

Lunch Bunch Started

One of the least kept Masonic Secrets has to be that when Masons meet, Masons eat! To that end we have started a new group simply known as the "Lunch Bunch".

The purpose of this group is to just provide a weekly opportunity to enjoy fellowship and discussions with other Masons and friends.

There are no dues, no dress codes, and no official positions

within this group, The only requirement is that you bring your own lunch and enjoy the fellowship of others.



We may discuss intellectual issues, restaurant reviews, great works of literature, or the complexities of the 3 Stooges. We'll sort out the topics of discussion week by week.

Lunch Bunch will meet at J. B. Covert every Tuesday from 11:30 am to around 1 pm. You don't have to arrive right at 11:30 or stay until 1 pm, just come by and invest some time getting to know your brothers and your craft.





Help us "Fill the Boot" and send a Boy Scout from the troop that helps us with our

Flag Retirement event to Summer Camp.

Each year a local Boy Scout Troop helps us with our event and we can help a young man learn valuable life lessons by sending him to Boy Scout Camp. One of the founders of Scouting, Cincinnati's own Daniel Carter Beard, is also known as Illustrious Brother Daniel Carter Beard, 33° Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. Brother Beard helped to develop the program that would shape so many of the leaders of our craft and country. It is only right that we should help a few boys become better young men and perhaps some day they will knock on the door of Freemasonry.



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Message from the East

Greetings Brethren,

J. B. Covert is lucky to initiate two new candidates into our great fraternity, both on March 29th. The initiatory degrees are something that all Masons receive, which should be a singular, memorable experience that the candidate is not likely to forget. It becomes one of our responsibilities as members of the lodge then- to ensure that each candidate has as great of an introductory



immersion into Masonry as possible. As the lodge officers and members prepare for the night we present the Enter Apprentice degree by reviewing the ritual work to ensure that we are able to present the lessons accurately and passionately, I want to encourage everyone not to lose sight of how much work, time, effort and preparation is required to properly invite a candidate into Masonry before and after the actual degree night.

Communication and personal investment on the side of lodge members to make the candidate feel welcome ought to be employed. Many times we slip into the mentality that because a candidate petitions the lodge, and not vice versa, that zero or very little effort to reach out to the candidate on behalf of the lodge is needed until the candidate receives his first degree. In any successful relationship there is mutual interest, clear communication, and sincere enthusiasm required from both parties. Such is the approach we must take with, not only our new candidates, but also prospective members, and the members we may not see as often.

In many ways J. B. Covert is putting its best foot forward with our members, candidates and prospective members. The lodge has an informational website, Facebook page, email blasts, and newsletter; we have a well maintained building that looks nice from the side of the road; and the lodge hosts events where family and friends and the public are welcomed by our members and our building.

However, most important, might be our individual interactions with one another, our candidates, and the general public. In our personal conversations and daily experiences we must strive to treat everyone with respect, courtesy, and kindness. In many instances this is a prospective member or candidate's first impression of Masonry, and this could be the tiny spark that leads them to ask about Masonry. So when, we as individual Masons or as a collective have the opportunity to talk with prospective candidates we must reciprocate their interest and enthusiasm with our own- before, during, and after initiation into our fraternity. In this way we are the living and breathing billboards for Masonry. What does your billboard say?

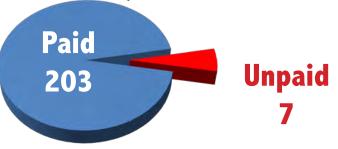
So if you are able to attend the Entered Apprentice degrees that J. B. Covert will be portraying on March 29th, I encourage you to introduce yourself to the candidates, tell them what you love about Masonry, ask him what encouraged him to petition, and sincerely listen- We all might just learn something as well! May God bless you and our fraternity,

Iack Lennon Worshipful Master 513-600-8813 worshipful@jbcovertlodge.com He Rests From His Labors

Forest G. Wolfinger **Born:** July 21, 1920 Raised: March 9, 1951 **Died:** March 25, 2015



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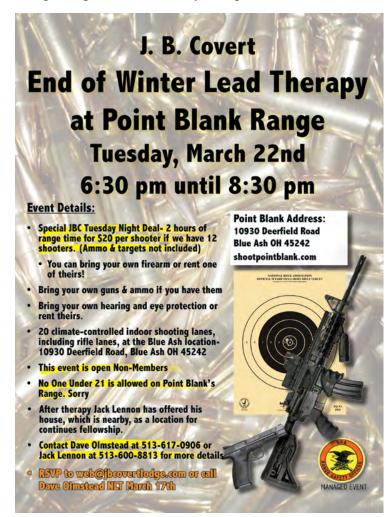




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Our thanks to the following brothers who donated to the Lodge & special funds: Gary Morgan, David Olmstead.



This Month's **Birthdays**



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

Upcoming Events

Every

Tuesday Lunch Bunch

11:30 am @ J. B. Covert Bring your own lunch



Mar 1 **Brewery**

Game Night @ Old Firehouse

7 pm to 9 pm Open Event See articles in this newsletter

J. B. Covert Stated Meeting

6:00 pm social 7:00 pm work Tyled Event

End of Winter Lead Therapy

6:30 to 8:30 pm Open Event See articles in this newsletter

EA Degree 2 Candidates Mar 29

6:00 pm social 7:00 pm work Tyled Event

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www.jbcovertlodge.com/calendar

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