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CHAGRIN FALLS CHAPTER #152 ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Companions,

We finally had a break in the weather to enable us to confer the Royal Arch Degree on our candidates, Rodney Dawson and Greg Hall. It was a good degree allowing our new companions to have a better understanding of York Rite Masonry.

Our February meeting was our DEO night with Excellent Companion Michael Whelchel presenting a program about the Mark Master Degree. It raised some very good discussions about the workers pay of a penny a day for "Good Work" and square work meaning parallel and of good stone.

On May 7th, Chagrin Chapter has been asked to confer the Most Excellent Master Degree at Heights Chapter in Lyndhurst for the York Rite Reunion. We will need to be there by 10:30am to dress. I am requesting all chapter members to assist in conferring this degree. If any Companion knows any Master Mason that would make a good Royal Arch Mason, this would be a perfect opportunity for them to attend the one-day class.

I am very pleased to see that our chapter will have seven Companions and their wives in attendance at the Grand High Priest's Reception. Thanks for supporting Chagrin Falls Chapter.

Fraternally,
Gust. H. Stern, High Priest



GOLDEN GATE LODGE #245 FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS

Dear Brethren,

Golden Gate once again initiated the first Entered Apprentice on New Years' Day. We had the pleasure of

bringing Br. Michael Loferski to light in the presence of about 95 Masons from around the state. The brunch that followed was set up by WB Jeff Stanczyk, with help from Br. Mike Schweitzer. Our candidate received a good degree and our brethren had a great meal. All in all, we had another successful New Years' EA Degree. What a way to start the year!

At our Jan. 19th meeting, we presented WB Roman Vaynshtok with the Caleb Earl award. For those of you who are unfamiliar, this award is named after the first Worshipful Master of Golden Gate Lodge. This award is given to a brother who goes above and beyond in his efforts to support the lodge. Roman has contributed to Golden Gate in many ways and is always the first to offer his services when help is needed. Thanks Roman!

On Feb. 2nd, the brothers of Golden Gate bestowed an Honorary Membership on WB Matt Leedom. Matt regularly attends our meetings and is always looking for ways to help. Matt was responsible for setting up our Christmas Basket event. It was a new event to Golden Gate this year and was a big success. Matt is also the printer for TN&V and has helped us improve the quality our newsletter. Thank you and congratulations Matt!

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**GOLDEN RULE CHAPTER #442
ORDER OF EASTERN STAR**

Dear Sisters & Brothers,

We are off to a snowy start this year, but fortunately it hasn't affected meeting nights. In an effort to brush up on ritual work & protocol for Inspection Sister Judi has been having educational moments at each meeting where we review items that were touched upon at the School of Instruction.

On February 5th we supported our Worthy Patron Johnny Manis who is also E.C. of Oriental Commandery by cooking his Annual Inspection dinner. We had a lot of fun preparing the meal and his Inspection went off without a hitch. I'd like to thank all those who helped make the evening a success. We couldn't have done it without you.

We have begun plans for a reception for Sister Judi who is the Grand Representative of Georgia. Sister Shellie Hawk will be organizing the event and as the plans start to come together we will be updating you on all the particulars.

At our last meeting in February we had Obligation and Instruction night to review some of the items that will be covered at our Inspection. It was very informative and helpful for some our new members.

Our two meetings in March on the 10th and 24th will be practice Initiations to brush up for our upcoming Inspection. Inspection will be April 14th at 7:30 pm and our Inspecting Officer will be Sister Jean Watters, Associate Grand Matron. There will be a dinner before hand and a flyer will be going out with all the particulars. This year there will be a second meeting in April on the 28th as it does not conflict with Easter. It will be a regular stated meeting.



We were saddened by the passing of Sister Neva J. Moreland, Worthy Grand Matron 1992-1993, who died on January 5th. A memorial was read and the altar draped.

We would also like to extend our deepest sympathies to Margaret Stratton and Sarah Kesselem on the passing of Jim, husband and father. Sister Margaret also lost a brother & bother-in-law recently. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you at this time.

Our Associate Conductress, Carol Ineman also lost a brother-in-law. Our condolences go out to your family at this time. Sister Donna Leffler had surgery for a detached retina and is still continuing to recover.

To all the above sisters, please know that you are constantly in our thoughts and if there is anything Golden Rule can do, we will be happy to help in any way we can.

In Eastern Star Love!

Judith Piszczak, Worthy Matron, 440-241-8952

Johnny Manis, Worthy Patron, 330-357-2591



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March 2011





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Golden Gate Stated Meeting 7:30p	3 Solon Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30p	4	5 Tri-State York Rite Festival Bryan, OH 9-6
6 Windermere Council 2:00pm SEM Practice <i>Did you know?</i> Prince Hall was initiated on this date in 1775. 	7	8 Windermere Council Stated Select Master Degree 7:30p Mid Century #725 FC Degree Inspection 7:15p	9 Chagrin Falls Chapter Stated Meeting 7:30p	10 Golden Rule Stated Meeting 7:30p Practice Initiation	11	12 Tyrian Chapter #91 Inspection MEM 9:00am Breakfast with ladies at 8:30a
13 Daylight Savings Begins 	14 Collinwood #582 Inspection 7:15p FC Degree (Michael Loferski, Golden Gate's newest EA will be the candidate)	15 Temple Board Stated Meeting 7:30p	16 Golden Gate Stated Meeting 7:30p	17 Solon Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30p Happy  St. Patricks Day	18	19
20 	21	22 Theodore Breck #714 Inspection FC Degree 7:00p	23 Commandery Stated Meeting 7:30p Barkley #621 Inspection 7:15p EA Degree	24 Golden Rule Stated Meeting 7:30p Practice Clifton-Gaston Allen #664 Inspection MM Degree	25 Mt. Olive Chapter Inspection MM Degree	26 22 nd District Leadership Forum, Cleveland Masonic Center 8-11:00a
27	28 Blue Steel #791 Inspection 10am MM Degree Summit-Baker #74 Inspection PM 7:30p	29 G.A. Holly #745 Inspection MM Degree	30 Quarry #382 Inspection MM Degree	31 Solon Lodge Special Meeting 7:30p Inspection Practice	Coming in June – The Shrine Band will perform in Chagrin Falls on Sunday, June 12 th . Guests are invited to join us for refreshments at the lodge. Stay tuned for more details.	

We are asking for your help. Golden Gate Masonic Temple is accepting donations of Masonic-affiliated items; Old photos, installation programs, books, pins or any other related memorabilia. Help us to preserve the history of Golden Gate Masonic Temple and Masonry as a whole. If you need help with shipment or would like someone to pick up the items, please call Roman Vaynshtok at 440-729-2228.





April 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Coming in May at Golden Gate Lodge</i></p> <p>May 4th - Move up a seat, a fun night where all officers will move to the next chair.</p> <p>May 18th - Annual Awards and DEO Night. WB Henry Mankowski, DEO of the 22nd Masonic District will be on hand for a special presentation.</p> <p>May 21st - Spring Highway Cleanup. We once again meet at the Auburn Inn, Rte 44 and Washington St, at 9:00 am. Breakfast will be paid for by the lodge for any brother who helps in the clean up. Help our community and take pride in being a Mason.</p>					<p>1 April Fools</p> 	<p>2</p>
<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 Golden Gate Stated Meeting 7:30p</p>	<p>7 Solon Lodge Inspection 7:30p FC Degree Dinner at 6:15p</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 Charity #530 Inspection MM Degree</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>11 Wellington #127 Inspection FC Degree 7:15p</p>	<p>12 Windermere Council Stated Meeting SEM Practice 7:30p</p>	<p>13 Chagrin Falls Chapter 7:30p Stated Meeting</p>	<p>14 Golden Rule Stated Meeting 7:30p Dinner and Inspection University Hts #738 Inspection MM Degree</p>	<p>15 Windermere Council 7:00p SEM Practice and setup Western Reserve #507 Inspection MM Degree</p>	<p>16 Windermere Council 9:00a Breakfast and Conferral of SEM Degree</p>
<p>17 Palm Sunday</p> 	<p>18 Federal Income Taxes Due</p> 	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Golden Gate Stated Meeting 7:30p Confer Master Mason Degree</p>	<p>21 Solon Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30p</p>	<p>22 Good Friday Earth Day</p> 	<p>23</p>
<p>24 Happy Easter</p> 	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 Commandery Stated Meeting 7:30p</p>	<p>28 Golden Rule Stated Meeting 7:30p</p>	<p>29 York Rite 16th District DEO Night DeMolay Mk. Lodge #2 7:30-9:00p</p>	<p>30</p>

We make an effort to update the website calendar with event information and additional details as they are made available. To get the most current information, please visit the Chagrin Falls Masonic Temple website at www.ggmason.com and click "Calendar" or contact one of your lodge officers.

Visit www.ohiodistrict22.org, www.terrific25th.com, and www.ohioram.org for more event information.



SOLON LODGE #757 FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS

Greetings Brethren,

It's been a busy year. We covered so much ground already. We will be continuing our education theme in the upcoming months. The entire month of March will be dedicated to practicing for our inspection in the Fellowcraft degree. There will be a special meeting on March 31st, also to practice the FC degree.

After our inspection on April 7th, we will be focusing on the finances of the Lodge. In May there will be a letter sent to all members detailing the outcome of these meetings, and informing all of any pending voting that may be necessary.

Finally, I wish to express the sorrow of the Lodge at the untimely loss of our Brother James Kitora, who passed away on February 15th. He was a fine man and a good Brother. He will be missed.

Fraternally,
Steve M. Martin, Worshipful Master



WINDERMERE COUNCIL #113 ROYAL & SELECT MASONS

Companions,

Windermere Council has the following schedule:

1. Sunday, March 6h, 2:00 pm – SEM practice
2. Tuesday, March 8th, 7:30 pm – Conferring the Select Master Degree
3. Tuesday, April 12th, 7:30 pm – Regular Meeting night + SEM practice
4. Friday, April 15th, 7:00 pm – Setup + SEM practice
5. Saturday, April 16th, 9:00 am breakfast followed by SEM degree conferral
6. Tuesday, May 10th, 7:30 pm – Ladies and Awards Night, Dinner + Speaker TBA.
7. Installation Night for 2012 -2013 Officers.

Please call me if you have any questions. 440-241-8951.

Phil Piszczak IM



Financial ABC'S Advice by WB Roman Vaynshtok

For most of us, the American dream is associated with financial independence. The definition of financial independence is the time when we don't need to work for money anymore. For the majority of Americans it is the day they retire. Today, more retirees get their income from 401(K)s than from traditional pensions. In the near future, 401(K)s and IRAs will become a main source of income for the majority of us. However, it is estimated that 40% of all private-sector workers don't have access to any retirement plan.

Over a year ago in one of the magazines there was a two-page article praising the active senior citizens who are still working. In this article they mentioned a woman in her 80s who is still working at McDonalds. When I read this I did not feel proud for this grandma, I rather felt sad and sorry. She never achieved her financial independence. Otherwise, this woman would go and volunteer at a local Elementary school, library or actively travel around the country or world.

Every day I meet with people who need help putting together a plan to become financially independent. The sooner we have this plan, the easier it is to accomplish. If your employer does not offer 401(K)s yet, ask him if he would be interested to hear a few proposals. If you are the employer let us put together a plan that would benefit your business. If you a parent, talk to your grown up kids to see if they know their financial independence day.

Our government is now preoccupied with our country's debt situation, so our social safety net is not on the front burner. It becomes our responsibility to plan our financial future and implement this plan. Since 1977 our company has focused on helping middle class America reach their financial independence. Let's sit and talk.

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Valentine’s Day is usually a day we celebrate with loved ones in our private lives. This year, Br. Wane Nix, our Junior Warden, decided to bring it to Golden Gate. Wayne organized a pot luck dinner to celebrate our wives in the spirit of Valentine’s Day. It was held on Feb. 12th at the Lodge and was attended by 12 couples. The main course was a spectacular dinner prepared by Jeff and Rhonda Stanczyk. Everyone had a great time and agreed that this event will be on next years’ schedule. Plan on attending next year. You won’t be disappointed. Wayne, you hit a home run with this one. Thanks!

We exemplified the EA degree at our Annual Inspection on Feb. 16th. It was a great turnout with 58 brethren in attendance, including our Grand Master, Bradford A. Goebel. The degree work was the best we’ve done in my two years as Master. Thanks to all who participated, with a special thanks to WB Vaynshtok, who played the candidate, WB Gust Stern, for his role as Senior Deacon, WB Joe Rothbrust, for an excellent Charge and WB Phil Piszczak, for an outstanding Apron Lecture. Last but not least, a very special thank you to Brother Rodney Dawson for an incredible Lecture. Thanks brothers.

One of the issues Golden Gate is constantly facing is the need for new members. In the past we have held open houses at the Lodge with varying levels of success. At our last Officers’ Meeting it was suggested that we set up a booth at Blossom Time. We feel this effort would allow us to promote Golden Gate, inform the public about the good of Masonry and help us get some new members. If you would like to be a part of this project please let us know. If we are able to get the booth in place for Blossom Time, we will need help in staffing it. Also, if you know anyone who may be interested in joining our fraternity, please let us know.

Some upcoming events that you will want to mark on your calendar:

- Mar 13th - Join us at Collinwood Lodge for their inspection as our own Brother Michael Loferski will be the inspection candidate
- Apr 20th - Our 1st Master Mason Degree of the year

- June 12th – The Shrine Band performs in Chagrin Falls

On January 8th, Golden Gate Lodge was awarded a certificate of appreciation for its continuing support of the West Denison Baseball League. The award was presented by W.B. Claude Pitman, who is also an Honorary Member of Golden Gate. It was a real honor to receive this award. The West Denison League is a non-profit, non political community organization run entirely by volunteers. The League was started in 1955 and gives children from the ages of 4 to 18 a chance to play ball. In 1978 the league organized to provide recreation for special needs children. Today the West Denison Baseball League provides summer recreation to some 500 players. What a great organization! At our February 16th meeting we voted to once again support the league. A special thank you to the Brethren of Golden Gate for supporting this cause and to W.B. Claude Pitman for everything he does for the league.

In closing, I’d like to pass on a request by our Grand Master Bradford A. Goebel: Take a moment to do something nice for someone else. It can be as simple as opening a door to let someone else pass or as easy as saying hello with a smile. Whatever you can do will make a difference and the more you can practice this kindness, the better this world will be.

See you at Lodge,
Steve Goodrich, W.M

Introducing Worshipful Brother Phil Piszczak

WB Piszczak is an active Mason. He is a Past Master of Golden Gate Lodge where he is currently serving as Chaplain. He is also the Illustrious Master of Windermere Council.



Phil is a Cleveland native. His wife, Judith, is currently serving as Worthy Matron of Golden Rule Chapter #442. They have a daughter, Kati Smolen.

He attended Case Western Reserve University where he received a Bachelor of Science and Master degrees in Mechanical Engineering. His interests include fishing, amateur radio, motorcycling, flying and photography.

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