Wellington Lodge Bulletin February – June 2020



Wellington Lodge No. 127, F. & A. M.

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February, March, April, May and June 2020 TRESTLE BOARD

Feb. 10th – Stated Meeting – ALL STATED MEETINGS MAY INCLUDE DEGREE WORK!

Feb, 24th – Stated Meeting

March 9th – Stated Meeting

March 16th – Special, 7:00 p.m. Annual Inspection; Fellowcraft Degree

March 16th – LCBLA Mid-Century Lodge Hosting

March 23rd – Stated Meeting

April 13th – Stated Meeting

April 18th – Leadership #2 – Dover Lodge Hosting

April 25th – Special meeting, 175th Reconsecration Ceremony; Grand Master's Reception Oberlin

April 27th – Stated Meeting

May 9th – Grand Master's One Day Class

May 11th – Stated Meeting

May 21st – LCBLA Stonington Lodge Hosting

May 25th – Memorial Day - Stated Meeting

May 28th – Stated Meeting per By-Laws

May 30th – LCBLA Golf Outing Pheasant Run Golf Club

June 15th – Stated Meeting

June 20th – Leadership #3 East Gate Lodge Hosting

June 29th – Stated Meeting – Annual Strawberry Night open to Invited guests

Hello Brethren:

Your Lodge certainly has been busy so far; having conferred an Entered Apprentice in January. Scheduled our Inspection for March 16th in the Fellowcraft degree. Brethren, we have petitions to read, candidates waiting and others working on their examinations, they are striving for perfection. If you see these candidates encourage them to keep up their studies and to finalize their journey in masonry.

As mentioned our inspection will be on March 16th, a Special meeting, the uniqueness of our inspection this year is I envision a sea of White Aprons in the Lodge room. I am asking everyone who attends our inspection to wear their White Lambskin Apron. The one that you were presented during your Entered Apprentice Degree. DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOURS IS?

I am excited serving as Master for the 175th Anniversary of Wellington Lodge. I hope that you too find joy in the fact that your lodge has been in Wellington since 1844 and Chartered in 1845 and we have had our home within 1000 feet of our present location all these years. On April 25th the Grand Master and his Officers will visit Wellington for the purpose of the Reconsecration of our Lodge. I trust that you will set aside some time on this Saturday to join in the festivities. There is a special commemorative gift for all who attend this ceremony.

Throughout the year we will be supporting Community events, as a Lodge, and we have designed Golf shirts for those casual public appearances. To obtain your shirt contact the secretary for details.

About the NEWSLETTER: my theme is "Enthusiasm through Communication" I believe the Newsletter is very important but it is not timely enough. Often events are scheduled quickly due to the Lodge receiving a short notice. To make short notice communications require your help. The Grand Lodge has implemented a user friendly, member accessible website. It is called Grandview. It is easy and it is free; go to **oh.grandview.systems**, click on the Register button and follow the tutorial. Once registered you can update your personal information which includes your email address, mailing address, phone numbers and your Spouse information. You can even include Education and Military service. Your EMAIL is the vital link to making our communication with you a reality. No we don't sell your email address and we won't send notices through Grandview that would be intrusive. It will be Masonic. If you need assistance registering contact the Secretary or the Master for assistance.

GREETINGS FROM YOUR SENIOR WARDEN:

This is going to be a fabulous year for Wellington Lodge. Many activities are planned, not the least of which is our annual inspection. March 16 at 7:00 pm in the Fellow Craft Degree. Please come out and support your officers in conferring this wonderful degree. On April 25 Wellington Lodge #127 will celebrate its 175th anniversary with the officers of The Grant Lodge of Ohio performing the Reconsecration Ritual. Please join us and witness this impressive ritual.

Come join us in lodge. Carl L. Heckert, PM

GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH:

As Wellington Lodge 127 (The oldest Lodge in the 22nd Masonic District) steps into the light in 2020 we started with our 3rd annual gun raffle as a fundraising for our charities, with all the help from the Lodge it was a great success. The charities will be able to see some of our light. Next we have the Murder Mystery dinner on February 21, 2020 with a great silent auction. This year 2020 marks Wellington Lodge 127, 175 years old, I try and put myself in 1845 and I like to think that the Brothers of Lodge 127, in 1845 were thinking of us in 2020 as they themselves stepped into the light as well as the future of our lodge and here we are looking ahead like they did 175 years ago. I hope I can step into the light as well as they did. I think they set the bar high.

Worshipful Brother J. L. Wadsworth (Master 10 times from 1845 until 1862) would be proud of what was a dream of his for Wellington Lodge 127 to make sure men of good character strive to improve themselves and make the world a better place by stepping into the light. I hope in 175 years (that year would be 2195) the light is still there from what we do today and years to come.

Be well, Randall D. Leiby

THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY:

Paying ones Dues on time is a duty for every Mason. If there are any situations restricting this duty just call and we can make arraignments or give some suggestions.

FROM THE LEO:

My fellow brethren , already this year we have had the honor and privilege to present some of our members with their longevity awards . It was my pleasure to present a lookback program as a reminder to those brethren and our guests of their start and journey in Freemasonry . As the lodge education officer I present programs reflecting lessons from the past while at the same time try to guide our officers and members into the future . Our lodge has a great leader in Worshipful Brother Runion . This year yields many opportunities to be a part of the lodge . First and foremost the celebration and reconsecration of our lodge, THE OLDEST LODGE IN THE 22nd MASONIC DISTRICT. In a joint venture with The Spirit Of 76 Museum we will be unveiling the latest in display and the new centerpiece of the museum . This being a 10 foot by 13 foot Masonic mural painted by our own member Archibald M. Willard painter of the Spirit of 76. All of this leads me to tell you what you have already figured out . Wellington Lodge # 127 has become a very visible and important part of our community . Giving us the opportunity to show the world as we walk and act that Freemasons and Freemasonry are a window to the world to be accepted and emulated . See you in lodge or at a lodge event. Scott A Markel PM , LEO , Lodge Historian .

From the keyboard of the Webmaster: I hope that you take every opportunity to visit our web site: www.wellington127.org the blog area changes often. I also send news updates via email as well as an advanced copy of this newsletter. If you have an article or information to share in our next newsletter send it to me at rlunion@gmail.com.

As always, if you have any suggestions, concerns or require assistance I urge you to contact me, our Secretary or any of our Lodge Officers.

Thank you Brethren for your continued support and enthusiasm.

See you in Lodge!!

Fraternally,

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