



2016 STONINGTON OFFICERS

Stonington Lodge #503 News April 2016

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Join Us April 16th for MORE LIGHT (see page 3)

Stonington to Host the 22nd Masonic District Leadership Event AND a MORE LIGHT event – plan on attending this special day (casual dress okay).

2016 Officers Installed

November 2015

With each passing year there is the installation of new leadership at the lodge. Stonington Lodge No. 503 is proud to announce the 2016 officers:

Back Row (L to R): Robert W. Conrady (SS), Roger L. Lawson PM (Secretary), Laurence M. Garcher (SD & LEO), Robert E. Wiegand (JW), Scott D. Bradley (3-Year Trustee).

Front Row (L to R): James Moore (JS), Dennis M. Keplinger

(Treasurer), RWB Donald C. Morgan (Chaplain), Samuel W. Jacob (WM), Lester C. Morris (SW), John M. Porter (Tyler).

Not pictured: Ryan J. Wingard (JD), James A. Hieb PM (Musician), Ariel Torres (Marshall).



Stone given to WM Jacob by the brethren



Sam Jacob Installed as 2016 Worshipful Master

Following an impressive 2015 when Jacob learned three lectures in one year, he was installed as WM in November 2015.

WB Hieb Becomes District Education Officer

October 2015

WB James Hieb (center) was installed at a District Education Officer for the 22nd Masonic District. He joins WB Greg Kita (left) and WB Dan Hall (right) as DEO.

Hieb is not the first DEO appointed from Stonington Lodge. Both RWB Donald C. Morgan and RWB Jerry Brove have served in that capacity.

WB Hieb has been assigned to the following lodges in the 22nd Masonic District:

Black River Lodge #786
Clifton-Gaston Allen Lodge #664
Elyria Lodge #787
Harding-Concordia Lodge #345
LaGrange Lodge #399
Lakewood Lodge #601
North Star Lodge #63

Rocky River Lodge #703
Wellington Lodge #127



30+ Year Furnace Replaced



The Stonington Trustees have certainly been busy the past few years. If you have been reading the past newsletters you know that we:

- Replaced the dining hall floor.
- Replaced two roofs.
- Replaced the organ.
- Installed a window air conditioner for the lodge room.
- Repaired the ceiling and installed a granite

countertop in the ladies bathroom.

And much much more....

If you've been in the basement of the lodge sometime in the past 30 years you would have seen the furnace pictured here. In January 2016 the furnace (it heats the fellowship/dining hall) was replaced. So this is the second furnace that has been replaced in the past two years.

Thanks to all of the brethren who have contributed to the building fund during the past 5 years. You have made a difference!

JOIN US ON SATURDAY APRIL 16TH FOR TWO OUTSTANDING EVENTS AT STONINGTON!

22nd Masonic District Leadership Event - Saturday, April 16th 9:00am to 11:30am

Join us for 3 great programs!

A Masonic Hierarchy of Needs:

This presentation utilizes the concepts behind Abraham Maslow's 'Hierarchy of Needs' and adapts those basic theories to organizational success and the failures of leadership expectations. There are also specific guidelines for creating organizational health and stability.

Filling the Barrel: Priorities for Management Behavior. As leaders, we always seem to be struggling to keep the 'barre full.' There seem to be a new leak every time we turn around. This seminar teaches two essential attitudes, two strategic directions, and acknowledges a singular foundation as we lead toward success, growth, and improvement. A must for leaders searching for **pivotal priorities** for effective management behaviors.

The Stages of Organizational Decline and Regeneration:

From Excellent, to Neurotic, then Declining, and Eventually – Demise. Gauge the level of "excellence" of your organization. Discover the issues that drive groups and individual leaders toward decline and demise. Find out how to utilize the factors that fuel positive growth and renewal.

Leadership Events are brought to you by: RWB Mark J. Bollinger; RWB William M. Carter, III; RWB Jonathan H. Krapf; WB Daniel A. Hall; WB James A. Hieb; & WB Gregory M. Kita

**Stonington MORE LIGHT Event
Saturday, April 16th
11:45am to 2:00pm
You Are Invited!!!!**

Immediately following the 22nd Masonic District Leadership Event, the brethren of Stonington will be hosting a MORE LIGHT event.

What is a MORE LIGHT event?

A special meeting to share a time of fellowship and learning with the members of your lodge and brethren from other lodges. A hot meal is provided and a guest speaker provides a program.

Since this is a luncheon program, the brethren will be treated to the world's best FRIED BALOGNA SANDWICHES!



MORE LIGHT events are a key component to be eligible for the Grand Master's Education Program. So plan on joining us!

Also, since Stonington is hosting this event immediately following the 22nd Masonic District Leadership Event, we expect brethren from most of the lodges in the district to join us!

**Great Networking! Great Fun!
Great Program!**

Most of the Lodges in the district are scheduling MORE LIGHT events, learn more at: ohiodistrict22.org/morelight.html

NOTE: Both events on April 16th are casual dress!

WB Brown Installed as Blue Steel Lodge #791 Master



Congrats to WB Jim Brown for being installed as Blue Steel's Master for 2016. Brown served as Stonington's master in 1999.

Blue Steel also meets in the Amherst temple the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 11am. Several Stonington brethren are plural members at Blue Steel.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

www.stonington503.org

Located at 399 Franklin Ave.
Amherst, Ohio 44001

Stated Meetings every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7:30 pm


OTHER KEY DATES

Saturday, May 21st - Annual Awards Night @ Stonington
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm


Saturday, May 28th – Night at the Races (see page 4)

Saturday, May 28, 2016

Night at the Races



Benefiting the Stonington Masonic Lodge
 5 pm - 11 pm at the Amherst Eagles
 1161 Milan Avenue, Amherst
 Buffet Catered by Fligner's; Cash bar
 \$20 entry ; "Own" a horse for \$10



For Ticket Information:
 Contact Ryan Wingard at (440) 574-1928 or rjwingard@icloud.com

Program by Jolly Roger Entertainment

Saturday May 28th, 2016
 Night at the Races
 Benefiting Stonington Lodge
 #503
 1161 Milan Ave. Amherst, Ohio
 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm
 Tickets \$20.00

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 newsletter via email?
 Please send a message to :
Stonington503@gmail.com

Several Brethren are learning
 lectures & charges – join us for
 special 'lecture & charges' practices –
 see website for dates & times.

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Contribute to the 2016 Building Fund

√ Check all that apply:

_____ : I would like to make a contribution to the Stonington Lodge Building Fund —see enclosed check.

_____ : Please contact me to make a five-year pledge to the building fund.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Contribution Amount: \$ _____

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