



MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

My year as a Master started on November 15, 2008, and is now almost half over (depending on this issue's release date). I am looking forward to the Spring and Summer months because I know that the snow cannot follow me that long. Since the last *Barkley Light* I am excited to say that we have conferred quite a few degrees, had a few excellent fund raisers, conducted a public open house, travelled to Quarry Lodge #382 for degree work, and topped it off with a great inspection!



WM Jason Stitak, Bro. Brian Johns, our 2009 Master Mason Inspection Candidate, and RWB Robert Hager, DDGM.

But ... we are not done yet! May and June are going to be busy months for us. Barkley Lodge will continue to keep the momentum going with our Strawberry Social in May featuring a program by WB Robert Marquis from the Invisible Lodge about Masonry and Magic.

June will encompass more degree work, the installation of officers at St. George Lodge #367, our Grand Master's One Day Class and dinner, and finally our Table Lodge on June 24th. To start the summer right we'll go out on a high note with WB Chad Simpson (PM of York Lodge 563, KYCH, and Director of Program Development for the Grand Lodge of Ohio) as our speaker at Table Lodge. This should be a great event! Then in July and August we shall rest a bit. Have a great summer! See you at the N. Olmsted Homecoming Festival!

Jason Stitak, WM

**Please Remember Your Lodge in Your Will.
Thank You, Very Much!**

FROM THE DESK OF YOUR SECRETARY MAY, JUNE, JULY & AUGUST 2009

Brethren, we are an ageing Fraternity. I did a survey from the computer, and I found from our membership we have only 13.7% of our Brethren who are 50 years old and younger. 30% of the Brethren are between 51 to 70 years old, and 52% are between 71 to 90 years old. We have 4.3% of our Brethren who are 91 to 101 this next year.

Please bring in at least one new member so our Lodge and the Fraternity can continue for many years to come. ***Please bring one in!*** If you need a petition just call the Secretary at 216-521-5557, and I will send you one A.S.A.P.

Eight of our Brethren were suspended as of December 31, 2008, for non-payment of dues. Two of those Brethren have been restored to membership already.

The Grand Masters One Day Class is on Saturday, June 13, 2009, at the Berea Masonic Temple. As of this writ-

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ing we have eight new petitions for the One-Day Class. We also have five new petitions for the traditional degrees.

I have only eight Brethren where I have the wife's name, but not their wedding anniversary date. Four of our Brethren I still don't know if they are married, single or a widower. Some day these Brethren will let me know this information.

Presently I have 285 Brethren on the e-mail list. If you have **not received anything from me** via e-mail it is because I do not have your e-mail address. If you would like to be added to the Lodge e-mail database, please e-mail me at robert.jr2176@sbcglobal.net so we can keep you informed of upcoming activities, events, dinners, illness and/or deaths in a very timely manner.

With this issue of the *Barkley Light* I am sending it to all of the e-mail brethren. **If you would like to keep receiving a hard copy you must let me know.** If I don't hear from you I will send it to you each time via e-mail. The postage for bulk mail is about 15 cents, but the printing cost is about \$1.00 per copy. To help your Lodge save some money I need to hear from you.

I still need volunteers to assist with the Call Committee for Funeral Services for the Brethren who are not on e-mail. Please call me at 216-521-5557 if you can assist me with this important job. Hopefully you will never be needed.

This is your Lodge; please support it as often as you can.

There are no strangers here, only friends you have not as yet met.

Fraternally Your Secretary,
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Peter Holan represented Denbrook DeMolay in the state ritual competition in Columbus. He won first place in the 2nd Preceptor part and placed highly in the 7th Preceptor part.

He then went to Indianapolis for regional competition April 3-5 and represented the state of Ohio in both 2nd and 7th Preceptor. The regional included the best from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and West Virginia. He came in second in the 2nd Preceptor, and won **first place** for 7th Preceptor. Way to go, Peter!

Submitted by: Proud Poppa James R. Holan, P.M.

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Brothers, you can pick up scholarship form packets from
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SUNSHINE REPORT

Bro. Richard Thomson recently underwent surgery on his right shoulder after suffering a serious accident. Cards may be sent to his home address in Brooklyn.

Bro. Charles Rager spent some time in Parma General Hospital ICU, is out of ICU and may be home soon in Parma.

Bro. Alex Stitt returned from a vacation in Maui to become a resident in St. John's Westshore Hospital with several serious conditions. His wife, Margaret, asks for our prayers for Alex.

Cards, calls and visits would probably be very welcomed by our shut-ins so they know that they are remembered and loved by their Brothers and sisters.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of the above members of our Masonic Family, and any and all persons who we have not yet been apprised of their health condition and concerns. If you know of someone in need of our attention and prayers, please call or e-mail our secretary or editor. Their contact info is on Pages 2 and 3. Please be our eyes and ears. We don't know if you don't tell!

IN MEMORIAM

SINCE OUR LAST BARKLEY LIGHT, WE HAVE SEVERAL BRETHERN AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED THROUGH THE PEARLY GATES TO THE LORD'S HEAVENLY HOME.

Bro. Jack Daniel Price passed away on January 1, 2009. He is survived by his wife Laura.

Ill. Bro. John Young has informed us that Bro. George Turchyk passed away on April 2, 2009. His wife Valeria survives him. George was 93 years old, a 36-year member in Cornerstone Lodge #699.

Bro. Ellsworth Grumney passed away on April 5, 2009. He was 100 years old, and a 65-year member in O.N. Steele Lodge #621.

Bro. Frederick L. Crider passed away on April 5, 2009. He is survived by his wife Pauline. He was 93 years old, and a 56-year member from North Olmsted Lodge #741.

OUR THOUGHTS, PRAYERS AND MEMORIES ARE WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS LEFT BEHIND.

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WESTERLY WISDOM

I came across some information on one of our Lodge's namesake, and I thought I'd share that with you. I have known for quite a while that Brother O. N. Steele is buried at Riverside Cemetery in Cleveland. I didn't (and unfortunately, still do not) know much about this man's Masonic history. What I do know, though, is quite interesting. If anyone does know something more of his Masonic affiliation, please let me know.

First of all, his name is Omar N. Steele. He was born in 1843 (whereabout unknown), and he died at his home on Detroit Ave. in August 1911 at the age of 67. Omar was an Engineer for 20 years on the Great Lakes. In 1882, he piloted the first iron ore carrier that was actually built of iron – the "Onoko." This was different because previously the freighters were made of wood. He ended up being the Superintendent of the American Shipbuilding Company, which position he held until his death. During his time at the American Shipbuilding Co., he became friends with one Robert Wallace, whose name many Masons will recognize as he was the namesake of Robert Wallace Chapter, R.A.M. Apparently, they were both very prominent in Cleveland Masonic circles.

What is interesting is some of the ancillary information about the "Onoko" and the American Shipbuilding Co. The steamer "Onoko" was the first iron-hulled, iron screw steam freighter on the Great Lakes. It was built at Radcliff's yard in Cleveland by the Globe Iron Works (which later, along with other companies, became the American Shipbuilding Co.) and was launched on February 16, 1882. It was the largest vessel on the Great Lakes until steel hull freighters were introduced 10 years later. The "Onoko" is historically significant as the prototype for a very large and important class of commercial ship, the Great Lakes bulk freighter. Bulk freighters made possible the cheap transport of raw materials for the steel industry, including iron ore, coal and limestone. Because of its economic success, the "Onoko" was the prototype for all modern bulk freighters.

In early September, 1915, the "Onoko" grounded while departing a Duluth grain elevator but freed itself and cleared the harbor. This event likely contributed to a fateful episode a few days later. On September 15, 1915, after leaving Duluth with 110,000 bushels of wheat, the "Onoko" developed a serious leak under its machinery. At about 12:30 pm the "Onoko" was about 25 miles east of Duluth, abreast of Knife Island when the engineer witnessed water gushing in beneath the engine. Pumps were unable to keep up with the rising water, and the "Onoko" began to founder. The Captain, W. R. Dunn, ordered the ship's boats cast off, and the crew of 16 and one passenger escaped safely. The survivors were quickly picked up by the Standard Oil steamer "Renown" and taken to Duluth. Water rushed in through the engine room ceiling, and the freighter settled stern first to the bottom. The "Onoko" sank in 35 minutes in 220 feet of water.

Obviously, Omar Steele was not living at this time and had nothing to do with the ship sinking. The other interesting connection is that the Steinbrenners (yes, of the Yankees) once owned the American Shipbuilding Co.

Lastly, as I said, O.N. Steele is buried in Riverside Cemetery (so is Robert Wallace), and there are a few graves available on the Steele family plot which the family has made available to members of O. N. Steele Lodge. I'm sure that most of you are not aware of this. These are supposed to be made available to any member in need. We have buried there one member from O. N. Steele Lodge to date. I am

TRESTLE BOARD MAY – SEPTEMBER 2009

*Stated Meetings, 7:30 PM first and third Wednesdays, September-June
Special meetings as announced herein and/or by other special notification.*

MAY 2009

- Wednesday 6 . . . Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.; We will be hosting Quarry Lodge for degree work!
- Wednesday 13 . . . Strawberry Social, 7:30 p.m.; Crepes by Mike Maminkas and a speaker/entertainment to be Bro. Robert Marquis, Master Magician from the Invisible Lodge with a program about Magic and Masonry. We will also be honoring our widows. Open to all the ladies.
- Saturday 16 . . . Grand Master's Reception (22nd District), 6 – 10 p.m.
- Wednesday 20 . . . Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.; It is also Memorial Night with a special ceremony following.
- Wednesday 27 . . . Degree work or TBD
- Saturday 30 . . . Outdoor Raising at Bro. Gary Mikoch's residence in Columbia Township and will start at 1:00 p.m.; pig roast to follow at Bro. Ken Wurm's place in Olmsted Township and is \$10/person. All Master Masons are welcome. Please inform our Senior Deacon that you will be coming and for directions.

JUNE 2009

- Wednesday 3 . . . Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.; MM lecture, charge and Bible presentation.
- Friday 5 . . . St. George Lodge #367 Installation of Officers in Toronto, Canada
- Wednesday 10 . . . Degree work or TBD
- Saturday 13 . . . Grand Master's One Day Class; Join us for dinner! 5:30 p.m. start at Barkley Lodge. \$8 per person; beef tips over noodles will be the entrée with salad and bread. Dessert and beverages will be provided.
- Wednesday 17 . . . Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday 24 . . . Table Lodge, Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost of dinner is \$15 with a choice of grilled steak or salmon. Speaker will be WB Chad Simpson, Director of Program Development of the Grand Lodge of Ohio. This will be an excellent event! A great way to finish before the summer! This event will have limited seating, see our Senior Deacon for tickets.
- Friday-Sunday
26-28 . . . #741 Scholarship Dinner at Café Stratos! (See flier)

SEPTEMBER 2009

- Wednesday 2 . . . Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m. & Annual Corn Roast at 6:30 p.m.!!! We will open in the EA degree and will have a special presentation by RWB Hager: Are you smarter than an Entered Apprentice???
- Wednesday 9 . . . Degree work or TBD
- Wednesday 16 . . . Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

THE VIEW FROM THE SOUTH

Spring has arrived, the vernal equinox occurred at 7:44 a.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time on March 20, 2009. At the equinox the center of the sun passes over the Equator – the official definition of equinox – and the day will be slightly longer than the night everywhere on Earth. The difference is a matter of geometry, atmosphere and language. Sunrise is defined as the moment the top edge of the sun appears to peek over the horizon. Sunset is when the very last bit of the sun appears to dip below the horizon. The fall and spring equinoxes, for starters, are the only two times during the year when the sun rises due east and sets due west. The equinoxes are also the only days of the year when a person standing on the Equator can see the sun passing directly overhead.

In 1582 Pope Gregory XIII established the Gregorian calendar, which most of the world now observes, to account for an equinox inconvenience. If he hadn't established a new calendar, every 128 years the equinox would have come a full calendar day earlier – eventually putting Easter in chilly midwinter.

It turns out, however, that there are 365.24219 days in an astronomical “tropical” year – defined as the time it takes the sun, as seen from Earth, to make one complete circuit of the sky. Using the Julian calendar, the spring and fall equinoxes and the seasons were arriving 11 minutes earlier each year. By 1500 the vernal equinox had fallen back to March 11. To fix the problem, the Pope decreed that most century years (such as 1700, 1800 and 1900) would not be leap years. But century years divisible by 400, like 2000, would be leap years. The system resets

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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Bro. Brian Johns on being our Inspection Candidate and first Master Mason of 2009. Congratulations to all of the Officers and members who participated in the degree work. Thank you for coming to the practices and making this inspection a success. This was a great night! It was an honor and pleasure to preside over such an event.

Jason Stitak, WM
2005 EA Inspection Candidate

Westerly Wisdom

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sure that since O. N. Steele Lodge has merged and merged and merged to form John W. Barkley Lodge as we know it today, these graves would be available to any needy brother from our Lodge. So, if anyone is, or becomes, in need to these graves, please contact me. I have all the pertinent information.

Mark J. Bollinger, P.M. – Senior Warden

The View from the South

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every leap year, slipping a little bit backward until a non-leap century year leap nudges the equinoxes forward in time once again.

This year is not a leap year; it has just been a busy year. We have a wonderful problem at John W. Barkley this year; we have a plethora of candidates and have been doing quite a bit of degree work.

Now that the weather is improving and the daylight lasts longer, couldn't you make some time to return to the Lodge and see some of the fine degree work your Lodge is doing? If you haven't been to Lodge in a while it is a great opportunity to come back, get acquainted with old, and new, friends and refresh your memory as to our established customs.

Brother Thomas Klecan – Junior Warden

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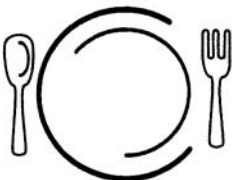
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THE MILITARY AND FREEMASONRY

No one knows exactly when Freemasonry started. The operative Lodges seem to have been formed during the Middle Ages. These were the craftsmen who built the cathedrals, castles and fortifications in Europe. The Master Masons of the day worked with the soldiers to design stronger and better fortifications and strongholds.

By the time Freemasonry came to the American Colonies, it had evolved into a Fraternity, composed of men from every walk of life, every profession and every social class. In Europe as well as in America, its membership included scientists, philosophers, merchants, farmers, musicians, and men in public life, and especially the great military leaders.

Brother George Washington was the first Commander in Chief of the American forces. Thirty-three of the men Washington picked to serve as General Officers under him are Freemasons, as were such Founding Fathers as Alexander Hamilton, Benjamin Franklin, Paul Revere and John Hancock. *I found this especially interesting.* Did you know that each of the Armed Services was either founded or profoundly shaped by a Mason. Here are some examples. The father of the United States Navy, John Paul Jones, was a Freemason. Baron Friedrich von Steuben, a Prussian Freemason who joined Washington at Valley Forge, is considered by many to be the founder of the U.S. Army. The U.S. Marine Corps was created by Brother Samuel Nicholas. General Henry "Hap" Arnold developed the Air Force into a separate branch of the Armed Services. William F. Reynolds, the first officer of the U.S. Coast Guard to become an Admiral, was a Freemason.

Many famous Masons have had outstanding military records. To list a few: General Omar Bradley, Admiral Richard Byrd, General Mark Wayne Clark, General Jimmy Doolittle, General George C. Marshall, General Douglas MacArthur, General John J. Pershing, John Glenn, Buzz Aldren and 11 other astronauts were Freemasons.

I know everyone in this room has heard of Audie Murphy – well, he was the most decorated soldier in the Second World War.

Eddie Rickenbacker, another famous Mason, was the leading American Ace of the First World War.

Freemasonry and our Military are similar in that you find men you can trust. Men who will back you, no matter what, men who understand what it means to live lives of honor and integrity and men who won't leave you to face the enemy, or the world, by yourself.

It's been a long time since warriors went into battle on horseback, armed with lance and battle-axe, and it's been a long time since masons built castles. The tools of both have changed, but the spirit hasn't.

James T. Schultz, PM, 33° – LEO – June 2, 2004



MAJOR FIVE-YEAR ANNIVERSARIES MAY, JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST 2009

50 Years on May 2nd	William & Alice Rhine
45 Years on May 16th	Robert & Marlene Arcuri
5 Years on May 19th	John & Carolyn Simpson
30 Years on May 19th	Guy & Rhonda Hamilton
55 Years on May 22nd	Harland & Loretta Reckart
35 Years on May 25th	David & Gloria Cazan
65 Years on May 27th	David & Ruth Bashaw
60 Years on May 28th	William & LaVerne Ryan
40 Years on June 1st	Eugene & Beverly Haettich
30 Years on June 2nd	William & Alice Bammerlin
60 Years on June 4th	Otto & Yolanda Mauch
55 Years on June 5th	Fint & Carol Parsons
50 Years on June 10th	John & Joan Kemenovich
50 Years on June 13th	Frank & Marjorie Albrecht
45 Years on June 13th	Kenneth & Kathy Bartholomew
60 Years on June 14th	David & Iris Hinckley
30 Years on June 17th	Gregg & Tomara Witham
45 Years on June 20th	Charles & Cleo Hoy
65 Years on June 24th	David & Viola Lyons
55 Years on June 26th	Jack & Louise Webster
30 Years on June 27th	William & Betty Freund
10 Years on July 3rd	David & Ruth Finley
40 Years on July 12th	Daniel & Norma Crown
65 Years on July 25th	Wallace & Mary Frick
10 Years on July 31st	Michael & Carolyn Kurnot
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10 Years on August 6th	Edward & Mary Dudek
30 Years on August 11th	Charles & Marie Burkett
60 Years on August 20th	William & Theresa Csismatia
5 Years on August 21st	James & Carol Pehotsky
60 Years on August 27th	Nestor & Wilma Trytiak
10 Years on August 29th	David & Jacqueline Burger

If any dates or names are missing or incorrect, please let the Secretary know. Your date only comes up once every five years.

*I am only missing 8 Wedding Dates of our Brethren
and I have only 5 Brethren I do not know if they are
married, single or a widower.*

A MASONIC MESSAGE

His name is John. He has wild hair and an earring, wears a T-shirt with holes in it, jeans and no shoes. This was literally his wardrobe for his entire four years of college. He was the top of his class, kind of esoteric and very, very bright.

He became a Mason recently while attending college. After moving to his new town, he find that down the street from his new apartment is a well-dressed, very conservative Lodge.

One day John decides to go there after work. He walks in with shoes, jeans, his work shirt, and long hair and earring. The Lodge has already started and so John starts looking for a seat. The Lodge is completely packed, and he can't find a seat. By now, the brethren are really looking a bit uncomfortable, but no one says anything. John gets closer and closer to the East, and, when he realizes there are no seats, he squats down and sits right on the carpet. (Although perfectly acceptable behavior at a college fellowship, trust me, this had never happened in this Lodge before!)

By then the Brethren were really uptight, and the tension in the air was thick. About that time, the Secretary realized that from way at the back of the Lodge, a Past Master was slowly making his way toward John. Now, the Past Master was in his eighties, had silver-gray hair, and a three-piece suit. A good man, very elegant, very dignified, and very courtly. He walked with a cane, and, as he started walking toward this young man, everyone was saying to themselves, that you can't blame him for what he's going to do. How could you expect a man of his age and of his background to understand some college kid in the Lodge? It took a long time for the old man to reach the young man.

The Lodge was utterly silent except for the clicking of the old man's cane. All eyes were focused on him. You could not even hear anyone breathing. The Secretary could not even continue with the minutes until the Past Master did what he had to do. Then the Lodge watched as that elderly man dropped his cane on the floor and, with great difficulty, lowered himself and sat down next to John on the floor. He welcomed John so that he would not be alone.

When the Secretary gained control, he said, "What I'm about to say you will never remember. What you have just seen, you will never forget." "Be careful how you live. You may be the only Mason some people will ever meet."

As we have heard so many times: "He ain't heavy, Father, He's my brother."

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DULY AND TRULY PREPARED

Being duly and truly prepared refers to the wearing of special garments furnished by the Lodge to emphasize our concern with man's internal qualifications, rather than his worldly wealth and honors. By wearing these garments, the candidate signifies the sincerity of his intentions. The symbolism of the Rite of Destitution reverts to those ancient times when men believed that the soul descended through the planetary spheres and vesting itself with the qualities attributed to each sphere before birth. Each planetary quality corresponds to a specific metal. In ancient initiations, candidates were compelled to leave all metals behind, lest they bring into the assembly disturbing planetary influences. While this symbolism may no longer have an astrological character, the old point about excluding disturbing influences remains. The candidate is not to bring into the Lodge room his passions or prejudices, lest that harmony, which is one of the chief concerns of Masonry, be destroyed.

Being duly and truly prepared also refers to the state of a man's heart and soul as he seeks admission into our Order. "Seek and ye shall find. Ask and it shall be given unto you. Knock and it shall be opened unto you."

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| 1 – John Kostov
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William L. Schlatterbeck, PM |
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| | 29 – Frank A. Albrecht
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| | 30 – James R. Dukes
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William Smotzer
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Robert E. Laurie
Shawn McCarthy |
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