

# 2017 November Newsletter

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## Linden Lodge #637, F&AM

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### Your 2017 / 2018 Officers



Linden Lodge held their Annual Meeting on November 2nd, 2017 at the Northwest Temple. At this meeting WB Keven Clouse was elected to serve another year as our Worshipful Master. He will be assisted by the following, who were also elected during the meeting.

Ed Kampbell - Sr Warden	WB Earl Black - Jr Warden
RWB Ron Leonard - Secretary	Tom McCauley - Treasurer
Michael Flannigan - Sr Deacon	David King - Jr Deacon
Kent Wareham - Sr Steward	Kevin Bice - Jr Steward
WB Ted Plummell - Chaplain	WB Kent Wright - Tyler
WB Aaron Wyckoff - Asst Secr	WB Richard Lohnes - LEO

### Annual Holiday Dinner and Awards Banquet

Our Holiday Dinner and Awards Ceremony will be on Friday, December 15th at York Country Club. ***If you attend a regular stated meeting by December 7, 2017 we will provide you with up to two free tickets to the event, provided you make a reservation by the deadline, which is also December 7<sup>th</sup>.*** Children and grandchildren (under 12) are free, provided you make a reservation. Additional tickets are available for \$30/each. We will begin our social time at 5:30 p.m. and eat dinner at 7:00 p.m. to allow everyone time to arrive. Award presentations will follow Dinner. **NOTICE:** Due to the Holiday Dinner and Awards Banquet we will NOT hold a Fellowship meeting on Thursday, December 21st.

### Birthday Card Program

Brethren, Linden Lodge is working on an Outreach Program starting in January, 2018. Many of you belong to Scottish Rite and are familiar with receiving Birthday Greetings during the month of your Birthday. So we are planning to do likewise. Preprinted cards have been ordered, so start checking your mailbox for your card which will arrive sometime during your birth month. Hopefully you will enjoy receiving your card from the Lodge. If you have any information to share with the Lodge, such as your health status, your phone numbers (with area code), your e-mail address or anything else, please contact either the WM or the Secretary. Their contact information is listed in this Newsletter. Please remember to contact the Secretary if you move as the Grand Secretary and the Ohio Masonic Home use the address we provide to mail publications to you.

***We Would Like To Wish You And Your Family  
A Very Merry Christmas And A Prosperous New Year***

### Upcoming Meetings

**December 7, 2017**

**7:30 PM**

Stated meeting

**December 15, 2017**

**5:30 PM**

Holiday Banquet  
York Golf Club

**January 4, 2018**

**7:30 PM**

Stated Meeting

**February 1, 2018**

**7:30 PM**

Stated meeting

**February 15, 2018**

**7:00 PM**

Annual Inspection  
EA Degree

**March 1, 2018**

**7:30 PM**

Stated meeting

**March 10, 2018**

**5:30 PM**

Grand Master's  
Reception at Villa Milano

All these meetings will be at the Northwest Temple unless otherwise stated.

## MWB Eric R Schau



At the 208th Annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio, MWB Eric R Schau was installed as our new Grand Master. He will be assisted by the following who were also installed into their respective offices.

RWB Jess N Raines - Deputy Grand Master  
 RWB Keith W Newton - Senior Grand Warden  
 RWB Richard A Dickerscheid - Junior Grand Warden  
 MWB Steven E Cokonougher - Grand Treasurer  
 MWB C Michael Watson - Grand Secretary  
 RWB Robert D Stands - Grand Chaplain  
 RWB Timothy S Wheeland - Grand Orator  
 RWB Steven M Grindle - Grand Marshal  
 RWB Paul A Weglage - Senior Grand Deacon  
 RWB William M (Bill) Carter III - Junior Grand Deacon  
 RWB Ronald L Runion - Grand Tyler

## MWB Steven E Cokonougher



MWB Steven E Cokonougher was installed as the new Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Ohio.

Steve served as the Master of Linden Lodge in 1988 and 2000 and the Grand Master of Masons in Ohio in 2015.

Congratulations Steve!

## RWB Timothy F Rice



RWB Timothy F Rice has been installed as one of the new District Deputy Grand Masters for the 14th Masonic District.

Tim, a Past Master of Linden Lodge and a Past President of the 14th District Officers Association, was installed along with RWB Gregory Brewer and RWB Dan Rannebarger, who will also serve in this position.

During this day there were also two new District Education Officers installed for the 14th Masonic District, WB Chad E Simpson and WB Michael J Saum.

Linden Lodge would like to wish all these fine Masons all the best in their endeavors.

## It's Time To Pay Your 2017 / 2018 Dues

Unless you are an Endowed Member it is now time to pay your 2017 - 2018 Linden Lodge dues. You should have received a dues notice by now stating how much you need to pay and where to send it. If you haven't, contact our Secretary, RWB Ron Leonard and he will get one to you.

**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS**



## Contact Information

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 Secretary  
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**Do you know  
 someone you think  
 would make a good  
 Mason?**

You can download and  
 print membership  
 petitions from our web-  
 site.

You can also find  
 petitions for  
 Restoration, Affiliation,  
 and Dual Membership  
 there too.

## Who are your Lodge Officers?

Worshipful Master	Keven Clouse	brotherclouse@yahoo.com	614 653-6388
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Secretary	RWB Ron Leonard	rleon95596@aol.com	614 778-4168
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Junior Deacon	David King	dking.2@go.ccad.edu	513 341-3472
Tyler	WB Kent Wright	rkentwright@columbus.rr.com	614 329-5970
LEO	WB Richard Lohnes	rlohn614@gmail.com	614 537-1067
Chaplain	WB Ted Pummell	(none)	614 263-2828
Senior Steward	Kent Wareham	kentwareham@att.net	614 878-6838
Junior Steward	Kevin Bice	kevbice@gmail.com	614-905-1000

## Calendar for the 2017 - 2018 Lodge Year

Listed below is the proposed calendar for Linden Lodge. All of these events will be at the Northwest Temple unless otherwise stated. As always, due to changes in our degree work schedule as well as other things beyond our control, these events are subject to change. Also other events may be added so keep watching and keep up to date on what we're doing by visiting our website or ask to be put on our email list.

December 7, 2017 - Stated Meeting

December 15, 2017 - Annual Christmas Party and Awards Banquet along with York Lodge at the York Golf Club

January 4, 2018 - Stated meeting

February 1, 2018 - Stated meeting

February 15, 2018 - Annual Inspection - Entered Apprentice Degree

March 1, 2018 - Stated Meeting

March 10, 2018 - Grand Master's Reception

April 5, 2018 - Stated Meeting

May 3, 2018 - Stated Meeting

June 7, 2018 - Stated Meeting

June 21, 2018 - Lodge Family Cookout

September 6, 2018 - Stated Meeting

October 4, 2018 - Stated Meeting - Officer's Move-Up Night

November 1, 2018 - Annual Lodge Meeting and election of Officers

## Website Re-Designed

WB Richard Lohnes has re-designed the Linden Lodge website to be more pleasing to the eye and to make it easier to find what you're looking for. You can find up to date information about our meetings and Masonic news by checking our website at <http://www.linden637.org/>. Another great resource for late breaking news is our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LindenLodge637/>. We urge you to use these resources to keep up to date with our Lodge and it's members. If you have updates or information you would like to see on these pages let Richard know. His contact information can be found near the top of this page.

## 14th District Past Master's Convocation

The 14th District will hold their Past Master's Convocation December 9th at 8:00AM. They will be hosted by Reynoldsburg Lodge #340 this year. The 14th District Annual Meeting will follow the Convocation at 1:00PM.

## Sick And Distressed Members

Brethren, often we are not aware that you, someone in your immediate family or another member of the Lodge that you know has experienced a hospitalization, or death. Contact our Senior Warden, Ed Kampbell, and let him know. He will report that information to the Lodge. You will find Ed Kampbell's contact information listed on the next page.

## About Your Lodge Membership Card

Remember that you have received a plastic membership card which is intended to be used for about 5 years. Don't throw that card away, you will not receive a new card each time you pay. This does not mean you don't need to pay your dues each year. Even though there is not an expiration date on this card, it is not valid unless you pay your dues. If your card gets lost or damaged, contact RWB Leonard for a replacement. If you have moved and changed your address in the last couple of years contact RWB Leonard to make sure your records are up to date.

## Endowed Membership

Brethren, have you ever thought about leaving a legacy to Linden Lodge? Perhaps you have made provisions in your Will or you have designated a Life Insurance policy, some stocks ,etc. There is another way you can do this and at the same time eliminate the need to pay dues. The Grand Lodge has established an Endowed Membership Fund and the funds collected are invested and each year, a portion of the investment is returned to the Lodge in lieu of the Lodge collecting your Dues. The Legacy is the fact that after your death, those funds continue to be paid to the Lodge in your memory.

At present, the cost to purchase an Endowed Membership is \$800.00 plus one more year's dues at the next Annual Meeting following the purchase. If you desire, you may purchase the Membership on the Installment Plan. If you choose this method , you will still pay your Annual Dues each year, up to 5 years, until the \$800.00 is collected plus one last year's of Dues as noted above. Obviously, this would be a great choice for our younger members, but would also work for anyone.

If you are interested in this, please contact the Lodge Secretary and he will start the process and let you know the steps involved. You must be current with your Lodge Dues, so if you are reading this and you did not pay your 2017 dues, you need to get current.

## E-mail Contact

Brethren, would you like to find out what is happening at the Lodge in a more timely fashion? Snail-mail is not a timely way to keep you up-to-date. We can provide quick notification of Lodge meetings, Funeral Specials, Degree conferrals or other events in 24 hours or less. But, we cannot do this by traditional methods. For the last year or two, we have found that e-mail gets the job done. If you have an e-mail account, simply send your address to the Lodge Secretary. His e-mail address is: [rleon95596@aol.com](mailto:rleon95596@aol.com). Your e-mail address is not published in any way. Only the Secretary and our e-mail coordinator, W. Bro. John P. Stains, will have it.

## Masonic Services Of Ohio

Brethren, your Ohio Masonic Home has a number of programs for the Brethren of Ohio. Many of you who are reading this Newsletter are Senior Citizens. Perhaps many of you could use some help but do not know where to go to obtain what you need. The program is called the "I-CARE Program". It is part of the Masonic Senior Services. If you live in Ohio, all you need to do is make a phone call and talk to one of the service coordinators and let them know what type of help you need and they will try and assist you. The "I-CARE Program" serves Masons, wives, widows and Eastern Star members, age 65 and older. If you need assistance with applications, making connections with service providers, need referrals to agencies offering resources or support, need governmental services or other Senior-related issues, help is just a phone call away. Call toll-free at 888-286-0010 or go online to [www.ohiomasonichome.org](http://www.ohiomasonichome.org) .