



Second Masonic District

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Serving Ohio Lodges in Butler, Montgomery, Preble, and Warren Counties

January 2009

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Past Masters Convocation *Over 100 Past Masters supported the new Lodge Masters at the most recent Past Masters Convocation held on December 6, 2008 at the Dayton Masonic Center. The following Masters were installed:*

BUTLER

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|-----|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 17 | Washington | Harold M. Reed |
| 67 | Oxford | Jeffrey Hoskins |
| 90 | Jefferson | Kevin Johnson |
| 686 | Hugh L. Bates | Russell VieBrooks Jr. |
| 693 | Lincoln | Stanley T. Benner |
| 719 | Benjamin Franklin | Joseph L. McQueen |
| 773 | High Point | Robert Parks |

PREBLE

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|-----|------------|----------------------|
| 80 | Libanus | David Phipps |
| 82 | Bolivar | Lowell G. Young |
| 88 | King Hiram | Fred Keyser |
| 106 | Fellowship | Darin E. Kirkpatrick |
| 159 | Camden | Dwight D. Seals |

WARREN

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|-----|--------------|---------------------|
| 26 | Lebanon | Kirk Ramsey |
| 55 | Eastern Star | Paxton Mendelssohn |
| 135 | Butlerville | Joshua D. LaSeur |
| 163 | Waynesville | Gavin F. Whitacre |
| 265 | Morrow | Doug Siebert |
| 678 | Mason | Francisco J. Cadena |

MONTGOMERY

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|-----|-----------------|-----------------------|
| 13 | St. Johns | Jeffrey Glenn Flora |
| 98 | Minerva | Jason R. Sorah |
| 147 | Dayton | John D. Berthy |
| 257 | Germantown | R. Les Wills |
| 405 | Mystic | Howard F. Cook |
| 482 | Farmersville | Laurie T. Brehm |
| 596 | Brookville | Robert Herr Jr. |
| 716 | John W. Durst | James C. Scenters Jr. |
| 729 | Alpha | Arnold D. Grubb |
| 730 | Solar | Douglas N. Pelfrey |
| 737 | West Carrollton | William Fowler |
| 742 | Vandalia | Larry W. Hall |
| 743 | Englewood | Lawrence R. Atchison |
| 755 | Trotwood | William F. Hoover |
| 777 | Huber Heights | James A. Haugen |
| 779 | Millennium | Roland Stinnette |
| 784 | Far Hills | Jack M. Harless |

JANUARY INSPECTIONS

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| DAY | DATE | LODGE | DDGM | DEG | S/T | MEAL | OPEN |
|-----|--------|-------------------|------|-----|------|------|------|
| TUE | 6-Jan | Dayton 147 | SDB | FC | TUX | 6 PM | 7 PM |
| TUE | 13-Jan | Eastern Star 55 | RJS | FC | SUIT | 6 PM | 7 PM |
| THU | 15-Jan | High Point 773 * | LBC | FC | SUIT | No | 7 PM |
| MON | 19-Jan | Jefferson 90 | JWH | EA | SUIT | 6 PM | 7 PM |
| TUE | 20-Jan | Hugh L. Bates 686 | RJS | FC | TUX | No | 7 PM |
| FRI | 23-Jan | John W. Durst 716 | WGB | EA | TUX | No | 7 PM |
| THU | 29-Jan | Huber Heights 777 | WGB | EA | TUX | 6 PM | 7 PM |

Inspections and Master photographs can be found at www.secondmasonicdistrict.org

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- 163 Waynesville
- 265 Morrow
- 678 Mason

2nd District Officers Association Meetings

Tues., January, 27, 2009 Solar Lodge, Dayton Masonic Center, 7 p.m.

-Guest Speaker: Tom Bannerman, C.E.O. Ohio Masonic Home

Wed., April 29, 2009 Oxford Lodge, Oxford, Ohio, 7 p.m.

(If your Lodge is interested in hosting a DOA meeting in 2010, please contact W.B. Eric Flasher for consideration.)

FUN EVENT

Elvis Valentines Day Dinner, **Sat. Feb. 14, 2009** - 6:30 p.m. at the Hamilton Temple, 724 High St., Hamilton, Ohio. Dinner and show \$10 per person. Reservations to SHa2906026@aol.com or call S.W. Dave Lunsford at 513-895-4166.

DDGM's Comments

R.W.B. Richard Shields found this on W.B. Dwight Seals' interesting "Masonic Did U Know" weekly email. Approximately 200 brethren receive W.B. Seals' updates. To subscribe, simply send an email to djseals@verizon.net

Utopia Found

There is a place that you can find
Where everyone is always kind,
Where everything is harmony,
Where every man is always free.

"A Shangri La?" you say to me,
"Why such a place can never be!"
Untrue, my friend, there's one I know,
A place where good men often go.

No politics are spoken there,
No arguments to rend the air,
Where smiles glow bright on every face,
A joyful and a friendly place.

And not just one, but many more,
Both here at home, on distant shore,
Thousands and thousands, I would guess;
There might be more, but never less.

A place where men can do good deeds
And share their lot with those with needs,
But still have fun in all they do
While being good and firm and true.

They've been around hundreds of years,
These places where men need have no fears,
So now you ask, "Where do I go?"
All right, my friend, I'll let you know.

A place where God is still revered
And tyranny is never feared,
A place where virtues still are taught,
Where goodness is not sold or bought.

Look for a sign with compasses and square,
Easily found, they're most everywhere,
Just note the number and the street
To know where Masons go to meet.

NEWSLETTER

To present information to the Brethren of the Second District, please send it to W.B. Eric Flasher at eric_flasher@yahoo.com. Also, send any Lodge announcements such as community meals or other fund raising activities.

The Second District Newsletter is issued the first of each month. Please submit articles seven days prior to the end of the month.

January Anagram Quiz -- Part I

An anagram is a word or phrase formed by rearranging the letters of another word or phrase. For example, “Second District” could become “Odd Citric Nests” or “Scenic Dirt Dots”.

With this in mind, what Lodges are the following?

- 1 Ram Vine
- 2 Any Dot
- 3 Meant Wrong
- 4 My Tics
- 5 Reversal Film
- 6 Orals
- 7 Swollen Tractor
- 8 Naval Aid
- 9 We No Lodge
- 10 Word Toot
- 11 Sheer But High
- 12 Ah Frills

(Hint: This month all the Lodges in the quiz are in Montgomery County.)

December Lodge Location Distance Quiz- Answers

1) Which Second District Lodges—not meeting in the same building—are closest (all responses assume a straight-line, “as the crow flies” distance)?

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| A. Jefferson # 90 (Middletown) and High Point # 773 (Monroe) | 3.7 miles |
| B. Huber Heights #777 and Vandalia # 742 | 3.3 miles |
| → C. <i>Minerva # 98 and West Carrollton # 737</i> | 2.9 miles |
| D. Far Hills # 784 (Centerville) and Alpha # 729 (Kettering) | 3.5 miles |
| E. Oxford # 67 and Camden # 159 | 9.5 miles |

2) Which Second District Lodges—not meeting in the same building—are furthest away (all responses assume a straight-line, “as the crow flies” distance)?

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| A. Oxford # 67 to Huber Heights # 777 | 40.2 miles |
| B. Mason # 678 to Vandalia # 742 | 39.2 miles |
| C. Camden # 135 to Morrow # 265 | 33.5 miles |
| → D. <i>Fellowship # 106 (New Paris) to Butlerville # 195</i> | 53.2 miles |
| E. Brookville # 596 to Benjamin Franklin # 719 (Hamilton) | 31.2 miles |

3) What Lodge meets closest to the mid-point of all Lodges in the Second District?

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| A. Minerva # 98 | 2.9 miles |
| → B. <i>Germantown # 257</i> | 1.8 miles |
| C. Farmersville # 482 | 5.4 miles |
| D. King Hiram # 88 (West Alexandria) | 12.4 miles |
| E. Eastern Star # 55 (Franklin) | 6.3 miles |

4) What is the average distance to each Lodge in the Second District from the mid-point?

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| A. 5 miles |
| → B. 12.5 miles |
| C. 17.5 miles |
| D. 23 miles |
| E. 36 miles |

5) What Lodge is furthest from the mid-point?

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| A. Oxford # 67 | 23.1 miles |
| B. Butlerville # 195 | 26.9 miles |
| → C. <i>Fellowship # 106</i> | 35.4 miles |
| D. Vandalia # 742 | 19.3 miles |
| E. Huber Heights # 777 | 19.0 miles |