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# Harding Concordia Lodge

January 2021

## MASTERS MESSAGE

Brethren,

Happy New Year! And what a difficult year it has been. I hope this note finds all of you in good health and spirits. The Grand Lodge has issued an updated edict regarding our meetings. We will be able to meet in our lodge room so long as our county is not in the purple level. Hopefully this is the light at the end of the tunnel and we will be back to our regular activities sooner than later.



As we continue to through these times let us all be reminded of our Charge and know that we can overcome together with and for each other.

We have learned that this circle with its individual units is emblematic of Free masonry. Let us now close our ranks standing shoulder to shoulder our arms crossed and our hands warmly clasped thus welding together this circle of friendship into one unending chain of fraternal union. If our work in free masonry has taught us but one thing and brought us but one result may that result be the forming and cementing of life long friendships and may the friendships here created never be broken and may we ever live in Love. Peace. Unity Here Here!

Fraternally,  
Justin Kellar WM-Elect

Please visit the Lodge website:  
[www.harcon345.com](http://www.harcon345.com)  
for any updates of Grand Lodge protocols during these trying times.

## HARDING CONCORDIA CHARITY

One of the three great tenets of our Profession is to relieve the Distressed throughout the world. Here at Harding Concordia, we are doing pretty good.

### Friends & Fans of Special Athletes

Lodge has donated over \$2,500 toward the local athletes of Friends & Fans of Special Athletes.



### Childrens Dyslexia Center of Cleveland

For over two decades, the Scottish Rite Masons, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, have been national leaders in the effort to help children and their families overcome the painful obstacles of dyslexia by providing free tutoring and by training a growing cadre of highly skilled and dedicated tutors.



We are happy to announce that the Lodge is offering shirts and hats for purchases embroidered with our lodge logo. The shirts come in charcoal and the hats in either red or black. If you would like to order, please fill out the form below and bring a check (made out to Harding Concordia Lodge 345) or cash to Lodge. If you can't make it to lodge you can mail the check to Nick Schulz at 4519 Brookpark Road, Parma, Ohio 44134

## Order Form

Item	Color	Quantity	Size (S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXL)	Price	Line total. (Quantity times Price)
Shirt	Charcoal			\$35	
Hat	Black			\$15	
Hat	Red			\$15	
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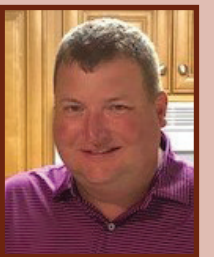
Please make checks payable to: Harding Concordia Lodge 345

Bring order form and payment to lodge or mail to 4519 Brookpark Rd, Parma, Ohio 44134.

## FROM YOUR JUNIOR WARDEN

Greetings from the South!

As we end one year and begin the next, I would like to wish all brethren a Merry Christmas and best wishes for the upcoming year. I would also like to thank our current Master Nate for navigating through such an unusual and difficult year and wish our new Master Justin good luck with his impending challenges in 2021.



I hope that during these troubling times that all our members and their families are in good health and remain that way. Although we currently cannot meet in person, I am reassured by the strong brotherhood our lodge has created that we will all continue to practice the values of true masonry in our hearts and daily lives.

Here is to hoping that we can all be called back to labor soon from refreshment in our lodge room and then back to some real refreshment in person afterwards in the upcoming year.

Fraternally yours,  
A.J. Kinney

Brethren,

Please send us your current email address and telephone number, so we can include you in our regular updates and announcements.

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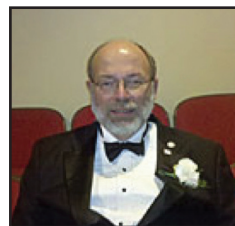
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## L.E.O.'s Corner



### The Test

Several years ago, the story is told of a Mason who always wore his Masonic ring and lapel pin when in public. On some occasions, he rode the bus from his home to the downtown area. On one such trip and when he sat down, he discovered the driver had accidentally given him a quarter too much change.

As he considered what to do, he thought to himself, "You'd better give the quarter back. It would be wrong to keep it." Then he thought, "Oh, forget it, it's only a quarter, who would worry about this little amount." Anyway, the transit company gets too much fare; they will never miss it. Accept it as a 'gift from God' and keep quiet.

When his stop came, he paused momentarily at the door, then he handed the quarter to the driver and said, "Here, you gave me too much change."

The driver with a smile replied, " I noticed your Masonic ring and lapel pin. I have been thinking lately about asking a Mason how to join. I just wanted to see what you would do if I gave you too much change. You passed the test. Can you tell me how to become a Mason?"

When the Mason stepped off the bus, he said a silent prayer, "Oh God, Grand Architect of the Universe, I almost sold you and my beloved Masons out for a mere quarter."

Our actions are the only Masonic creed some will ever see. This is a really almost scary example of how people watch us as Masons and may put us to the test even without us realizing it! Always be diligent, whether it be at the theater, restaurant, grocery, service station or just driving in traffic.

Remember, whether it be a lapel pin, a ring, or an emblem on the car, you carry the name of our great fraternity on your shoulders whenever you call yourself a Mason. You never can tell who might be watching!

## HARDING CONCORDIA LODGE 2021 - Calendar of Events:

**Installation of Officers**

**January 6**

**Stated Meetings**

Please wear a mask and enjoy Lodge with your Brethren as we follow all Grand Lodge guidelines.

**January 20**

**February 3**

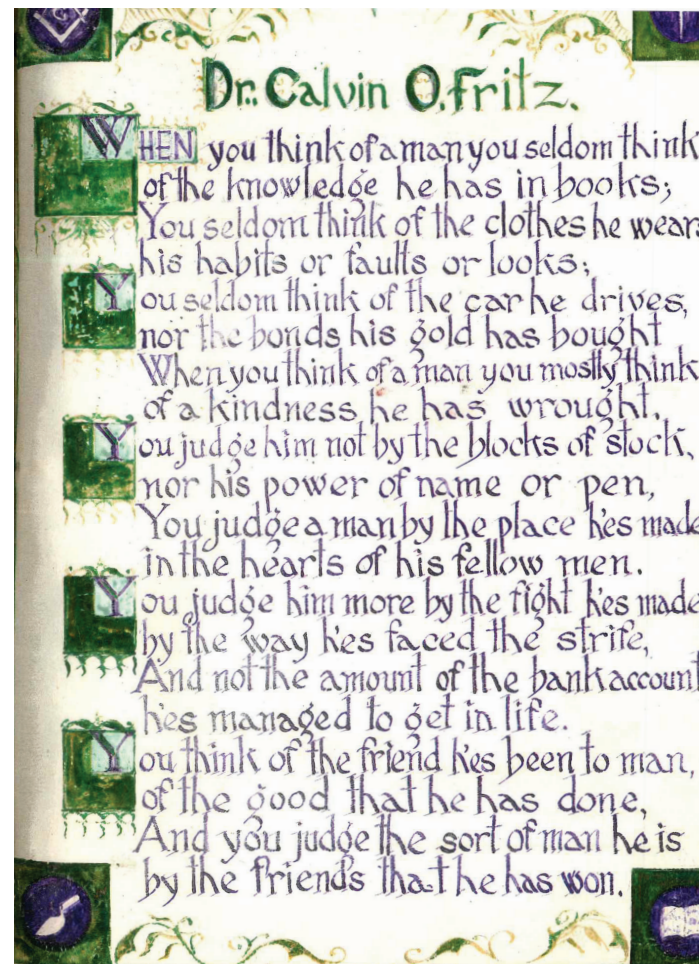
**March 3 & 17**

**April 7 & 21**

**May 5 & 19**

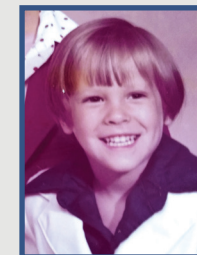
**June 2 & 16**

Contact PM Rick Schulz at [rschulz@cschulzbuilding.com](mailto:rschulz@cschulzbuilding.com) for details



## FROM THE WEST

Warm Greetings Brethren,



As the sun sets in the West at the close of the day, it also symbolically sets on 2020 A.D. We thank Worshipful Master Nathan Modi for guiding Harding-Concordia through an incredibly challenging year. Beyond the disruption of our meeting schedule and monthly/annual business, our "Good Work" and "Strong Fellowship" was hindered as well in 2020. This disruption included the usually strong influx of new members that we welcome into this tremendous brotherhood and eventually raise up through the Master Mason Degree.

Thankfully, the sun will rise again in the East, as it will in 2021; and along with it, the exciting rise of our new Worshipful Master, Justin Kellar. Our nimble and deft adjustments to the upcoming year, and the challenges it will bring, will be led by yet another strong Master-Elect, and a talented, dedicated Line behind him. I look forward to the renewal that will come to Harding-Concordia #345, and the new members we will pursue and eventually Raise. Isn't this the BEST way to serve our community? By making Good Men, Better? By growing our number and therefore our influence? By tending to others and their needs? By strengthening the cement of friendship? They are! Of course, they are!

In any case, Harmony is the Strength of all institutions especially this. This is my duty in the West, to see that none go away dissatisfied. I know, many in our brotherhood have struggled over this past year in ways some cannot imagine. Health, finances, relationships, family struggles; many experiencing a loneliness and isolation like never before. But the Great Architect of the Universe provides us the Light that helps all navigate the Darkest of Paths!

If you Ever need to talk, need support, or just need a compassionate ear, DO NOT HESITATE Reach me! Zero explanation necessary. I Love to visit with brothers, whether we are the closest of friends or strangers yet to become friends. Let me or someone know. Isn't this our calling? Do not go through anything alone, not when you have such a strong brotherhood surrounding you.

In closing, May the Joy of our New Year-to-come be a boon to our hearts and uplift our spirits!

May we see clearly, the ways in which the Great Architect has provided the strongest of foundations for us all!

Your Brother on the Level,

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