

The Temple News



Hugh L. Bates Lodge No. 686 • Free & Accepted Masons

Greetings Brethren,

Happy New Year to all and I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas. It has been very exciting working with the the other three lodges this year. We are currently working to schedule a one day class on Saturday, May 1st, at 8:00am at the Hamilton Temple. We will be needing Craft Team help along with Mentors for every candidate. A Mentor will work with a candidate before the class and make sure the brethren returns to at least one lodge meeting after the class.

There are 8 inspections for the month of January. The schedule for the year has been printed and is at the lodge. Please pick one up and show your support in Masonry by attending as many inspections as you can.

If you have not been in Lodge since our November election, please come and meet and support our new officers. I hope you will notice some changes and go home that night feeling the fellowship that our new officers bring to the Lodge. The little things we changed have made a big difference in cementing our lodge.

Our Tyler, Brethren John Stewart, is a very important part of our lodge and I do not feel he is recognized enough. He is a 58 year member who is always one of the first to arrive at lodge and one of the last to leave.

With the Winter months upon us it has come to my attention that some of our shut-in brethren are having a hard time attending Lodge. If any brethren needs transportation to lodge, please call me at 513-777-5118 with your address. I will make sure you receive a ride to and from lodge.

See you in Lodge!
Fraternally yours,
Jeffrey Shiveley, WM

Dates to Remember:

- Jan. 5.... 7:30pm - Stated Meeting
(Election of Trustee)
- Jan. 12.. 7:00pm - E.A Degree
- Jan. 19.. 7:00pm - Dinner
(Location TBD at Stated Meeting)
- Jan. 23.. 3:00pm - Oxford #67 Table Lodge
(for tickets contact WB Don Reese)
- Jan. 26.. 7:00pm - E.A Degree



Benjamin Franklin No. 719 • Free & Accepted Masons

Brethren:

As December has ended and January has brought in a New Year, so should it bring to every member of Benjamin Franklin Lodge a new beginning!

We have several new candidates that have petitioned the lodge we will be voting on at our Stated Meeting.

As Worshipful Master may I extend saddened but heartfelt thanks to the members of Hamilton High 12 for their many years of service to The Hamilton Masonic Temple. I am broken hearted to see you go!

May I remind everyone that your dues are now past due! Be expecting a call from one

of the phone committees in the near future! Please let me know if there is anything we can do to help you!

We have a very busy schedule in January! If you can make plans to attend I know you would be pleased with the selection of officers your lodge has elected this year! We will be voting on if we will continue our Widows night this year! Also Our Valentines Dinner will be Saturday February 13th Starting at 6:30 The cost of the dinner & entertainment is \$10.00 please get your reservations in to me or Bud Haacke by February 1st.

The Grand Masters One Day Class will be held in conjunction with Washington #17, Hugh L. Bates #686 and Oxford Lodge #67 at the

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Washington Lodge No. 17 Free & Accepted Masons

Happy New Year Brethren,

Why did I become a Mason? When is the last time I have been to lodge? Why so long? Am I living my life by the principles of Freemasonry? These answers are personal and different for each of us. It is a great time to reflect on these questions – that time of year when the past is behind us and a new outlook is upon us.

As you are thinking about the year 2010, your W.M. would like to charge each of you brethren, and especially the Past Masters, to first, act upon the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth; and second, make a goal to come out to lodge at least 2 times this year.

Thank you to all brethren involved in providing dinner for the Haven House Family Homeless shelter for Thanksgiving and for providing toys to the children of the Haven House for Christmas. What wonderful and inspiring events to remind us that masonry is still strong within our temple and our community.

This year we are going to try and be more family-friendly, so starting this month and going through the winter we will be having a family bowl.

If you know of any brethren with health issues, or are in need please let us know.

Candidates, Candidates, Candidates. If you know of a man who would make a good Mason there is no better time than the present. If each brother could bring one new man to Masonry we could double our membership. Petitions are available.

On May 1st there's a Grand Masters one-day class at our temple.

Inspection season is upon us, and our inspection is set for February 10th. Please put this on your schedule and come support your lodge.

The Acacia club is returning to active. Please contact Mike Johnson PM, JW. Restoration

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WASHINGTON LODGE NO. 17 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS Founded A.D. 1812

Website: <http://home.fuse.net/washington17org>

Worshipful Master.....Ryan Stidham
Ph. 759-5898
Secretary.....Ted Mangold
3961 Ashview Pl., Hamilton, OH 45011 Ph. 887-7495
Fees: \$200 Dues \$75.00 (November)



HUGH L. BATES LODGE NO. 686 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS Founded A.D. 1923

Worshipful Master.....Jeffrey Shiveley
Ph. 518-2622
Secretary.....Russell L. VieBrooks, Jr.
2987 Blue Heron Dr., Hamilton, OH 45011 Ph. 896-4528
Fees: \$200 Dues \$66.25 (November)



BENJAMIN FRANKLIN LODGE NO. 719 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS Founded A.D. 1947

Worshipful Master.....Dave Lunsford
Ph. 907-1444
Secretary.....Stanley Haacke
4280 Cherry St., Oxford, OH 45056 Ph. 524-4048
Fees: \$200 Dues \$70.00 (November)



HAMILTON CHAPTER NO. 21 ROYAL ARCH MASONS Founded A.D. 1838

High Priest.....Carl Smith
7338 Cannon Ct., West Chester, OH 45069 Ph. 779-0857
Secretary.....Gary Blade
Ph. 893-0908
Fees: \$30 Dues \$30.00 (June)



HAMILTON COUNCIL NO. 19 ROYAL AND SELECT MASONS Founded A.D. 1853

Illustrious Master.....Carl Smith
7338 Cannon Ct., West Chester, OH 45069 Ph. 779-0857
Recorder.....Bobby George
304 Michael Ave., Hamilton, OH 45011 Ph. 894-7087
Fees: \$25.00 Dues \$30.00 (June)



HAMILTON COMMANDERY NO. 41 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR Founded A.D. 1886

Eminent Commander.....J. Kevin Campbell
Ph. 523-4714
Recorder.....Bobby George
304 Michael Ave., Hamilton, OH 45011 Ph. 894-7087
Fees: \$45.00 Dues \$39.00 (June)



WASHINGTON CHAPTER NO. 195 ORDER OF EASTERN STAR Founded A.D. 1904

Worthy Matron.....Barb Bowen
Secretary.....Carol Hoskins
321 Eaton Ave., Hamilton, OH 45013 Ph. 863-7770
Fees: \$25.00 Dues \$28.00 (October)



FORT HAMILTON CHAPTER NO. 568 ORDER OF EASTERN STAR Founded A.D. 1956

Worthy Matron.....Sharon Wallace
Ph. 737-2452
Secretary.....Annette Caldwell
961 Fostere Ave., Hamilton, OH 45015 Ph. 844-1772
Fees: \$25.00 Dues \$20.00 (October)



HAMILTON HIGH TWELVE CLUB NO. 414 Chartered May 20, 1967

President.....Robert N. Sears
Ph. 851-2751
Secretary/Treasurer.....Willard Childs
1115 Stahlhaber Rd., Hamilton, OH 45013 Ph. 894-6808
Fees: \$10.00 Dues \$25.00 (November)

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petitions are available. My prayers are with each of you and your families in the upcoming year.

Return to the Brotherhood & Ignite the Passions,

Ryan Stidham, W.M.

Dates to Remember:

- Jan. 4.... Stated Meeting, 7:30PM
- Jan. 6.... Tentative EA Degree, 7PM
- Jan. 7.... Dayton #147 Inspection, 7PM
- Jan. 13.. Pre-Inspection for officers, 5:30PM
MM Degree, 7PM
- Jan. 16.. Family Bowling, 1PM,
Fairfield Lanes
- Jan. 19.. District Officer Meeting,
7PM Memorial Night, Mystic
Lodge #405
- Jan. 20.. MM Degree, 7PM
- Jan. 26.. Lady Masons Dinner, 7PM,
Lucky 7 WM will be traveling.
Call for location
- Jan. 27.. MM Degree, 7PM
- Jan. 28.. Bolivar 82 Inspection, 7PM/
Lucky 7, WM traveling

Benjamin Franklin Lodge #719

Hamilton Masonic Temple on May 1st so if you know someone that has always wanted to become a Mason, but were fearful of the memorization proficiency I suggest that you contact this person and tell him about this class! If you need a petition or have questions regarding the class, please call Nick Sackenheim (513-869-0890) or myself (513-907-1444) we will see that you get one. These petitions should be received by March so we can get them investigated and voted on by April's Stated Meeting. Please let us know if anyone who may be ailing so that we might visit them or send them a card.

Fraternally in your service,
Dave Lunsford W.M.

Dates to Remember:

- Jan. 7.... Stated Meeting & Dinner 6:30 PM
- Jan 14... EA Degree
- Jan. 21.. EA Exam & FC Degree
- Jan 28... FC Exam & MM Degree



Ft. Hamilton Chapter No. 568 Order of the Eastern Star

Sisters & Brothers,

Tim & I hope you had a Very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year. We would like to say "Thank You" to everyone who made our November 14 installation a night to remember. The Ladies looked stunning in their new dresses, the decorations were lovely & the food was irresistible.

The Children's Christmas Party that we sponsored for the Temple Board Co. had a good turnout again this year. The children had a wonderful afternoon. Thanks to every one of you who helped with this yearly event. My Worthy Matron's Service Project, a free Christmas Eve Breakfast for our police officers & firemen who were working on this holiday was also very successful. Our guests were pleased that we chose this occasion to show are appreciation for the sacrifices they make for us every day.

We have many more activities planned for 2010. If you haven't been to one of our meetings lately we invite you to come back & enjoy the fun. You have my personal guarantee you will receive a warm welcome. Let's keep the spirit of Christmas alive throughout the year.

In Star Love,
Kathy Rork, Worthy Matron
Tim Rork, Worthy Patron



Washington Chapter No. 195 Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

All the installations are over and it is time to be thankful for our many blessings. The Thanksgiving day Masonic dinner went great. We would like to thank everyone who attended and a special thanks to Carol and Jim, Bonnie and Beth who brought food but couldn't stay for the dinner.

Jim & I want to thank every one for attending our first meeting of this new year and for showing our gratitude to all Veterans. A small gift was given in appreciation to our Marshal Russ Carr as we honored him and all veterans plus family members of veterans. Our Conductress, DeWanna Walsar, gave the farewell as she is a Veteran. The November 27th meeting honored our Chaplain Jay as well Pat Martin who had served in this station. The December Christmas meeting was well attended with the program of the The Three Gifts of the Magi. The evening was even brighter with a visit from our Associate Grand Conductress, Barbara Pelfrey.

Star Love,
Barb Bowen, W.M.
Jim Hoskins, W.P.

Dates to Remember:

- Jan. 8.... Honor Warder & Sentinel
- Jan. 22.. Honor Secretary & Treasurer



Hamilton Council No. 19 Royal And Select Masons

Greetings Companions,

As we begin a new year, we also begin inspection season. Our inspection this year will be on February 27 in the Select Master degree, the work will begin at 10:30am. A lunch is planned immediately following the inspection. Please come out and support the officers - without them we cannot function.

I would like to wish everyone a happy new year. God bless you all.

Fraternally,
Kevin Campbell,
Illustrious Master



Hamilton Chapter No. 21 Royal Arch Masons

Greetings Companions:

We had several companions attend the Third District School and it is continuing this month as well. There is a fine breakfast prepared by the West Carrollton Star at 8 AM. The education starts at 9 AM and is usually over by 11 AM.

If you need a ride to our meeting or any of the inspections, call me (646-0887) and arrangements will be made.

Fraternally,
Carl Smith, High Priest

Dates to Remember:

- Jan 9..... Inspection Wilmington No 63 MEM, 7:30
- Jan 11... Stated Meeting Hamilton No 21, 7:00
- Jan 12... Inspection Palmyra No 235, MM, 7:30
- Jan 16... Third District School, 9:00 AM
- Jan 25... Friendship No 245, RA, 7:30
- Jan 26... Trinity No 44, PM, 7:30



In Memoriam

*Our sincere sympathy to the family & friends
of our departed Brothers & Sisters.*

Christine Dawson

Ft. Hamilton Eastern Star

Jacqueline Frazier

Washington Chapter #195, Died 10/16/09

John G. Johnson

Benjamin Franklin Lodge #719, Died 12/12/09

Michael Mathis

Benjamin Franklin Lodge #719, Died 5/22/09

Gene W. (Jake) Stitsinger

Washington Lodge, Died 12/12/09



Hamilton Commandery No. 41 Knights Templar

Greetings Sir Knights:

January 23 is our inspection. If you have not seen the Order of the Temple in several years, now would be a good time to come out and witness this meaningful order again. We all need a refresher, and what better way to support the local Commandery than to be on the side lines for that day. The Order of the Temple starts at 2 PM, with the Full Form Opening starting at 4 PM. The Dinner will start at 6 PM and it will be prepared by the Washington Star 195. Please make your reservations with Bobby George for the dinner. The inspecting Officer is SK August Holzer who is the Eminent Grand Generalissimo. Practice dates will be announced at the December meeting.

Fraternally,
Carl Smith, Eminent Commander

Dates to Remember:

- Jan. 9.... Inspection Chillicothe No 8
Inspection Dayton No 68
- Jan 16... Inspection Reed No 6
- Jan. 22.. CTA Lebanon
- Jan. 25.. Regular Stated Conclave
- Jan. 23.. Inspection Hamilton No 41
- Jan. 30.. Inspection Middletown No 71
Inspection Jerusalem No 75



Hamilton DeMolay

Greetings from Hamilton DeMolay

The Order of DeMolay is an international youth fraternity for young men 12 to 21 years of age. It is founded on the Principles of Freemasonry, and teaches young men moral principles through a program that the young men develop.

Hamilton DeMolay Meets on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 11am each month. All Masons and parents of DeMolay are welcome and we would appreciate your support.

Hamilton DeMolay has started two new fundraisers:

David D. Lawson
Hamilton Chapter Master Councilor



Rainbow Girls • Millennium Assembly

Hello everyone!

We helped with the Children's Christmas Party at the Temple. It was a wonderful day for lots of children and for the adults. Thanks to Kathy Rork for allowing the Rainbow Girls and members of the board to help and to be a part of all the fun.

We would like to thank all who donated movies, popcorn and music CDs to send to the soldiers. It has been very successful!

We have been very busy - we attended a grand reception in Fairborn and had a sleepover at

Greetings Ladies,

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Hope everyone had a joyous Christmas and New Year and looking forward to things to come in 2010.

I would like to thank Marty Smith, Grace George and Norma Spurlock for visiting our shut-ins and presenting them a gift from the Auxiliary. Please continue to remember our shut-ins with calls, visits and prayers. If you know of anyone we need to send a card to please let Grace George know.

Inspection date is January 23, 2010. The inspecting officer is SK August Holzer. He will be accompanied by his wife Millie. Please join us for an afternoon of fellowship and fun. Marty Smith is planning a craft activity. There will also be a fun fundraiser activity. Thanks to all who are able to bring snacks for the Tea Table. Inspection time starts at 2 PM. Dinner is at 6:00PM. Make reservations by contacting Bobby George.

The next Auxiliary meeting is January 25th. There will be a covered dish at 6:30 PM. Please join us. As always we look forward to seeing you.

Shirley Smith
President

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Katelyn's grandmother's home. We also went to Mason and Middletown Assembly and protomed stations to help with initiations. Our girls love to stay busy, so if you need us to help with something, let us know.

If you know girls 11 to 20 years old who would like information about Rainbow, please let us know.

Dates to Remember:

- Jan. 2.... Stated Meeting
- Jan 30... Installation

In Rainbow Service,
Katelyn Lee, W.A. Mom Wanda Keeler M.A., 867-1912



Greetings High Twelvians:

At our December 3 meeting the following Ladies won prizes: Grace George: handbag & pot holders; Virginia Stewart: handbag & scarf; Virginia Nichols: handbag & scarf; Ida Crowe: handbag & blanket.

The Hamilton High Twelve Club # 414 is relocating to Heaven Sent 2269 Pleasant Avenue Hamilton, Ohio 45015. Our first meeting at that location will be our Installation of officers on January 7, 2010. Many of our members will miss our meeting in the temple and the food prepared by Hi-Fi Star Jewels. The Officers to be installed are:

President–Roy L. Morgan; 1st Vice President–Carl E. Smith; 2nd Vice President–Victor C. Russo; 3rd

Vice President–Robert Gerhardt Jr.; Secretary/Treasurer–Daniel S. Wurst; SGT at Arms–Steven R. Ingram; Chaplain–Odis Caudle; Organist–Donald L. Dunsmore

If you have not paid your dues for 2010 you are delinquent. Please pay them as soon as possible. Without you we will cease to exist.

My wife and I would like to thank you for your support in 2009 and ask that you support the new officers of your club by attending meetings as often as possible in 2010. Without members and guest attending we would certainly not need officers!

Our Awards Ceremony was a great success. John C. Cole and David L. Hawkey both received High Twelvian of the year awards. Willard C. Childs

received a certificate for his service as Secretary/Treasurer and the Call Committee Members received a certificate for their service. Each member present received a Wolcott Lapel Pin for their support of the Wolcott Foundation. Hi-Fi Star Jewels received a Certificate for forty-Two years of preparing and serving our club meals.

These members were also honored by being made Kentucky Colonels; Ida Crowe, Shirley Doyle, Ralph Geurin, Rose Geurin, Euelene Linz, and Janet Sims.

Robert N. Sears
President

Dates to Remember:

Program Chairman Carl Smith, 1st Vice President Jan. 7.... Installation of Officers

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