

# The Foundation Light

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## A COMMUNITY ASSET SINCE 1916



Our Lakewood Masonic Temple has been both a Masonic and a community asset since 1916.

Not long after Lakewood's first Lodge, Lakewood #601, was chartered in 1908, its members realized that the Lodge's rapidly expanding membership was outgrowing its original meeting space on the second floor of the Lakewood Market (now part of First Federal of Lakewood—the building on the corner of Detroit Avenue and Warren Road with the scrolling ticker tape sign). In 1912, several members of Lakewood Lodge met and agreed to incorporate a Temple Company for the purpose of constructing a building to accommodate the growing needs of Freemasonry in the City of Lakewood; more specifically to find and purchase a suitable parcel of land, to engage an architect and builder to design and construct the new Temple, and to raise the necessary funds for the project.

At their very first meeting, the incorporators agreed that any space in the new building not

needed for Masonic activities would be made available to the community. While the minutes of that meeting are not specific, one imagines that this intent was a strong motivator to include a Ballroom in the new structure—a space rarely found in a small town or suburban Masonic Temple.

Over the years since our Temple's dedication in 1916, a number of community groups and events have gotten their start at the Lakewood Masonic Temple. The Kiwanis Club of Lakewood was presented its charter at our Temple in 1921 and met at our Temple for over seven decades. West Shore Unitarian Universalist Church's first services were held at our Temple in 1946. The first Lakewood Home Show was held at our Temple in 1965. The West Shore Assembly of God met at our Temple from 1977 until purchasing its own building in 1999. Lakewood New Life Church met at our Temple from its inception in 2006 until purchasing its own building in 2016. King's Church first two years' of services were held at our Temple beginning in Fall 2016. The Lakewood Earth and Food (LEAF) Community's initial LEAF Nights were conducted at our Temple until its Lakewood Public Library venue was completed.

Most recently, since the Grand Lodge of Ohio began allowing alcoholic beverages in Masonic buildings, we've accommodated LakewoodAlive and Lakewood Music Boosters fundraisers as well as a growing number of weddings, receptions and other community and individual events.

While we continue to reap the benefits of our

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## New Ways to Donate to our Foundation

Nearly every Mason and Eastern Star who has been a member of our Lakewood Masonic Family has fond memories of his/her experiences. These memories are all the more vivid because of our beautiful Lakewood Masonic Temple, specially designed as a home uniquely capable of supporting our fraternal activities. Many of our members have gone the extra mile by making contributions above and beyond their annual dues. We call your attention to several new ways to donate to our Foundation.



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Gifts and bequests to our Lakewood Masonic Foundation (but not our Lakewood Masonic Temple Endowment Fund or our Lakewood Masonic Temple Company Operating Fund) are deductible for federal estate and income taxes to the extent permitted by law. As always, we encourage you to consult your legal and financial advisors for assistance in determining in what form and in what amount you should make any major gift or bequest.

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## Universality of Masonry

The boast of Emperor Charles V., that the sun never set on his vast empire, may be applied with equal truth to the Order of Freemasonry. From east to west, and from north to south, over the whole habitable globe, are our Lodges disseminated. Wherever the wandering steps of civilized man have left their footprints, there have our temples been established. The lessons of Masonic love have penetrated into the wilderness of the West, and the red man of our soil has shared with his more enlightened brother the mysteries of our science; while the arid sands of the African desert have more than once been the scene of a Masonic greeting. Masonry is not a fountain, giving health and beauty to some single hamlet, and slaking the thirst of those only who dwell upon its humble banks; but it is a mighty stream, penetrating through every hill and mountain, and gliding through every field and valley of the earth, bearing in its beneficent bosom the abundant waters of love and charity for the poor, the widow, and the orphan of every land.

—From Mackey's *Masonry Defined*, 1930.

## Gates of the Temple

In the system of Freemasonry, the Temple of Solomon is represented as having a gate on the east, west, and south sides but none on the north. In reference to the historical Temple of Jerusalem, such a representation is wholly incorrect. In the walls of the building itself there were no places of entrance except the door of the porch, which gave admission to the house. But in the surrounding courts there were gates at every point of the compass. The Masonic idea of the Temple is, however, entirely symbolic. The Temple is to the Speculative Mason only a symbol not an historical building, and the gates are imaginary and symbolic also. They are, in the first place, symbols of the progress of the sun in his daily course, rising in the east, culminating to the meridian in the south, and setting in the west. They are also, in the allegory of life, which it is the object of the third degree to illustrate, symbols of the three stages of youth, manhood, and old age, or, more properly of birth, life, and death.

—From Mackey's *Masonry Defined*, 1930.

## Goose & Gridiron

An alehouse with this sign, in London House-Yard at the north end of St. Paul's. In 1717 the Lodge of Antiquity met at the Goose and Gridiron, and it was there that the first quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge of England, after the revival of 1717, was held on the 24th of June, 1717.

—From Mackey's *Masonry Defined*, 1930.

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# Lakewood Lodge #601 F. & A. M.

Stated Meetings Second & Fourth Mondays 7:30 p.m. • [www.lakewoodfreemasons.com](http://www.lakewoodfreemasons.com)

## Master's Message

Lakewood Lodge was very busy in the months of April and May. We conferred the Master Mason Degree on two brothers in the month of April with one at our first stated meeting and the other at our Inspection on April 22. We concluded the annual fish fries in April with Clifton-Gaston Allen Lodge, which were even more successful this year than in previous years.

In the month of May we had Fellowcraft returns, passed a brother to the Degree of Fellowcraft, and raised two brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason at a special meeting held on May 20th, as we did not meet on the 27th due to Memorial Day. Lakewood also completed a raffle to raise money for Special Olympics.

Coming up on June 10 a Brother from Dover Lodge will be giving a presentation entitled "Ritual Roots and the One Day Class" at Lakewood Lodge. We will be opening Lodge at 7:30p to conduct any business, then will move to the presentation. At our last stated meeting before Dark on June 24 we will be presenting any awards to Brethren in our Lodge and will be conferring the EA Degree on candidates. For any additional meetings or events over Dark please be on the lookout for any additional communications via email. If you do not receive emails from Lakewood Lodge and would like to, please let me know.

Again I would like to see more of a turnout from our Brethren, as exciting things continue to occur at our Lodge; and it would be nice for our newer Brethren to see your faces. I wish you all a great summer and look forward to our return from Dark in September.

## Loyalty

Notwithstanding the calumnies of Barruel, Robison, and a host of other anti-Masonic writers who assert that Masonry is ever engaged in efforts to uproot the governments within which it may exist, there is nothing more evident than that Freemasonry is a loyal institution, and that it inculcates, in all its public instructions, obedience to government. Thus, in the Prestonian charge given in the last century to the Entered Apprentices, and continued to this day in the same words in English Lodges, we find the following words:

"In the State, you are to be a quiet and peaceable subject, true to your sovereign, and just to your country; you are not to countenance disloyalty or rebellion, but patiently submit to legal authority, and conform with cheerfulness to the government under which you live, yielding obedience to the laws which afford you protection, but never forgetting the attachment you owe to the place of your nativity or the allegiance due to the sovereign or protectors of that spot."

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# Ann Rutledge Chapter #453 O. E. S.

Stated Meetings First & Third Wednesdays 1:30 p.m. • [www.annrutledge453oes.org](http://www.annrutledge453oes.org)

## Matron's Message

Sisters and Brothers, our annual Inspection was on May 1. We were disappointed with very few of our members in attendance to support our officers who did nice work for our Inspection.

Ann Rutledge Chapter needs your support if it is to carry forward in the future. In two years we will be celebrating our 100th year. Please come out and be a part of this special time in our history.

Our meetings are still the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 1:30p with a lunch after each meeting. We only have two meetings left before our summer break. Please come out and support your Chapter in whatever way you can.

## Dates to Remember

- June 5 Stated Meeting. Election of Officers and Annual Reports. Honor March through June Birthdays.
- June 19 Stated Meeting. Honor Fathers and Honor our Organist. Initiation (This is a Must).

### Have a safe a fun filled Summer.

- September 4 Stated Meeting. Welcome Back from Summer Break. Honor July through October Birthdays.
- September 18 Stated Meeting. Final Initiation.

## Friendship

Leslie, in 1741, delivered the first descant on Friendship as peculiarly a Masonic virtue. He was followed by Hutchinson, Preston, and other writers, and now in the modern lectures it is adopted as one of the precious jewels of a Master Mason. Of universal friendship, blue is said to be the symbolic color. "In regular gradation," says Munkhouse, "and by an easy descent, brotherly love extends itself to lesser distinct societies or to particular individuals, and thus becomes friendship either of convenience or of personal affection." Cicero says, "Amicitia nisi bonos non potest," Friendship can exist only among the good.

—From Mackey's *Masonry Defined*, 1930.

## Auxiliary

*Around the Town Dinner Club* meets the last Wednesday of the month. We are trying something new by meeting at 12:30p for lunch. The locations will be announced at our meetings, so come to our meetings and find out where we are going. All members and guests are welcome to come with us.

## Stars

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# Nature's Life and Beauty



# Cunningham Chapter #187 R. A. M.

Stated Convocation Third Wednesday 7:30 p.m. • [www.cunningham187ram.org](http://www.cunningham187ram.org)

## High Priest's Message

Companions:

I would like to take this time to thank all of you for a wonderful year in Chapter. We merged two good Chapters into one Great Chapter, and we brought in several new Companions into the York Rite.

We have also elected new officers for our Chapter (to be installed at our Annual Meeting on MONDAY, June 3) as well as Council and Commandery, and I am looking forward to their leadership. The Lakewood Masonic Temple's Lenten Fish Fry Dinners were a big success again. Thank all of you for helping. We conferred all four degrees again this year with a little help from our friends, a tradition which I hope will continue. Please visit our web site and check out our calendar for all of our upcoming events.

Remember, "I personally believe we were put here to build and not to destroy." Thank you, Brother Red Skelton for your words of inspiration.

Thank all of you for your prayers during my surgeries this year. Linda and I could not have made it without knowing all of you had our back.

Good luck, and enjoy your summer, and we will meet again on the square.

## Cunningham Chapter Degree Dates 2019-20

Nov 20 Wed 7:30p Mark Master Degree—Inspection  
Dec 18 Wed 7:30p Past Master Degree  
Feb 19 Wed 7:30p Most Excellent Master Degree  
Apr 15 Wed 7:30p Royal Arch Degree

For the most current information visit: [www.cunningham187ram.org](http://www.cunningham187ram.org)

## 16th Capitular District Dates to Remember

Jun 10 Mon 7:30p 16th District Annual Meeting, Elections & Awards @ Summit-Baker #74  
Aug 19 Mon 9:00a 16th District 2025-26 Golf @ Gleneagles, Twinsburg  
Aug 24 Sat 9:00a Region E School of Instruction @ Painesville MT  
Oct 10 Thur 203rd Grand Chapter Convocation—Columbus  
For the most current information visit: [www.ram16.org](http://www.ram16.org)

## Ne Varietur

Latin. *Lest it should be changed.* These words refer to the Masonic usage of requiring a brother, when he receives a certificate from a Lodge, to affix his name, in his own handwriting, in the margin, as a precautionary measure, which enables distant brethren, by a comparison of the handwriting, to recognize the true and original owner of the certificate, and to detect any impostor who may surreptitiously obtain one.

—From Mackey's *Masonry Defined*, 1930



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# Build Your Temple



# Lakewood Council #125 R. & S. M.

Stated Assembly First Wednesday 7:30 p.m. • [www.lakewood125rsm.org](http://www.lakewood125rsm.org)

## Lakewood Council Degree Dates 2019-20

Nov 6 Wed 7:30p Royal Master Degree  
 Feb 5 Wed 7:30p Select Master Degree—Inspection  
 May 16 Sat 2:00p Super Excellent Master with Cleveland #36 & Elyria #86 (at Elyria)

For the most current information visit: [www.lakewood125rsm.org](http://www.lakewood125rsm.org)

## 7th Arch Dates to Remember

Jun 8-9 Sat-Sun LaureLive Music Festival—Fundraiser—  
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!  
 Jul 29—Aug 4 Mon-Sun Medina County Fair—Fundraiser —  
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!  
 Oct 6-8 Sun-Tues 190th Grand Council Assembly—Columbus

## Curiosity

It is a very general opinion among Masons that a candidate should not be actuated by curiosity in seeking admission into the Order. But, in fact, there is no regulation or landmark on the subject. An idle curiosity is, it is true, the characteristic of a weak mind. But to be influenced by a laudable curiosity to penetrate the mysteries of an Institution venerable for its antiquity and its universality, is to be controlled by a motive which is not reprehensible. There are, indeed, in legend of the high degree, some instances where curiosity is condemned, but the curiosity in these instances, led to an intrusion into forbidden places, and is very different from the curiosity or desire for knowledge which leads a profane to seek fairly and openly an acquaintance with mysteries which he has already learned to respect.

—From Mackey's *Masonry Defined*, 1930.

## Golden Fleece

In the lecture of the first degree, it is said of the Mason's apron, that it is "more ancient than the Golden Fleece or Roman Eagle, more honorable than the Star and Garter." The reference is here evidently not to the Argonautic expedition in search of the golden fleece, nor to the deluge, of which that event is supposed to have been a figure, as Dr. Oliver incorrectly supposes, but to certain decorations or honor with which the apron is compared. The eagle was to the Romans the ensign of imperial power; the Order of the Golden Fleece was of high repute as an Order of Knighthood. It was established in Flanders, in 1429, by the Duke of Burgundy, who selected the fleece for its badge because wool was the staple production of the country. It has ever been considered, says Clark, one of the most illustrious Orders in Europe. The Order of the Garter was, and is still considered, the highest decoration that can be bestowed upon a subject by a sovereign of

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# Teach the Tradition



# Holy Grail Commandery #70 K. T.

Stated Conclave Second Wednesday 7:30 p.m. • [www.holygrail70kt.org](http://www.holygrail70kt.org)

## Commander's Message

Sir Knights:

Our Annual Conclave and Installation of Officers (by our Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander Robert Hager) will be Wednesday, June 12. If you will be coming for our traditional potluck dinner kindly provided by the Ladies of Cleveland Beauceant, please arrive by 6:15p, as Beauceant's meetings are now starting at 7:00p. We will also start at 7:00p to take care of necessary business ahead of inviting our guests to join us for our Installation itself.

The next step in our Grand Commandery's merger of our 7th Division with the neighboring 8th Division to our south will be the first meeting of our new North Central Division Council for Templar Advancement (CTA) on Sunday afternoon, June 30, at 2:00p, at the Canton Masonic Center. All are welcome; officers are especially encouraged to attend.

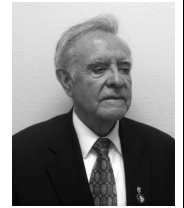
Please mark your calendars for Saturday, August 3, the date of our Lakewood Masonic Temple's annual open house during the Lakewood Arts Festival. Downtown Lakewood is awash with thousands of visitors during the Festival, many of whom take the opportunity to visit our Temple for a bit of respite or to tour our facilities. We always need members to act as hosts to project a favorable impression to our community and perhaps make connections that result in new members for our Fraternity. We open from the Festival start at 10:00a and continue until late afternoon. If you can volunteer for all or part of the day, please contact SK Niebaum.



This spring our Knights Templar Eye Foundation awarded a \$55,000 grant to a young Cleveland Clinic scientist researching the regeneration of damaged retina tissue in zebra fish and its possible extension to humans. Your charitable donations make this and similar research possible!

## North Central (7-8th) Division Dates to Remember

Jun 30 Sun 2:00p North Central Division CTA Annual Meeting—Canton  
Oct 10-12 Thur-Sat 177th Regular Grand Commandery—Columbus  
Nov 23 Sat 6:00p Grand Commander's Reception—Beachwood



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Stated Meeting Second Wednesday 7:30 p.m. • [www.cleveland15soob.org](http://www.cleveland15soob.org)

## President's Message

Our Supreme Worthy President is completing her travels throughout the country to conduct Official Visits with each subordinate Assembly. On June 7, 8, and 9, Cleveland Assembly No. 15 and Columbus Assembly No. 79 will gather with sisters from throughout the country at The Embassy suites Hotel, Columbus Airport for Ms. Kimberly Burnett, Supreme Worthy President's Homecoming. We are excited to have her return home before she presides at the 99th Annual Supreme Assembly in September.

There has been a change in meeting time. Meetings will now begin at 7:00p. Please put this time change on your calendar.

We continue to collect soda can tabs to take to Al Koran Shrine so that they can use the proceeds to help with the cost of transporting children to the Shriners Hospitals for treatment. Our main charity continues to be the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. Ms. Burnett, SWP is asking us to save all dollar bills with an "E" or "F" in the Federal Reserve Bank circle. This has been quite successful. Continue to put aside those dollar bills, and turn them in. In addition to our activity supporting the Resolve Through Sharing program at MetroHealth Medical Center, we are also making Isollette covers and baby covers for the drug addicted babies program at that hospital.

Lunch Bunch meetings, the Summer Picnic, and Children's Day are still in the planning stage. These activities always provide fun, lots of discussion about one another's activities, and good food.

## Dates to Remember

June 7, 8, 9	Homecoming in Columbus for Supreme Worthy President Ms. Kimberly Burnett
June 12 Wed 7:00p	STATED MEETING. Potluck Dinner with Sir Knights before meeting.

## Social Character of Freemasonry

Freemasonry attracts our attention as a great social institution. Laying aside for the time those artificial distinctions of rank and wealth, which, however, are necessary in the world to the regular progression of society, its members meet in their Lodges on one common level of brotherhood and equality. There virtue and talent alone claim and receive pre-eminence, and the great object of all is to see who can best work and best agree. There friendship and fraternal affection are strenuously inculcated and assiduously cultivated, and that great mystic tie is established which peculiarly distinguishes the society. Hence is it that Washington has declared that the benevolent purpose of the Masonic Institution is to enlarge the sphere of social happiness, and its grand object to promote the happiness of the human race.

—From Mackey's *Masonry Defined*, 1930.



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## Loyalty

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The charge given in American Lodges is of the same import, and varies but slightly in its language.

“In the State, you are to be a quiet and peaceful subject, true to your government, and just to your country; you are not to countenance disloyalty or rebellion, but patiently submit to legal authority and conform with cheerfulness to the government of the country in which you live.”

The charge given in French Lodges, though somewhat differing in form from both of these, is couched in the same spirit and teaches the same lesson. It is to this effect:

“Obedience to the laws and submission to the authorities are among the most imperious duties of the Mason, and he is forbidden at all times from engaging in plots and conspiracies.”

Hence it is evident that the true Mason must be a true patriot.

—From Mackey's *Masonry Defined*, 1930.

## Golden Fleece

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Great Britain. Thus, the apron is proudly compared with the noblest decorations of ancient Rome and of modern Europe. But the Masons may have been also influenced in their selection, of a reference to the Golden Fleece, by the fact that in the Middle Ages it was one of the most important symbols of the Hermetic philosophers.

—From Mackey's *Masonry Defined*, 1930.

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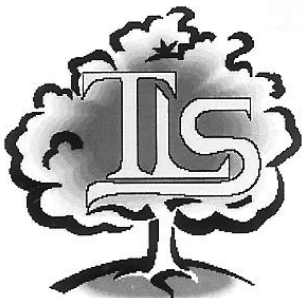
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