

Second Masonic District

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From The District

Brethren,

The Grand Master's Class is here (April, 9). It is a busy time for all with inspections still going strong. Competition for the traveling gavel has been great this year as several lodges have won it. Get your brethren together and come out and win it at one of the next inspections. There is still time.

Don't forget the DOA meeting on April 13th at Eastern Star.

The golf outing will be June 27 in Middletown. More information to follow.

Masonic Home day returns to Springfield this year on June 5th. Let's see if we can have a good showing to mark it's return.

Don't forget the outdoor raising on June 11th at the same location as last year. For those of you who have not been there, you are missing a beautiful day.

If you have event announcements you would like to have listed in this Letter, please email Rick Shields at rshields1@cinci.rr.com.

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Brethren,

As I am writing this, it is 12 days before the Grand Master's Class and the Grand Secretary is reporting 1,905 candidates statewide. Just today, we have finalized and approved the Education portion for the Class, and answered questions about sufficiency of petitions and paper aprons. This is a busy time. I hope each of you will attend the Class at the various locations and enjoy the excitement. The Grand Master has access to a private plane and weather permitting, he will be flying to 10 of the 11 locations. April 9 will be a great day.

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The webmaster WB Rick Shields has added a small button at www.secondmasonicdistrict.org for a CD by Country Music singer (and our Masonic Brother) Howie Damron. For every CD ordered through the Grand Lodge website, Brother Damron will donate \$5.00 to the Grand Lodge Charitable Foundation. I particularly love the lyrics to one of the songs, "The Masonic Ring" and hope you will consider purchasing a CD.

To those of you who attended the Grand Master's Reception at Dayton, I hope you enjoyed yourself. I have received many comments from the Grand Lodge Officers thanking the District for the courtesies extended to them.

Inspections are still in full swing. I hope to see you there.

Terry W. Posey
Grand Marshal
Grand Lodge of Ohio

District Deputy Grand Masters

NINE WAYS TO KILL A LODGE

1. Don't go to meetings.
2. If you do go to meetings, arrive late.
3. If the weather doesn't suit you, don't even think of attending.
4. If you attend a meeting, find fault with the work of the officers and other members.
5. Never accept an office, as it's easier to criticize than do things.

6. Feel hurt if you aren't appointed on committees, but if you are, don't attend meetings.
7. If asked by the chairman to give your opinion in some matter, tell him you have nothing to say. After the meeting, tell everyone how things ought to have been done.
8. Do nothing more than is absolutely necessary, but when members roll up their sleeves and willingly and unselfishly use their abilities to help matters along, say the organization is run be a clique.
9. Don't bother about getting new members. Let someone else do it.

Carlos R. Pratt
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Lodge Announcements

Please see the main page on the website. (secondmasonicdistrict.org)

Inspections

All inspections are at 7:00pm except Waynesville which is at 9:00am.

Waynesville	163	4/2/2005	W.A. Harrell	FC
Libanus	80	4/7/2005	R.W. Poore	MM
Camden	159	4/11/2005	W.A. Harrell	MM
Eastern Star	55	4/12/2005	D.A. Buchheit	EA
Bolivar	82	4/14/2005	C.P. Koss	FC
West Carrollton	737	4/19/2005	R.W. Poore	FC
Trotwood	755	4/21/2005	C.P. Koss	EA
John W. Durst	716	4/22/2005	D.A. Buchheit	MM
Far Hills	784	4/28/2005	D.A. Buchheit	MM
Butlerville	135	5/14/2005	C.R. Pratt	FC

