

Jackson Masonic

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APRIL, 2012



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WORSHIPFUL MASTER

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Temple Location - 355 Napoleon Rd.
Michigan Center, MI
CONSTITUTED 1847

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*From The
Master*

Lyman S. Robertson, Jr., Worshipful Master

This last month we had the honor of being visited by members of the Grand Lodge for the 3rd month in a row. This time however it was for the purposes of rededicating our Temple for Masonic purpose. After 164 years, Jackson #17 has seen different locations and has consolidated with other Lodges in the area. Having made our most recent move to Michigan Center, we decided it was time to bring it all together and in a way, start things anew. With Brothers from Jackson#17, Liberty #209 and Coolidge #532 participating in the ceremony, we did just that.

Dedicate: to devote (oneself, one's time, etc.) wholly to a special purpose or cause, commit wholeheartedly or unreservedly. I like this definition because it mentions that one can dedicate more than one specific part or aspect of their lives to something special. In this case that something special is Masonry. And I dare say it is also ourselves.

Our Masonic Temple was examined by members of the Grand Lodge and found to be square, level and plumb, constructed properly for Masonic work. The corn of nourishment, wine of refreshment and oil were spilt upon the carpet akin to a ceremony many of you reading this now once were. As I sat watching the dedication ceremony, I couldn't help feel as though I too was being rededicated to the ideals of Virtue and Universal Benevolence as the structure around me was.

Whether you were fortunate enough to join us on this special evening or not, I ask that you join me in this feeling of renewal. Stretch forth your hands, come see the Temple and be part of the good things that we are doing for the Craft, the Community and more importantly, ourselves and families.

Calendar For April

Thurs.
Apr. 5 - DARK

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Apr. 12 - Dinner Prior to Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
Regular Communication - 7:30 p.m.
RSVP to Richard G. Shea, Junior Warden
517-414-2757 or you can email him at
rckshea2003@yahoo.com

Thurs.
Apr. 19 - Entered Apprentice Degree - 7:00 p.m.
2 candidates
Officers please wear your tuxedos or dark suit.

Thurs.
Apr. 26 - MTA Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
Fellowcraft Practice - 7:00 p.m.

A Little Scrap of Paper

I hold in my hand a little scrap of paper, 2 1/2 x 3 3/4 inches in size. It is of no intrinsic worth, not a bond, not a check or receipt for values, yet it is one of my priceless possessions. It is my membership card in a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

It tells me that I have entered into a spiritual and material kinship with my fellow Masons to practice charity in word and deed: to forgive and forget the faults of my brethren; to hush the tongues of scandal and innuendo; to care for the crippled, the hungry, and the sick, and to be just to all mankind. It tells me that no matter where I may travel in the world, I am welcome to visit a place where good fellowship prevails among Brothers and Friends. It tells me that my loved ones, my home, and my household are under the protection of every member of this great Fraternity, who have sworn to protect and defend mine, as I have sworn to protect and defend theirs.

It tell me that should I ever be overtaken by adversity or misfortune, the hands of every Mason on the face of the Earth will be stretched forth to assist me in my necessities.



**Jackson Chapter No. 3 R.A.M.
and
Ingham Chapter #51, R.A.M.**

**Tuesday, April 10, 2012
Joint School of Instruction, 7:30 p.m.
Hosted by Ingham Chapter #51**



AND

**Jackson Council No. 32
Royal & Select Masters**

**Thrice Illustrious Master - Michael E. Hicks
April, 2012**

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

THE MASON'S CHARACTER

Freemasonry has always been true to its name, and the real Mason is the builder of the temple of his own character. Its mission is to furnish high ideals for the individual, that may be reflected in his actions towards his fellow men. The Masonic ideal teaches that moral and spiritual attainments are far more important than the material and physical.

Watch this spot for future announcements as to where the previous Hi-Twelve members will meet for lunch.



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

**Mon. April 9th - Visit to Adrian Commandery #4, KT.
700 Bishop Reed Drive
Tecumseh, MI 49286
Potluck Dinner, 6:00 p.m.
Stated Conclave and Installation, 7:30 p.m.**

**Jackson Commandery #9, K.T.
Monday April. 16th - Potluck w/Ladies - 6:30 p.m.
Stated Conclave - 7:30 p.m.**



Jackson York Rite College No. 3

**Paul M. Tarr Jr. , Governor
517-285-5757**

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

Calendar for 2012

Next Meeting Date

**Friday, May 18th - Potluck w/meat furnished, 6:30 p.m.
Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**

Annual Election and Installation

**Contact Sec. Tim Forche at 517-676-5157 or email
unclegut@netzero.net by Sunday, May 13th**



**Fern Leaf #66 Chapter O.E.S.
Worthy Matron,
Gail Kirk
Secretary, Ellen Yoakam**

**Planning Meeting on April, 3rd - 7:00 p.m.
Next Stated Meeting will be held on
Tuesday, April 17th - 7:00 p.m.**



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

**Calendar for the month of April, 2012
Tues. Apr. 10th - Stated Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Tues. Apr. 24th - Rainbow Meeting - 7:00 pm.**

