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#### TRESTLE BOARD

Tues., Mar. 1, 7:00 p.m. – Master Mason Degree Practice
Wed., Mar. 2, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting
Mon., Mar. 7 – Eastern Orthodox Lent
Tues., Mar. 8, 7:00 p.m. – Master Mason Degree Practice
Wed., Mar. 9 – Ash Wednesday
Sun., Mar. 13 – Daylight Saving Time begins
Tues., Mar. 15, 7:00 p.m. – Master Mason Degree Practice
Wed., Mar. 16, 7:00 p.m. – Lodge Inspection, Master Mason Degree
Thurs., Mar. 17 – St. Patrick's Day
Sun., Mar. 20 – Spring!
Wed., Apr. 6, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting

Brethren, beware the ides of March! We should have been watching out for the beginning of February. Wasn't that something? Tons of ice everywhere! We had to cancel our practice and our regular stated meeting due to the Temple being closed those two days. Our very own "March-Madness" is upon us again, namely, our inspection in the Master Mason Degree coming up on the 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. We are continuing our practices every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. until inspection day and welcome any of you at those practices.

I believe we have had a couple of candidates successfully examined in the Fellow Craft Degree at our last stated meeting in February, one of whom will be our inspection candidate and if you remember what refreshments were like after our last Master Mason Degree Inspection, they will be as good if not better this year. So mark your calendars and plan on attending our inspection on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

Canton Lodge No. 60 is fortunate to have a few petitioners awaiting initiation; so we will be getting real busy after inspection. Hopefully, we will also have the Senior Warden and Junior Warden's getting their feet wet in the East.

Dan, Master





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#### TRESTLE BOARD

Fri., Mar. 4, 6:00 p.m. – Dinner by Reservations, Call the Master 7:00 p.m. - Special Meeting, Lodge Inspection, Fellow Craft Degree
Mon., Mar. 7 – Eastern Orthodox Lent
Wed., Mar. 9 – Ash Wednesday
Fri., Mar. 11, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, "I have the Answer!" by D.E.O. Lengler
Thurs., Mar. 17 – St. Patrick's Day
Fri., Mar. 18, 7:00 p.m. - Fellow Craft Team and Officers Meeting
Sun., Mar. 20 – Spring!
Fri., Mar. 25, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Walk-around, Entered Apprentice Degree
Fri., Apr. 8, 7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting

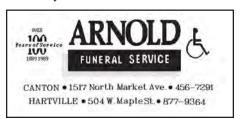
Greetings Brethren! As I write, a great part of our region has experienced what weather forecasters call "the storm of the century." Stark County was significantly affected and a state of emergency was declared. Today however, the sun is shining, the ice and snow are melting and all appears well. The world now looks much more pleasant. I trust and hope everybody is well and survived the storm without any serious harm or inconvenience.

March is a busy month for our Lodge. Our Lodge will have its annual inspection on March 4<sup>th</sup> in the Fellow Craft Degree. There will be a dinner prepared by Johnnie Jones at 6:00 p.m. in the Ballroom. Lodge will open at 7:00 p.m. with the inspection.

The ritual work will be very special to not only the candidate, but also the officers and brethren on the sidelines. A few years ago I was at another lodge witnessing the Master Mason degree. It was winter time and not only very cold but a storm was pounding us with a great amount of snow. The roads were icy and treacherous and very few cars were on the road as we drove. Still, many brothers showed up and many on the sidelines had to help with the ceremony. Afterwards, the candidate was asked if he wished to say something. He looked around the room and said, "I can't believe that all of you came out in this miserable weather tonight just for me." That expression of gratitude has always remained with me. Sometimes we forget how important the ritual work is to the candidate and sometimes we forget how important it is to ourselves also. I would ask you to think back for a moment to

the time when you knelt at the Altar of Masonry. Remember when you began your journey and how uneasy you were as you ventured into the unknown. Everything was new and confusing and not at all comforting. Remember how you felt at

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#### TRESTLE BOARD

Thurs., Mar. 3, 7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Section Master Mason Practice
Mon., Mar. 7 – Eastern Orthodox Lent
Wed., Mar. 9 – Ash Wednesday
Thurs., Mar. 17 – St. Patrick's Day 7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> Section Master Mason Practice
Sun., Mar. 20 – Spring!
Thurs., Mar. 24, 6:00 p.m. – Inspection Dinner 7:00 p.m. – Special Meeting, Inspection, Master Mason Degree
Thurs., Apr. 7, 7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting

What a month the weather has been in Canton. I want to thank all those brave brethren who attended lodge in spite of it. It is with tongue in cheek that I apologize for not joining you this last three weeks as my wife and I were in sunny Florida. It was so bad that we needed our air-conditioning most nights. We did get two visitors, P.M. Jim Abbott and his wife Pat, from Bonita Springs, when they stopped by. Our main reason for the trip was to visit old friends in Marathon, Florida where I was raised in 1988. Sadly, the only brother left whom I knew, a former Entered Apprentice student of mine, is now a Past District Grand Master. Being a dual member, I even got to vote while there. Marathon No. 323 is a small lodge but quite active. There were 25 members and 5 visitors present for a stated meeting. When it comes to visiting other lodges the last few years, it seems to be a lost art. I challenged our officers and members to visit other lodges with two weeks left in February and hope to visit many more. Other officers: L.E.O., Johnnie Jones; Senior Warden, Ron Nave; Senior Deacon, Reid McLeod and Junior Deacon, Brent Bowers have been doing there part

as well. It is starting to feel like the old days again. And hopefully, we will have a great turnout on March 24<sup>th</sup> for our Inspection in the Master Mason Degree. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. and lodge at 7:00 p.m. Getting ready for this; we will have a first section practice on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and on March 17<sup>th</sup> we will practice the second section with a full Fellow Craft Team. It is sad to note that we lost Roy Brown and Louis Kull to the Grand Lodge above. We will keep them

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Thurs., Mar. 3, 4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. - Spaghetti Dinner Mon., Mar. 7, 7:00 p.m. - Nazir Board Meeting Wed., Mar. 9, 6:30 p.m. - Dinner Served 7:15 p.m. - Nazirettes Meeting 7:30 p.m. - Nazir Stated Meeting Sun., Mar. 13 - Daylight Saving Time Begins Thurs., Mar. 17 - St Patrick's Day Sun., Mar. 20 - Spring!

## Saturday Morning Breakfast at the Grotto, 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Pancakes, Waffles, Sausage, Biscuits and Gravy, Scrambled Eggs Chief Justice Message

Looking ahead Prophets and Ladies, our Monarch Kevin is planning an "April Fools Dance" on Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. The cost will be \$15:00 a couple. We will have a D.J., Coney's, hotdogs, slaw dogs, cheese plates and set-ups so B.Y.O.B. please, plus very good fellowship. Keep an eye out for the flyers. We are letting you know in advance so start making plans. Also, lets not forget to attend our Blue Lodges. They sure can use you. See you at Grotto

### Gary Gruber P.M., Chief Justice.

#### **District Deputy Report**

"MJ" and I attended the February Zone Conference in Newark, Ohio. Quite a few things were brought up about the Supreme Council Code and why some of the Grottoes are not following procedures. Also all officers are supposed to have a copy of the latest Code Book plus the Grotto Ceremonial Book. We also had a very nice weekend visiting some of our old Friends.

## R.G.(Slip) Krabill P.M., S.C.D.D.

#### **Clown Unit**

You can help put Masonry in front of nearly 200,000 people and millions more who will watch on TV. That's correct! You can be a Nazar Grotto Clown in the Pro Football H.O.F. 2011 festival. Just be available Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. for the Balloon Classic at Kent State - Stark Campus, Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup> from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. for the Community Kick- off Parade and Saturday morning, August 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. for the Timken Grand Parade. The paper work for consideration has been returned to the Festival Office. Join Nazir Grotto and be a Clown. Hope 2-C-U-2 soon, with the "Get the Trolley ready Team."

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Tues., Mar. 1 – Mark Master Degree, Massillon Chapter
Mon., Mar. 7 – Eastern Orthodox Lent
Wed., Mar. 9 – Ash Wednesday
Sun., Mar. 13 – Daylight Saving Time begins
Tues., Mar. 15, 7:00 p.m. - Stated Meeting
Thurs., Mar. 17 - St. Patrick's Day
Sun., Mar. 20 - Spring!
Thurs., Mar. 24 – Royal Arch Degree, Tuscarawas Chapter
Mon., Apr. 25 – Most Excellent Master Degree, Canton Chapter

Hello Companions, what a winter we're having with this cold weather outside. What a good time to display the warmth and friendship of Royal Arch Masons, not only at our meetings but at all Chapters. This shows our strength in our belief of Masonry everywhere.

Inspections are here so please try and attend so the candidates see and feel our support. See you at the next meeting.

## **Robert Habony, King**

## 21st Masonic District Inspection Schedule

Fri., Mar. 4, Wm. McKinley 431, Canton, F.C. 7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Yocum, Lengler Sat., Mar. 5, Hudson 510, Hudson, E.A. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. Turner, Brumbaugh Tues., Mar. 8, Juilliard 460, Louisville, M.M. 7:00 p.m. Ref. Aft., Webber, Detchon Thurs., Mar. 10, Cov-Akron 83, Akron, F.C. 7:00 p.m. Ref. Aft., Webber, Lengler Wed., Mar. 16, Canton 60, Canton, M.M. 7:00 p.m. Ref. Aft., Webber, Detchon Thurs., Mar. 17, Summit 213, Twinsburg, F.C. 7:00 p.m. Ref. Aft., Turner, Brumbaugh Wed., Mar. 23, Tuscarawas 59, Dover, E.A. 7:00 p.m. Ref. Aft., Webber, Detchon Thurs., Mar. 24, Trinity 710, Canton, M.M. 7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Yocum, Detchon Mon., Mat. 28, Mystic Tie 194, Dennison, F.C. 7:00 p.m. Ref. Aft., Webber, Detchon Wed., Mar. 30, Cuyahoga Falls 735, Cuyah. Falls, M.M. 7:00 p.m. Ref Aft., Yocum, Brumbaugh Sat., Apr. 2, Meridian Sun 69, Richfield, M.M. 7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Turner, Brumbaugh Sat., Apr. 2, Meridian Sun 69, Richfield, M.M. 7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Turner, Brumbaugh Sat., Apr. 2, Meridian Sun 69, Richfield, M.M. 7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Turner, Brumbaugh Sat., Sat.,

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and their families in our prayers. We also celebrated P.M. Jack Kull's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday in lodge on February 17<sup>th</sup>. Jack's health has not been the best lately. Also keep Reid McLeod in your prayers as he had heart surgery in February.

Mike, Master



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#### TRESTLE BOARD

Mon., Mar. 7- Eastern Orthodox Lent begins
Wed., Mar. 9 – Ash Wednesday
Tues., Mar. 15, 7:45 p.m. - Stated Meeting
Thurs., Mar. 17 – St. Patrick's Day
Sun., Mar. 20 – Spring!
Mon., Mar. 28, 7:00 p.m. – Super Excellent Master Degree Practice
Tues., Apr. 5, 7:00 p.m. – Super Excellent Master Degree Practice

Greetings companions, are we all about sick of the snow yet? Well, warmer weather will be here soon. We currently have three candidates working through the degrees. They have received the Royal Master and Select Master Degrees and we did pass our inspection in the Select Master Degree. We have been very busy! Companions we still have a lot to do. Our council will be conferring the Super Excellent Master Degree, hopefully on all three candidates on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. We could really use your help doing this. All the speaking parts are covered but we could use a few extra giblets, guards and seekers. This is a great way to help your council and have some fun and fellowship without having to learn a speaking part. Our degree director, Jim Collins, has set the following dates as practices for this very large and important degree. Because of the size of the cast we have broken the practices into three parts; each on a separate night. The first practice will be for the giblets in the first section, Monday, March 28th at 7:00 p.m. The second practice will be for the second section of this degree, Tuesday, April 5th at 7:00 p.m. You guessed it! the third practice will be for the third section and will be on April 11th at 7:00 p.m. The really nice thing about this degree is that there really is no end to the amount of non speaking parts. The more the merrier! Also, as many of you know, Deputy Master Jim Collins is collecting aluminum cans for diabetic children. Please save your empties. They all help in this very important work. As always please remember our sick and our shut-ins and the many brave, courageous men and women who risk life and limb to keep us living free. Rick Memmer, Illustrious Master









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Wed., Mar. 9 – Ash Wednesday
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Tues., Mar. 15, 8:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting
Wed., Mar. 16, 7:00 p.m. – C.T.A. at Orville Hospital
Thurs., Mar. 17 – St. Patrick's Day
Sat., Mar. 19, 2:00 p.m. - Wooster Inspection, Order of the Temple
Sun., Mar. 20 – Spring!.

Sir Knights, by the time you receive the March Bulletin, Canton Commandery will have had their annual inspection. The results will be reported on in the April Bulletin. The next inspection in the 8<sup>th</sup> division is scheduled for Wooster Commandery on March 19<sup>th</sup> and all Sir Knights and their ladies are invited to attend.

There will be a C.T.A. meeting on March 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m., at the Orville Hospital. They will be having an interesting program and ladies are invited. Remember, if possible, all officers are encouraged to attend.

As Christian Masons, most of us will be observing the beginning of Lent starting with Ash Wednesday. In this Holy Season, let us prepare for God's greatest gift ever given to man, the Savior of the world. John 3:16.

Come out and support your Commandery and bring a fellow Sir Knight. **Dan, E.C.** 





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#### **TRESTLE BOARD**

Tues., Mar. 1, 10:00 a.m. Auxiliary Meeting, Auxiliary Kitchen Sat., Mar. 5, 10:00 a.m. - District Meeting, Line Officers, Canton Masonic Temple 1:00 p.m. - Tri-Youth Day, Cleveland Masonic Temple Fri., Mar. 11, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Long Form Opening Sat., Mar. 12 - Winery Bus Trip, Sponsored by District 13, Details T.B.A. Sat., Mar. 19 - Breakfast at the Saxon Club near Salem, Sponsored by District 13 - Kate DeWees, North Canton Masonic Temple 4:00 p.m. - Practice 5:30 p.m. - Dinner 6:00 p.m. - Meeting Sun., Mar. 20 - Spring! 3:00 p.m. - Grand Representative of U.T. Reception, East Palestine Mon., Mar. 21, 7:30 p.m. - 100th Anniversary, W.G.M. W.G.P. Visitation, Salem Temple Fri., Mar. 25, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting, Long Form Opening Sat., Mar 26, 4:00 p.m. - "Road Kill Dinner," District Charities Event, Alliance Temple Tues., Mar. 29, 7:30 p.m. – Inspection, Iva Chapter, Lisbon Masonic Temple First Grand Dessert Auction sponsored by the District 13

Just a few more weeks of winter! Soon spring will be in the air! As you can see on the Trestle Board, we have a lot going for Eastern Star this month. On March 5th, Ohio's Associate Grand Conductress, will be meeting with members and chapter officers of the district to go over what is expected of us at inspection. Since we have a Grand Inspection this year, honoring our own Worthy Grand Patron, Trevor, we encourage everyone in Delta Chapter to attend. It will be in our temple since our District President, Barb Turner, is also from Delta. A lunch will follow for \$5.00 which means we'll need able bodies and willing

hands to help out in the kitchen. That afternoon in Cleveland, our own W.G.P., Trevor Sproul will be honored at the Tri-Youth Day. The Executive Officer of DeMolay is naming the class of new DeMolay boys, initiated that day, as the Trevor Sproul class. He was asked at Grand Lodge and was very shocked and humbled. We have a number of events on the calendar sponsored by the District 13 Committee. The money made at these events helps the District cover the ex-

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# **Daughters of Mokanna**



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Tues., Apr. 5, 7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting

Hope everyone is staying warm! After this last month, spring cannot come any sooner. I like the changing of the seasons but this year has gone too far. A little snow is "O-k" but all the ice we had was just too much. Hopefully it is in the past and we can look forward to the coming warm weather.

This past month Nazir Caldron lost two daughters: Anna Glosser and Ethel Deames. Our prayers and thoughts go out to the families of our dear departed daughters.

At the March meeting we will continue to have practice for the drill at session. We hold these practices after the meeting and we practice for about a half hour. Please plan on attending each one.

Everyone stay healthy and I hope to see you at the meeting.

Fraternally

Katherine Oesch, M.C.O.







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light when your eyes saw so many brothers there to support you and to be a part of your new journey? Remember that feeling of comfort in your gut knowing that you were with true and trusted friends? Well brethren, it is time for you to "pay it forward." It is now your obligation to be in lodge for your new brother who is just beginning his journey. There is no better time or opportunity to do so than at our annual inspection. If you are uncertain as to whether you should join us, I simply say, the time is now! See you in Lodge.

**Gust Goutras, Master** 

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penses of having a Worthy Grand Patron. One of the events is a Grand Dessert Auction. Each Grand Representative, Grand officer, Deputy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matrons and Patrons will take turns baking for us to bid on their tempting desserts. The first auction is at Iva's inspection. Speaking of which, our inspection is April 30<sup>th</sup>. The Worthy Grand Matron will be inspecting our chapter. Dust off those rituals because we want to look very sharp as the eyes of Ohio are on us that day. Let's make Trevor proud! Last but certainly not least, is the district's second annual "Road Kill Dinner." It is a lot of fun to see what people come up with as "dishes" for this event. I'm assured it's all edible, so the skeptical need not worry. We hope to see you at our meetings on March 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. Be safe out there and think spring!

## Star Love.

### Auxiliary

The next Auxiliary meeting is March 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Auxiliary Dining Room. Lunch is at Noon. We will address cards and decorate the dining room for March. We have several dinners to serve this month. If you want to help, we always appreciate another pair of hands.

### Carol

### Sunshine

Sympathy cards were sent to: Rossie Fisher (death of wife Ana Jean) Bill Deames (death of wife Ethel.) Wishing you well card sent to Emory Hall.

Thinking of you cards sent to: Sue Feaser (broken wrist) Sue Williams (Whiplash) Dorothy Hamilton and Jackie Harsh and Brian Johnston.

Carnation bowl sent to Tom Lilly (Aultman Cardiac Unit.)

Jane Erickson, Sunshine





# Highlights of the 32 Degree Masonic Learning Center's 2011 Sock Hop,Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.



The gang starts to gather to enjoy the festivities.





Colleen Argenti and Jerry White (Guests) Enjoy a song from Elvis, who stopped by.



This article appeared on the front page of the winter 2011 "Preservationist" a small local publication featuring great architecture and community buildings with a history. Our Masonic Temple was selected for viewing this year.

# The Preservationist

On Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, you are invited to an open house at the Masonic Temple at 836 Market Avenue North, Canton, Ohio

This wonderful example of Grecian style architecture became the home of the Canton Lodge after being built starting in 1924 with completion in 1926. At the upper levels of the facade are Ionic columns and pilasters which add to allusions of the classical past. Masonry came to Canton in December 1821 but can be traced from King Solomon's period, through the era of Rome and finally to England. It was made up of stone masons who traveled together working on various building projects, especially the cathedrals of Europe. In the early 1700's these groups began to allow non-stone masons into their society which led to the first Grand Lodge in England in 1717. The first American Grand Lodge was formed in - 1722. After meeting in various locations through the years and incorporating in 1889 with an initial offering of 1500 shares at \$50.00 each share, in 1922 the Board of Directors increased the capital stock to 10,000 shares at \$100.00 per share in order to raise funds to build the Temple we will be visiting. The cost of the Temple, site and furnishings was \$1,200,000. This includes the building cost of \$962,000. It is a cream brick structure of eight floors and levels, which includes a dining room that serves 600, men's and ladies lounges, billiard room and television lounge, card room and other various spaces The second floor contains the beautiful cathedral room with it's great beamed ceilings, organ loft, choir and lantern rooms to the rear which can seat 600 in the amphitheater with an additional 150 on the main floor. The chandeliers have to be lowered in order to clean and replace bulbs and takes four men to do. They are suspended from 1/2 inch cables passing from an I-beam down through a pulley on the light, passing back up through a second pulley and then into a worm-drive winch which is bolted to the I-beam. The fixtures are made of plaster and weigh several hundred pounds each. The stage equipment with many sets of curtains and back-drops and a complete panel for lighting effects is equal to many theaters. Adjacent is the large robing room with complete theatrical make-up facilities. This is in addition to the third floor's 400 person capacity room for Scottish Rites candidates. There is also a Hall of Presidents which features portraits of fourteen presidents of the US that were Masonic members and includes the very special portrait of William McKinley with his sward of honor.

The Temple also houses the 32 Degree Masonic Learning Center for children Inc. which is for children who suffer with the frustration of dyslexia. For over ten years the Scottish Rites Masons have been national leaders in the effort and help for children and their families to overcome the many obstacles of learning by providing one-on-one tutoring.

Please use the entrance off 9<sup>th</sup> street and there will be volunteers from both CPS and the Temple to guide you and answer questions. There is plenty of parking in the rear and two elevators service the handicapped friendly building. Call (**330**) **452-9341** for reservations. Do not call the Masonic Temple.





Casper Student Loan Educational loans for college students and those interested in career advancement



Applications are now being taken for financial assistance for higher education by the Casper Student Loan Trust. Applications are available at the main lobby desk off the 9<sup>th</sup> Street entrance of the Masonic Temple on the corner of 9th Street and Market Ave North, Canton, Ohio. They may also be obtained by logging onto: cantonfreemasons.com and choosing Student Aid - Casper Trust on the left. Follow the information down the page to where an application may be downloaded in a PDF file. You may also e-mail the Casper Loan Secretary at: rrteletram@neo.rr.com and ask for one to be mailed to you. Do not forget to include your address and city. The deadline for submitting these applications is May 20th, 2011. You will be notified when your application is received of when and where your personal interview with the Casper Committee and your parents or legal guardian, will be held. Your high school transcripts or transcripts from the last school you attended must accompany your application. Please, do not wait for final grades to reach you. Send what you have in hand even if they are not up to date. Final grades may be presented at a later date. The Casper Trust does honor requests for all higher education students regardless of age. It is not just for high school graduates and all higher educational endeavors are considered.

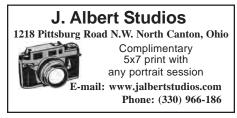
## Why Freemasonry Survives

## By: Chauncey M. Depew (1834-1928) Financier, U. S. Senator

Institutions do not survive through the ages by accident; they live only through the possession and operation of everlasting principles. When an organization runs back beyond historic records, and relies upon tradition for the story of its origin, its career during a known period either justifies or falsifies the tradition. An ancestry of virtue and good works is a liberal education. The power of the accumulated wisdom of the past is a resistless impelling force upon the present. The architects, the decorators, the draftsmen, the woodcarvers, the workers in precious metals and the Masons who were building the famous Temple of King Solomon came from every nation in the then-known world. Their union of mutual help, protection, society and improvement was the marvel of an age when all navies were pirates and all nations were enemies.

Masonry, marching under the leadership of God and the banner that bears the motto, "Love thy neighbor as thyself," with the peasant and the prince, the mechanic and the merchant, the learned and the unlearned following in equal rank and common step, knows neither race nor nationality, neither caste nor condition, as it proudly and beneficially moves down the centuries.







## Masters, Wardens & Deacons Association of Stark County TRESTLE BOARD

Mon., Mar. 21, 7:00 p.m. – Stated Meeting Canton Temple Blue Lodge Room

Brethren, we are all enthused at the turnout we had at the January meeting. Almost every lodge in Stark County was represented and business could again be conducted. Let's hope this will continue. A host of ideas were exhibited that evening and we are looking forward to seeing some of them come to fruition in the near future.

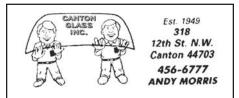
We are pleased to say a favorable audit was completed in January. We are now looking towards the Grand Master's Reception in May and our fiscal responsibility towards its success. We hope all who can obtain ads for the dinner Booklet do so shortly as funds are sorely needed.

Also, during this inspection season, we hope each lodge brings a compliment of members to help support your neighboring lodges in their inspections and the wonderful fellowship that those evenings can produce. Bring as many members as you can get together and have a chance to bring home the "travelling trophy" for the best attendance.

Remember, every master mason is welcome to attend Masters Warden's & Deacon's Association meetings. I hope to see you there.

Sincerely,

Gordon L. Broome, Vice President



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