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# Light

John W. Barkley Lodge No. 621, F & A.M.

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## MY FAIRWELL MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

Well, Brethren, the calendar shows that it is October, and my information sources tell me it's time to prepare my swan song.

Among the various improvements and events, one stands out as being a permanent addition of members of the once great Cornerstone Lodge. We have enjoyed the company of those members who have honored us with their presence.

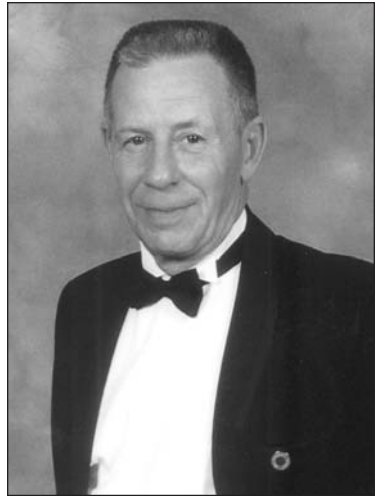
Along with the various events that we've enjoyed this year, the one thing that has been woefully missing was the addition of new candidates. This problem is not isolated to our Lodge alone. The lack of interest in many worthwhile organizations is all too prevalent. Many have tried to understand and remedy the condition, so I'm sure by now, if there was an easy answer, someone would have found it. The only thing that doesn't change is change itself. So with that in mind, maybe once again in the future people will return to the things that are stable in our society.

Masonry alone is one of the oldest fraternities and is dedicated to helping mankind. Unfortunately, not enough people are aware of what we do and what we stand for.

With that in mind, I would like to thank the Members of John W. Barkley Lodge for the opportunity to have once again served you from the East. It is my sincere hope that you have enjoyed this past year and the various programs we've had as much as I have.

For next year we have some very fine Officer material that will serve us well.

I Remain Fraternaly Yours,  
Allan H. Warner, P.M. – Worshipful Master



Worshipful Master  
Allan H. Warner, P.M.

**Article VII** – Each member shall pay annually, in advance, the sum of FORTY DOLLARS into the funds of the Lodge, at or before the November stated meeting for the election of officers.

Please Remember Your Lodge in Your Will.  
Thank You Very Much.

## FROM THE DESK OF YOUR SECRETARY NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2008

Welcome, Brethren, to my favorite Season of the year. Dues Season. Once again we all get to communicate with the Lodge with our support of it by our 2009 Dues payment.

All of the 2009 dues notices were sent out in late September, and all had a slip of paper with it, asking for information the Lodge may not have yet, like your wife's name and your wedding date, and if you do or do not have e-mail. Please return this slip with your 2009 dues payment and/or other donations.

To all Brethren – if you would like a Barkley Lodge Name Badge, please send me, e-mail me or give me your name at Lodge, as you would like it on the name badge (please print). Your first name badge is FREE; the next one will cost you.

If you have **not received anything from me** via e-mail, it is because I do not have your e-mail address. If you

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### BARKLEY LIGHT

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would like to be added to the Lodge e-mail database, please e-mail me at [robert.jr2176@sbcglobal.net](mailto:robert.jr2176@sbcglobal.net). This way we can keep you informed of upcoming activities, events, dinners, illness and/or deaths in a very timely manner. Please put in the "Subject" space "Barkley Lodge member and *Your Last Name*." Please check your e-mail at least every other day. Presently I have 246 Brethren on the e-mail list. Some have dropped their e-mail address, some have changed and some have been added.

If any of the e-mail Brethren would like to receive the *Barkley Light* via e-mail, please let me know. So far I have 119 Brethren who will be receiving the *Barkley Light* by e-mail. If you don't want it via e-mail, please let me know that also. Please let me know ASAP.

With the addition of the 200 plus Brethren from Cornerstone Lodge, I will need even more Brethren to help 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.

I have a new 18-page membership directory for you at your Lodge. Please come and pick one up. They are at the Tyler's station.

Please try to bring at least one new member into the Lodge so it may continue to exist 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 ASAP.

Our Installation of the 2008-2009 Officers is at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 15th, at the North Olmsted Masonic Temple. We hope you will be able to be there. (Check the Trestle Board in this issue.)

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**OFFICERS: Please contact the Master 24 hours in advance,  
 if possible, of your having to miss any meeting.**

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF  
 BY-LAWS REVISIONS**

The members of John W. Barkley Lodge No. 621 F. & A.M. in attendance at the October 1, 2008, meeting adopted a new set of By-laws and Standing Resolutions incorporating the revisions necessitated by the various mergers that have occurred and other changes that bring our By-laws and Standing Resolutions current.

If you would like a copy of the new By-laws and Standing Resolutions, please contact the Secretary, and he will mail one to you, or if you have e-mail, he can send you a copy electronically.

W. L. Schlatterbeck, PM  
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## SUNSHINE HAPPENINGS!

W.B Robert Beck and his wife, Crystal, had a baby in July 2008.

Bro. Jason Stitak and his wife, Carol, had a baby, Adam Joseph, on September 28, 2008.

Bro. Walter Dennis married Laura on July 6, 2008.

Bro. Mike Edel married Danielle on August 9, 2008.

Bro. Jack T. St. Cyr (79 years old) married Helen on October 15, 2008.

We pray for them all, and wish them much health and happiness.

### ON A CLOUDY SIDE:

R.W.B. Glenn J. Bollinger continues to be home, confined and bedridden.

W.B. Matthew Beischlag has been undergoing some tests for an as yet unknown illness.

Bro. Thomas Robinson is continuing to recover from his bout of illness.

Cindy Creeseey, best Lady of W.B. James Schultz, has been undergoing some more tests to determine the next operation steps required to return her to good health.

R.W.B. Ross Brockhagen continues to undergo testing to determine what procedures he will need to correct his health situation.

The mother of David Huerster, our newest Master Mason, has recently undergone a series of operations and tests.

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 information is on pages two and three. Please be our eyes and ears. We don't know if you don't tell!

## IN MEMORIAM

**SINCE OUR LAST ISSUE, WE HAVE LEARNED OF A NUMBER OF OUR  
BRETHREN AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED  
THROUGH THE PEARLY GATES TO THE LORD'S HOUSE ON HIGH.**

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

Bro. John G. Osadcky, 90 years old, 52-year member, passed away on January 27, 2008.

Bro. Anthony M. Russo passed away on April 8, 2008.

Bro. Charles A. McLaughlin, 92 years old, 61-year member, passed away on August 19, 2008.

Mary Ellen Vormelker, wife of Bro. Richard Vormelker, passed away on May 2, 2008.

Bro. Wayne A. Sauer, 90 years old, 44-year member, passed away on August 21, 2008.

Bro. George Roksandic, 89 years old, 59-year member, passed away on August 28, 2008.

Bro. Arthur E. Chipchase, 93 years old, 58-year member, passed away on September 19, 2008.

Bro. Harry R. Judson, 85 years old, 54-year member, passed away on October 1, 2008.

# THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

## HAND UPON YOUR SHOULDER

When all the world seems gloomy,  
Your thoughts are sad and blue  
And the clouds hang dark and heavy  
And won't let the sunshine thru.  
It makes the day seem brighter  
For a fellow just to lay  
His hand upon your shoulder  
In a friendly sort of way.

It makes the sun come out again,  
It makes the pulses start,  
You feel a happy throbbing  
In the region of your heart;  
You feel a lump within your throat –  
You don't know what to say  
When a hand is on your shoulder  
In a friendly sort of way.

The world's a curious compound,  
With its honey and its gall,  
Its hopes and disappointments,  
But a good world after all;  
And a good God must have made it,  
At least that's what they say –  
When a hand is on your shoulder  
In a friendly sort of way.

## THE POEM

I knelt to pray but not for long,  
I had too much to do.  
I had to hurry and get to work  
For bills would soon be due.

So I knelt and said a hurried prayer,  
And jumped up off my knees.  
My Christian duty was now done,  
My soul could rest at ease ...

All day long I had no time  
To spread a word of cheer  
No time to speak of Christ to friends,  
They'd laugh at me I'd fear.

No time, no time, too much to do,  
That was my constant cry,  
No time to give to souls in need  
But at last the time, the time to die.

I went before the Lord,  
I came, I stood with downcast eyes.  
For in his hands God held a book;  
It was the book of life.

God looked into his book and said  
"Your name I cannot find  
**I once was going to write it down ...  
But never found the time."**



## SADDLE UP AND LET'S RIDE!

To **RUSS LODGE** in **Russ, Kentucky**, that is, for their **HORSE TRADER'S DEGREE!**

The trip will be **APRIL 18-19, 2009**. The bus will leave promptly at 9:00 a.m. from Local 1250 Union Hall on Engle Road, across from the Ford Casting Plant. The price of the bus is \$50.00 per person. Rooms have been reserved for \$58.80 for two people. Please make checks payable to Ford Fellowcraft Club.

For more information and reservations, please contact Chuck Taylor at Lodge or call 440-625-0153.

# TRESTLE BOARD NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2008

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

## NOVEMBER 2008

- Wednesday 5 . . . Stated and Annual Meeting, 7:30 p.m.  
Election of Officers and Annual Reports Due.  
(Please have a copy for the Secretary.)
- Wednesday 12 . . . Installation Practice, 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday 15 . . . Installation of Officers  
  - 7:00 p.m. – Hors d'oeuvres
  - 7:30 p.m. – Installation Ceremony
  - Reception following
- Wednesday 19 . . . Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday 26 . . . Dark; Officers' Meeting, venue to be decided.
- Thursday 27 . . . HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!

## DECEMBER 2008

- Wednesday 3 . . . Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday 6 . . . Shut-in Visitations; meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Lodge
- Wednesday 10 . . . Awards Night; Dinner at 6:30 p.m.;  
Ceremony at 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday 13 . . . Kids' Christmas Party, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
- Wednesday 17 . . . Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday 24 . . . Dark; MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!
- Wednesday 31 . . . Dark; HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

## SPECIAL THANK YOU

A very special thank you to Carolyn Leetch, wife of our late Worshipful Brother Edgar Leetch.

Every year John W. Barkley Lodge has a booth at the North Olmsted Homecoming Fair. This year's display looked exceptional due to the generosity of Carolyn; she donated many of her late husband's Masonic books, pins and regalia.

We were able to make a very impressive display of these items, that when visitors stopped by the booth, they always went to the display and started asking questions. Many of the Brethren from other Lodges who stopped were equally impressed.

This year's display was the best one we ever had due to Carolyn's generosity. Thank you again, Carolyn.

Robert C. Cygan, P.M.

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*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,  
Bob Hubert, Jr.  
[robert.jr2176@sbcglobal.net](mailto:robert.jr2176@sbcglobal.net)

## I-CARE PROGRAM THROUGH MASONIC SENIOR SERVICES

### Linking Masons, Wives, Widows and Eastern Star Members to Community Resources

- The **I-CARE** Program, provided by Masonic Senior Services of Ohio, a subsidiary of The Ohio Masonic Home, is a statewide, community-based program, with Coordinators throughout the state.
- The **I-CARE** Program serves Masons, wives and widows, as well as Eastern Star members, helping them to maintain their:
  - ⇒ *Independence* through
  - ⇒ *Coordination* of community and governmental services
  - ⇒ *Assistance* with applications, making connections with service providers, and solving problems in those connections
  - ⇒ *Referral* to agencies offering resources or support
  - ⇒ *Education* on issues related to accessing services and dealing with senior related issues
- **I-CARE** coordinators support and accomplish training for a companion program involving lodge and appended body **I-CARE Committees**.
- **I-CARE** Service Coordinators may be contacted by phone, and they will go to a client's home for assessments and discussions.
- **I-CARE** Service Coordinators can help arrange for community based in-home services such as homemaking to assist with cleaning and shopping, personal care, Meals on Wheels, medical transportation, and getting medical equipment. Service Coordinators can also assist with applying for benefits such as Medicare, Veterans and Medicaid.
- **I-CARE Committees** are comprised of fraternal and appended body members and their spouses, relatives and friends who will offer volunteer supportive services to Masonic Seniors in cooperation with their local **I-CARE** Coordinators.
- The **I-CARE** Program services are currently available at no fixed charge. We ask you to consider making a donation to The Ohio Masonic Home, on our behalf, to help fund this program.

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## THE VIEW FROM THE WEST

Brethren, summer is officially behind us. I am sad to say it, but it is gone. How quickly it went! The year just keeps flying by ... as I write this September is ending. We are looking towards the end of the year.

This September, after a nice summer break, we resumed Lodge with our annual corn roast. Thanks to RWB "Bud" Cygan for once again putting on a great corn roast, there was plenty of food for everyone. We also had the opportunity to jump right back into our ritual work by giving Bro. Mark Eschenbach his MM degree. We had a number of Brothers show up to help out, and I believe we gave him a very good Master Mason degree. Congratulations, Bro. Eschenbach.

We also reviewed the new John W. Barkley By-Laws, which our WB Bill Schlatterbeck and his committee have been working on for quite a long time. We had a productive meeting, and they were unanimously adopted at our stated meeting on October 1st.

November will soon be upon us; with it will be our elections of Officers on November 5th. All committee chairmen, please have your reports ready for that evening.

On a special note, our Junior Warden, Bro. Brian Donovan, married Ms. Tiffany Catania on October 10th, 2008. Congratulations to you and your new wife! We wish you continued happiness on your life together.

Bro. Jason L. Stitak, S.W.

## THANK YOU \* THANK YOU \* THANK YOU

Last year's fundraiser was a success. We achieved our goal of \$741 to completely fund our scholarship for a North Olmsted High School student. I would like to thank everyone who participated.

Now it's time to look for the future, specifically the graduating class of 2009, and to that end we have scheduled the first outing on Thursday, November 6th, at the Brooklyn location of Max & Erma's at Tiedeman and I-480.

If you are not familiar with this fundraiser, it works like this: you have to eat, right? Well, you can feed your family and support the Lodge's scholarship fund on November 6th. The more you eat, the more money we raise, as 20% of each check is donated back to the scholarship fund. The FUNdraiser is all day long. If you have friends, family or co-workers who want to have lunch, dinner or carryout, send them in with the original or a **photocopy of the flyer**. Remember your church groups, book clubs, golf buddies, neighbors, organizations and associates, too. They all need to eat!

Many thanks in advance from John W. Barkley Lodge for your support and for dining at Max & Erma's on **Thursday, November 6th**.

**DON'T FORGET THE FLYER!** Flyers will be available from any officers, at Lodge, on the Lodge's homepage, <http://www.barkleylodge621.org> or e-mail me at [rjw4@netzero.net](mailto:rjw4@netzero.net). If you have difficulty with any of the above ways you can always call me at 330-274-0626 and leave a message with your address and I will mail one to you.

Hope to see you all there,  
Robert J. Wakefield, PM

## THE ACACIA

Would you recognize the Acacia Tree if you saw one? The acacia is a spiny, much branched shrub, occasionally a small tree, with a widely spreading, flattened crown, sometimes reaching 16 to 20 feet in height. It grew abundantly in the vicinity of Jerusalem where it still is to be found. Its leaf formation and seedpods are similar to those of the locust trees that we know.

Five varieties of this plant are found in the United States and are quite common from Florida west to Texas and Southern California. It is found in southern and northern New Mexico and in southern Nevada. In southern Europe one species of the acacia is extensively planted for its fragrant yellow flowers from which perfume is made.

In the United States, acacia trees are a source of honey. Livestock enjoys the foliage and seedpods, and its wood is used for tool handles. Also, spirit gum and glue are produced from the gum of the trunk, and tannic acid and dye are made from the pods and bark.

The acacia was esteemed a sacred wood among the Hebrews. Moses was ordered to use it to make a tabernacle, the Ark of the Covenant, the table for the sacred bread in the Holy of Holies, and the rest of the sacred furniture of the Temple.

Thus, the acacia was consecrated from among the other trees of the forest to be devoted to sacred purposes. So, the early Masons very naturally appropriated this hallowed plant to the equally sacred purpose of a symbol, which was to teach an important divine truth in all ages to come.

The acacia, in the symbolic system of Freemasonry, is preeminently the symbol of "Immortality of the Soul." The temporary nature of the flower, which cometh forth and is cut down, reminds us of the transitory nature of human life. So also, the perpetual renovation of the evergreen plant, which uninterruptedly presents the appearance of youth and vigor, is aptly compared to that spiritual part of our being, freed from the corruptible companionship of the body that shall enjoy an eternal spirit and immortal youth.

The sprig of acacia, placed to mark the grave of our Grand Master Hiram Abif, is an emblem of immortality and is intended to remind us, by its evergreen and unchanging nature, of that better and spiritual part within us which can never die.

Submitted by James T. Schultz, PM, 33°

### **HELP WANTED!**

Caring and Thoughtful Volunteers to visit Brecksville VA Hospital every third Sunday of the month. To assist Veterans in wheelchairs to attend church services. Approximate hours of service dedicated to those who have defended our Freedom and Liberty with their own Lives and Freedom: 0800 to 1200 hrs. (8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon).

Please contact W.B. Robert L. Carpenter, 216-741-3326, for arrangements to meet and ride share.

## TEMPLE BOARD ANNOUNCEMENT

At a special meeting of the North Olmsted Masonic Temple Company held following the stated meeting of John W. Barkley Lodge No. 621 on September 3, 2008, the proposed Resolution Adopting an Amended Code of Regulations of North Olmsted Masonic Temple Company was adopted. This is the first change to the Code of Regulations in 45 years. If you would like a copy of the new Regulations, please contact the Secretary and he will mail a copy to you.

On November 5, 2008, following the annual meeting of John W. Barkley Lodge No. 621, a special meeting of the North Olmsted Masonic Temple Company will be held to elect new Trustees to the Temple Company board. If you desire to be a Trustee for a 3-year term, please contact the Secretary, or if you wish to nominate someone to fill the open positions, come to the meeting and make your voice heard.

Please remember that all members of John W. Barkley Lodge No. 621 are shareholders in the North Olmsted Masonic Temple Company and therefore have a vested interest in the business conducted by your elected Board of Trustees.

W. L. Schlatterbeck, PM  
President



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- 40 Years on November 2nd . . . . . Donald & Patricia Novotny
- 30 Years on November 3rd . . . . . John & Linda Smith
- 5 Years on November 8th . . . . . James & Jane Ricketts
- 60 Years on November 11th . . . . . Vernon & Arlene Prah
- 35 Years on November 16th . . . . . Donald & Pauline Meade
- 50 Years on November 22nd . . . . . Antonio & Lena Fransetta
- 55 Years on November 28th . . . . . Calvin & Ruth Chany
- 35 Years on December 8th . . . . . Duane & Kathleen Limpert
- 25 Years on December 27th . . . . . Roy & Lucille Pucher

*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 missing 98 Wedding Dates of the Brethren from Cornerstone Lodge. I have 24 Brethren who I do not know if they are married, single or a widower. Brethren, please reply to the little slip of paper I sent you with your 2009 dues notice. If you don't remember giving this information to me, please give it to me again.*

### SCOTTISH RITE EXTRA

Something new, something different and something never done before. We now have a new approach that we will be trying in the Valley of Cleveland for new members. It has been done in other Valleys and has met with success.

On Thursday, October 30, 2008, the Valley of Cleveland will be performing the 4th Degree for new members in the Painesville Masonic Center at 7:30 p.m. This is the only degree that will be done that evening, and new members will leave being a Scottish Rite member.

Once a member, they then will be able to see any and all degrees in any order or time frame as they desire. Ideally, this new member will join us at the Fall Reunion

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and can be a part of the 31st and 32nd Degrees and then leave being able to call themselves a 32nd Degree Mason. Supreme Council for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States of America supports and encourages this new approach.

Fees for this approach and the following degrees remain the same. Candidates fees are \$100.00. Candidates under the age of 35 receive a discounted fee of \$50.00. I might also mention the New Petition Reward Program for the first line signers will be active in all new member petitions in 2008-2009.

The Painesville Masonic Center is located at 88 N. St. Clair Street in downtown Painesville. If you can make it, we'd be glad to see you and appreciate your support of our Valley of Cleveland Officers and cast members. The program begins at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments following are provided by Lake/Geauga Society.

### NEW PETITION PROGRAM NOW IN EFFECT

Any first line signer on four petitions in one year gets his dues remitted for one year. Seven petitions in one year gets a member's dues remitted for two years.

Ten petitions in one year earns a life membership. If a member has a life membership, the free dues or life membership may be transferred to a member of his choice.

Fraternally – James T. Schultz, L.E.O.

## LOCAL RETIREMENT COMMUNITY WINS NATIONAL AWARD

Western Reserve Masonic Community receives 2008 “Best of Mature Market” award for Renaissance Faire held in Medina

**Medina, Ohio; August 27, 2008:** A Medina retirement community was one of only four senior housing organizations in the nation to be honored with a 2008 *National Mature Media Award*<sup>TM</sup> in the special events category. Western Reserve Masonic Community received the prestigious Merit Award for its annual Renaissance Faire. “This is quite an honor for us,” said Jay Dettorre, President of the Community. “We’re humbled to receive this national recognition knowing that there are so many other wonderful events held around the country.”

Now in its 17th year, the *National Mature Media Award*<sup>TM</sup> is sponsored by the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging and honors the best in marketing related programs and materials produced for older adults. Gold, silver, bronze and merit awards in 33 categories were chosen from nearly 1,000 entries. Dettorre remarked that “We were named alongside organizations like AARP, the Veterans Administration, and the National Institute on Aging. Ours is a local program – so to us, an award like this is really something special.”

This year's Renaissance Faire was held October 4th and 5th on the grounds of Western Reserve Masonic Community, located at 4931 Nettleton Road in Medina. In welcoming all the Community's friends and neighbors in Northeast Ohio to this year's event, Dettorre said, “The costumes, horses, jousting competitions and children's entertainment make this family friendly event fun for all ages. We want to create an opportunity for family and friends to make a positive connection across the different generations.” And he added, “As a Masonic organization, our mission is to serve, and the Renaissance Faire is just another way to give something back to our community.” (More on this year's event is on page 14.)

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## WESTERN RESERVE MASONIC COMMUNITY HOSTS THIRD ANNUAL RENAISSANCE FAIRE

Around 5,000 people spent the weekend of October 4-5 in the 16th Century as Western Reserve Masonic Community in Medina hosted its third annual Renaissance Faire.

Kings, queens, knights, fire breathers, the world's tallest elf, a dragon, jousters, musicians and others mingled with visitors at the Western Reserve campus on Nettleton Road. The event prides itself on offering something for everyone in the family, from youngsters to grandparents.

The younger kids enjoyed puppet shows, dragon theaters, jumping castles and pony rides. Older kids could participate in archery and interactive games. Everyone could thrill to fire breathing and jousts or the excitement of a scavenger hunt. A few lucky people were knighted by King Henry VIII himself.

One new item this year was a costume contest judged by Cleveland television legend Fred Griffith. Prizes were awarded to the best children and adult costumes.

The Royal Market Place offered decorative items for the home, jewelry and other items. You could even get your own renaissance costume or accessories. If all the activity and shopping made you hungry, you could have a turkey leg, shepherd's pie or Scottish egg and wash it down with a cup of "grog" in Ye Olde World Café.

The Western Reserve staff gets into the spirit of the event, dressing in their own period costumes, as did some of the residents, who helped run some of the events and entertained with music and a theater production.

"We have a very active group of residents here," said Western Reserve Masonic Community President Jay Dettorre. "They love being able to be a part of something like this, and we're glad to offer it to them."

Western Reserve Masonic Community offers independent living garden villa homes and apartments, assisted living and skilled nursing care. Jay said being interactive with the community is one of the priorities at Western Reserve, which also hosts the SeniorNet Learning Center, an annual Breakfast with Santa and the Medina County Art League each year.

One of the best parts of the annual Renaissance Faire is the admission price, free. But like a certain commercial's tagline, the memories are priceless.

Western Reserve Masonic Community earned a 2008 "Best of Mature Market" award for its Renaissance Faire recently from The National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (see article on page 13).

"We enjoy knowing that for a weekend we can give back," said Jay. "I hope others will see what we do here and what we may do for them."

The fourth annual Western Reserve Masonic Community Renaissance Faire will be next year at a date to be announced. For more information on Western Reserve, call 330-721-3000.

## BIRTHDAYS FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

### NOVEMBER 2008

1 – Richard Van Os Keuls  
 1 – Alex P. Stitt  
 1 – Jeffrey C. Herwick  
 2 – Kerwin W. Schroeder  
 3 – Albert V. Manville, PM  
 3 – Charles E. Taylor, PM  
 4 – Arthur G. Hopkins, Jr.  
 4 – Edward J. Bammerlin  
 5 – David W. Burger  
 6 – Raymond P. Tomaszewski  
 6 – Carl Hammond, Jr.  
 7 – Michael W. Olenick, PM  
 7 – Rudolf Gutwirth, III  
 7 – Jonathan C. Wurm  
 8 – Dmytro Stachiw  
 8 – Robert E. Miller, PM  
 8 – Stanley F. Etterman  
 8 – Peter W. Findlay  
 8 – Paul R. McConahy

9 – Jack L. Kimberly  
 9 – Franklin D. Novak  
 9 – Harold B. Maisey, Jr.  
 10 – John W. Hafner  
 11 – Robert M. Packe, PM  
 11 – James L. Ehle  
 12 – William J. Caplick  
 12 – William G. Lovell  
 12 – Richard A. Vogler, PM  
 14 – Steve Kriska  
 15 – Arnold H. Reiland  
 16 – Fredrick J. Scheuerman  
 16 – George H. Hott, Jr., PM  
 17 – Charles Sklaryk, PM  
 17 – Mark L. Kacirek  
 18 – Edward J. Schmidt  
 18 – Ralph P. Newman  
 19 – Alan V. LaGorin  
 19 – Ronald E. Thomas  
 19 – Joseph F. Grzyb  
 20 – George L. Vagner, PM

20 – George Turchyk  
 21 – Michael G. Musto  
 21 – Alan J. Jackson  
 22 – Donald O. Long  
 23 – Daniel M. Koncos  
 23 – Lawrence E. Gresh  
 23 – Keith H. Langermeier  
 24 – Emmett C. Hutchison  
 26 – Roger P. Moreschi  
 26 – Richard A. Lee  
 26 – Bryan D. Jones  
 27 – Bill H. Harris  
 27 – David N. Tully  
 28 – Daniel G. Crown, PM  
 29 – Larry A. Davenport, Sr., PM  
 29 – Forrest J. Jones, Jr.  
 30 – William W. Grater, PM  
 30 – Gerald J. Martinak








### DECEMBER 2008

1 – James H. Matthias  
 1 – Wayne A. Diehl  
 2 – Eugene H. Hixenbaugh  
 2 – Jackie L. Waugh  
 3 – Clarence J. Quine  
 3 – Walter D. Dennis  
 3 – Christopher M. Villanueva  
 4 – Ronald W. Johnson  
 4 – Joseph E. West  
 5 – Andrew Korsnak, Jr.  
 6 – Thomas G. LeDuc  
 6 – Daniel N. Melaragno  
 7 – Frederick Emch  
 7 – Gary A. Haneberg  
 7 – Donald J. Duman  
 7 – Michael E. Kurnot  
 8 – Robert M. Siegmyer

8 – William N. Amtsberg  
 9 – Thomas A. Kellums  
 9 – Thomas W. Able  
 9 – Edward R. Griffiths  
 10 – Henry Falb  
 10 – Manford J. Pugh  
 10 – Rev. James W. Ricketts  
 10 – Robert J. Tomasch  
 14 – Antonio M. Fransetta  
 16 – Bruce R. Willingham, Sr.  
 17 – Robert L. Flandermeyer  
 18 – Jack E. Webster  
 18 – Robert E. Carpenter  
 18 – John F. Dendorfer, Jr.  
 18 – James R. Holan, PM  
 19 – Robert B. Hunt  
 20 – Gregory M. Nelson  
 20 – Robert M. Krewson  
 22 – Paul N. Phillips

23 – Lowell McGhee  
 23 – Edward Dresp, PM  
 25 – Jack J. Belcher  
 26 – Allen C. Fuller  
 26 – Emil White  
 26 – Norman J. Geschke  
 26 – Scott C. McKenzie, PM  
 27 – Walter L. Gutzky, PM  
 27 – Jerry R. Ketchum  
 28 – Robert C. Cavey  
 28 – Michael T. Loizos  
 28 – Melvin J. Eckersley, PM  
 29 – John E. Carroll  
 30 – Harold Schatschneider  
 30 – James H. Smith, Jr.  
 30 – Gary W. Allen  
 30 – Ronald P. Rogers

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