



March 2014

**Stated Meetings 3rd Tuesday 7 pm
848 Clough Pike**

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7 Candidates Prepare for Grandmaster's One Day Class

From college students to small business owners to corporate executives, the 2014 Grand Master's One Day Class candidates from J. B. Covert Lodge represent a diversity of backgrounds that will strengthen the already robust character of the Lodge. On April 5th, 2014 members of Lodges throughout the 6th Masonic District and their Candidates will converge on J. B. Covert Lodge for a Grand Master's One Day Class along with our own seven candidates. "The reason why each man has chosen to join is as unique as all of the Brothers that preceded him, but no matter what the reason each has been found as being justly entitled to do so. It is our job to insure that their experiences represent all that is unique to the core of Freemasonry," said WB Olson.

We are looking for volunteers to not only help with the degree work, but to also help with the various tasks of associated with hosting an event of this magnitude. If you would like to play a role in this event, please contact WB Dale Olson at worshipful@jbcovertlodge.com or via phone at 513-624-7009.



*Norman J. Mick,
Grand Master, GLOH*

This is an excellent opportunity to come back to Lodge and help showcase the jewel of Freemasonry that is J. B. Covert Lodge. Please plan on coming to Lodge on Saturday April 5th, 2014 to be a part of this unique event.

Social Committee Yearly Plan Available Online or via Email

We will continue to post details of upcoming events in the newsletter, but with the frequency of this publication being only once a month we can keep you better informed of what's happening at your Lodge if you share your email with us.

Please send an email to secretary@jbcovertlodge.com

Special Notice: Trustees holding work day 3/29/14 @ 8:30 am to start preparing building for this event.



**End of Winter Lead Therapy at Point Blank Range
Tuesday, March 11th 6:30 pm until 8:30 pm**

Details on the website:

<http://jbcovertlodge.com/calendar/fellowship-events/>

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Master's Message

Greetings Brothers!

If I had to pick one word to describe the current state of our lodge, I think that I would choose **DYNAMIC**.

Things are definitely changing these days. Some of these changes are obvious to us all but some are more subtle so let me fill you in on some of the things that are going on around the lodge.

The Temple Board has been reconstituted. After being dormant for nearly three decades, we have revived this important part of our lodge structure and it is a viable entity again.

The Trustees have been restructured from a more or less ceremonial body to an extremely active and very important part of our lodge. Building maintenance, cleaning, inspections and system upgrades are now being performed efficiently, effectively and in a timely manner under the direct supervision of the Trustees.

The social committee formed under WB Matt Palm is doing a great job in planning numerous social activities for the year. Remember guys, these activities can not succeed without your support. **Check the website, read the bulletins and come out and have some fun in Masonry for a change!**

Believe it or not, we are actually doing some active and ongoing fundraising for the first time in a long time. We are selling ads in our newly formatted lodge bulletin. We are participating in the "Taste of Clermont" for the second year this summer and we will be renting the lodge out for the York Rite festival in May. In addition, we made \$1,000 for the Lodge from the Shanghai pearl sale and the ongoing can recycling program has brought in nearly \$200 for the lodge. I hope to expand on the fundraising area in the future.

Another area where some positive change is happening is in our relationship with the 6th Masonic District. We are much more active within the district and I think that our relationship with them and their perception of us has improved. To date, we have had at least one member from our lodge in attendance at every district function. Please keep up the good work Brothers!

Speaking of the 6th District let me close by reminding you that J. B. Covert is hosting the Grand Masters One Day Class (GM1DC) on Saturday, April 5th. This will be a very high visibility event for us and we have a real opportunity



The Lodge History Display is taking shape!



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Secretary's Notes

Please update your contact information– We had to suspend 6 Brothers for non-payment of dues. And, to great frustration 2 of those were due to Lost Contact! Please remember to advise us of any change in contact information.

He Rests From His Labors

Russell F. Young II, Born July 21, 1944 Raised April 9, 2005 Died February 7, 2014

Edward J. Andrews, Born August 21, 1932 Raised June 23, 1981 Died February 17, 2014

Russell E. Lehman, Born June 6, 1933 Raised March 5, 1971 Died February 19, 2014



Birthdays For March

John Adams, Larry Armstrong, Timothy Campbell, David Davis, Barry Disney, Douglas Donohoo, Roger Dunford, Bruce Ehas, Stephen Hedger, James Meyer, Carl Reeves, Anthony Rivers, Donald Rosensweet, Charles Shanks, Russell Shipley, Cledes Smith, Robert Smith, Walter Syphax, Daron Terry.



Master's Message Cont'd

to shine brothers. This event will be quite labor intensive and we will need a "maximum effort" from the brothers to pull it off. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending if you can. You don't need to spend the whole day working this event, but any time that you can give will sure help.

Brothers, we are working hard in many areas and I appreciate the effort that so many of you are putting forth for the lodge. Let's focus on the GM1DC and put on a great program for the members of that class because after all, we are all working for the candidates on that day.

Dale Olson
Worshipful Master
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Donations To The Lodge

Our grateful thanks to Brother Peter Finzer for his generosity to his Lodge!

We've Almost Filled The Boot!



As part of our planning for the 2013 Flag Retirement and Awards Ceremony a motion was passed to make an annual donation to a Boy Scout Troop who agrees to assist us in retiring the flags. This donation was set at \$250, which is the cost of sending one Scout to a week of Boy Scout Summer Camp. A well used hiking boot was placed in the dining room for donations for the 2014 Campership and if you would like send a donation to the Secretary, just mark it as *Fill The Boot!*

Upcoming Events

- Mar 11 Point Blank Range Fellowship Event**
6:30 pm 10930 Deerfield Road
RSVP to web@jbcovertlodge.com
- Mar 18 J. B. Covert Stated Meeting**
6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm work
- Mar 29 GM1DC Preparation Work Day**
8:30 am- 3 pm Lunch will be served
- Apr 5 Grand Master's One Day Class**
7 am Candidate Registration
- Apr 15 J. B. Covert Stated Meeting**
6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm work
- May 6 Ladies Night Dinner**
6:30 pm- Cost TBD
- May 20 J. B. Covert Stated Meeting**
6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm work
- May 31 Live Music & Vino @ Harmony Hill**
6:00 pm Fellowship Event



You can add the Lodge's Calendar to your Outlook or phone by clicking on this button  Google Calendar on the calendar page of the website.

www.jbcovertlodge.com/calendar

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