



# The Foundation Light

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## A New Day Dawns in Lakewood Foundation, Newsletter Debut

With this premiere issue of *The Foundation Light* the Lakewood Masonic Temple Family enters an exciting new era.

### The Foundation

On October 16, 2003, The Lakewood Masonic Foundation was incorporated in the state of Ohio for the purposes of Historic Preservation, Charity and Education. The United States Internal Revenue Service subsequently determined that the Foundation is exempt from federal income tax as a 501(c)(3) organization; more particularly, a public foundation. Other 501(c)(3) organizations include groups such as charities, schools and churches. The IRS determination means that donors may deduct contributions to the Foundation for Federal income tax purposes to the extent allowed by law. Bequests, legacies, and similar gifts are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes to the extent allowed by law.

Restoration and preservation of the Lakewood Masonic Temple will be the primary focus of the Foundation. Funds raised for this purpose will be granted to the Lakewood Masonic Temple Company for qualified projects which assist in restoring and maintaining the building in its original historic condition. These grants will supplement the Temple Company's traditional revenue streams from owner assessments, rentals and endowment income. The Foundation will also manage scholarship and philanthropic funds for individuals or organizations wishing to donate for these purposes.

Initial information on how to donate can be found on page 2. Greater detail will follow in subsequent communications.

### The Newsletter

From the outset of its discussions, the Lakewood Masonic Foundation Board of Trustees realized that its message could best be communicated through a newsletter sent to all members of the Masonic bodies comprising the Lakewood Masonic Family. Since the Foundation primarily seeks to preserve the Lakewood Masonic Temple for future generations, it seemed only logical that the newsletter should include news of the Lakewood Masonic Temple Company as the owner and operator of the building plus the several Masonic bodies that make the Lakewood Temple their home.

*The Foundation Light* will be published quarterly by the Foundation. The four issues in each Masonic year will cover the periods September-October-November, December-January-February, March-April-May and June-July-August.

In this premier issue you will find news from Lakewood and Clifton-Gaston Allen Lodges; Ann Rutledge OES; the York Rite bodies of Chapter, Council and Commandery; and Beauceant. You will also find a calendar of all Masonic meetings in the Lakewood Temple, including DeMolay and Job's Daughters. We hope that all of this will help you appreciate how important it is to maintain and restore our home. Your support will go a long way toward achieving this end.

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## Why Give to the Foundation?

The principal reason to support the Lakewood Masonic Foundation is your commitment to the historic preservation of our Masonic Temple, to charitable works and/or to education. Your gift to the Foundation will support these worthy purposes while providing you with deductions from your federal income tax and/or federal estate tax to the extent permitted by law. Gifts may be in the form of cash, securities or property. Gifts in the form of appreciated securities and/or charitable gift annuities can be especially beneficial to the donor.

Donors not concerned with a tax deduction and who primarily want to support the Temple building should consider donating directly to The Lakewood Masonic Temple Company rather than the Foundation. Gifts to the Temple Company's Operating Fund subsidize Temple operations and ease the financial burden on the Masonic bodies meeting in the Temple. Gifts to the Endowment Fund provide longer term support since the Fund's policy is to preserve its principal value, spending only its income on capital improvements and maintenance.

For further details please contact any LMF Board member.

## Temple Company News

The operation, maintenance and upgrading of our beloved Temple is a continuing labor of love. We are fortunate that our predecessors invested in a facility that is first class in both aesthetics and construction. But nearly 90 years later we are battling against the ravages of time, striking a delicate balance between preserving our Temple's original design and beauty and our need to operate as a cost efficient meeting space in a new century.

In recent years we have undertaken three major capital projects. Our elevator, which was not originally installed until our Temple was about 20 years old, was upgraded to meet current state requirements and to automate the doors for ease of operation. Our Lodge Room level was completely re-carpeted in colors more suited to our decorative wall art, relegating those unsightly bare spots to the dust bin of history. Both projects were funded by significant Operating Fund donations from Lakewood and Clifton-Gaston Allen Lodges, Ann Rutledge Chapter and an individual donor; supplemented by Endowment Fund income. Most recently we acquired a new high-efficiency boiler in an insurance settlement, but the additional expense of replacing leaking underground pipes was covered by Endowment Fund income.

We are currently looking to critical restoration of nearly all of our windows, both steel frame and leaded glass, as well as much needed electrical and plumbing upgrades.

We especially thank our 2003 Endowment Fund donors (listed on page 8) and look forward to your continuing support whether directly or by way of the new Lakewood Masonic Foundation.

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# Clifton-Gaston Allen Lodge #664 F. & A. M.

Stated Meeting Second Thursday 7:30 p.m. • Special Meetings Third Friday & Fourth Thursday

## Master's Message

We continue to work on candidates taking their degrees in Freemasonry. We just initiated two new Entered Apprentices, and they will join several others in their progression through the degrees this year. Our annual inspection will be on Thursday, May 13, in the Fellowcraft Degree. All brethren are encouraged to attend to add to the success of the evening. The Grand Master has promised to visit each Lodge in the 22nd District sometime during the year. Since he hasn't yet been to Clifton-Gaston Allen, the odds of his presence increase with each meeting!

All Past Masters and brethren are invited to join in our annual Past Masters Night on Thursday, April 22. Anyone wishing to join us for dinner should contact either the Master or the Secretary for reservations.

## Masonic Symbolism: The Acacia

The Acacia tree is found in the area known as Palestine during ancient times. Today it is found all over Africa. Acacia looks like the mulberry tree, can grow to well over one hundred feet high and is hard wood. The gum obtained from it is know as Gum Arabic. Acacia is a sacred Hebrew wood known in the scripture as "Shittah." The ark of the covenant was made from it.

Acacia is part of our initiation as Master Masons and represents the immortality of the soul, as the soul lives on after our bodies have been put to rest. Acacia can be a bush, a tree or a grove of trees. If you cut it down, it grows back; if you burn it, it grows back. If you try to dig it up and leave one root, it will grow back. Acacia can live through floods, droughts and bad soil conditions. There is little doubt to the reason Acacia is our symbol of immortality.

## The Oldest Masonic Lodge

Aitchison's Haven, a Masonic lodge in Musselburgh, Scotland, has the oldest written records—they date back to January 9, 1599. It ceased to exist in 1856. Mary's Chapel lodge in Edinburgh is the oldest Masonic lodge still in existence—its records date back to July 31, 1599. (From Guinness book of world Records.)

## Masonic Symbolism: The Rosette

The rosette was widely used in medieval and renaissance architecture. The oldest form seems to have been a representation of a wild rose, with five petals and five pointed sepals peeking between them. The Operatives considered it as the natural equivalent of the pentagram, with all the symbolism related to that. Later, more rings of petals were occasionally added to make the rosette more alike to the garden rose. Often the number of petals was in the three, five, seven sequence. A rosette with four or eight petals is a special case, as it represents the Cross.



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## When is a Man a Mason?

When is a man a Mason? When he can look out over the rivers, the hills, and the far horizon with a profound sense of his own littleness in the vast scheme of things, and yet have faith, hope, and courage. When he knows that down in his heart every man is as noble, as vile, as divine, as diabolic, and as lonely as himself, and seeks to know, to forgive, and to love his fellow man. When he knows how to sympathize with men in their sorrows, yea, even in their sins—knowing that each man fights a hard fight against many odds. When he has learned how to make friends and to keep them, and above all how to keep friends with himself. When he loves flowers, can hunt the birds without a gun, and feels the thrill of an old forgotten joy when he hears the laugh of a little child. When he can be happy and high-minded amid the meaner drudgeries of life. When star-crowned trees, and the glint of sunlight on flowing waters, subdue him like the thought of one much loved and long dead. When

## How Long is a Cable Tow?

In Preston's *Illustrations of Masonry* (1775, p. 114), there is a footnote that cites a manuscript possessed by the Lodge of Antiquity in London and which was written during the reign of James the Second which says "...Tenthly, That every master and fellow shall come to the assemble, if itt be within fifty miles of him, if he have any warning. And if he have trespassed against the craft, to abide the award of masters and fellows." Given the mode of travel in those days it would seem that 50 miles on horseback would be equivalent to a long day's ride. Given current modes of transportation, a day of travel makes for a very long "cable-tow." The term was in common use in both Old English (Saxon) and Middle English, in spite of the fact that prominent Masonic scholars have declared it a

no voice of distress reaches his ears in vain, and no hand seeks his aid without response. When he finds good in every faith that helps any man to lay hold of higher things, and to see majestic meanings in life, whatever the name of that faith may be. When he can look into a wayside puddle and see something besides mud, and into the face of the most forlorn mortal and see something beyond sin. When he knows how to pray, how to love, how to hope. When he has kept faith with himself, with his fellow man, with his God; in his hand a sword for evil, in his heart a bit of a song—glad to live, but not afraid to die! In such a man, whether he be rich or poor, scholarly or unlearned, famous or obscure, Masonry has wrought her sweet ministry!

—Rev. Brother Joseph Fort Newton, D. Litt., Grand Chaplain, Grand Lodge of Iowa, A. F. and A. M., and Chaplain of Mt. Hermon Lodge No. 263 of Cedar Rapids, from an address he delivered before the Grand Lodge of Iowa at the Seventieth Annual Communication held at Council Bluffs, June 10, 1913.

purely Masonic coinage. It basically meant "rope." When a tuft of cotton was twisted into string, it became a "tau" or "tow" of cotton. Wound together, "tau wind" became "twine." Several strands of tau could be then twisted together to form a "cabled tau" or rope. We still reserve the name "cable" for heavy lines of twisted fiber, especially for steel wire. Operatives are shown in 16th century art carrying coils of rope for hauling tools and building materials around a work site, particularly to higher construction levels. Considering the rickety form of lashed scaffolding they used, this was probably the only safe way to raise heavy loads to upper levels. A skillful climber or worker would then have a longer cable tow than a beginner. Thus, the length of a cable tow denoted the reasonable extent of demands that could be asked of each worker.

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

Stated Meetings Second & Fourth Mondays 7:30 p.m. • Special Meeting Third Monday

## Master's Message

Brethren: The Masonic year seems to be passing more quickly every day. I want you to know that I shall be contacting many of you individually in the next couple of weeks as we prepare for our upcoming Inspection in the Master Mason Degree. Obviously, we'll need your help fielding a Fellowcraft Team and the other small part in the Degree. If any of you wish to volunteer, please call me any time A.S.A.P. If not, I shall be in touch with you. Now, here is an update to our schedule to help you plan for the next several months:

- March 1 Officers Meeting at Tom Standen's
- March 8 Stated Meeting—Officers Rehearsal for MM Degree
- March 15 Special Meeting—Rehearsal for Fellowcraft Team
- March 22 Stated Meeting—Exemplify the Fellowcraft Degree
- April 5 Officers Meeting—Pre-Inspection Meeting with DDGM at Masonic Temple
- April 12 Stated Meeting—MM Degree Rehearsal
- April 19 Special Meeting—Inspection MM Degree
- April 26 Stated Meeting

## 22nd District Inspection Schedule

March 8	Wellington #127	MM
March 10	Strongsville #728	MM
March 11	Euclid #599	FC
March 16	Elyria #787	FC
March 17	Forest City #388	EA
March 17	Quarry #382	FC
March 24	John W. Barkley #621	EA
March 24	Lyndhurst #508	FC
March 26	Acacia #651	MM
March 30	Mid-Century #725	EA
March 31	Cleveland #781	MM
March 31	Golden Gate #245	MM
March 31	LaGrange #399	FC
April 1	Solon #757	EA
April 8	Edwin S. Griffiths #749	MM
April 15	University Heights #738	FC
April 19	Lakewood #601	MM
April 20	Parkside #736	EA
April 26	Franklin Circle #498	FC
April 28	Raymer-Covenant #683	FC
May 4	North Olmsted #741	MM
May 6	Dover #489	EA
May 13	Clifton-Gaston Allen #664	FC

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# ✚ Cleveland Assembly #15 S. O. O. B.

*Stated Meeting Second Wednesday 7:30 p.m.*

## President's Message

As the wife, widow, mother, sister, daughter or legally adopted daughter of a Sir Knight, you are eligible to become a member of the only Masonic Order in existence whose membership consists solely of the women of Knights Templar—the Social Order of the Beauceant.

Ours is a ritual Order, whose purposes are to render assistance to the Commandery, promote loyal friendships, do benevolent work for those less fortunate and derive enjoyment through our associations and friendship with each other.

Cleveland Assembly #15 meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at the Lakewood Masonic Temple at 7:30 p.m., the same time as Holy Grail Commandery. We often have a pot-luck dinner at 6:30 p.m.

We cordially invite and encourage you to contact our President or our Recorder, whose contact information is listed at the right, to learn more about our Order and obtain a petition to join with this unique group of sisters who meet in faith, loyalty and love for God, The Order of Knights Templar and each other.

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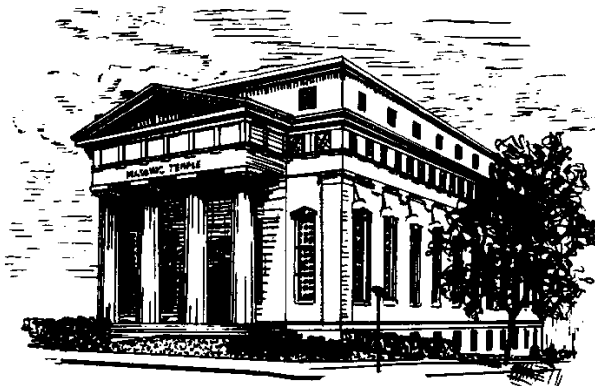
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# Ann Rutledge Chapter #453 O. E. S.

Stated Meetings First & Third Wednesdays 1:30 p.m.

## Matron's Message

Ann Rutledge Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star held its Eighty-Third Installation of Officers on November 19, 2003. The theme for this year is God's Creatures Great and Small, God Loves them All. We will highlight nature throughout the year and journey through the several Reservations of the Cleveland Metropolitan Parks. Our mascot is a Loon, and sometimes we may seem as "crazy as a loon" as we help to lighten our burdens through social activities. The meetings are held the First and Third Wednesdays of the month at 1:30 in the Lakewood Masonic Temple.

We have renewed our Obligation to the Order of the Eastern Star and celebrated Christmas with a party and donations of hats, gloves, scarves, socks, underwear and toys to the Cleveland Christian Children's Home. January brought the Grand Officers to our District where they conducted a Statewide Initiation at the Berea Temple on Eastland Road. Six candidates were initiated at that time. An indoor Progressive Dinner was held at the end of January with all the trimmings. February brought a Valentines celebration, and we practiced our Initiation work.

The Fourth Friday of the month the Crazy as a Loon Dinner group meets for a Friday night dinner at a local restaurant. Come and join us—March 26 we will be going to a fish fry at the German club on Columbia Road. If you need a ride just let someone in the Chapter know, and we can make arrangements.

May 5 will be our Inspection by the Deputy Grand Matron, and we will have a salad luncheon at 11:45 a.m. On May 8 the Past Matrons and Past Patrons will be getting together for dinner at the Sakura Restaurant in Lakewood. Let John Whitehouse know if you can attend. We plan to honor our Past Matrons and Patrons on May 19 meeting day. Please plan to attend.

Ohio Eastern Star Charities have some exciting events taking place.

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## Ohio District 3 Inspection Schedule

March 3	Fairview	7:30p	Deputy Grand Matron
March 15	Brecksville	7:30p	Deputy Grand Matron
March 17	Faith	7:30p	Deputy Grand Matron
April 1	Western Reserve	7:45p	Deputy Grand Matron
April 15	Ellbrook	7:30p	Deputy Grand Matron
April 20	New Hope	7:30p	Deputy Grand Matron
April 23	Forest City	7:30p	Deputy Grand Matron
May 3	Nottingham	7:45p	Deputy Grand Matron
May 5	Ann Rutledge	1:30p	Deputy Grand Matron
May 13	Brecksville	7:30p	Deputy Grand Matron
May 18	Strongsville	8:00p	Deputy Grand Matron
May 24	The River	8:00p	Deputy Grand Matron
May 27	Golden Rule	7:30p	Deputy Grand Matron
June 29	West Park	7:30p	Worthy Grand Matron



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## Matron's Message

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April 17 there is a Fashion Show and Luncheon honoring cancer survivors. It takes place at the Masonic Temple on East 36th Street in Cleveland with parking in the Temple Lot. There will be an OES Charities fish fry on April 28, and the Deputy Grand Matron is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner fund raiser in May to help in her project which is a therapeutic recumbent bicycle for the Cuyahoga County Eastern Star Home.

The General Grand Chapter Organist, Marcia Carlton of Colorado, will be visiting in our area in April and will be attending the Nottingham Chapter Meeting on Monday, April 19. The River Chapter will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary and a visitation by the Worthy Grand Patron on Monday, April 12. June 14 will bring the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron to our District as they come to enjoy the reception for Grand Adah Donna Lynn Mumaw at the Windermere Chapter.

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# Cunningham Chapter #187 R. A. M.

Stated Meeting Fourth Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

## High Priest's Message

Our next stated meeting is March 24 when we will also practice the Mark Master Degree for our inspection. At our April 28 stated meeting we will be inspected in the Mark Master Degree. Please attend! Our May 26 stated meeting will be our Annual Meeting and Election of Officers. On June 1 we will install our new officers. Don't forget—our June stated meeting is held on the first Tuesday rather than the fourth Wednesday!

## Welcome to the Lakewood Masonic Family

The Lakewood Masonic Family welcomes the members of Cunningham Chapter who joined us through the consolidation with Avon Lake Chapter.



The Lakewood Masonic Temple has a rich history. In 1912 a building committee was appointed to select a suitable site and formulate proper plans for the construction of a Masonic Temple in Lakewood. The Lakewood Masonic Temple Company was incorporated, and nine Masons were appointed to serve on the first Board of Directors.

The site for the new Temple at Andrews and Detroit Avenues was selected and approved in 1913. James W. Chrisford was awarded the contract as architect and builder. On April 3, 1915, ground was broken. The cornerstone was laid on June 26, 1915, by Edwin S. Griffiths, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of Ohio.

On September 30, 1916, the Temple was dedicated. Lakewood Lodge F&AM held the first meeting in the new Temple on October 2. Other occupants at that time were Gaston G. Allen Lodge F&AM, Cunningham Chapter RAM and Lincoln Chapter OES. Today it is the home of Lakewood Lodge F&AM, Clifton-Gaston Allen Lodge F&AM, Cunningham Chapter RAM, Lakewood Council RSM, Holy Grail Commandery KT, Ann Rutledge Chapter OES, Social Order of Beauceant, DeMolay for boys and Job's Daughters for girls as well as various community groups.

The Lakewood Masonic Temple remains to this day one of Lakewood's and America's historic treasures.

## 16th District Inspection Schedule

March 9	Covenant #222	7:30p	Most Excellent Master
April 28	Cunningham #187	7:30p	Mark Master



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# Lakewood Council #125 R. S. M.

Stated Meeting First Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

## Master's Message

Companions: Some will say we are on the down hill slide now that our annual inspection is over. Actually we are starting to ascend to our most important point in our Cryptic year, and that is the selection of our Council Officers for the ensuing year. Plus we still will need to do the Select Master Degree in April to round out our obligations to Grand Council.

Our March meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of the month we will be rehearsing the Select Master Degree. We will also review our assignments for the Super Excellent Masters Degree.

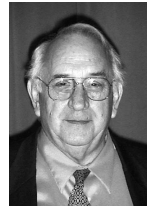
The S.E.M. will be conferred on Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at Forest City Council. If you haven't received this degree please see our Recorder for the necessary paper work. If you would like to participate in this degree see Henry Rees. He is the Director for Lakewood Council.

At our April 7<sup>th</sup> meeting we will be doing the Select Master Degree after a short business meeting. The principal parts are listed on the officers schedule. If you are not sure of your part please contact Ken. On April 28<sup>th</sup> Cunningham Chapter RAM will be having their Annual Inspection. It would be well to have as many Companions there as possible: (1) to support our Chapter and (2) to seek petitions for Council.

May 5<sup>th</sup> brings the Annual Election of Officers. Our Deputy Master Thomas Standen is busy selecting the right people for the various positions. If you would like to become an officer please contact Tom and express your desire to serve our Council. Our Annual Installation of Officers will be on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. I know Tom would appreciate your attendance.

## 7th Arch Inspections and S.E.M. Degrees

Mar 2	Conneaut #40	7:30p—Lunch to follow	R.M.
Mar 9	Windermere #113	7:30p—Dinner 6:30p	S.M.
Mar 13	Woodward #118	7:30p—Dinner 6:30p	S.E.M.
	Deputy Masters Meeting	2:00p	
Mar 18	Elyria #86 at Oberlin MT	7:30p—Dinner 6:30p	S.E.M.
Mar 23	Forest City #111	7:30p—Lunch to follow	S.E.M.
Mar 29	Painesville #104	7:30p—Lunch to follow	R.M.
Mar 30	Geneva #145	7:30p—Lunch to follow	S.E.M.
Apr 3	Penn-Ohio Day New Castle, PA	2:30p—Dinner 5:30p	S.M.
Apr 17	Windermere #113	9:30a—Breakfast 8:30a	S.E.M.
Apr 24	Buechner #107	9:30a—Breakfast 8:30a	S.E.M.
May 1	Painesville #104	9:30a—Breakfast 9:00a	S.E.M.



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**Cryptic Masonry.** The Council Degrees known as the Cryptic Rite fill what would be a significant void in the complete story of Freemasonry. The three degrees controlled by the Grand Councils in the United States are: the Royal Master, the Select Master and the Super Excellent Master. The first two have been named "The Degrees of Preservation." The third is a very dramatic and impressive degree containing a lesson in Fidelity.



# Holy Grail Commandery #70 K. T.

Stated Meeting Second Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

## Commander's Message

We are faced with many challenges in life—personal, business, and in our extra-curricular activities, i.e., Commandery life. What we need to keep in mind is that all things can be accomplished with the right attitude. So many times, we get too wrapped up in life's challenges; when, really, most things just are not all that serious.

In relating this to Commandery activities there are numerous times when we are confronted with challenging issues. Sometimes it may be just a challenge to get to Commandery. The important thing is to want to come--have the attitude that going will be beneficial for you and others. Then just make a phone call to an officer, and a ride will be arranged for you. We don't know your situation unless you let us know. This goes for any Commandery activity.

Another issue is that often times members don't come to Commandery because they are afraid we will put them to work. Sure we always need help--whether it be as an officer or with other activities—but no one is pressured into anything. We have members who simply come to enjoy the activities, and we certainly appreciate that too. After all, what is an activity if no one comes? If you have the right attitude--whether that is to help or merely attend functions—participation is the key to our successes. No pressure is put on anyone, but there are opportunities for help if anyone is interested.

Other attitudes come into play as we contemplate more "pressing issues," i.e., our future as a Commandery. If we keep the attitude that we need to do what is best for Holy Grail, then we will be in great shape. Too often we look only at what is best for each of us, but if we work together we will prosper. We may not like the night we meet, or even the Commander or any other officer or member for that matter, but isn't the Masonic fraternity so much more than any of these individual concerns? Does it really matter if it takes an additional 10 minutes to attend a Commandery meeting? Far more can be accomplished by taking that extra 10 minutes and going to an activity than deciding that it is not worth it and sitting in front of the tube. It is all a matter of attitude!

## March 20 Inspection Details

11:00a	Setup	1:00p	Run-through
12:00n	Officers Lunch	2:00p	Open

Please hold March 14 and 17 open "just in case"

## 7th Division Inspection Schedule

March 6	Coeur de Lion #64	2:00p
March 20	Holy Grail #70	2:00p
March 27	Allenby #73	2:00p
April 17	Lorain #65	2:00p
April 24	Elyria #60	2:00p



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**Lakewood Masonic Trestleboard**



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1 Mon 7:00p	Jobs Daughters	<i>Inspection</i>		17 Wed 1:30p Ann Rutledge OES
3 Wed 1:30p	Ann Rutledge	OES		17 Wed 7:00p Jobs Daughters
3 Wed 7:30p	Lakewood RSM			19 Fri 7:30p Clifton-Allen F&AM
4 Thu 7:30p	Lakewood DeMolay	<i>Inspection</i>		20 Sat 2:00p Holy Grail KT <i>Inspection</i>
8 Mon 7:30p	Lakewood F&AM			22 Mon 7:30p Lakewood F&AM
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10 Wed 7:30p	Holy Grail KT			25 Thu 7:30p Clifton-Allen F&AM
10 Wed 7:30p	Beauceant			26 Fri 11:00a Busy Bee Auxiliary
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<b>May</b>				13 Thu 7:30p Clifton-Allen F&AM <i>Inspection</i>
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