

Jackson Masonic

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May, 2011



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Michigan Center, MI
CONSTITUTED 1847

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*From The
Master*

Frank W. Lutze, Worshipful Master

Greetings Brethren!

Easter is upon us. Winter has taken one last shot at us and spring break for the school kids is over. Speaking of spring break, mine was an interesting one. Cassie, our thirteen year old granddaughter, asked if my wife and I were going any place interesting for spring break. I replied that I had a weekend business meeting outside Baltimore. Since all her friends were going away for the week Cassie asked if she could come along. I said, "Sure and when the business meetings are over we could take the train to Philadelphia for a 3 day history lesson." Much to my surprise she was interested. We visited all of the usual sights: Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, Congress Hall, Christ Church and the US Mint.

Between the movie "National Treasure," listening to grandpa, history lessons in school and the internet, Cassie knew that several signers of the Declaration of Independence (9 of 56) and Constitution (13 of 39) were Free and Accepted Masons. She knew that George Washington, father of our great nation, and Benjamin Franklin were both Masons. When we toured the Philadelphia Masonic Temple, which was built in 1873 Cassie saw the apron belonging to Worshipful Brother George Washington which tradition holds was embroidered by the wife of Brother Lafayette. The granite for the temple was "cut, squared, marked and numbered at the quarry and brought to the temple ready to be put in place." If you have a moment tour this spectacular and awe inspiring temple at <http://www.pagrandlodge.org/>. As our stay in Philadelphia was winding down we toured a couple of houses from the colonial era. One had been the residence of Bishop White, rector of Christ Church, which was founded in 1695. Brother Benjamin Franklin and Brother George Washington attended services in the present building which dates from 1744. The tour guide related a story that in 1787 Bishop White and Richard Allen, the first African American ordained a Methodist minister led a protest over the segregated seating of African Americans during church services. The guide mentioned that the church that was later founded by Richard Allen was a few blocks away and was open for tours. We soon headed toward that church and what was to be a fascinating discovery. We arrived at the church to find the door locked, but after ringing a door bell we were soon inside the African Methodist Episcopal Church. The guide took us through the small museum in the lower level and then up to the sanctuary. As we gazed at the expansive stained glass window illuminated by the late afternoon sunlight my eye caught a Square, Compasses and G in one of the panels, I told the guide that I had seen several Square and Compasses in stained glass windows in Masonic temples but never in a church. He stated that throughout history many of the ministers and bishops of the church were Masons and in recognition of that fact the Square and Compasses were included in the window design.

You never know where you will find the Square and Compasses.

Calendar For



Thurs.

May 5 - FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE - 7:00 P.M.
Officers please wear Tuxedos or dark suit.

Thurs.

May 12 - MASON OF THE YEAR DINNER
Honoring George M. Otis, PM.
6:30 P.M.

Contact Adam W. Wygant, Junior Warden
517-745-1699 or you can email him at
wetlandwaterfront@sbcglobal.net

After Dinner join us for our
Regular Communication - 7:30

Thurs.

May 19 - Temple Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

Mon. May 23rd through Wed. May 25th
Grand Lodge Of Michigan
Annual Communication

Soaring Eagle Resort at Mt. Pleasant, Michigan

Thurs.

May 26 - DARK

WEARING THE EMBLEMS

Rob. Morris

You wear the Square! but have you got
That thing the Square denotes?
Is there within your inmost soul
That principle which should control
Your actions, words and thoughts?
The Square of virtue,—is it there,
Oh, you who wear the Mason's Square?

You wear the Compass! Do you keep
With that circle due
That's circumscribed by law divine
Excluding hatred, envy, sin,—
Including all that's true?
The Moral Compass draws the line,
And lets no evil passion in!

You wear the Trowel! have you got
That mortar, old and pure,
Made on the recipe of God
Divulged within His ancient Word,
Indissoluble, sure?
And do you spread, 'twixt man and man,
That precious mixture as you can?

You wear the oriental G!
Ah, Brother, have a care!
He whose All-seeing Eye surveys
Your inmost heart, with open gaze,
Knows well what thoughts are there!
Let no profane, irreverent word
Go up 't' insult the' avenging God!

Dear Brother! if you will display These
emblems of our Art,
Let the great morals that they teach
Be deeply graven, each for each,
Upon an honest heart!
Then they will tell, to God and man,
Freemasonry's all perfect plan!



**Jackson Chapter No. 3
Royal Arch Masons**

**Excellent High Priest - Michael E. Hicks
May, 2011**

**Wednesday, May 11th -
Stated Convocation, 7:30 p.m.**

AND



**Jackson Council No. 32 R. & S.M.
Thrice Illustrious Master - Ronald L. Spees**

May, 2011

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Stated Convocation, 7:30 p.m.**

**Jackson High Twelve
Club No. 16**



**Michael E. Hicks, President
517-787-8438**

**Darrell G. Kesterson, Secretary
517-563-2902**

**Meetings are held every Monday of the month
At 12:00 noon at the
Cascades Manor House
1970 Kibby Road
Jackson, MI 49203
Cost of meal is \$10.00 per person
No Meeting on Monday, May 9th, 2011**



**Jackson Commandery No. 9
Adam W. Wygant, Eminent Commander
May, 2011**

**Mon., May 9th - Drill Corp. - 7:00 p.m.
Dinner 6:30 p.m.**

**Mon., May 16th. - Stated Conclave - 7:30 p.m.
Potluck dinner with the ladies - 6:30 p.m..**

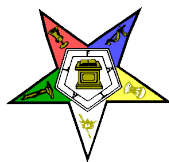


**Jackson York Rite College No. 3
Robert Cunningham, Governor
517-231-3735**

**Timothy Forche, Secretary
517-676-5157**

Calendar for 2011

**Friday, May 20th - Annual Meeting and Installation of
2011 officers - 7:30 p.m.
Potluck with the ladies - 6:30 p.m. w/meat furnished.
Contact the Secretary by May 13th for a headcount for
the meat. Free Will offering.**



**Fern Leaf #66
May, 2011
Worthy Matron,
Gail Kirk
Secretary, Ellen Yoakam**

**Tues., May 3rd - Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Tues. May 17th - Stated Meeting - 7:00 p.m.**



**Jackson Assembly No. 7, I.O.R.G.
Brandy Kuhl, Mother Advisor
517-522-4349**

**Calendar for the month of May, 2011
Tues. May 10th - Stated Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Fri., May 13th - Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
\$7.00 per person all you can eat, \$4.00 Children 8 &
under. 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Jackson/Coolidge Masonic
Center.
Tues. May 24th - Rainbow Meeting - 7:00 p.m.**

