lodge who are known to be military veterans. If you are a veteran of any service branch, or know a brother who has served, please send a notice to Wor. Bro. Newman at the Lodge mailing address (5516 Mayfield Rd., Lyndhurst, OH 44124) or send an email [joelinewman@gmail.com](mailto:joelinewman@gmail.com).

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**July 11<sup>th</sup>  
Pioneer Waterland and  
Dry Fun Park**

**September 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Lodge Opens  
Hot Dog Dinner at 6:30**

**September 19<sup>th</sup>  
Fall Reunion**

**November 11<sup>th</sup>  
Charter Night**

## **Verizon Wireless Program**

A new benefit has been created for those who are members of Ohio Masonic Lodges!

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If you have any questions, please feel free to call Chad Simpson at the Grand Lodge Office in Worthington, 800-292-6092.

### **Hiram Hears...**

BRO. BILL JACOBUS reported that his wife, Carol, was awarded a Masters of Art Degree in Humanities from the California State University / Dominguez Hills. The degree came 40 years after her Bachelor's in Music from The Ohio State University...BRO. DANIEL STRAUSS, son of RT.WOR. & ILL. BRO. EDWIN STRAUSS and Jill, and brother of BRO. ERIC STRAUSS, is engaged to Stacey Gruhin. An October, 2010 wedding in Cleveland is planned...Speaking of engagements, BRO. MATTHEW NEWBERRY, son of WOR. BRO. ROGER NEWBERRY and Carla, and grandson of WOR. BRO. ALAN SILVER and Rhoda, proposed to Diana Janke on St. Patrick's Day. They are planning a summer 2011 wedding...Making wedding plans for June, 2011 are Jori Kate and Lowell Mintz, son of BRO. BOB MINTZ and Diane...BRO. DAVID MARCUS and Karen became grandparents with the birth of William Alan to Jennifer and Scott Donaldson in Austin, Texas. Beaming great-grandparents are WOR. BRO. HARRY MARCUS and Rita, who celebrated their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on March 11th...WOR. BRO. ALAN WITTENBERG and Margo celebrated their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 12<sup>th</sup> and look forward to traveling to Las Vegas in July to visit their son, Lee...WOR. BRO. JEFF KAPLAN and Meryl celebrate their 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary June 20th...

WOR. BRO. DAVID GREENBERG and Cynthia became grandparents (again!) with the birth of Emily Rae to son Michael and daughter-in-law Boel in Boulder, Colorado... Cole William was born on 3/18 to BRO. CHRIS SORANNO and Amy, daughter of proud grandpa WOR. BRO. JEFF SCHULTZ...WOR. BRO. ALEX LEV and Betty, and Amelie Buchler (late BRO. LEONARD BUCHLER) became great grandparents on 5/24 with the birth of Domenic Leonardo Canto...BRO. MARK STOVSKY was listed as one of the best physicians in Cleveland Magazine...WOR. BRO. HARVEY KUMIN is sporting a badge these days when he assists at the Bonita Springs, Florida, sheriff's office...

Hiram is happy to see BRO. BOB STOVSKY looking well after finding his way back north this spring following a bout with pneumonia in Florida over the winter...Three of our brethren, RT. WOR. & ILL. BRO. RUSS VANSYOC, MOST WOR. BRO. TOM GALYEN and RT. WOR. & ILL. BRO. ROBERT HIBJAN missed our Annual Inspection as they were in separate hospitals with heart problems...great to see Bro. Van Scyoc at the Memorial Day picnic with wife, Delores...Betty Lev, wife of WOR. BRO. ALEX LEV, mother of WOR. BRO. HOWARD LEV (Barbara) and

grandmother of BRO. MATT LEV, had a cardiac stent installed in March...

Carol Jacobus, wife of BRO. BILL JACOBUS, lost her father, Clifford Helminck at the end of March...BRO. FREDRICK KARP's wife, Sarah, lost her father...BRO. LOUIS APPLEBAUM passed away...Marvin Resnik, brother of BRO. HAROLD RESNIK AND BRO. DAVID RESNIK, passed away...BRO. SANDFORD HEISER succumbed to illness... BRO. HOWARD CHAPMAN and Linda lost their daughter Kimberly, who courageously battled epilepsy...WOR. BRO. JAY RAVITZ (Marcia) lost his sister, Adrian Green...

Hiram can only tell what he hears and wants to hear it all ... Anyone with news for Hiram can mail it to the lodge, or email it to [hiram@uhlodge.org](mailto:hiram@uhlodge.org), or tell him in person when you see him.

**Participants Needed  
Speaking and  
Non Speaking Parts  
Available  
Contact Bro. Matt  
Newberry (440) 382-4148**

### ***Dinner Dance Returns to Landerhaven***

Our 58th Annual Master and Wardens Dinner Dance returned to Landerhaven on Saturday, May 8, 2010. It is our lodge's premier social event of the year and this year was no exception.

The gala event began with the Fellowship hour at 6:30 PM with a choice of delicious hors d'oeuvres and beverages. Dinner was served at 7:30 PM and the menu featured a choice of Sliced Tenderloin of Beef, Halibut or Glazed Chicken. Concluding the meal was the fabulous dessert table for which Executive Caterers is well known.

Musical entertainment all evening was provided by "Replay" who played a wide variety of music for dancing until late into the evening. Ashley Berman, daughter of Worshipful Brother Keevin and Judy Berman, stepped up to the microphone and joined in on some of the vocals.

Many thanks to Bro. Bruce DeBerry for his help and support in taking reservations and assigning tables. Thanks as well to Wor. Bro. Jeffrey A. Kaplan, for attending to all the details that made this a wonderful evening.