

God said – Let there be Light



and there was light – Genesis 1:3

# North Star Light

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NORTH STAR LODGE No. 638 F. & A.M.

Meetings

Stated 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 7:30 P.M.

Specials as called by W.M.

Refreshments before Lodge at 6:15

## Eric Robert Owens Installed Worshipful Master of North Star for 2022

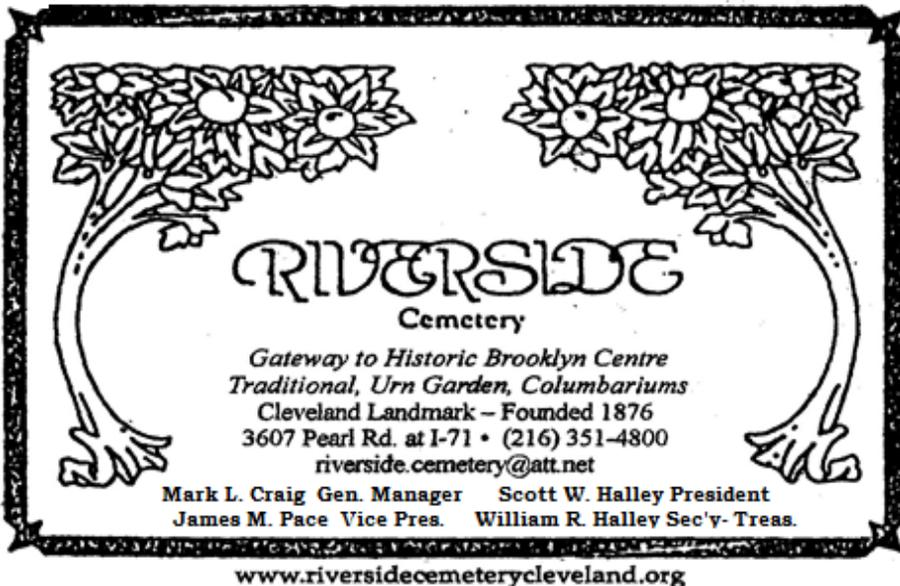


A new year is a reminder to celebrate all the things that are good in your world—the people you love, the places you are part of, the memories you hold on to, all those unforgettable moments when you close your eyes and breathe in life with a smile. May your heart be filled with lots of little reasons to celebrate, at the new year and always.

## FROM the EAST

Hello Brethren, Wishes of a Happy New year in this first Light of 2022. I have high hopes for this upcoming year and look forward to serving the Lodge. An announcement that I am glad to make is that on January 12<sup>th</sup> we are going to resume the 6:30pm dinners and I will be making pulled pork with sides. Also, on the 12<sup>th</sup> we will be having a entered apprentice degree and I hope that for our new brother we can have a good turnout. Once again, I wish everyone a happy New Year and I look forward to seeing everyone in the year to come.

Sincerely, W.M Eric Owens



We would like to thank the brethren who have made contributions to the Renovation Fund and to the Ohio Masonic Home.

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for information, pictures, and  
upcoming events.

Look for an opportunity, then take advantage of it and do your best so you can be proud of what you do and others will keep giving you new opportunities

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### BERRY'S CORNER

### Rules for Being Human

**YOU WILL RECEIVE A BODY** - You may like it or hate it but it will be yours for the entire period this time around.

**YOU WILL LEARN LESSONS**- You are enrolled in a full-time informal school called life. Each day in this school you will have the opportunity to learn lessons. You may like the lessons or think them irrelevant or stupid.

**THERE ARE NO MISTAKES, ONLY LESSONS** - Growth is a process of trial and error: experimentation.

**A LESSON IS REPEATED UNTIL LEARNED** - A lesson will be presented to you in various forms until you have learned it. When you have learned it, you can then go to the next lesson.

**LEARNING LESSONS DOES NOT END** - There is no part of life that does not contain its lesson. If you are alive, there are lessons to be learned.

**WHAT YOU MAKE OF YOUR LIFE IS UP TO YOU** - You have all the tools and resources you need, what you do with them is up to you. The choice is yours.

**YOUR ANSWERS LIE INSIDE YOU** – The answers to life's questions lie inside you. All you need to do is look, listen, and trust.



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Please Remember your Lodge in your Will

## TRESTLEBOARD

Jan 12	Stated Meeting
Jan 17	WPMTTC Annual meeting
Jan 22	Special Awards Night
Jan 26	Stated Meeting
Mar 26	1day Class
Apr 27	Inspection in FC Degree

All meetings unless noted have refreshments before the meetings at about 6pm

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Rather than incorrectly predict the degree schedule in advance I would encourage you to monitor the Trestleboard on [www.northstar638.org](http://www.northstar638.org) or check your emails. If you do not have internet access and would like to be updated please let us know.

We have started advertisements in the North Star Light as we did years ago. This is being done to pay for the printing and sending of our newsletter. If you or your business would like to participate --- contact Editor Bill Craig.

Any distress, illness or goodness contact our Senior Deacon; Robert Nimrichter  
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Dues are due, notices have been sent out. If you have not paid your 2022 dues, your status was replaced with "suspended for non-payment of dues", please contact your Sec'y and let him know why, so he can update the Lodge records and have your status replaced with "member in good standing".

The Apron - The Badge of a Freemason One of the traditions that has carried over from the guild days is the Masonic apron. This is a white leather apron, usually about 14 inches by 16 inches square. Such an apron is presented to each man as he becomes a Freemason. The apron is an emblem of innocence and the badge of a Freemason. It has, in all ages, been cherished by the rich, the poor, the high, the low. It is his for life. He will not receive another one and has, therefore, been cautioned to take it home and store it in a flat position and to protect it from light. It is not necessary for him to bring it to Lodge meetings as aprons are available at the Lodge. It is a long-observed custom of the fraternity to have the apron placed with the remains of a departed Brother in his casket or to be cremated with them.



Christmas, A time to Party

Thank you to all those that helped the Christmas Party start right.

We had good food, good games, and good friendship. The party started with some drinks and chatter with kids playing games of cards, chess and digital styles. Then proceeded to eat some wonderful food. After some cake we went back to games of cards, chess, and Halo. There was much chatter and smiles and we even had a visit from some family of Pennsylvania. All and all it was a great night and we all pitched together to clean up like it had never happened.

Look into the future and you will see a game night happening for all the families of the Temple to enjoy.

Mike Munoz, Chairman

It is a tradition in our Lodge that the outgoing Master receive his PM Apron at Installation from the oldest Past Master in attendance; oldest not in terms of age, but in terms of who first served longest ago.

For the first time in my life, that Past Master was me.

I looked around and I didn't see the man who was my top-line signer, I didn't see the Man who raised me, I didn't see the man who was behind me through the chairs, I didn't see the man who gave me his father's Masonic ring, I didn't see the man who would call me over after every meeting to lovingly and patiently tell me the Ritual mistakes I was making, I didn't see those men who I looked to as exemplar Masons, fathers, husbands and friends for guidance and counsel. I did see men whose petitions I had signed, I did see men who I had raised, I did see men I mentored as they went through the chairs, I did see men who look to me for guidance and counsel as the Lodge moves forward, I did see men that give me hope for the health of Freemasonry in my community for years to come. I just didn't see the moment I transitioned from upstart to 'old man.'

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