

#### Game Night Fundraiser at Old Firehouse Brewery A Success!

A fun night of games and fellowship at Old Firehouse Brewery on March 1st brought in \$400 to be split between the Kyle Adkins Memorial Scholarship and the 6th District's Masonic Relief Fund.

"The plan was simple," says Dave Olmstead Event Chair, "we collected a modest \$5 donation at the door and let people enjoy a night of fun and fellowship. The secret to our success was that Adam Cowan who owns the brewery is a Past Master of Hamer Lodge and he was excited to be a part of this event."

Pictured at the right are trustees Rob Cordes and Russ Shipley in a spirited game of Connect Four at the brewery.

A diverse audience of Masons and their ladies from J. B. Covert and

around the 6th District attended the event and were asking when we will be doing this again. Stay tuned!



Lunch

Bunch

# Ladies Night Dinner May 10th

hosted by

J. B. Covert Lodge Dinner at 6:30 pm

This event is open to wives, girlfriends, and widows of J. B. Covert Members and other Masons

Reservations are required.
RSVP to
web@jbcovertlodge.com
by the April Stated Meeting

We just want to say thank you for all of the nights that we had to go to a meeting by preparing a special meal and spend some time honoring you!

Preliminary Menu\*: Exquisite Chicken and Fish Entrée Salad • Rolls • Desserts • Beverage

\*Final menu and ticket price to be announced no later than the April Stated Meeting.



# **Lunch Bunch Off to Good Start**

With a dedicated core group of brothers this "habit of fellowship" has taken root at your lodge. From a simple start of 2 brothers committing

to do life together this lunch group has enjoyed as many as 16 brothers and even some members of the Covert Eastern Star joining us.

The invitation is open to you if you're reading this article to come by and join us for lunch on any given Tuesday.

**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 bring your lunch and invest some time getting to know your brothers and your craft.

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## Message from the East

Greetings Brethren,

I heard a story recently and I would like to share it with you:

King Solomon's young aide anxiously awaits his king's next command. The temple is nearly complete, and the aide has been very busy preparing for the feast that will occur when the temple is ready to be consecrated. King Solomon calls the young man into his chambers.



"You have planned the feast well. It will be wonderful celebration, but I have one last command. I would like a gift; a powerful gift- one that holds sway over all men, which makes the happy man sad, and the sad man, happy. The gift is to be presented to me at the feast, for all to see" proclaimed King Solomon.

The aide rushes out. "There are only 7 days remaining before the feast! What kind of gift is worthy of the King, and will make the happy man sad and the sad man happy?" wonders the aide.

The aide searches the city for such a gift, asks the wisest men in the city, and is unable to find a suitable gift. It is now the day before the feast and the young aide still has no idea what to present the King. The young aide, depressed and lost in thought, staggers down to the slums of the city.

An old blind craftsman approaches him and asks, "My son, I see you are distressed. What troubles you?"

Surprised by the old man's ability to perceive his troubles, the aide responds truthfully, "Tomorrow there will be a great feast, and I am to present the King with a gift that makes the sad man happy, and the happy man sad. And I have failed- I have not been able to find such a gift."

The old man grabs the aide by the hand and leads him to a dirty blanket, acting as the man's work station. Then with swift hands, the blind craftsman pulls out a small scrap of gold and shapes it into a simple ring. Upon which he inscribes, in Hebrew, רובעי הז מ. The old craftsman puts the ring in the hands of the young aide, and whispers, "Take this. Present this to the King as your gift."

Confused by the odd behavior of the craftsman, and of the simplicity of the trinket he now held in his hand, the young aide runs back to the city to prepare for the feast.

The next day, the whole city is in a tumultuous excitement celebrating the completion of the temple. King Solomon stands to address the crowd, "This is indeed a day for celebration! The temple is complete! There has not been a day that I have been happier! But, there is still one gift to be presented!"

The young aide tentatively approaches, and bows before the King, holding the simple gold ring up for the King. King Solomon takes the ring and examines it. He reads the inscription on the ring, and falls to his chair in tears. After composing himself, he stands again and addresses the aide, "This is indeed a powerful gift that has the ability to make the happy man sad, and the sad man happy. You have succeeded! Congratulations!"

What was the inscription within the ring that brought King Solomon to tears? The Hebrew letters-בובעי הז מגד translate to "This too shall pass". So whether you are struggling with something in your life, or like King Solomon, you have much to celebrate, remember to relish each moment because, "this too shall pass."

May God bless you and our Fraternity

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#### **He Rests**

From His Labors

Charles A. Behymer Born: May 6, 1924

**Raised:** October 10, 1947 **Died:** March 16, 2016



# Kyle Adkins Memorial Scholarship

J. B. Covert Lodge, #437







#### gofundme.com/kyleadkins

## Secretary's Note

Please keep your Lodge up to date with your contact information. Send any changes in address, phone or e-mail to <a href="mailto:secretary@jbcovertlodge.com">secretary@jbcovertlodge.com</a>.



Celebrate Patriotism & Masonic/Community Service at the

Annual Flag Retirement
& Awards Luncheon
at J.B. Covert Masonic Lodge
848 Clough Pike, Cincinnati, OH 45245

June 11th, 10:30 AM

Lunch will be provided
(Donations Accepted)

Family • Friends • Community
Welcome to Attend

### Please Pay Your Dues

Paid 206 **Unpaid 4** 

Sadly these 4 Brothers have been officially suspended. They may reinstate themselves by paying their dues prior to the 3rd Tuesday in November 2016, along with their 2017 dues.

Birthday

**TUESDAY** 

# This Month's Birthdays

Gregory Auxier, Bernard Blust, Joseph Clark, Edward Cravens, Lincoln Day, Joshua Disney, John Dumford, Ryan Gifford, Elmer Grigsby, David Huffman, James Lewis Jr, James McGee, Michael McMullen, David Miller, Joseph Mills, Douglas Mowell, Frank Proulx, Norman Root, Raymond Sumner, Howard Thompson, Brian Woessner

#### **Upcoming Events**

Every

Tuesday Lunch Bunch

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

Mar 29 EA Degree 2 Candidates

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

Apr 12 **EA Degree** 

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

Apr 19 J. B. Covert Stated Meeting

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

May 6 Grandmaster's Reception

Email <u>jrwarden@jbcoverlodge.com</u> for

details and reservations

May 10 Ladies Night Dinner at J. B. Covert

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

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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