

Second Masonic District

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From The District

Brethren,

What a great year for Freemasonry in Ohio, 2008 marks the 200th year of Freemasonry in Ohio! Grand Lodge will continue the Bicentennial celebration on **September 7th** at Ohio Masonic Home Day in Springfield, Ohio. The Grand Lodge officers will oversee the burial of 25 time capsules from each of the 25 Masonic Districts. Each lodge from the 2nd District will be contributing a small memento to commemorate this historic event. Please submit time capsule items to your DDGM no later than **August 16th**. Don't forget to visit the 2nd District's food booth at Ohio Masonic Home Day.

The Deputy Grand Master, RWB Charles Murphy will be presenting the Pillars of Lodge Leadership Program at the Middletown Masonic Center on **Saturday, August 16th** from 9:00 am to 12. Wardens, LEO's and Secretaries are encouraged to attend. Coffee and donuts will be provide, lunch is on your own. You may also bring your time capsule items to give to your DDGM.

Please support the DOA by attending our next meeting at Camden Lodge #159 on Thursday, **October 23rd**.

DOA Future Dates of Interest

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| Pillars of Lodge Leadership | 8/16/2008 | Middletown Lodge |
| Ohio Masonic Home Day | 9/7/2008 | Springfield |
| School of Instruction | 10/16/2008 | Eastern Star # 55 |
| 2 nd DOA Spring Meeting | 10/23/2008 | Camden #159 |

Fraternally,

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Lodge Announcements



Vandalia Lodge #742 is hosting an outdoor raising on August 23, 2008 at 3255 Fuls Road, Farmersville, Ohio.

Open at 4:00 pm. A pig roast will be served between sections.

Contact W.M. Gary Rickert by 8/17/2008 for reservation.

937-604-3920 cell

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Germantown Lodge 257

This is to inform the 2nd district of the recent changes at Germantown Masonic Lodge # 257. We have a change of address, from 123 S Main to 8 E Market. We are still in Germantown, 45327, but meeting in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows building. Our meeting day and time has also changed, from Sat. morning to the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 7:30 pm. .

Thank you,
John D. Mize Sect'y
Germantown Masonic Lodge # 257

Minerva Lodge is selling high quality corn hole sets as a fund raiser.

A plain white set (includes 2 playing boards and 8 colored corn filled bags) is \$80. Sets can be customized for Lodges within the District for \$98. Makes a great Christmas gift. Contact Eric Flasher 937 291-1412 or Paul Miller 937 866-0289 for details.



District Deputy Grand Master

Grand Lodge Education Program:

The Grand Lodge website now has three courses available online to take. You have to take it online. You can now print it out and work at your leisure and send it in as before. Make sure you have the **NEWEST UPDATES FOR THE CODE** before you take this course. There are twenty questions. (Multiple choice and true and false).

When you are done it grades it automatically. It tells you the questions you got right and wrong but does not give the correct answer for the wrong ones. This is an excellent tool for the Lodge Officers to use. The point is not knowing so much the answer to every question but rather knowing where to locate the answer in the codebook. More courses are being developed at this time. So give this a try.