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**SHRINERS**  
 INTERNATIONAL

As a kid growing up it didn't matter whether I was visiting my grandparents in a suburb of Boston or I was in a suburb of Dallas, one of the highlights of the 4th of July parade, was to watch these "old guys" driving funky little cars in the parade wearing "funny" looking hats.

Although, my exposure to the Shriners as a kid was limited to this, I next heard of them when my mother told me she was taking my niece to a Shriner's circus.

When my son was just a year and a half old, he was badly burned at his day-care center. He was Care Flighted to Parkland Hospital (the same hospital JFK was taken to when he was shot). Family and friends offered suggestions such as seeing if San Antonio would treat him with their specialized military connected hospitals. Another suggestion that was offered was to see if the Shriner's would take him. Fortunately, Parkland had one of the best burn units in the country and they did such a wonderful job that no one would know that he had ever been burned.

As a Mason I have learned that the Shriner's is one of the appendant bodies in Masonry. Originally, you had to either be a 32nd degree Mason through the Scottish Rite or had to complete the orders in York Rite before you were allowed to join the Shriner's. However, in 2000 this changed. Now you can join them after you are a Master Mason.



The Shriners was founded in 1870 as the group where Masons could have "fun" and experience "fellowship." Sticking to these original values, Shriners has many clubs and units to foster this.

Clubs are set up in various counties and cities like Middletown or by similar interests like a Gun Club. The units are groups that have like minded Masons coming together for the parades in all kinds of various fun cars, or even allow one to participate in a band or a singing group. One could be a part of the Legion of Honor or a Pipe and Drum unit wearing Scottish regimental military uniforms. Wouldn't it be great to see one our brothers be a clown either at the Shriner circus or in another venue? Some are part of the transportation unit that provides rides to patients and their families that are in need of such to get to a Shriner's clinic for care. There are currently



**21**  
 SHRINERS  
 CHILDREN'S  
 LOCATIONS

**200**  
 SHRINE CENTERS  
 WORLDWIDE

These locations treat all kinds of patients each year. The hospitals were started in 1922. In our area the Shriner Hospital moved from Cincinnati to Dayton Children's in early 2021.

If you are interested in joining the Shriner's just like the Scottish Rite there are two to choose from in our area:



Cincinnati:  
[syrianshrine.org](http://syrianshrine.org)

Dayton:  
[antiochshrine.com](http://antiochshrine.com)



**Rocky Jackson**  
 AUTHOR  
 @Washington Post

Burns and fires are the fifth most common cause of accidental death in children and adults, and account for an estimated 3,500 adult and child deaths per year according to John Hopkins.



Washington Lodge #3 meets in Warren, Rhode Island. It received its dispensation on June 24, 1796 and was chartered on March 15, 1798. It was the first Lodge that was chartered by the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island. It consisted of 58 members, 21 of those were sea captains.



At the time the population of Warren was 1473. They completed building their building in 1799 and it has been continuously used by the lodge ever since. This makes Washington Lodge #3 the oldest lodge building in Rhode Island and the second oldest lodge building in continuous use in the United States. In 1915, during the Egyptology craze in the United States they created fresco murals from the "Book of the Dead" and the



"Papyrus of "Ani" These have seen an ongoing restoration since 2016. Except for in July and August, they meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 5 until 6:30 P.M. You can request a special tour.



## Masonic Education

Labor Day is upon us and we are about to go back to being "light." We are about to embark on another year's journey of Masonic education. What does this entail? That was the overarching question posed by Brother Rocky during the first of the 2022 Fellowship and Education events held at Shooters for Washington Lodge this summer. Many ideas were discussed by the brothers attending this evening event of what they would like to see and how they felt it should take place.

I have pondered this question even further scouring for various resources that are available to us individually.

I came across the following suggested organizations (see their websites):

- 1) Freemason University
- 2) Masonic Service Association
- 3) Masons Lead Better
- 4) Ohio Lodge of Research
- 5) Ohio's Masonic Code Course
- 6) Royal Scofield Society



### A VIEW TO MASONIC EDUCATION



► **Rocky Jackson**  
 GUEST EDUCATIONAL  
 COLUMNIST  
 @Washington Post

This is just one path that Masonic education can take place of course. Others include reading various Masonic books or listening to various Masonic Podcasts.

Another is the fellowship that takes place at formalized events and informal ones too. Several brothers got together throughout the summer to golf in a tournament as well as just to have fun. During the time they spent together, they deepened the bonds of fraternity with one another.

Beyond what you are doing individually to increase your own Masonic education, what would you like to see transpire within the four walls of our lodge room? Let the Worshipful Master, the LEO or any lodge officer know what you would like to see in our lodge education program this year.



So far we have seen that Washington Lodge had the following past masters:

1811	Joseph Hough
1812	Thomas Blair
1812	Robert Taylor
1813	Samuel Bayless

The fifth worshipful Master was Joseph Potter. The lodge then went back to Samuel Bayless who alternated with Joseph Hough between 1814 and 1815.

1813	Joseph Potter
1814	Samuel Bayless
1814-1815	Joseph Hough
1815	Samuel Bayless
1816	Thomas Kelsey
1817	Samuel Bayless

## Washington's 5th & 6th Past Masters

The only records that I have been able to find regarding our 5th Worshipful Master, Joseph Potter indicate that he came here in the late 1790s from New Jersey and is buried in Middletown's Pioneer Cemetery. According to Find a Grave he died in 1843.

Our 6th unique and 9th overall Worshipful Master was Thomas Kelsey. He was born in Long Island, New York on March 12, 1754. He was a soldier during the Revolutionary War. After the War, he moved to Hamilton and became a merchant for a short time period. He later moved to Rising Sun, Indiana after presiding as Worshipful Master in Washington Lodge in Hamilton. —continued pg. 3



► **Dave Lunsford**  
 A Featured Column  
 @Washington Post



Save the Date—September 5



Save the Date—September 24



Save the Date—November 2



Last one for the season is Aug. 24th at Shooters; Contact Brother Mo Webb for details

## Hiking Shawnee Lookout Three States at Once

### A GREAT PARK

Nestled in the Southwestern corner of Ohio, Shawnee Lookout has trails that, when done together, grant hikers a unique experience: views across the rivers into Indiana and Kentucky – seeing three states in one visit.

Part of the Great Parks system of Hamilton County, it is also host to Springhouse School and Log Cabin, several Native American earthworks, and 4.3 miles of former golf cart paths repurposed into walking and biking paths.

### A LOOK INTO SHAWNEE LOOKOUT

Just about a half hour drive away from our area, Shawnee Lookout offers a unique experience in Ohio: a view into three states. There are three other “crossroads” of three states in Ohio – Ohio/Michigan/Indiana, Ohio/Kentucky/West Virginia, and Ohio/West Virginia/Pennsylvania - and while they each have towns and landmarks at those important borders, only Shawnee Lookout is setup in a way for you to see into all three states in one place. And to do so requires hiking about 5 miles in total across 3 trails, easily done in a day by most beginner hikers.

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Mr. Potato Head was the first toy to be advertised on TV.

The two tiny holes in every BIC pen ensure that the air pressure is the same both inside and outside the pen, which helps the ink flow to the



Here's a great way to make **waterproof matches** for camping or any other purpose. Light a candle or use a wax melt in a warmer. When the wax is good and melted, get a box of matches ready (preferably strike-anywhere matches, but strike on box works too). Dip each match head into the melted wax and set aside on a piece of parchment until dry and hardened. Now you have **waterproof matches**.



## The Mound Builders

A couple of years ago I picked up an Ohio History Connection passport. I looked through it to see what was in our area and discovered some Mound in Miamisburg. So off I trekked one weekend and couldn't believe this huge mound that rose from the ground 65 feet into the air. This mound is one of the two largest conical mounds in North America. Upon climbing to the top my breath was taken away with how far one could see throughout the area. It is believed that this mound was one that the Adena people of the area built. Later, the Adena culture transformed into the Hopewell culture.



Thus, began my fascination with “The Mound Builders.” Over the course of this summer I have gone to several of these mounds including Williamson Mound in Cedarville (which it's believed to have been constructed as a watchtower to observe the approach of enemies), Shrum Mound in Columbus (which was a burial mound), Hopewell Mounds and Earthen work in Chillicothe, Serpent Mound in Peebles (which is an effigy mound meaning it is constructed in the shape of an animal) and Ocmulgee Mounds in Macon, Georgia.



Upon returning home, I have done some more digging into the reasons that these came into existence, who built them, and their purpose. I also took a look at where if anywhere I could find more of them in our area.

According to the book, “Indian Mounds of the Middle Ohio Valley”, the Adena and the Hopewell “were the premier builders of distinctive and sometimes truly impressive mounds, geometric earthworks, and hilltop enclosures.” Later on the Fort Ancient people built mounds as well although they were usually “less complex, and less numerous than those of the Adena and Hopewell.” The Serpent Mound in Peebles is believed to have been built by the Fort Ancient people.

All 3 of these people groups lived in what became Hamilton and Butler county. The Adena lived along streams and rivers clustered throughout the Ohio Valley (in our area that would be the Great Miami and the Little Miami Rivers).



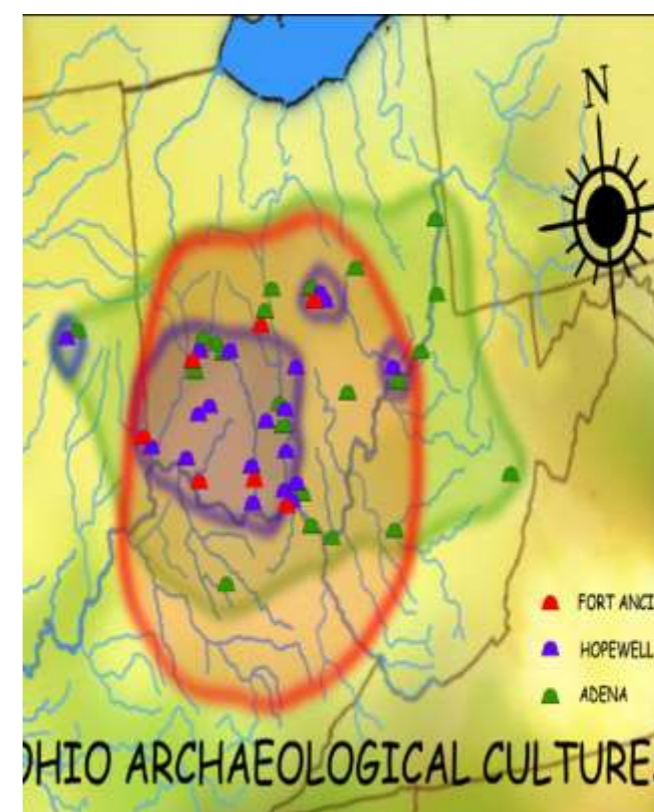
An Adena Hut

I was shocked to learn how tall the Adena were. In his book, “Mound Builders of Ancient America,” Robert Silverberg records the discovery that many Adena women were over 6 feet tall and Adena men approached 7 feet. The Adena people are considered to be Ohio's first farmers.

The Hopewell culture evolved from the Adena's and the Hopewell “built an elaborate complex of earthen mounds, walls” and even “ditches, and ponds” according to Mark Lynott in his book, “Hopewell Ceremonial Landscapes of Ohio.” They were able to trade for goods with other cultures from as far away as the Rocky Mountains, the Atlantic seaboard, as well as the Gulf of Mexico.



This copper bird effigy breast plate is from the Hopewell Culture and was excavated at Mound City in what is now the Hopewell Culture National Historical Park. (File photo) The Columbus Dispatch



How many mounds are located in the Butler County area and are they accessible? I discovered there are approximately 20 sites. This includes Reily, just to the west of us. Enyart Mound is located in Indian Creek Preserve which is part of MetroParks. There is a fee to gain entrance. Nearby, is Reily Cemetery Mound. There is no fee for this one.

In Hamilton County is Mariemont Embankment, Norwood Mound, Odd Fellows Cemetery Mounds, and Short Woods Park Mound.

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## Masonic Word Puzzle

St Columba Lodge # 150

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COLUMBA  
MARSHAL  
BUILDER  
MASONIC  
DEACON  
CHARCOAL  
DIETY  
APPRENTICE  
HISTORIAN  
STEWART  
MASTER  
GRIPS  
SOLOMON  
TYLER  
CLAY  
WARDEN  
SECRETARY  
TEMPLE  
MUSICIAN  
CHALK

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/1022620/>  
Answer on Page 10

## Grand Master Brother Paul Revere

Paul Revere was an American silversmith, merchant and patriot in the American Revolution who was born in the North End of Boston on December 21st, 1734, the son of a French Huguenot Refugee. Revere left school at 13 to apprentice with his father, a silversmith. 6 years later, his father died and he took over the business.

During the French and Indian Wars he enlisted in the provincial Army serving as a lieutenant of artillery. His time in the Army was very short and by 1757 he was back in Boston and was married to Sarah Orne.

In 1765 the economy in the colony's was not good and was made worse by the Stamp Act.



This caused Revere's business to falter and for a brief time Revere took up dentistry.

Also, in 1765 the *Sons of Liberty* formed and coincidentally met at the Green Dragon, the same meeting place as St. Andrews Lodge. Frustration over a variety of policies coming from England and King George III had Revere making a variety of engravings about the events occurring in Massachusetts at the time including the Boston Massacre and a bowl commemorating the Massachusetts assembly's refusal to retract the Massachusetts Circular Letter. The Massachusetts Circular Letter called for colonial action against the Townsend Acts.

In 1773 Revere along with several *Sons of Liberty* companions boarded the merchant ship *Dartmouth*, dumping the tea in its hold into Boston Harbor. The event now known as the Boston Tea Party was further protest to the Acts of King George III and England.

In 1774, a year before his famous ride, Revere was appointed official courier for the Mass.

Provincial Assembly and he rode to Portsmouth New Hampshire on rumors the British were landing troops there. The Portsmouth Alarm as it is now called turned out to be a false alarm, it did inspire a rebel assault on Fort William and Mary where gun powder supplies were seized from 6 British soldiers guarding the fort.

On April 18 1775 Revere's famous ride took place to warn the countryside that the British were on the march. His ride was immortalized by Longfellow in his poem, *The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere*. Riding from Charlestown to Lexington Revere avoided British patrols until being stopped just short of Lexington by a British roadblock. Held captive with other patriots Revere used every opportunity to warn the British soldiers not to continue on to Lexington. Eventually Revere and the other captives were able to scare off the soldiers who released them and returned back to the main British unit.

Revere was able to help John Hancock, one of the leaders of the Revolution, and his family escape from Lexington.

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## Shawnee Lookout

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### Blue Jacket Trail



The first two trails are accessible from the same parking lot, located at the Blue Jacket trailhead. The Blue Jacket Trail is approximately 1.25 miles, and is the shortest of the trails. Most of the trail is flat and shaded, and made up of gravel, dirt, and grassy paths. There are brief points into non-shaded areas where powerline towers run through. The trail has an overlook area at a bow in the Great Miami River into some park easements, which is best seen in the Early Spring or Late Fall/Early Winter, when the foliage is sparser. As for difficulty level, I'd rate this maybe a 1.5 out of 5 for most hikers – I have regularly seen people with jogging strollers, and even some pregnant women, walk this trail.

### Little Turtle Trail



The second trail is the Little Turtle Trail, named after Chief Little Turtle, a Sagamore of the Miami people. Located across the parking lot from Blue Jacket, this trail is the longest trail in the park at 2 miles, and was also the first trail made. It has a couple of steep inclines, so I would not recommend it for those with mobility issues. However, the difficulty is worth it, as the southern part of this trail is on a ridge, and has some of the best views overlooking the Ohio River into Kentucky. The forest shaded trail is well kept dirt and gravel, but with the distance and the inclines to and from the ridges, I would rate this a 3 out of 5 in difficulty for beginner hikers.



The Overlook at Miami Fort Trail

### Miami Fort Trail



The final trail is a short way west of the first two trails, and I recommend driving to it. You will pass a log cabin house along the way, which I will detail separately. The Miami Fort Trail is a historic trail that follows cart paths on the perimeter of what used to be a fort, strategically situated to see into the valley of the Great Miami River. The area was also originally an Adena peoples settlement, and signage is placed along the trail with historic details. The dirt and gravel path is well-shaded by trees, but be aware that the first portion is an immediate steep incline which can be challenging for new hikers. The second fork in the trail, if continued on, leads to scenic overlook across



The Log Cabin at Shawnee Lookout

### Springhouse School and Log Cabin

About halfway up the road on the way to the Miami Fort trailhead from the Blue Jacket trailhead parking lot, a small log cabin sits at the road side in a clearing next to the forest, with parking lots on either side of the road. Built in 1795 as a family home, it was originally located in Elizabethtown, Ohio, and is notable for being constructed without the use of nails. It was eventually relocated to Shawnee Lookout in 1971, and is used as an educational location for programs about regional history. On the same site is a small stone and brick building – the Springhouse School. This is where the Treaty of Fort Finney was signed in 1786, and the building was moved from that Fort to Shawnee Lookout in 1975. A replica of the treaty is housed inside.

#### LOCATION

Shawnee Lookout is easily traveled to by going west on I-275 until you are almost into Indiana, about a half hour or so drive from Hamilton. The nearby town of Lawrenceburg, Indiana is a great place to grab a meal and/or drinks after a day of hiking. If you time your visit to Shawnee Lookout right, the numerous pawpaw trees located on the trails throughout the park might net you some delicious snacks!



David Caron  
Senior Steward  
Renown Hiker



## Thomas Kelsey

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Once again he was the Installing Worshipful Master of a new lodge, Harmony Lodge No. 41 in Brookville, Indiana which was chartered under the Grand Lodge of Ohio in 1817. He also acted as the Grand Master to deliver the dispensation empowering them to work from the hands of the Grand Master, Henry Brush, in Chillicothe, Ohio which indicates that he was more than likely a DDGM.

I have no information as to what WB Kelsey did for a living. He apparently spent only a short time in Hamilton and spent the remainder of his life in Dearborn County, Indiana.

He's buried in Coles Chapel Cemetery in Dearborn County, Indiana.



## Masonic Humor

A country lodge was in the process of initiating a candidate on a hot and steamy December night. A tropical thunderstorm was brewing and everyone was perspiring freely when the Master asked the candidate what he most desired.

The candidate replied, "A beer."

At this juncture, the JD, being startled whispered, "Light" to the candidate.

"O.K.," the candidate replied, "a light beer, thanks."

From Unity Lodge #300,  
Grand Lodge of Queensland



## The Mound Builders

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Effigy pipes in the shape of people or animals were used for ceremonial purposes by the Adena people

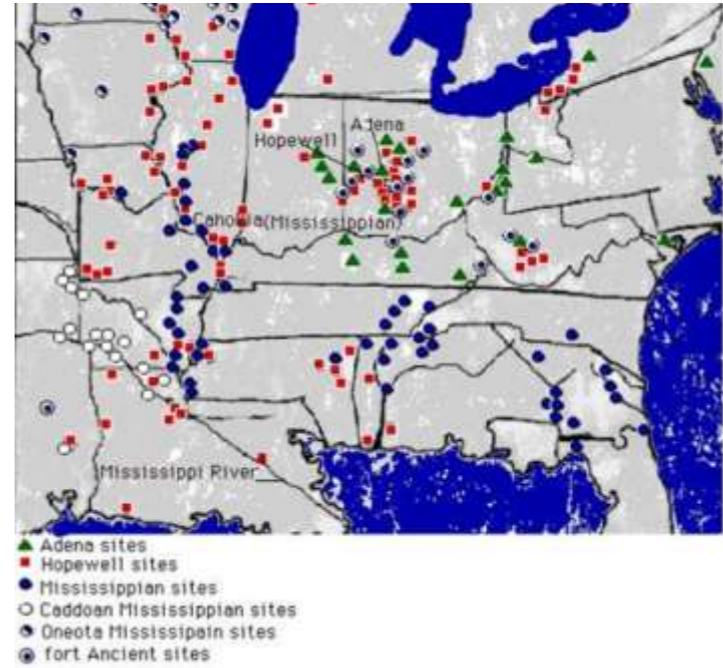
In addition, Senior Steward David Caron in his article about hiking the Shawnee Lookout Park mentions the Adena having built a mound there. It's referred to as Miami Fort. This location is where last month's issue discussed the first settlers to Hamilton stopping and is also the site of the signing of the Ft. Finney Treaty.

In Montgomery County one can go to Calvary Cemetery Enclosure and the Sun Watch Village. In addition to the previously mentioned Miamisburg Mound. There's also the Wright Brothers Memorial Mound Group.

In Warren County one can go to Fort Ancient and the Stubbs Earthworks. Just over the River in Dearborn County, Indiana is River View Cemetery Mounds as well as the Lochry Massacre Mound.

These are just some of the 73 publicly accessible mounds and earthworks that were built by the Adena, Hopewell, and Fort Ancient people in the Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky area. Upon doing further research, I discovered that at one time there were over 250 Adena and Hopewell mounds throughout Butler County. Unfortunately, most of have been destroyed over time.

A couple of the mounds worth mentioning in the Butler County area are the Fortified Hill Works (west of Hamilton—Hopewell), Mann Mound also called Leslie Mound (Jacksonburg—Adena—private, not accessible to public), Great Mound (Madison—second largest Adena burial mound) and Union Township Works II—Pisgah—Adena and Hopewell). Over time, hopefully, I will have the opportunity to continue to explore more these mounds in our area. If this has piqued your interest, join me in this journey of discovering more about the original inhabitants of the Ohio Valley.



SHOWS HOW MANY MOUNDS ARE LOCATED IN OHIO!!!



Rocky Jackson  
AUTHOR  
@Washington Post



Worshipful Jason Baynum has announced that this year's kick-off Labor Day breakfast will take place at Washington Lodge at 7 AM and will last until 9 AM. If you would like to assist with cooking contact our chef extraordinaire, Brother Ryan Napper or either of our Stewards, David Caron and Aaron Alsip who plan to begin preparations around 5 AM. We will go from dark to light following breakfast with the stated meeting slated to begin at 9 AM. Come join us and be a part of the festivities.

# Masonic Podcasts

## Avoiding Masonic Burnout

Juan Sepulveda, the host of the Winding Stairs Podcast, discusses how to avoid burnout as a Mason. First, he reminds us that Masonry can actually turn into something bad for us if we put it above all other things. Thus, he provides some tips to recognize the signs of Masonic burnout before its to late.



The archetypes of Masons:

- 1) The Sprinter—volunteers for everything, tries to get all degrees, is in a competition. Slow down—pace yourself.
- 2) The Joiner—"dues card collector;" the main focus is to sign as many petitions as is possible, to join as many bodies as possible. While the appendant bodies are important make sure you spend the time to learn the valuable lessons they have to teach you. Be introspective. How can you apply these lessons into your life? Remember, your blue lodge needs your skills. New brothers need your instruction and mentorship.

3) The Juggler—too many balls in the air. Take it easy. Maintain the foundation that your family offers you. Secure your business. In essence remember to divide the parts of



your day like we are taught to do. Some brothers have lost their marriage because they put the fraternity before their family. Have the family involved with events. Allow the wife and children to meet the brothers, other wives, and kids that are part of the fraternity.

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# Revere

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During the American revolution, Revere was a military leader and participated in many battles and events of the war, some positive and some utter failures. When the British evacuated Boston, he joined a regiment of artillery raised to protect that city.

As a cartoonist and pamphleteer, his series of political cartoons, printed from plates etched on copper, did much to hasten the final break with England. In 1778 he was in command of the forts in Boston harbor as a lieutenant colonel of artillery, when, ill-advisedly, he accepted a command and a responsible place in the disastrous expedition to the Penobscot. This defeat deprived him of any glory as a military leader, but as a cannon founder and powder manufacturer he continued to perform invaluable service to the colonies. He was the first to roll sheet copper in America, and he contracted for and furnished the bolts, spikes, pumps, sheathing, and anchors for U.S.S. Constitution. and other vessels.

At times Paul Revere did fine sliver work and engraving, among other things, making seals and jewels for several Masonic lodges. He designed and printed the first Continental bills; designed and engraved the first official seal for the colonies, and the state seal for Mass. He made a denture for his friend, Joseph Warren, q.v., grand master of Mass., who was killed at Bunker Hill, and this very metal work was the key to positive identification of the body when it was recovered a year later and reburied.

Revere passed away on May 10th, 1818 in Boston.

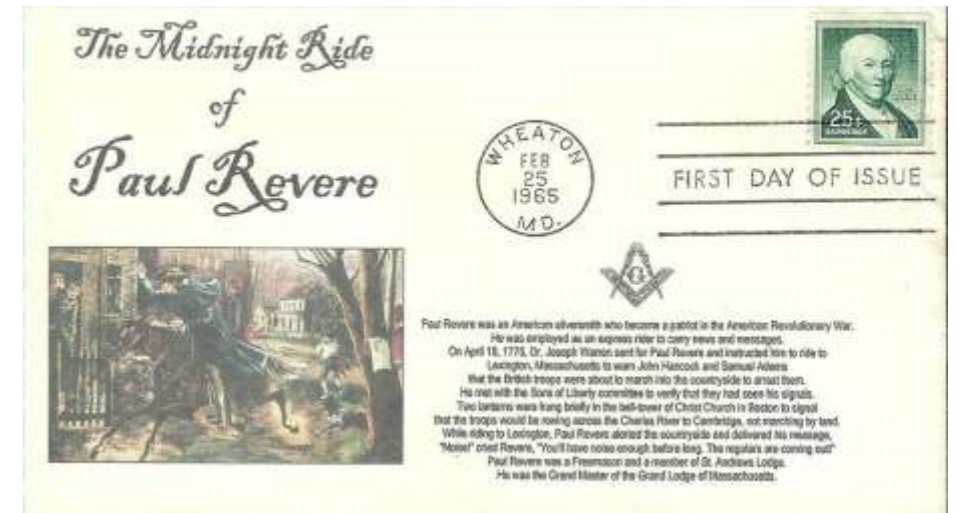
Revere was raised in St. Andrews Lodge, Boston, Sept. 24, 1760, becoming secretary of the lodge in 1769, and master in 1770, succeeding Joseph Warren in that office. He served as master again from 1777-79, and from 1780-82. This lodge met at the "Green Dragon Tavern" and plans for the famous tea party were undoubtedly made in this lodge. In 1783 he was a founding member of Rising States Lodge, and was its first master. He was grand master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts from 1794-97. A Royal Arch Mason, he received the degrees, Dec. 11, 1769, in St. Andrews Royal Arch Chapter. In 1795, as grand master, he laid the cornerstone of the State House in Boston

This article provided by Today in Masonic History at <http://www.masonrytoday.com> and from 10,000 Famous Freemasons

# Masonic Stamp Of Approval



This month showcases three different first day covers. The top one was issued by the Masonic Stamp Club of New York and was cancelled on April 18th, 1958 in Boston, Massachusetts. One of the most interesting things to me is my

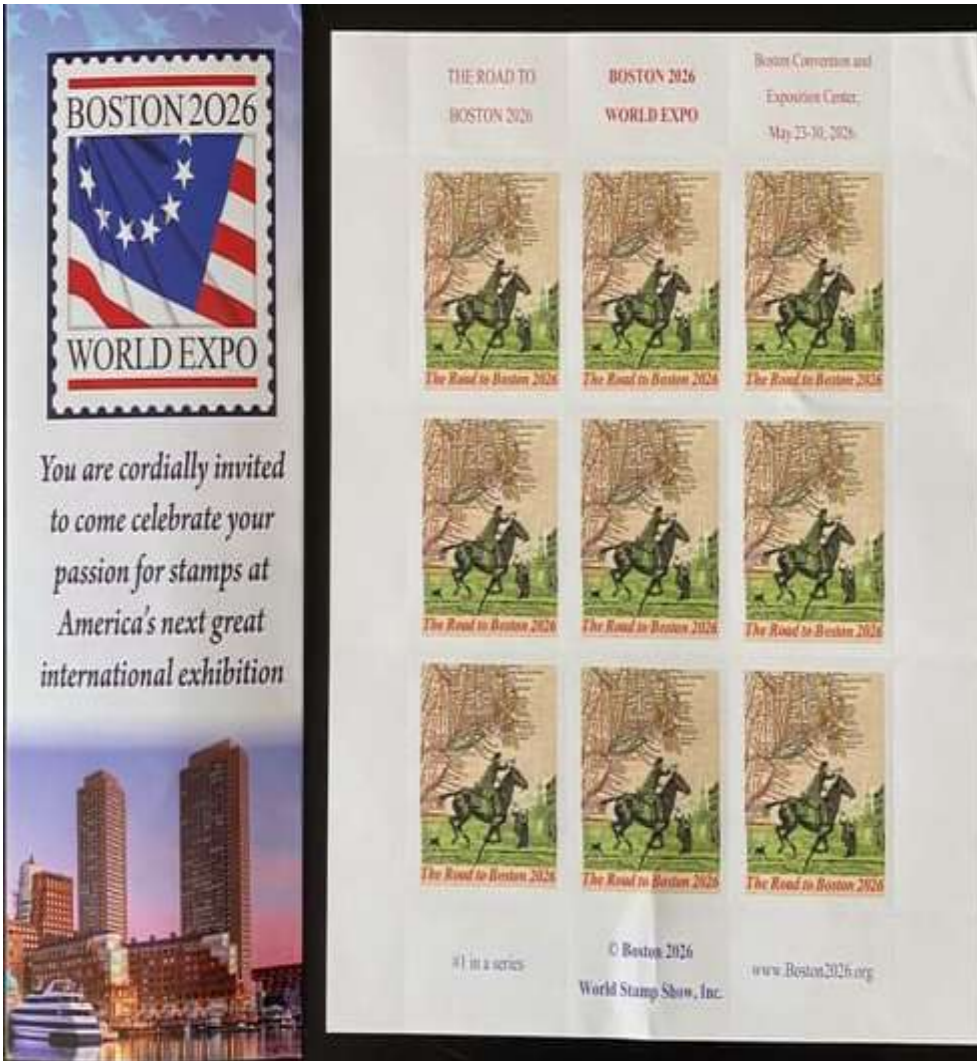


mother grew up in a suburb of Boston and this day was a holiday each school year (Paul Revere Day). He was raised in St. Andrews Lodge in Boston on September 24, 1760. He later became the secretary in 1769 and the Worshipful master in 1770 succeeding Dr. Joseph Warren. Worshipful Paul Revere served as master of this lodge again in 1777-1779 and from 1780-1782. This lodge met at the "Green Dragon Tavern" and launched the Tea party. In 1783 he was a founding member of Rising States Lodge and its first master. He became the Grand Master of Massachusetts succeeding Joseph Warren and served from 1794-1797. He was a Royal Arch Mason. For help getting started or for information about becoming a member of the George Washington Masonic Stamp Club contact Brother Rocky Jackson.

► **Rocky Jackson**  
President George Washington Masonic Stamp Club  
For info on Joining ask him or fill out the form @ <http://www.gwmasonicstampclub.com/>



The above First Day Cover was issued by Collins to commemorate Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's famous Poem, The Midnight Ride of (Bro.) Paul Re-



# Masonic Gallows Humour

As a man was standing on the gallows, his executioner asked if he had any last words.

"Yes," the man replied "I hate Masons."

The executioner was surprised by this and asked "Why do you hate Masons? They do much good in our world."

The condemned man said, not hiding his anger, "They are killing me. The man who turned me in is a Mason; the cop that arrested me is a Mason; the prosecuting attorney that tried me is a Mason' the jury that convicted me were all Masons; and the judge that sentenced me to hang is a Mason.

That is why I hate Masons!"

"I see." said the executioner. "Are you ready to proceed?"

"Yes." said the man with sadness in his voice.

"O.K. Then you will advance one regular step with the left foot..."

► From Masonic Lodge of Education ◀

# Logic Puzzle

Follow the clues to determine which fruit each girl likes and how old they are..

Difficulty Level:



## CLUES

1. Amy likes bananas.
2. Belle isn't 10.
3. The 9 years old girl likes grapes.
4. Belle likes apples.

## YOUR ANSWER

Name	Age	Fruit
Amy		
Belle		
Chloe		

Answer on Page 10

		Age			Fruit		
		8 years	9 years	10 years	apple	banana	grape
Name	Amy						
	Belle						
	Chloe						
Fruit	apple						
	banana						
	grape						

# Wednesday Night Fellowship and Education



Last year Right Worshipful David Daugherty began a biweekly meeting at Shooters for the brothers of Washington Lodge to gather together for food and fellowship. This year, Brother Mo Webb was in charge and was able to arrange for the same venue to host us. We have met on July 13 and 27 as well as August 10th and the last meeting will be on August 24th. At one of the meetings we had an in-depth discussion about Masonic education and what the brothers desire to see. This discussion will be utilized to plan the coming year's masonic education program. In addition, we discussed what could be done to create a better sense of community and foster deeper relationships inside the lodge. This too will be used throughout the coming year to hopefully assist us in becoming even better connected with one another.



At another meeting, we held a discussion that revolved around what the mysteries of Freemasonry are. It was discussed that there is definitely a place for keeping secret certain words and signs because if you cannot trust a brother to keep these things secret, how can you trust him to keep something that you entrust him with secret. This led into a further discussion of how the journey of discovery of Freemasonry is believed by some to be the secrets of Freemasonry itself.



During our third meeting, we had a discussion of the presumed Grand Master, Right Worshipful Steve Grindle's Roll-out program. Right Worshipful David Daugherty attended the program in Athens and discussed his insights briefly. Next up, Brother Rocky Jackson discussed what he heard from his attendance at the first one in Huber Heights. Senior Warden Timothy Miracle was in attendance at this Roll-Out event as well. You will find additional highlights of this event elsewhere in the Washington Post.



We ended the evening with a discussion about what it means to talk with a brother when you see him hurting, what happens to us as a man when we start to compare ourselves to others, and how easy it is to get off track. Much good advice was given as how we need to be ourselves, how we need to stay true to our own journey, how we shouldn't worry about what anybody else thinks. There was much encouragement among the brothers and much support was offered for one another. This was truly an example of how we are a brotherhood and we help lift each other up.



Every other week we have had about 10 brothers that have enjoyed the food at Shooters, the wonderful fellowship that was to be had, as well as the discussion that followed on a variety of Masonic topics. You won't want to miss out on joining us for the last one of this season. Come join us this Wednesday at 6:30.

There will be two topics that will be up for discussion this evening. First Brother Rocky is revealing that he is taking his April Royal Scofield Presentation and turning it in to a book. He has done even more research since giving that presentation and has updated the information that he came across. Further, he has included a how-to section in the book. He is going to ask for input from the members present as to what they would like to see in the book, what they would like to see him change in future presentations to make it even better.

The other part of the discussion will answer the question—what does it mean to be a mason? We hopefully will have a wonderful discussion. Please join us so you can give your input to this topic.

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# Freemason Book Review

# Tales from the Craft

# Exploring

# Masonic Coins

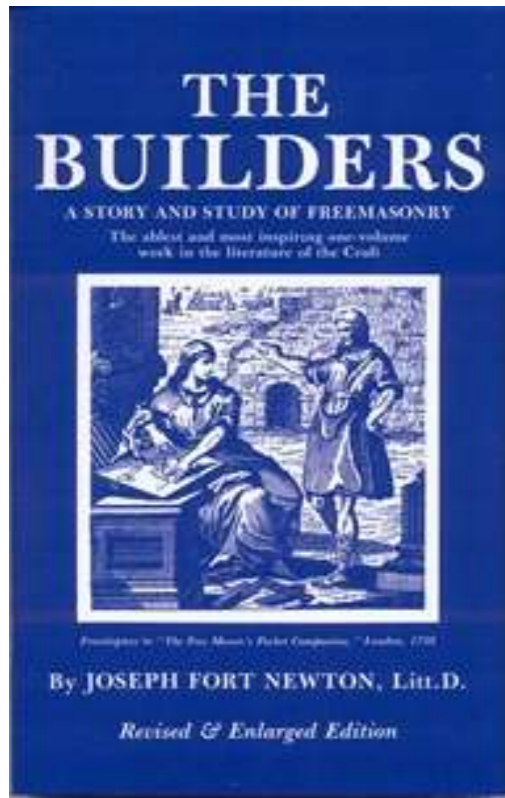
## Government Officials



This month's book review takes us to Joseph Fort Newton's book, *The Builders*. At the beginning of the book, he expressed his frustration in not really knowing where to begin reading to expand his Masonic knowledge and to understand the history of the Craft. Thus, he endeavored to put together a book that he would have liked to be given as a brand new mason. So successful were his efforts that at one time, every new mason in Iowa was given a copy of the book.

This book is divided up into 3 parts. In the very first part of the book Joseph Fort Newton takes a look at our Masonic origins. There are a few different philosophies as to when Freemasonry first began and he discusses each of these philosophies. He uses this as a basis to launch into the second part of the book, the history of Masonry. Finally, in the third part of the book he interprets what it means to be a mason. By this he delves into masonic philosophy as well as the spirit of masonry. If one reads the book in its entirety, you will definitely be enlightened regarding our Craft, its origins, its history, its philosophy and what the lessons in life are that should help us become even better versions of ourselves.

This was the first Masonic book I read after becoming a Mason. It was one of the books that Worshipful Jeremy Spangenberg and Right Worshipful David Daugherty recommended to me to read. I'm glad that I took them up on this. I would pass my recommendation on to you. I have written a longer review as a reflection piece for the Royal Scofield Society. If you would like a more in depth analysis of the book feel free to ask me for a copy.



The Builders may be purchased through Macoy Publishing & Masonic Supply as well as through Amazon



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Book Reviewer  
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## Brother & President Arthur St. Clair



In the June 2022 issue, Brother Arthur St. Clair was mentioned in the article, *Hamilton History: The Beginning* as having a huge impact in this area. I have delved further into this Brother's life. He was born in Scotland and came to America as a Major General in the French and Indian Wars. He seized the colors (flag of regiment) in the battle of the "plains of Abraham" at Quebec

until the British won the day. After the war, he stayed in America and married in Boston before moving to Pennsylvania where he served in many public offices as well as resuming military activities against the Native Tribes of the area. Upon the outbreak of the American Revolution he served with fellow brother General George Washington. He was with him through the horrors of Valley Forge and the crossing of the Delaware. He was placed in charge of West Point after the treasonous actions of Benedict Arnold was discovered. Brother St. Clair was also present at the surrender of Cornwallis.

L'Osantville: L' in French means the, os was Latin for mouth, anti is Latin for against, ville in French means city, Thus L'Osantville means "the City opposite the mouth"

From February 2, 1787 until the end of October, he was one of the fourteen presidents of the Continental Congress/Confederation Congress. He became the very first governor of the Northwest Territory. He changed the name of a little settlement in the territory from L'Osantville to Cincinnati to honor the General Society of Cincinnati of which he was the President as well as — continued on Page 8



### Paul Revere . . . The Mason

On September 24th, 1760, at the age of 25, Brother Paul Revere was made a Mason in St. Andrew's Lodge, Boston, Massachusetts . . . Throughout his life Brother Revere was a very devout Mason, serving his mother lodge as Secretary and Master.

He later went through the Chairs of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and in 1795 was made Grand Master of the same Lodge, serving three years. He evidenced his true Masonic character by being one of the leading members of the Sons of Liberty, a group that opposed British rule in the Colonies.

He was one of "the Indians" of the famous "Boston Tea Party." Long-fellow immortalized him with his famous poem—"Listen and you shall hear of the Midnight Ride of Paul Revere." He was a famous silversmith, cast many early bronze church bells, furnished brass cannon, also copper sheathing for the "Constitution" and established the first copper rolling mill in America; the Company he founded is still prominent.

On May 10th, 1816 in his 82nd year, he was summoned to his Eternal Rest.

MASONIC CACHETS

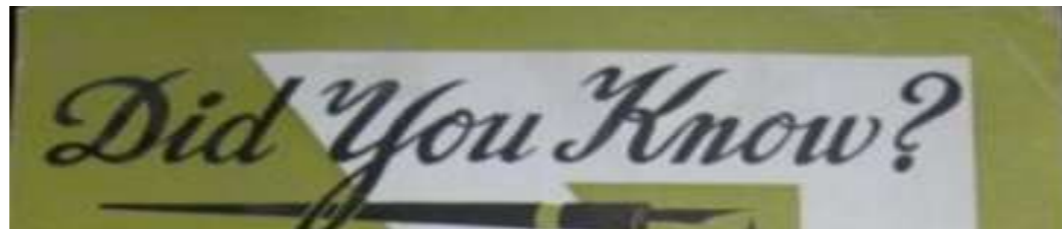
Pleasantville, New York

From Masonic New York Masonic Stamp Club FDC 1958

## Not Just A Boy Scout



Daniel Carter "Dan" Beard (1850-1941), was best known as the organizer of the Boy Scout movement in the US. A member of Mariners' Lodge 67, New York City and later Cornucopia Lodge 563, Flushing, NY, Brother Beard was also a prolific author and illustrator. Long before the founding of the Boy Scouts, he became a lifelong friend of Brother Samuel Clemens (a.k.a Mark Twain) and illustrated Twain's book, *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court*.



Lewis Wallace was born in Indiana. Throughout his life he served as an American General in the Civil War, on assignment with the U.S. Secret Service in Mexico where he assisted with ridding Mexico of French Occupation forces, as the Governor of the New Mexico Territory, and as a U.S. Minister to the Ottoman Empire. What he is most famous for is being the author of *Ben-Hur*, the 19th century's best selling novel. Did you know that Lewis Wallace was a brother, having been initiated in Covington, Indiana at Fountain Lodge No. 60? Later he affiliated with Montgomery Lodge No. 50 in Crawfordsville, Indiana.

## Avoiding Masonic Burnout

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If you don't maintain a good equilibrium with everything you are involved in, you are practically neglecting them all. You're not giving them your best. You are only giving them a fraction of what you could do. Be intentional in what you are involved in. You are able to be of better service by doing such. This makes sure that you don't become stretched to thin.

- 4) The Disappointed Mason—No matter what, you will find discrepancies between what you expect to find in Masonry before you joined with what you discover once you have joined. Sometimes that disappointment is in the Lodge Education, other times it is the lack of implementation of Masonic lessons, or the lack of mentorship. Sometimes the disappointment occurs because of overzealous brothers or even grouchy mean-spirited ones. Be prudent. Have tact. Avoid conflict. Tailor your communication. Draw out the good that each brother does have within them that can contribute to your own growth.

Signs that you may be reaching burnout:

- 1) Commitments and responsibilities begin to feel like a burden
- 2) Lost interest in Learning more about Freemasonry
- 3) You just don't feel it anymore
- 4) Family showing signs of resistance or disapproval

Don't jeopardize the very thing we value highly—Masonry—as well as our family and our careers. The key takeaway that I had throughout this podcast is make sure to have a balance in all aspects of your life and to pace yourself. We can have a greater impact to our home, to our community, and to our society when we maintain an appropriate balance. To listen to/see this podcast go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GB9EDaBVNcl> The Winding Stairs has a new podcast every Thursday. To see old episodes go to [thewindingstairs.com](http://thewindingstairs.com)

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In our two previous issues we took a look at a Coin Week article on May 26, 2021 by Charles Morgan and Hubert Walker that delved into which of our Masonic Presidents had coinage featuring them. This time we use their article to look at masonic government officials that were depicted on coins.



First up is Brother Benjamin Franklin. He made his appearance in 1948 on the half dollar. He has the distinction of being the first historical figure that was not a president to appear on a circulating United States coin.

Daniel Boone appears on a 1921 Missouri half dollar as well as 1934-1938 Boone half dollar series.

John Marshall was commemorated in 2005. This Mason persuaded the Virginia state government to ratify the Constitution of the United States.

Stephen F. Austin was supposed to be made the Worshipful Master of a Lodge in Texas. However, the Mexican government intervened and blocked this as they were fearful that American Freemasons might try to annex Texas for the United States.



In 1927 the Vermont half dollar featured American Revolutionary War Fighter Ira Allen. He fought at the battle of Ticonderoga. Like many other American

patriots he died a pauper. The interesting thing about this coin was it "came housed in cardboard holder, seated in the center of a glory of rays. It was probably a coincidence, but the glory is considered a Masonic symbol."

Name	Position	Coin
Benjamin Franklin	Ambassador; Inventor; Founding Father	1948-1963 Franklin half dollar
		2006 Benjamin Franklin 300th Anniversary dollars
Thomas E. Kilby	Governor of Alabama	1921 Alabama Centennial half dollar
Daniel Boone	Pioneer; Politician	1921 Missouri half dollar 1934-1938 Boone half dollar
Ira Allen	Founder of Vermont	1927 Vermont-Bennington Sesquicentennial half dollar
Stephen F. Austin	Texas politician	1934-1938 Texas Centennial half dollars
Sam Houston	Governor of Tennessee and Texas	1934-1938 Texas Centennial half dollars
Joseph Robinson	Governor of Arkansas	1936 Arkansas-Robinson half dollar
Moses Cleaveland	Founder of Cleveland	1936 Cleveland Centennial half dollar
Carter Glass	Secretary of the Treasury; Senator from Virginia	1936 Lynchburg Sesquicentennial half dollar
John Marshall	Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court	2005 Chief John Marshall dollar

In the next issue, we are going to turn to discussing what Masonic military leaders have been depicted on U.S. coins.



## Masonic Word Play

There is none in the north, he said darkly.

From Did You Know? Vignettes in Masonry from the Royal Arch Mason Magazine. Pg. 141. Tom Swifties (attributed to Brother John R. Nocas)

**Fun Facts About Ohio**

- There are 25 astronauts from Ohio
- Nickname: Buckeye State
- Ohio is one of the main producers of tomato juice
- Home to the "One and Only Presidential Museum"
- Over 965,000 Small Businesses in the state

Ohio is home to the "One and Only Presidential Museum". This famous museum pays homage to John Hanson, who was the first-ever president of the U.S. In November 1781, he was elected as first President of the Confederation Congress (sometimes styled *President of the United States in Congress assembled*), following ratification of the Articles. For this reason, some of Hanson's biographers have argued that he was actually the first holder of the office of President of the United States.

## Healthy Bites

Watermelon and summer go hand in hand. Besides being a delightful snack, watermelons have several healthy benefits. They contain many essential vitamins and minerals, including vitamin A, B6, and C, potassium, magnesium, thiamine, and phosphorus. It's made up of 92% water. Making it one of the most hydrating fruits and the perfect snack for hot summer days.

### Watermelon Dessert Pizza

Prep: 20 minutes – Makes 8 (1 wedge) servings

- 2 tablespoons sliced almonds
- 2 tablespoons Weis Quality Sweetened Coconut Flakes
- 1/2 cup dark chocolate chips
- 1 (1-inch-thick) round slice watermelon (cut from whole seedless watermelon)
- 1/2 cup hulled and quartered strawberries
- 1/4 cup blueberries

- In large skillet, toast almonds and coconut over medium-high heat 4 minutes or until lightly browned and fragrant, stirring frequently; transfer to plate to cool.
- In small microwave safe bowl, heat chocolate chips in microwave oven on high 1 minute or until melted, stirring every 20 seconds.
- Place watermelon on serving board; cut into 8 wedges. Drizzle watermelon with chocolate, sprinkle with strawberries, blueberries, almonds and coconut.

Approximate nutritional values per serving:

121 Calories, 6g Fat (3g Saturated), 0 mg Cholesterol, 10mg Sodium, 19g Carbohydrates, 2g Fiber, 16 Sugars, 2g Protein



## Masonry in the Movies



Hollywood has had several movies that showcases Masonry. The following are 9 films that have Masonic references contained within them

- The Man Who Would Be King (1975)
- North by Northwest (1959)
- The Game (1997)
- The Da Vinci Code (2006)
- Hobson's Choice (1954)
- National Treasure (2004)
- Sons of the Desert (1933)
- Are You a Mason? (1915)
- The Freemason (2013)

In coming issues we will take a look at these various Masonic themed or referenced movies. Keep in mind that likes to play up the mystery and the "Illuminati" connection (even though the later is not true. Why? Because it makes for great cinema. So remember, if you do watch these movies, they are not always a correct and true representation of what Masonry is.

## Masonic Drinks



## Masonic Cigars



The Hints for this puzzle:

There are 25's K's used in the puzzle. This is used for the letter E.

There are 15 Q's used in the puzzle. This is used for the letter N.

A helpful hint is Z is used for the letter Y. The bonus hint is: C is used for the letter R..

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 DCJVKQMK, BJPHRMK,  
 XCFHBKCSZ SFWK, CKSRKA, HCJHB,  
 XJH SRXKCHZ, KEJGSRHZ, GQV  
 ACGHKCQRHZ, GQV RH VKQFJQMKP  
 RLQFCGQMK, PJDKCPHRHRFQ,  
 KRLFHCZ, SJPH, HZCGQQZ GQV  
 VKDFHRPT.

—President & Brother Theodore Roosevelt

## Grand Lodge of British Columbia and Yukon

The Grand Lodge of British Columbia and Yukon says that "References to Freemasonry in popular culture range from the vitriolic to the innocuous. Far more often they are merely misinformed allusions from which Freemasonry faces a far more insidious threat; that of being marginalized, trivialized, and fictionalized. Most of the references noted on this site are harmless, simply pointing out that Freemasonry has played a role in our society; some are humorous, yet some are disturbing in their associations." This series will take a look at some of these popular culture references that this Grand Lodge points out. First up, we turn our attention to this reference in a popular comic:

### Bodley Basin, the strict Freemason (1987)

This two page comic caricature of the Freemasons manages to nicely sum up most of the popular misunderstandings and criticisms about Freemasonry. Bodley is depicted drunkenly driving away from his lodge hall and avoiding arrest by giving the masonic handshake. He then kills another member who has published a book about the "Secrets of the Masons", and, although arrested while burying the victim's tongue on a beach, is released by the judge who is revealed to be a member of his lodge. He later initiates a police constable into the lodge, kills an investigative reporter who had recorded the initiation, and is kidnapped by the "Rotary Club Militia" while visiting the "Under the Counter Accountancy Services". This one-off strip ends with the constable being promoted to Chief Inspector, and the cartoonist being killed. A reference to the "sacred skull of Gannex" will only be understood to those familiar with the waterproof raincoat manufactured in the UK from 1951 to 2010 and popularly identified with the ruling class. *VIZ Comic* No. 25 Silver Jubilee Tea Towel Issue, August [/September] 1987. "Bodley Basin, the strict Freemason, © House of Viz., Editor Chris Donald, Contributors: Simon Thorp, et al. pp.20-21.



## "DAD" Jokes

Did you know your pupils are the last part to stop working when you die? Why? Because they dilate.



# MASONIC POEMS



## I Sat in Lodge With You Wilbur D. Nesbit

Born in Xenia in 1871  
Attended Cedarville public schools.  
Member: Evan Lodge, Evanston, IL  
Oriental Consistory  
Medina Temple  
33rd degree Mason

**There is a saying filled with cheer,  
Which calls a man to fellowship.  
It means as much for him to hear  
As lies within the brother grip.**

**Nay, more! It opens wide the way  
To friendliness sincere and true;  
There are no strangers when you say  
To me: "I sat in lodge with you."**

**When that is said, then I am known;  
There is no questioning nor doubt;  
I need not walk my path alone  
Nor from my fellows be shut out.**

**Those words hold all of brotherhood  
And help me face the world anew  
There's something deep and rich and good  
In this: "I sat in lodge with you."**

**Though in far lands one needs must roam  
By sea and shore and hill and plain,  
Those words bring him a touch of home  
And lighten tasks that seem in vain.**

**Men's faces are no longer strange  
But seem as those he always knew  
When some one brings the joyous change  
With this: "I sat in lodge with you."**

**So you, my brother, now and then  
Have often put me in your debt  
By showing forth to other men  
That you your friends do not forget.**

**When all the world seems gray and cold  
And I am weary, worn and blue  
Then comes this golden thought I hold  
You said: "I sat in lodge with you."**

**When to the last great Lodge you fare  
My prayer is that I may be  
One of your friends who wait you there  
Intent your smiling face to see.**

**We, with the warden at the gate,  
Will have a pleasant task to do;  
We'll call, though you come soon or late:  
"Come in! We sat in lodge with you!"**

# THE MASONIC SOCIETY

This organization prints a quarterly publication entitled the Journal of The Masonic Society. Their subscription costs \$45. In their publications they attempt to present articles that enlighten us on the past as well as explore solutions to the challenges that face Freemasonry today. They feature articles that are written by some of the best-known authors in Freemasonry as well as also including articles from brothers from the neighborhood blue-lodge. They are hoping that more research lodges begin to submit papers to be included in their publication.

In addition, they have identified a growing trend that the non-Masonic academic world is looking more and more closely at our fraternity as well as our place in the greater society so on occasion they include articles from this perspective as well. In addition, they have forged a special partnership with the U.S. York Rite bodies so they bring timely news from their various bodies. In addition, they bring news about the Allied Masonic Degrees too.

During the height of COVID, they made their previous issues available for free online. They continue to make their first 30 issues free online in addition to issue 47 which you cannot purchase as it is sold out. You can find these free masonic journals at <https://themasonicsociety.com/content/the-journal-of-the->

# Brother St. Clair

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to hopefully have other members of the Society settle in this city so named. As was stated in the previous article, he led the American military in one of its worst defeats ever at the hands of the combined forces of the Miami, Shawnee, and Delaware. This led to the first investigation of the executive branch by Congress as well as President Washington condemning St. Clair as "worse than a murderer."



It is not known where he first joined Freemasonry. It is speculated that it had been with an English military lodge. He does have a neat tie with our area. In September 1791, he signed a request for a charter for Lodge Nova Caesarea Harmony No. 2 in Cincinnati. Due to the dangers of the frontier, the charter was delayed for 3 years. In Decem-

ber of 1794 the charter was received from the Grand Lodge of New Jersey. It is recorded that Brother St. Clair visited this lodge many times. This lodge was one of the six lodges in Ohio that formed the Grand Lodge of Ohio originally.

Unfortunately for our brother, during the course of the American Revolution as well as in handling affairs when he was the superintendent of Indian affairs, he laid out as well as guaranteed large sums of his own personal money which Congress later refused to pay him back. This



forced him to sell everything and he lived the last few years of his life in utter destitution like many of his fellow American patriots. The only monument to the memory of this largely forgotten Patriot is at Greensburg cemetery in Pennsylvania where he is buried. The Masonic Order erected this tribute: "The earthly remains of Major-General Arthur St. Clair are deposited beneath this humble monument, which is erected to supply the place of a nobler one due from his country."

## Masonic Book Club

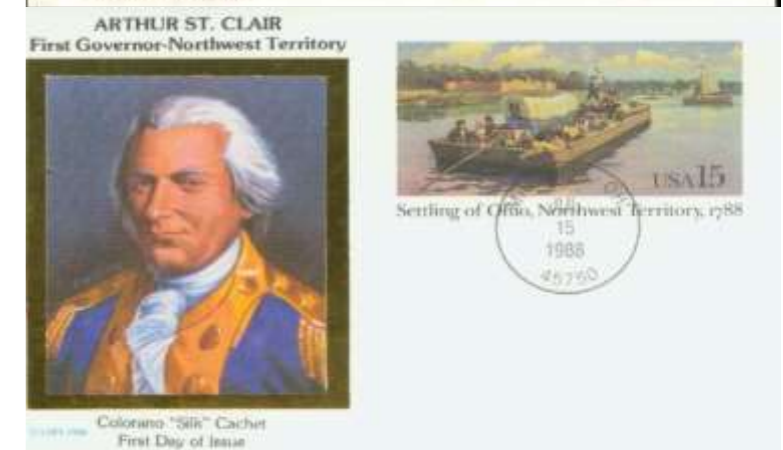


The Masonic Book Club was launched in 1970. It lasted for 40 years when it stopped re-publishing out of print and an occasionally original Masonic books. When it began it was limited to 333 members. This Club was expanded and

grew to almost 2,000 members, but when it folded in 2010 it was sitting at just over 1,000 members. It laid dormant since then. In 2017, the last President of the Masonic Book Club transferred its assets to the Scottish Rite Southern Masonic Jurisdiction. They have revived this endeavor. However, there are no dues to be a part of the club. In fact, by being a member, you only receive notification that they will be printing a new book. This entitles you to purchase the new book at a pre-publication discount. They do have an editorial committee consisting of famed Masons Arturo de Hoyos and S. Brent Morris as well as others in the selection of what volumes they will select for publication. Although there are many factors that go into pricing their books, if you are a member of the Masonic Book Club and take advantage of the pre-production price it looks like most books will be in the \$30 to \$40 range. If you wait to purchase the book at the retail price these will run between \$40 and \$50 so it looks like they are giving about a \$10 discount for being a part of free Club and taking advantage of the pre-publication price. For more information or to join see <https://scottishrite.org/media-publications/masonic-book-club/>



**Duncan's Masonic Ritual and Monitor Illustrated Edition**  
**Malcom C. Duncan**



The above FDC can be purchased through Mystic Stamps. The other two are examples of covers dedicated to Brother St. Clair. Ask Brother Rocky Jackson, President George Washington Masonic Stamp Club, for assistance in getting started collecting Masonic stamps.



**Rocky Jackson**  
President George Washington Masonic Stamp

# DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

After a successful event on Sat. June 11 Washington Lodge now has a Dungeon and Dragons game chat. If you are interested in joining contact Worshipful Ryan Napier.

For the serious Dungeon and Dragons player that would like to include Freemasonry in his play see [https://www.reddit.com/r/freemasonry/comments/pmt13a/lets\\_be\\_fraternal\\_im\\_looking\\_to\\_run\\_a\\_masonic/](https://www.reddit.com/r/freemasonry/comments/pmt13a/lets_be_fraternal_im_looking_to_run_a_masonic/) where a brother is trying to create a group of Masons who would participate in an all Masonic group playing this game.



Right Worshipful David Daugherty rode 100 miles in the August 6, 2022 Pelotonia fundraising event raising money for cancer research. Brother David's motivation is his father succumbed to this horrible disease and he hopes to aid in the race to find a cure. Washington Lodge made a donation on David's behalf.



**EARLY OHIO MASONRY**

By Walter R. Harbeson

According to the record book of Winthrop Sargent dated Jan. 10, 1787, the first evidence of a Masonic gathering in the northwest territory, was the burial of the distinguished brother, James Mitchell Varnum. An occasional Lodge was formed for this purpose. The mourners in his funeral procession included a delegation of Indian chiefs there on a peace mission, officers of the garrison at Fort Harmar, colleagues in the civil government, compatriots of the society of the Cincinnati, and brethren of the Masonic fraternity. Ahead of the coffin marched four masters of ceremony bearing on mourning cushions appropriate emblems of his connection with the military, the judiciary, the Cincinnati and the Masons.

General Varnum was a member of old St. John's Lodge of Providence, R. I. He has been spoken of as "perhaps the ablest and most esteemed gentleman of this dynamic company." He was an orator of uncommon talents and most brilliant eloquence. He was much in demand as an orator at Masonic gatherings especially of the celebration of St. John's Day. He enjoyed the shortest stay in the new territory, only eight months. He left his home in Providence with an advanced stage of tuberculosis with the hope that a change in climate might help him, arriving at Marietta on May 1, 1786 and passed away Jan. 10, 1787 at the age of 40.

On June 10, 1790, ten brethren requested Worshipful Brother Jonathan Heart at Fort Harmar who brought with him the warrant on American Union Lodge from Connecticut, to re-establish them. The first meeting was held at Campus Martius on June 28, 1790, Jonathan Heart was the first master, Benj. Tupper S.W. and Rufus Putman J.W. General Heart was killed on an expedition against the Indians under Anthony Wayne, and Rufus Putman was elected the first Master.

On the first Monday in January 1808, delegates of the following six chartered Lodges then operating in Ohio, met at Chillicothe to establish a Grand Lodge American Union #1, Nova Caesarea Harmony #10, Erie #47, New England #48, Amity #5 and Scioto #2. The delegates labored for four days and resulted in the following resolution proposed by Brother Sass to be unanimously adopted "Resolved, that it is expedient to form a Grand Lodge in the State of Ohio." An election was then held and Rufus Putman was unanimously chosen as the first Grand Master. This occurred on Jan. 7, 1808.

Brother Lewis Cass, who was Master and represented Amity Lodge #5 received his degrees in American Union Lodge and Chapter #1, he admitted to Amity Lodge #5. He later served as Grand Master of Ohio, and also as governor. He was appointed the first territorial governor of Michigan. He affiliated with Zion Lodge #1 and was the first Grand Master of Michigan and after the anti-Masonic furor died down was re-elected. He also was the first High Priest of Monroe Chapter #1, R.A.M. and one of the guiding spirits in the construction of the Soo Locks.

The first Grand Lodge Communication was held at Chillicothe on Jan. 2, 1809, at which time the following communication from Brother Putman was read by Grand Senior Warden, George Tod:

"To the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Ohio.

Your Brother sendeth greeting:

It was with high sensibility and gratitude I received the information that the Grand Convention of Masons, convened at Chillicothe, in January last, elected me to the office of Grand Master of your Ancient and Honorable Society, but, however sensibly I feel the high honor done me by the Convention, and am disposed to promote the interest of the Craft in general, and in this State in particular, I must decline the appointment. My sun is far past the meridian; it is almost set; a few sands only remain in my glass; I am unable to undergo the necessary labors of that high and important office; unable to make you a visit at this time, without a sacrifice and hazard of health which prudence forbids.

May the Great Architect, under whose all-seeing-eye all Masons profess to labor, have you in His holy keeping, that when our labors here are finished, we may, through the merits of Him that died, but now is alive, and lives forevermore, be admitted into that Temple not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens, Amen. So prays your friend and Brother,

Rufus Putman

Marietta, December 26, 1808."

Brother Putman's death did not occur until 1824, at which time, with the exception of Brother Lafayette, he was the last surviving general officer of the Revolutionary Army.

The election of officers at this meeting resulted in Brother Samuel Hunt-

ington being elected the second Grand Master which office he held while serving as governor of the State of Ohio.

Note: The Grand Lodge portion of the above was taken from the 150th Anniversary program of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, held at Columbus O, 10-11, 1958.

From the Masonic Philatelist, June 1960, page 5-6. Masonic Stamp Club of New York.

**Sudoku**

		2			1		4	7
	8	1			9			6
		5			4	9		1
	6		1		7	8	2	
	2	4	3		5		7	
8		9	4			5		
5			2			1	6	
2	3		5			7		

Answer on Page 10

**Upcoming Events**



Cincinnati

Cincinnati Reds Sept. 4 at 1:30P \$35  
 29th Degree at Loveland Castle Sep. 15  
 6:15P See details at  
<https://32masons.com/fall-kickoff-september-15-2022/>

Dayton

Dayton Dragons Sept. 3 at 7P \$14  
 Grand Masters Class Sept. 10  
 Quarterly Business Meeting Sept. 28 @ 7P



Cincinnati Syrian

See <https://syrianshrine.org/calendar> for full schedule  
 Sep. 3 Portsmouth Parade

Dayton Antioch

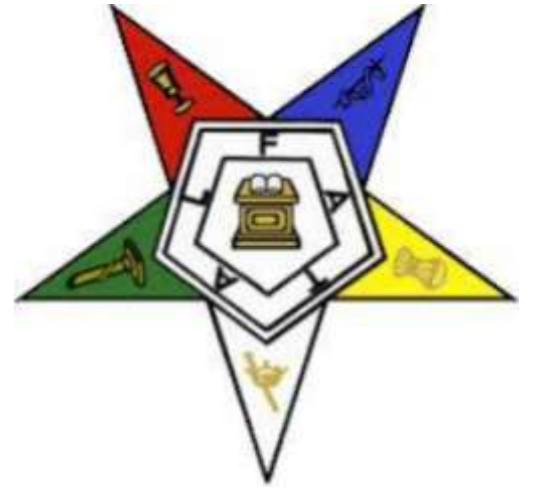
See <https://www.antiochshrine.com/pages/Calendar/calendar.html> for full schedule

Sep 5 Kettering Parade  
 Sep. 8 Middletown 6p  
 Sep. 24 Urbana Parada



Middletown

Chapter 87  
 Sep. 7 Stated Convocation 6P/7P  
 Council 136  
 Sep. 7 Stated Convocation 6P/8P  
 Commandery 71  
 Sep. 9 Stated Conclave 6:30P/7:30P



Washington #195

Meets Hamilton Temple  
 2nd & 4th Fridays  
 7:30 PM



Info will be furnished as to upcoming events for DeMolay and Rainbow Girls in future editions of the Washington Post



**Our Brothers at**

**Greenwood Cemetery**



Last month the first brother we talked about was Brother Charles E. Miller. Nobody came forward with any information about him. This month we are looking at another Miller. This time it's Edward M. Miller. He is the father of Brother Charles E. Miller. Does anybody know the dates of when Edward became an EA, an FC, an MM? Can you fill in the missing pieces to this brother?

There are many museums of Freemasonry throughout the world. The very first one that we shall take a look at is the Henry W. Coil Library and Museum of Freemasonry located in California. This is a relatively new library and museum having been founded in 1996. I had recently sent a question to the Grand Lodge of California trying to track down information on the Square and Compass Stamp Club of Inglewood (a part of the greater Los Angeles area). They ended up directing the question to the Henry W. Coil Library and Museum who wasn't able to find any information pertaining to my question. However, they gave me a few suggestions on possible ways to track down the information that I asked.

In addition to helping researchers, they have a couple of their exhibits displayed online. They also provide many pictures of documents and artifacts that are contained in their collection. To get started checking out how they can assist you or help in your own process of discovery. Check out <https://masonicheritage.org/>

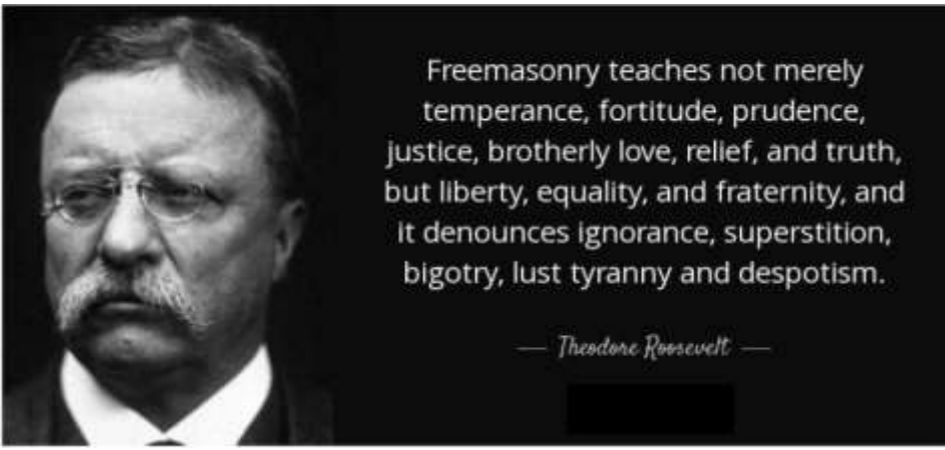


Born:	1901
Location:	Hamilton, OH
Death:	July 22, 1985
Location:	Hendersonville, North Carolina
Plot:	Section C, Lot 84, Grave 2
EA:	?
FC:	?
MM:	?



Answer from Page 6

## Cryptogram Solution



## Logic Puzzle

Answer from Page 4

Name	Age	Fruit
Amy	10 years	banana
Belle	8 years	apple
Chloe	9 years	grape



## Sudoku

Answer from Page 4

6	9	2	8	5	1	3	4	7
4	8	1	7	3	9	2	5	6
3	7	5	6	2	4	9	8	1
9	6	3	1	4	7	8	2	5
7	5	8	9	6	2	4	1	3
1	2	4	3	8	5	6	7	9
8	1	9	4	7	6	5	3	2
5	4	7	2	9	3	1	6	8
2	3	6	5	1	8	7	9	4

## Masonic Word Puzzle

Answer from Page 2

### St Columba Lodge # 150

E	M	A	S	T	E	R	N	O	M	O	L	O	S
R	E	S	T	E	W	A	R	D	U	T	I	T	G
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R	A	N	E	E	C	U	A	C	I	C	A	A	A
D	W	W	L	R	O	M	L	T	U	O	A	L	L
E	E	I	Y	H	N	A	U	E	B	A	M	T	I
N	I	T	T	L	Y	P	S	T	E	L	W	I	W



## From The Newsroom

### In Ohio

GM Wheeland partnered with Children's Hunger Alliance to help the 700K+ children in OH living in food-insecure households. CHA helps those children who need it access to healthy food, nutrition education, & physical activity. Learn more about the CHA project at: <https://bit.ly/3D8r5rk>



### Grand Lodge Cheshire

The walkers and riders on The Route 66 Challenge won't be taking it easy, as they set off on their virtual walk along that storied highway throughout August. You can help them along by sponsoring at: <https://www.justgiving.com/>



### Masons of California

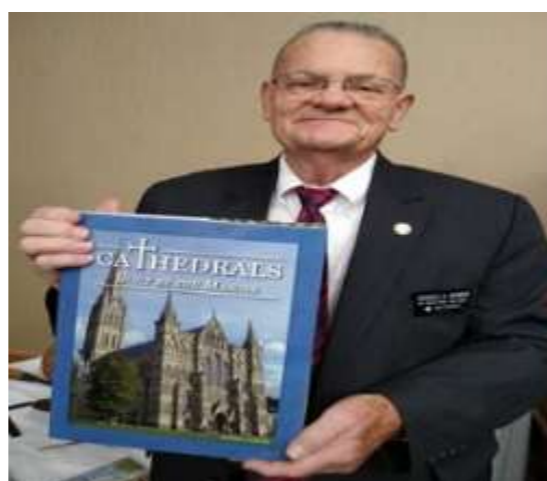
During the early 20th century, Masonic baseball leagues were fairly common all across the country. Reflect on Freemasonry's long history with America's pastime. Learn more at: <http://californiafreemason.org/masonicbaseball>  
Give a mitt: <http://masons4mitts.org>



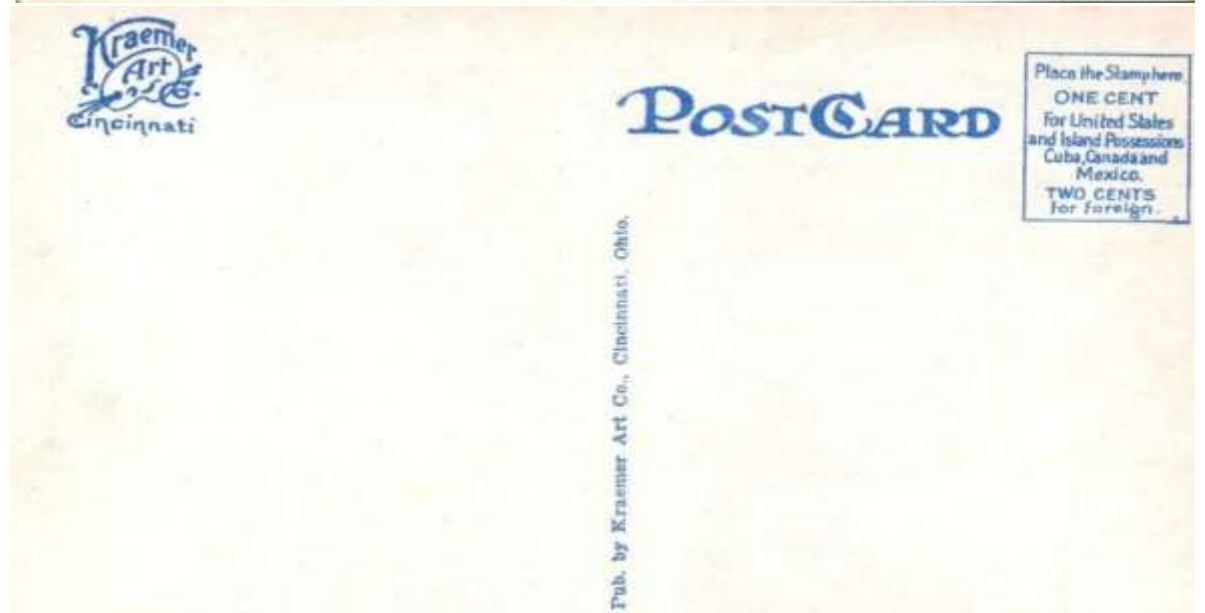
### If You Missed it...

I was wanting to attend this event held at the Dayton Temple and was sadly unable to do so because of another obligation. Fortunately, I just found out that Writers from All Things Masonic did attend and they recently recapped the lecture by Russell Herner, who for more than 30 years made trips to England and Europe to learn how operative Masons built their cathedrals. The Result was his book, "Cathedrals Built by Masons."

For the recap go to <https://bit.ly/3NCBBwL>



Post Cards may be old fashioned, but they are a thing to treasure. Last Month we featured the Dayton Masonic Temple. This Month we feature the Cincinnati Masonic Temple.



## Last One Day Class for the Foreseeable Future Announced

Our outgoing Grand Master of Ohio Masons, Tim Wheeland has previously announced that there will be another One Day Class coming up on Saturday, September 10th. This will be held at 3 locations in the state including at the Dayton Masonic Temple. I have heard that the Grand Lodge officers are planning on putting on the Entered Apprentice Degree. If you know of anyone that needs to finish their degrees through a one-day class, they need to let our Worshipful Master, Jason Baynum know this right away as this will be their last opportunity for the foreseeable future. Right Worshipful Steve Grindle during his Grand Master Roll-out on August 7 at Huber Heights announced that he is not planning to hold a single one day class during his entire tenor. He did encourage lodges if they had many candidates in the pipe-line at the same time to make use of the multiple candidate degree (whereby you can have 3 candidates receive the same degree at the same time) and he referred the brothers to look at the Ohio codebook for more information. Take notice thereof that the September 10th one day class looks to be the last one for the next roughly 13-14 months at a minimum.

## Tidbits from A



On a recent trip to Kentucky, I went a way that I had not previously gone before. I was exploring a couple of towns that had old railroad depots. Whenever I go through towns, I try to find the Masonic Lodge just stop and see what their facility looks like. I discovered an interesting lodge in Leesburg. It is one of Ohio's "Moonlight" Lodges. I had just read an article about these lodges just a couple of days prior. One brother booked over 52 hours of drive time and traversed 2,600 miles in order to attend lodge at each of the then 13 Ohio moonlight lodges. So what makes a lodge a moonlight lodge? Back in the day before you had paved roads and automobiles, travel was treacherous. So....for the protection of its members,

some lodges would only meet when there was a full moon so that its members could utilize the light of the moon to travel safely. The Grand Secretary's office issues a certificate for those brothers who go to all of the moonlight lodges in Ohio. These include Clermont Social No. 29; Doric Lodge No. 172 in Beaverton; Leesburg No. 78; Lockbourne No. 232; Masterton No. 429; Montgomery No. 94; Portland No. 366; Snow No. 193; Stafford No. 300; Thrall No. 170; Unionport No. 333; Waterloo No. 532; Western Sun Lodge No. 91 in Wheelersburg.



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