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REPLACE YOURSELF

Ensuring our future one brother at a time

This year our Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of Ohio, under the leadership of our Grand Master Eric R. Schau, has been promoting a new *REPLACE YOURSELF* program.

While the concept is hardly new—the need for organizations to sustain themselves by securing, by one means or another, new members having existed from time immemorial—the *REPLACE YOURSELF* program provides a formalized and disciplined process for Lodges and individual Brethren to put to good and effective use in securing new members.

How does it work? The best way to find out is to visit www.replaceyourself.org/ to watch the compelling video and learn the particulars of the *REPLACE YOURSELF* process.

While the forms and awards, other than the petition form itself, may be new to you, the underlying concept should seem very familiar. Remember, prior to your Masonic journey you were on the other side of this basic process. Even if you approached your petition signers as a result of a family or friendship connection, you no doubt had many questions about the nature of Freemasonry, what might be expected of you in terms of time and treasure, and the like. You now have the benefit of knowing what questions will be asked of you by a prospective member. And you now know the answers to these straightforward queries.

Not trained as a salesman? Sure you are, by life experience. We've all been reminded that we have two ears and one mouth to use in our relationships

with others. But perhaps the biggest perceived hurdle is the fear of objections. A good salesman *welcomes* objections and has answers already prepared for the most frequently heard. The prospect who says only, "thank you, please give me your card" is much less likely to follow through than the prospect who has many questions for you. Now, *REPLACE YOURSELF!* Even better—more than once!

In Short:

We've been too quiet about our fraternity!

Every Brother needs to become a spokesman for Freemasonry.

It's important to talk with non-Masons about who we are and what we do.

Seventy-six percent of new Masons joined because it is tradition in their family, someone they respected was a Mason or their friends or co-workers are Masons.

A Brother who knows of a man that he feels would make a good Mason should talk to him about our fraternity.

Help ensure the future of our great fraternity and your lodge...*REPLACE YOURSELF!*

Make your commitment now!

Visit www.replaceyourself.org/ and click on the "I WILL" tab and complete the form.

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Making an Honor Gift

From time to time as we pass life's milestones we are mindful of our friends and loved ones who have done so much to enrich our lives. It naturally comes to mind that we would like to give each some special gift as a token of our relationship. But what to give, especially to the person who seems to have everything?

Our Lakewood Masonic Foundation provides an easy alternative for you. Consider making "honor gifts" to friends or loved ones who hold a special cause close to their hearts. For Masons and Eastern Star members, that cause may well be our Lakewood Masonic Family.

What is an "honor gift?" It is simply a donation that you make in recognition of someone significant in your life. Honor gifts are often made on traditional occasions but can be made at any time in recognition of a significant achievement or milestone or as a method of saying "congratulations" or "thank you."

The procedure for making an "honor gift" to our Lakewood Masonic Foundation is straightforward. Our donation forms, such as the one on page 11, and our pre-printed donation envelopes have an "Honor" box to check and a space in which to write the name of the person to be honored. In addition to the tax receipt letter that we send you, we will send a letter to each person you honor advising that you have made a gift in his/her name.

As with other gifts, you may designate your donation to be used for our historic preservation, educational or charitable purposes; split your gift among these purposes; or simply ask that it be devoted to our greatest need.

And, as with other gifts, you have a number of options for making your donation, such as by check, stocks or bonds (valued at current fair market value), a life insurance policy that you may no longer need, or a charitable gift annuity or remainder trust.

Your gifts can be directed to our Lakewood Masonic Foundation, to our Lakewood Masonic Temple Endowment Fund or to our Lakewood Masonic Temple Company Operating Fund. Gifts and bequests to our Lakewood Masonic Foundation are deductible for federal income and estate taxes to the extent permitted by law. Gifts to our Endowment and Operating Funds are not deductible. As always, we encourage you to consult your legal and financial advisors for assistance in determining in what form and in what amount you should make your gift or bequest.

As we enter our second century in our historic home, we are stretching our resources more than ever; and your gift to our Lakewood Masonic Foundation means more than ever before. We still have pressing needs if we are to catch up on deferred maintenance. Windows must be repaired or replaced, plumbing and electrical systems must be updated, and decorations must be refreshed. We have made significant progress, but there is more to do. Worthy charitable and educational endeavors also need our support. Don't delay; make your gift today.

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Master's Message

Brethren:

At our Annual Awards Night and Memorial Service during our May special meeting, we had the honor of recognizing our Past Masters—Robert A. Esarey; Edward W. Haupin; Bertram T. Horne; Thomas A. Tindira; Robert W. Niebaum, PDDGM; Richard E Wagner, Robert W. Wykoff, KYCH; Ronald W. Fierst, John H. Whitehouse, Jr., PDEO, PDDGM, KYCH, MSA; Robert J. Trigg, KYCH; and Dwight McVicker, KYCH. We also had the honor of recognizing this year's award recipients—Walter W. Faflick, 65 years; Gary D. Course, 50 years; Charles M Hotchkiss, 50 years; John M Bell, 25 years; Jonathan R. Hupp, Rookie of the Year; and Robert D. Hein, Mason of the Year. We were saddened to hold our annual memorial service to honor Brother Robert Scott who passed and traveled upwards and onwards through the pearly gates on October 14, 2017. At our June stated meeting we conferred the Fellowcraft Degree. Our June special meeting was our annual Table Lodge and More Light Event. Our speaker, Past Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio, Charles Davis, presented an interesting program on the history and recognition of Prince Hall Masons. During our summer "dark" period we gathered to march in Lake-wood's annual July 4th parade.

Lodge will resume on September 13, and we tentatively plan to confer the Master Mason Degree on Saturday morning, October 27. We welcome and earnestly ask you to attend, since it takes many to make this happen.

Please keep in mind the Grand Master's Replace Yourself Program; and talk to your family, friends, and neighbors about Freemasonry. Share why you joined the Order and how you benefit from your Craft. Keep petitions with you; and, when they show interest, take the opportunity to listen then talk about Freemasonry! First, we must ourselves be students of our Craft to begin to explain what we know; so we all should be seeking more Light in our Craft to dispense Light to those who are interested in joining.

Finally, please keep us informed of how you're doing and of any who are sick or distressed. Please make sure that the Lodge has current contact information for you so that we may check-in from time to time and update you with Lodge happenings.

Naked

In Scriptural symbology, *nakedness* denoted sin, and *clothing*, protection. But the symbology of Freemasonry on this subject is different. There, to be "neither naked nor clothed" is to make no claim through worldly wealth or honors to preferment in Freemasonry, where nothing but internal merit, which is unaffected by the outward appearance of the body, is a recommendation for admission.

From Mackey's *Revised Encyclopedia of Freemasonry*, 1946.



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Lakewood Lodge #601 F. & A. M.

Stated Meetings Second & Fourth Mondays 7:30 p.m. • www.lakewoodfreemasons.com

Master's Message

Once again we make the return from darkness to light as the Masonic year kicks back into gear for the fall. I hope everyone had a prosperous and happy summer break. As we resume our labors in the quarries, I would like to make sure all the Brethren are aware that many important discussions will be coming to the floor of Lakewood Lodge in the near term that are of the utmost importance to the future of our Lodge. I cannot encourage you enough to attend our 2nd and 4th Monday night meetings at 7:30p.

Also, we have a long list of candidates in the process of working through their degrees and are in need of Brothers willing to step up and act as mentors and guides to them. If you are interested, and willing to work with a Brother on his Masonic journey, please contact me or our Lodge Secretary; and we will get you setup with a mentee.

Aside from the usual work of initiating, passing, and raising candidates, we have several other ongoing endeavors that could use your participation. This would be a great opportunity for you to get involved if ritual work is not your cup of tea. If, however, it is ritual work you are interested in, please do not hesitate to let me or our ritual committee know that you're interested; and we will gladly get you involved.

Again, I would like to remind all the Brethren of our website at <http://www.lakewoodfreemasons.com>. Also, if you are a Facebook user, please make sure to like our Lakewood Lodge #601 page. If you would like to be added to the Facebook Messenger chat group, please contact me. Finally, if you wish to receive email notifications about Lodge activities, please check in with our Secretary to ensure your email address is correct in our records.

Orders of Architecture, Egyptian

The Egyptians had a system of architecture peculiar to themselves, which, says Barlow (*Essays on Symbolisms*, page 30), "would indicate a people of grand ideas, and of confirmed religious convictions." It was massive, and without the airy proportions of the Greek Orders. It was, too, eminently symbolic and among its ornaments the lotus leaf and plant predominated as a symbol of regeneration. Among the peculiar forms of Egyptian architecture were the fluted column, which suggested the Ionic Order to the Greeks, and the basket capital adorned with the lotus, which, afterward became the Corinthian. To the Masonic student, the Egyptian style of architecture becomes interesting, because it was undoubtedly followed by King Solomon in his construction of the Temple. The great similarity between the pillars of the porch and the columns in front of Egyptian temples is very apparent. Our translators have, however, unfortunately substituted the *lily* for the *lotus* in their version.

From Mackey's *Revised Encyclopedia of Freemasonry*, 1946.



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Stated Meetings First & Third Wednesdays 1:30 p.m. • www.annrutledge453oes.org

Eastern Star, Order of

During the latter part of 1884 Brother Rob Morris gave an account of the origination of the Eastern Star, which is in part as follows:

In the winter of 1850 I was a resident of Jackson, Mississippi. For some time previous I had contemplated, as hinted above, the preparation of a Ritual of Adoptive Masonry, the Degrees then in vogue appearing to me poorly conceived, weakly wrought out, unimpressive and particularly defective in point of motive. I allude especially to those Degrees styled the *Mason's Daughter*, and the *Heroines of Jericho*. But I do expressly except from this criticism, the *Good Samaritan*, which in my judgment possesses dramatic elements and machinery equal to those that are in the Templar's Orders, the High Priesthood, the Cryptic Rite, and other organizations of Thomas Smith Webb. I have always recommended the Good Samaritan, and a thousand times conferred it in various parts of the world.

About the first of February, 1850, I was laid up for two weeks with a sharp attack of rheumatism, and it was this period which I gave to the work in hand. By the aid of my papers and the memory of Mrs. Morris, I recall even the trivial occurrences connected with the work, how I hesitated for a theme, how I dallied over a name, how I wrought face to face with the clock that I might keep my drama within due limits of time, etc. The name was first settled upon—*The Eastern Star*. Next the number of points, five, to correspond with the emblem on the Master's carpet. This is the pentagon, "The Signet of King Solomon," and eminently proper to Adoptive Masonry.

From the Holy Writings I culled four biographical sketches to correspond with my first four points, namely, Jephthah's Daughter (named *Adah* for want of a better), Ruth, Esther, and Martha. These were illustrations of four great congeries of womanly virtue, and their selection has proved highly popular. The fifth point introduced me to the early history of the Christian Church, where, amidst a noble army of martyrs, I found many whose lives and death overflowed the cup of martyrdom with a glory not surpassed by any of those named in the Holy Writ. This gave me *Electa*, the "Elect Lady," friend of St. John, the Christian woman whose venerable years were crowned with the utmost splendor of the crucifixion.

The colors, the emblems, the floral wreaths, the esotery proper to these
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Auxiliary

Around the Town Dinner Club meets the 4th Friday at 6:00p, locations TBA.

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Make a Difference—Make it Happen



Cunningham Chapter #187 R. A. M.

Stated Convocation Third Wednesday 7:30 p.m. • www.cunningham187ram.org

High Priest's Message

Companions:

I want to thank you for the vote of confidence you have shown in me by electing me once again to the office of High Priest of Cunningham Chapter. We have a great deal of work ahead of us, and I am sure that working as a team we will prevail. I would like to thank all of you for your prayers and well wishes during my heart bypass which I truly believe helped Linda and me through this. I have been blessed many times in my life and consider all my Masonic family one of my greatest blessings; thank you so much. I hope that I can live up to your expectations, and I would also like to congratulate all the newly elected officers on their positions.

I hope everyone enjoyed their time off over the summer; and, with your batteries recharged, we are ready to resume our labor for this new year. We will start the year with a Table Chapter on September 19. Dinner will be \$10.00 per plate; please contact me for reservations. This will mark our fourth annual Table Chapter event; started by REC Bob Niebaum. I hope to see all Chapter members present. Our Grand Chapter will meet on October 9-11 at Kalahari in Sandusky. And so the new year begins. Please view our website and the calendar of events to stay alert of all our work. I am looking forward to seeing all of you. Let's make this our best year ever.

Cunningham Chapter Degree Dates 2018-19

Nov 21 Wed 7:30p Mark Master Degree
Dec 19 Wed 7:30p Past Master Degree
Feb 20 Wed 7:30p Most Excellent Master Degree
May 15 Wed 7:30p Royal Arch Degree—Inspection
For the most current information visit: www.cunningham187ram.org

16th Capitular District Dates to Remember

Oct 9-11 Tues-Thur 202nd Grand Chapter—Kalahari Sandusky
Oct 28 Sun 11:00a 16th District Reaffirmation Day—B-W Chapel
Oct 28 Sun 12:30p 16th District Luncheon—Berea MT
Nov 10 Sat Statewide GHP Reception—Tadmor Shine Akron
For the most current information visit: www.ram16.org

Setting Sun

It was the duty of the Senior Wardens to pay and dismiss the Craft at the close of the day, when the sun sinks in the West; so now the Senior Warden is said in the Lodge to represent the *setting sun*.

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Be a Light



Lakewood Council #125 R. & S. M.

Stated Assembly First Wednesday 7:30 p.m. • www.lakewood125rsm.org

Master's Message

Companions:

Our season gets underway on September 5 with our now annual Table Council, with dinner starting at 6:30p. Please contact me ASAP for reservations.

We already have petitioners for this year, but more are still welcome. Our petition form is available online from a link on our home page.

Our Inspection on January 2 will be in the Royal Master Degree, with the Select Master Degree scheduled for March 6 and the Super Excellent Master Degree for the afternoon of Saturday, May 18, in conjunction with Cleveland and Elyria Councils.

This past summer our local Camp Ho-Mita-Koda conducted a full schedule of summer camping for diabetic children under the management of its new not-for-profit foundation. Thanks to all who volunteered to work at the Camp or at fundraisers such as the LaureLive music festival and the Medina County Fair who help make our charitable work possible.

We're always looking for Companions to take parts in all of our degrees. Even seemingly minor roles such as Giblytes, Workmen and Twenty Companions are essential to the presentations of our degrees. Please contact me if you can help.

Lakewood Council Degree Dates 2018-19

Jan 2	Wed	7:30p	Royal Master Degree—Inspection
Mar 6	Wed	7:30p	Select Master Degree
May 18	Sat	2:00p	Super Excellent Master with Cleveland #36 & Elyria #86 (at Elyria)

For the most current information visit: www.lakewood125rsm.org

7th Arch Dates to Remember

Oct 7-9	Sun-Tues	189th Grand Council—Kalahari Sandusky
Oct 27	Sat	Statewide Grand Illustrious Master Reception—Perrysburg

Crypt

From the Greek *κρυπτω*, meaning *to hide*. A concealed place, or subterranean vault. The caves, or cells underground, in which the primitive Christians celebrated their secret worship, were called *cryptae*; and the vaults beneath our modern churches receive the name of *crypts*. The existence of crypts or vaults under the Temple of Solomon is testified to by the earliest as well as by the most recent topographers of Jerusalem. Their connection with the legendary history of Freemasonry is more fully noticed under the head of *Vault, Secret*.

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Holy Grail Commandery #70 K. T.

Stated Conclave Second Wednesday 7:30 p.m. • www.holygrail70kt.org

Commander's Message

Sir Knights:

We were happy to have three new Sir Knights join our Commandery last year. We already have at least that many petitions for the coming year, so we have plenty of work ahead of us. This fall, starting September 12, we will open each stated conclave in short form. At our October and November stated conclaves we will practice the sword manual. At our December stated conclave we will practice the Order of the Temple in anticipation of conferring the Order at our January stated conclave, perhaps with some officers repeating their roles from last year if necessary.

To qualify our petitioners for the Order of the Temple, we will join with our Division for a joint conferral of the Orders of Red Cross and Malta on Monday, November 12, hosted by Forest City Commandery at the Brookside Masonic Temple, 10200 Memphis Avenue, Brooklyn, opening at 7:00p. Please come and help, if only with a non-speaking part—although we do need to fill some memorized parts.

Although we have plenty of work ahead of us, NOW is still a good time to recruit additional candidates for our own Commandery and ladies for Beauceant. We have been fortunate to enjoy a close partnership with the ladies of Cleveland Assembly in the years since they moved to our Lakewood Masonic Temple. It's only fair that we should go out of our way to recruit new members for them as well as for ourselves. They support our Knights Templar charities plus special charities of their own. Plus this year one of their plural members (with Columbus) will be Supreme Worth President of all of Beauceant. Please help them to be successful!

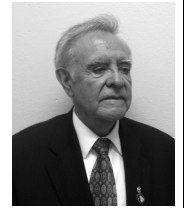
Remember, come early (by 6:30p) to our stated conclaves for our traditional pot luck supper prepared by the Beauceant ladies.

Holy Grail Commandery Order Dates 2018-19

Nov 10 Mon 7:00p Joint Orders of Red Cross & Malta at Forest City
Jan 9 Wed 7:00p Order of the Temple
Mar 13 Wed 7:00p Order of the Temple
Mar 16 Sat 1:00p Order of the Temple & Full Form Opening Inspection
For the most current information visit: www.holygrail70kt.org

7th Division Dates to Remember

Sept 4 Tues 7:30p Division CTA (following Coeur de Lion stated)
Oct 18-20 Thurs-Sat 176th Regular Grand Commandery—Columbus
Nov 10 Sat 6:00p Post Colors at GHP Reception—Tadmor Akron
Nov 12 Mon 7:00p Joint Orders of Red Cross & Malta at Forest City
Nov 17 Sat Statewide Grand Commander Reception—Fairborn
Dec 9 Sun 2:00p Joint Christmas Observance at Forest City



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Strength in Unity

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President's Message

Cleveland Assembly has been having an active summer, and plans are in place for an exciting fall. July 25, we gathered for Lunch Bunch at the Harp Restaurant in Cleveland and had a wonderful time discussing our individual summer activities and plans over our meal. On a rather windy and chilly August 22, Lunch Bunch again gathered, this time at the gazebo at Lakeview Park in Lorain. This time it was a potluck lunch, and Children's Day. Thank you to (Mrs. George) Ellen Wadge for providing the gazebo and lovely favors.



Looking forward to fall, we are anticipating our member, Ms. Kimberly Burnett, being installed as Supreme Worthy President of the Supreme Assembly, Social Order of the Beauceant this September. Eleven members of Cleveland Assembly plan to be traveling to Las Vegas to attend Supreme Assembly.

There will continue to be covered dish meals with Holy Grail Commandery at 6:00p on meeting days.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- September 12 Stated Meeting— 7:30p
- September 24-29 Supreme Assembly—Las Vegas, Nevada
- Lunch Bunch in Las Vegas—day, time & place TBD
- October 10 Stated Meeting—7:30p
- October 27 Joint Official Visit of the Supreme Worthy President—
with Columbus at Columbus—2:00p
- November 14 Stated Meeting—7:30p
- November Lunch Bunch—date, time & location to be announced

Palmer

From the Latin word *palmifer*, meaning a palm-bearer. A name given in the time of the Crusades to a pilgrim, who, coming back from the holy war after having accomplished his vow of pilgrimage, exhibited upon his return home a branch of palm bound round his staff in token of it.

From Mackey's *Revised Encyclopedia of Freemasonry*, 1946.



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Outer Guard
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Eastern Star, Order of

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five heroines, were easy of invention. They seemed to fall ready-made into my hands. The only piece of mechanism difficult to fit into the construction was the cabalistic motto, but this occurred to me in ample time for use.

The compositions of the lectures was but a recreation. Familiar from childhood as I had been with the Holy Scriptures, I scarcely needed to look up my proof texts, some tamely did they come to my call. A number of odes were also composed at that time, but the greater part of the threescore odes and poems of the Eastern Star that I have written were the work of subsequent years. The first Ode of the series of 1850 was one commencing "Light from the East, 'tis gilded with hope."

The theory of the whole subject is succinctly stated in my *Rosary of the Eastern Star*, published in 1865: To take from the ancient writings five prominent female characters, illustrating as many Masonic virtues, and to adopt them into the fold of Masonry. The selections were:

1. Jephthah's Daughter, as illustrating respect to the binding force of a vow,
2. Ruth, as illustrating devotion to religious principles,
3. Esther, as illustrating fidelity to kindred and friends,
4. Martha, as illustrating undeviating faith in the hour of trial,
5. Electa, as illustrating patience and submission under wrong.

These are all Masonic virtues, and they have nowhere in history more brilliant exemplars than in the five characters presented in the lectures of the Eastern Star. It is a fitting comment upon these statements that in all the changes that the Eastern Star has experienced at so many hands for thirty-four years, no change in the names, histories or essential lessons has been proposed.

So my Ritual was complete, and after touching and retouching the manuscript, as professional authors love to do, I invited a neighboring Mason and his wife to join with my own, and to them, in my own parlor, communicated the Degrees. They were the first recipients—the first of twice fifty thousand who have seen the signs, heard the words, exchanged the touch, and joined in the music of the Eastern Star. When I take a retrospect of that evening—but thirty-four years ago—and consider the abounding four hundred Eastern Star Chapters at work today, my heart swells with gratitude to God, who guided my hand during that period of convalescence to prepare a work, of all the work of my life the most successful.

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