

## Reynoldsburg Lodge #340

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Stated Meeting: 1st Tuesday 7:30PM  
 September through June

Special Meetings: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays and as called by the WM

### Lodge Officers

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### Lodge Calendar

#### October

6 Stated Meeting at 7:30pm  
 12 Columbus Day (observed)  
 20 Special Meeting  
 23 Grand Lodge Communication  
 24 Breakfast – WILL NOT BE HELD  
 24 City Halloween Trunk or Treat

#### November

3 Election Day  
 3 Stated Meeting (Annual Meeting/Elections)  
 11 Veterans Day  
 17 Special Meeting  
 26 Thanksgiving  
 28 Breakfast With Santa (?)

#### December

1 Stated Meeting  
 5 Reynoldsburg Christmas on the Towne  
 13 Awards and Installation Ceremonies  
 15 Special Meeting  
 25 Christmas  
 26 Breakfast (?)

### We Remember

*In memory of those who passed in 2019-2020*

BRO ROBIN SHANE HELMANDOLLAR	12/28/2019
BRO KENNETH GEORGE POLLOCK	2/17/2020
BRO DANIEL LEE OVERLY	5/3/2020
WBRO CLARK T. BUCK	5/31/2020
WBRO THOMAS WALLING HESS	6/16/2020
WBRO HENRY HAROLD BIRTCHER	6/17/2020
BRO LYNDAL RAY PAYNE	7/19/2020
BRO WILLIAM NORMAN BICKEL	8/4/2020
BRO RICHARD PAUL STRAIT	8/25/2020
BRO RANDY KEENAN WATSON	8/25/2020

**May their memory always be a blessing and  
 may they rest in eternal peace.**





## From the East RWBro Ken Cohen

Having done this job a couple times before, allow me to copy and paste (and update the dates) from some words written in the Fall 2012 Trestleboard:



Well Brethren, here we are again at the end of another term. On November 3, the Lodge will select a new Worshipful Master and on December 13, I will install my successor into office. As the Senior Warden looks forward to the next year, for me, it is a time for reflection.

The last time I occupied this chair was during our sesquicentennial, 150 years of Masonry in Reynoldsburg. Our friends from Whitehall Lodge helped us celebrate that special event. This year, we celebrated our second year with the former members of Whitehall Lodge as our partners. I am pleased at how smoothly this transition has gone.

The lodge had a number of goals for 2020. We hoped to improve our community involvement, charitable work and brotherly bonds. But the plans

of men must take a back seat to the plans of the Grand Architect.

In March, at the direction of the Grand Master of Masons in Ohio, the lodge shut down on-site meetings, so we went virtual. At first glance, virtual meetings over a computer might seem be isolating. But to some, it provided them an opportunity to “sit in lodge” again, even though they live far away. We had brothers from Texas, Florida and North Carolina as well as some older members who joined us for some of the virtual meetings. It is my hope that we continue online Zoom meetings (at refreshment) from time to time.

In addition, we had a number of interesting online topics presented at Reynoldsburg Lodge. We had guest presentations on a leading public health official, in addition to talks about the space program, the Masonic symbolism of science and our first Grand Master, Rufus Putnam. After some of the online meetings, the conversations continued well after the meeting ended.

We did manage to initiate (and continue) the Brothers Night Out program. This allows members of the lodge to get out in a social atmosphere. Recently, we screened a movie with a masonic theme, “The Man Who Would Be King.” In the last few months of this term (and I believe into the next term), look for other Brothers Night Out events.

A few “thank you”s before I finish.

1. I offer my heartfelt thanks to our Senior Warden, Michael Donat. He organized calls to all our members, as well as making most of them himself. He took on this difficult task and followed through with it. The lodge should be in good hands during his term as Worshipful Master.
2. To each of you that has keep the building and administration of the lodge going through the year, I thank you. We even

managed some improvements (see the Trustees' article later in the Trestleboard).

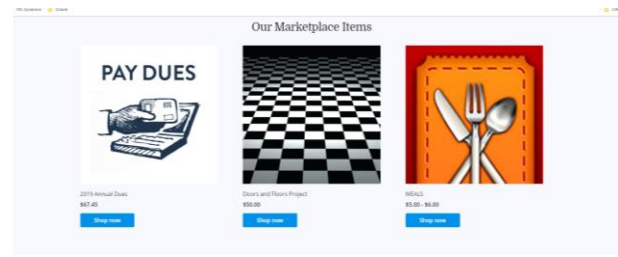
3. Thank you to the officers of the lodge. The lodge is not just the WM but requires all the officers and the brethren.
4. Thanks to new members for stepping up. Many of you have taken the time and effort to make sure things happen.
5. Thanks to all the members who have stayed involved (or even just sent a note of encouragement).

I am not sure what the post-pandemic lodge will look like. We may have to adjust to a new reality in many aspects of our life. But I know that relationships such as we have in lodge will be critical to our recovery as a nation. I hope we can share those relationships together.



## Paying Your Dues/Sponsoring the Floor or any other Payment

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Brethren: WBro Harold Davis, Treasurer has set up a website where you can pay your dues, donate to the newly renovated floor, or make any other payment to the lodge. Just type in the link above (and below) and enter your information. The site charges a small fee to cover administrative expenses and the rest comes to the lodge. Or you can pay your dues with your normal check sent by "snail" mail (or even just come to lodge to pay your dues). You can also donate to Masonic charities through the same process.

There are about several dozen donation opportunities left for those members who want to support the recent capital improvements by adding their name or a short message to a representation of the newly installed mosaic pavement in the center of the lodge room. Squares are available at \$50 each. Make your check payable to Reynoldsburg Lodge 340, F&A.M. and print "Doors & Floors" in the memo line and mail them to the Secretary.

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## From the West Bro Michael Donat

Brethren,

I hope you and your families are weathering these times well. Conditions regarding the spread of Covid are improving, and I'm coming to terms with the idea that as we become older, it might be wise to limit contact with the rest of society. My work is based on cleaning the masks that the hospital workers use, so it's never far from my mind.

We've lost many good masons this year, and I haven't been in town to grieve. My thoughts are on the good men who found purpose in attempting to look at humanity with an eye on developing character and improving the direction of people's lives. May their memories be kept close and be slow to fade from our lives.

May our lives improve as time passes. There are improvements being made in the medical field. Keep hope alive and soon we may be able to meet in fellowship as we have done in the past.

Michael Donat



## Trustees Report

Your trustees continue to make improvements to the grounds and keep the building in good repair as the lodge returns to labor. While we were prevented from holding meetings from mid-March until late June, we were able to make some significant improvements to the Lancaster Avenue and Broadwyn Drive sides of the building. With the assistance of Big City Electric, owned by Bro. Dave Weber, we were able to greatly improve the lighting on the west side of the building and reduce the energy consumption by almost 70%.

With the assistance of WB Glenn Call and his son, Will along with PM Harold Davis and his wife Pamala, the Trustees added unobtrusive hostas to the landscaping. The old light boxes for the west side of the building were replaced with low voltage can lights that automatically turn on at dusk and off at dawn allowing our engraved stones to be viewed both day and night.

Please remember that when paying your annual dues, a donation to the Building Fund goes toward upgrading and maintaining our building and grounds. The Building Fund is used to improve the appearance and integrity of the building so that our members, guests and renters from the local Reynoldsburg area have an inviting location and building to meet. After establishing a tradition over the five previous years, Reynoldsburg Lodge will once again host the Reynoldsburg Community Association and home of Santa Claus during the upcoming Christmas on the Towne holiday event scheduled for Saturday, December 5, 2020. It is not clear whether the lodge will be able to offer food and drink to families coming to visit Santa Claus. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, it is likely the High School Band and Orchestra will not be performing in our lodge room this year. We will still have plenty of Christmas music in our lodge room and practice social distancing until this public health concern has passed.

As noted in previous issues, our daily rental rate of \$50 for members is one of the lowest around. Anyone who wishes to rent our building is asked to complete our Temporary User Agreement, which contains a check list to be completed when leaving the building. Contact a Trustee if you are interested in using our building for that holiday, birthday,

anniversary or retirement party. The more lead time that can be provided, the more likely the building will be available for your use.

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As always, we remain dedicated to serve the Great Architect of the Universe, our Lodge brothers and their families.



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### RENT THE LODGE

Got a family gathering? Office party?

Rent Godfrey Hall and our commercial kitchen for your function.

\$50 for Godfrey Hall for members of Reynoldsburg Lodge & Helios Pronaos Group (AMORC)

\$25 additional charge for kitchen use

\$75 for Godfrey Hall for non-members

Daily Rental/Use agreement required

Contact a Trustee for details

reservations@mason340.com or 614 496-5444

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### Calling For Topics and Speakers.

Brothers, please submit your recommendations for Topics and Speakers to [LEO@mason340.com](mailto:LEO@mason340.com) .  
Suggestions anytime!



**“FREEMASONRY  
notwithstanding,  
has still survived.”**



CONGRATULATIONS TO WBRO BOB STACOFFE, THE THIRD MEMBER OF REYNOLDSBURG NO. 340 TO BE INDUCTED INTO THE ROYAL SCOFIELD SOCIETY

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