



# The Cornerstone

**Niles McKinley Lodge #794 F. & A.M.  
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**AUGUST 2016**

Serving the needs of Niles' Freemasons, their families and the community.

Stated Meetings are the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, 7:30 P.M., except July and August.

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## Your Tuesday morning Masonic Breakfast Club

Please don't forget that our Lodge's Masonic Breakfast Club meets every **second Tuesday of every month of the year** even during July and August when the Lodge itself is "dark". At our last breakfast get-together we learned a lot about BOFs, cranes, cherry pickers, lances, molten steel and the steel making process in general. We even learned how to move an automobile from a parking space at a steel mill - very enlightening!!!

**Every second Tuesday of every month, 8:30 A.M.**, at Scenna's Restaurant in beautiful downtown McKinley Heights. See you there!

## Deputy Grand Master to visit

Our Deputy Grand Master, R.W.B. Douglas N. Kaylor, will be presenting his program for the 2016—2017 Masonic year in the 25th Masonic District **Wednesday, August 3, 2016, 7:00 P.M.** This program roll-out meeting will be held at Cortland Lodge #529. All Masons are encouraged to attend, especially our Master and Wardens. Dress is described as "comfortably (*though tastefully*) dressed."

With the explanation of his program we will be able to envision where R.W.B. Kaylor will take the Grand Lodge of Ohio next year if he is elected Grand Master at the Grand Lodge Communication in October. Come out and meet our Deputy Grand Master and see what his plans for next year encompasses.

## Liberty Complex family picnic

Our Complex's annual Masonic Family Picnic and Corn Roast is scheduled **Saturday, August 6, 2016, 4:00 P.M.** The corn, hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks will be provided by the Liberty Complex Temple Board. We're asking you to bring your family and friends, **your own table service and a dish or two to pass around.**

## Golf Scramble needs golfers

Don't forget to make your intentions known concerning our Lodge's Golf Scramble with Jerusalem and Newton Falls Lodges **Saturday, August 13, 2016, 8:00 A.M.** at Hidden Oaks Golf Course.

Eighteen holes of golf with riding cart, a great grilled steak dinner, prizes for golfing prowess and special gifts presented all for the very low entry fee of \$50.00 per person!

Contact R.W.B. Marc Stevens, (330) 442-0893, **before Tuesday, August 9, 2016** so reservations can be made. We have three foursomes signed up and several other Brethren who are seeking other Brethren to make another foursome. Hurry and call!

## Masonic Day at Cedar Point

**Saturday, August 20, 2016** has been designated as Ohio Masonic Day at Cedar Point! **ALL** Masons, Masonic women's groups, Masonic youth groups **AND** their families, including **ALL** appendant

body members, all Prince Hall Masons, York Rite, Grotto, Scottish Rite, Job's Daughters, Rainbow Girls, DeMolay, Pythagoreans, Grand Girl's Assembly **AND** their families are also invited to take part.

Show your dues card to verify your Masonic membership and wear something Masonic to show your pride. Families will be allowed at the special rate if they are accompanying someone with a dues card. The discount ticket rate is \$36.00 per person.

All youth groups entering the Park should have in their pocket the cell phone number of their Advisor or responsible person who can be contacted should they become separated from the group!

## Community Meals once again

We served close to 500 meals during our Community Meals program in the month of June this year. We'd like to thank everyone who came and donated their time and lent a helping hand whenever needed. We still desperately need more help as waiters, table cleaners, people who can set up and tear down. Those whose service make the Community Meals program possible.

**Every Thursday throughout the month of September**, again presents us the opportunity of providing free, hot, nutritious meals to the community. We'll once again be staging the meals at New Hope United Methodist Church, 21 Fairview Ave, Niles **every Thursday of September from 4:00 P.M. until 6:00 P.M.**

We really need your help with setting up, busing, waiting tables and cleaning up afterward. We had a handful of Brethren helping during our last program in

June but more Brethren assisting are needed and would be greatly appreciated from 4:00 P.M. until cleanup is finished. Please consider lending a helping hand if possible.

## District Outdoor Raising

The 25th Masonic District Blue Lodge Association will be presenting its annual



Outdoor Master Mason Degree presentation Saturday, **September 10, 2016, 9:00 A.M.** at the outdoor lodge facilities of Cortland Lodge. Cortland Lodge will be serving breakfast from **8:00 A.M.** until Lodge opens. Cost for breakfast is \$5.00 per person, I believe. Call some Brothers to attend with you! Bring your own lawn chair!!

### Blue Lodge Association Awards

The 25th Masonic District Blue Lodge Association will be holding its Awards Night **Friday, September 30, 2016, 7:30 P.M.** at Old Erie Lodge #3 in Warren. A number of lodges, members and lodge officers will be honored for their dedication to the Fraternity with presentations being made for excellent degree work and visitation statistics. Take someone with you.

### Looking toward Grand Lodge

We've received information concerning the 207th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ohio to be held **Friday & Saturday, October 14 & 15, 2016.**

The headquarters and meeting sessions themselves will be held at the Kalahari Resort and Convention Center in Sandusky, Ohio. If you plan bringing your lady and/or other family members, please note that this resort has the world's largest indoor waterpark (*all Masonic resort housing reservations include 4 tickets to this fabulous waterpark*)!! The Kalahari Resort features an exciting mix of rides, slides and adventures. It's an incredible time for the whole family. From their amazing indoor and outdoor water parks to the thrilling outdoor Adventure Park, they offer an array of attractions for children of all ages, whether you're 3 or 13 or 30 and up. Plus, with amenities such as the Spa Kalahari & Salon, exceptional dining options and amenities, Kalahari goes beyond your expectations.

Other events will be taking place for Masons and their ladies at the Communication including Friday and Saturday general breakfasts, men's Friday lunch and a general banquet Friday evening. The ladies can also be busy if they want. They aren't being left out. They have the same opportunity to participate in the Friday and Saturday morning general breakfasts, a ladies' Friday luncheon, the Friday night banquet and several interesting ladies' programs presented on Friday including a napkin folding workshop and a wine tasting seminar. Even spa treat-

ments can be scheduled! These activities of course are at extra costs and not included in the housing costs with separate reservations needed well ahead of time.

Costs for housing at the Resort is a discounted room rate of \$129.00 + 13.75% tax per standard room. This discounted rate expires September 12, 2016. If you're interested in going to this year's Communication, please make your wishes known by contacting R.W.B Charles Chagnot (330) 307-3405 as soon as possible.

### Bethel #35 Shines! (*Job's Daughters*)

Congratulations to our new 2016 - 2017 Grand Bethel Officers - Cassandra Dean, Grand Bethel Chaplain and Leighah Robinson, Grand Bethel Librarian. Our daughters also represented us very well in their Ritual, Arts and Cooking competitions.

Our August Fun Activity will be Pioneer Waterland, and is scheduled for **August 27th.** This water park features a lazy river, huge pool area, and awesome water slides! Cost is \$24.00 per person and will include a picnic lunch provided by the Bethel. (if we get a group of 15 or more, prices will be reduced)

Mark your calendars now **August 31 through Sept 5...** You'll find us at the Canfield Fair working our annual fundraiser. We always have the best time working the Corn on the Cob booth with our Masonic Family. Stop out for some outrageously delicious corn and we'll be sure to smile "Ear to Ear" for you!

Job's Daughters is a positive, faith-based organization that provides leadership, builds self confidence, and allows girls to make lifelong friendships...please give us the opportunity to share Job's Daughters with you and them!! Recently the rules to join Job's Daughters have been altered to allow non-Masonic related girls to join—with a Mason's sponsorship. We would love the opportunity to introduce Job's Daughters to all girls within the ages of 10 and 20, so please feel free to share this information with your family and friends.

Contact Jenn Miligi, Bethel Guardian at (330) 506-0531 for more information, or visit our web site at [www.nilesbethel35.org](http://www.nilesbethel35.org)



## **Under The Master's Hat—R.W.B. Charles Chagnot**

Hello, I hope everyone is keeping cool and enjoying the summer. We need to get reenergized to finish the year strong. We have a lot going on come September.

Brethren, I attended a "More Light" meeting at Orion Lodge a couple of weeks ago and R.W.B. Bill Dort asked us an interesting question, "If someone came up to you and asked the question, 'Who are the Masons and what are we about?', would you be able to answer his question?" Each of us has our own perceptions of what Freemasonry is and what it means to us personally. But are we able to convey those feelings and our love for this great Fraternity to others? We don't just make good men, we take already good men and make them better men through our teachings, our symbolism and our actions. We are the oldest Fraternity in existence and through our various Masonic bodies contribute over \$2 million dollars each and every day to charity. Next time someone asks what is Freemasonry, be prepared to tell them our history and your personal experiences as a Mason.

### **August Trestleboard**

<b>Aug 3</b> —Deputy Grand Master's Program Rollout ( <i>See story</i> )	Meal Program ( <i>See story</i> )
<b>Aug 6</b> —Liberty Complex Annual Family Picnic ( <i>See story</i> )	<b>Sept 10</b> —District Annual Master Mason Raising ( <i>See story</i> )
<b>Aug 9</b> —Lodge's Breakfast Club at Scenna's Restaurant in McKinley Heights, 8:30 AM.	<b>Sept 19</b> —Luncheon, 6:30 P.M.; Stated Meeting, 7:30 PM.
<b>Aug 13</b> —Golf Scramble ( <i>See story</i> )	<b>Sept 30</b> —District Association Awards Night ( <i>See story</i> )
<b>Every Thursday in September</b> —Community	<b>Oct 14-15</b> —Grand Lodge in Sandusky ( <i>See story</i> )

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