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To: RW Deputy Grand Master Jerry R. Ellerson, RW SGW Robert M. Estelle, Jr. RWJGW Maurio D. Powell, RWGT Charles V. Williams, III, RWGTAL Robert H. Carpenter, RWGT, RWGS Interim, MWPGM Kelvin J. Davis, RW Grand Attorney Alvertis W. Bishop, GLDF Committee Members, MWPGMs PGMs, Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, Wardens, and Members of the MWPHGL of Ohio, GWP Bro. Carlwin L. Collins, and all of the Prince Hall Family of Appendant, Concordant, and affiliated Bodies; Good Morning.

Proverbs Chapter 3, v 5-6 says “Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not to thine own understanding, in all thy ways acknowledge him and he shall direct thy path”. This is one of my favorite passages of scripture and it has been the rule and guide for all of my undertakings. Therefore let us do as all Masons should do before entering upon any great or important undertaking. Let us invoke the blessings of the Great Architect of the Universe. MW Brother Rev. Dr. James H. Willis, Sr please lead us in prayer.

Once Again, Fraternal greetings to all assembled. It is with a deep sense of humility, honor, pride, and privilege that I come before you this morning to provide a report of my stewardship.

State of the Nation and World

As we are all very acutely aware, beginning in early 2020, the State of Ohio, this Nation, and the World was exposed to the ravages of what has proven to be one of the most devastatingly deadly pandemics, the likes of which none of us has seen in our lifetime and the World has not seen in over a Century.

Because of the ineptitude, of the Federal response and the utter indifference, callousness, and negligence displayed by many who were entrusted to safeguard the health and welfare of the Nation's citizens, The Novel Coronavirus COVID-19 plagued Ohio and our Nation far more extensively than it should have been permitted to. In the face of extensive criticism, Ohio Governor Michael DeWine and Health Professionals throughout Ohio's urban core took the necessary steps to place COVID-19 Protocols and other extensive measures in place to assist in containing, reducing and ultimately minimizing the spread of the highly contagious and destructive virus. Despite these efforts, the virus has been physically, economically, and emotionally devastating for our state and nation and has negatively impacted our education system at all levels. Many of our members and their loved ones have been directly impacted by loss of employment, illness, hospitalization, and unfortunately, in some cases, loss of life.

(Let us pause for a brief moment of silence in honor of those whom we have lost due to complications from COVID-19)

But, Praise God!, we as a People and as a Masonic Family know that through God all things are possible and that he has promised in his word that he will never leave us or forsake us. We trusted God, sought his direction, and had the faith to be obedient to his will and allow him to direct our path. As a result, I believe that we have not just survived the Coronavirus but continue to thrive in spite of it. The need in the communities we serve has been even greater because of the human impact of the virus, but God has equipped us with the necessary resources to address the need in very tangible, impactful and often transformational ways. I believe that we and our communities will be better for having gone through this experience and that God is leading us toward the light at the end of this very dark tunnel we call the Coronavirus Pandemic. With the conviction of Officer Derek Chauvin in the murder of George Floyd and with the election of majorities in both Houses of Congress, I also firmly believe that God is leading us to a breakthrough regarding the other Pandemic of Systemic racism. I could not be prouder of the Ohio Prince Hall Masonic Family and our response, by the Grace of God, to all that both Pandemics have presented us (This will be addressed in more detail under State of the Order and elsewhere in this address)

By the Grace of God, and through the tireless efforts of our Voter Awareness/ Voter Education Committee members and so many other members of our Prince Hall Phamily in Ohio and throughout the Nation, we were delivered from the Babylonian Captivity type experience we suffered under the previous administration. The new administration's science driven, well organized, and well- funded response to the Coronavirus has led to the

full development and implementation of Coronavirus vaccines and has resulted in significant segments of the Nation's population being vaccinated. This has begun to enable the Nation and the World to return to some semblance of normalcy and has created a rebound of the health of the Nation's economy. America is again respected by our several allies across the face of the globe. We are steadily regaining our credibility at home and abroad in the areas of foreign affairs and military intelligence and restoring the faith of our citizens in these institutions and the morale of their dedicated employees.

Even in the face of these positive gains, we must remain vigilant in our efforts to safeguard our voting rights, and protect many other civil rights that others are working tirelessly to erode. In order to do so and to honor the lives of the Hon. Bro. John R. Lewis and Hon. Bro. Elijah Cummings and the sacrifices they made:

We must ensure that every member of every Lodge and Chapter in our Jurisdiction is registered to vote.

We must then Exercise that Right to Vote!

We must fight to ensure the full restoration of the Voting Rights Act.

We must advocate for and support measures to combat Voter Suppression.

We must consistently speak out against and fight institutional racism

I thank God for his many blessings and I thank our Grand Chaplain, the Associate Grand Chaplains, and our Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance for their prayers, their spiritual guidance and encouragement, and for reminding us of God's promise and for equipping us for the challenges facing our Nation and World ahead.

State of the Order

In response to the "shelter in place mandates and other social distancing protocols established by Governor Michael DeWine and State and Local Health Agencies in order to contain the spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus, subordinate Lodges of the MWPHGL of Ohio were closed and in-person meetings were suspended effective March 24, 2020. The suspension of in-person meetings continued throughout the remainder of this administration. Nevertheless, because of the leadership of the Worshipful Masters and subordinate Lodge Officers, the Grand Lecturer, Deputy Grand Lecturers, Chief Administrative Officer and District Administrative Officers, Lodges continued to conduct very successful virtual meetings. As Brothers became more familiar and comfortable with the available technological platforms and their functionality, particularly Zoom, virtual meetings became easier and were run more efficiently and effectively. I want to commend and thank the Grand Lodge Trustees and RW Tony J. Dye for their assistance in the development of the meeting agenda, guidelines and protocols template that has been utilized effectively by the Lodges.

I have had the honor and privilege of being on virtual meeting calls or Zoom conferences with virtually all of our Lodges at least once, and multiple Lodges on two or more occasions. (The specific dates are enumerated in my list of activities) The Communication has been extraordinary under the circumstances, in spite of the restraints and limitations imposed by the COVID-19 Pandemic. Most Lodges reported that the participation of the Brothers has increased since a number of members who had been unable to attend in-person meetings due to restricted driving, physical immobility, or various other reasons were able to participate by conference-call, Zoom or other virtual platforms and once again felt that they were active participants in the Lodge.

The monthly meetings with The Grand Lecturer and Deputy Grand Lecturers and their clear and consistent communication with the Lodges have been an integral and indispensable method of ensuring the effective administration of the Lodges by their Masters. The periodic virtual meetings with the Worshipful Masters Statewide have been of tremendous assistance as well.

I want to applaud the Worshipful Masters for your Leadership. It was challenging enough to adapt and lead in an environment that none of us could have ever expected. But, thank God, your love for your respective Lodges, your dedication to the craft, your fidelity and zeal motivated the substantial majority of you to commit to serving for an additional year as the Pandemic raged on. Thank you for your outstanding work and your demonstrated love for Masonry. I also want to thank the Craft for your steadfast commitment and your support of the Worshipful Masters and line Officers. Virtual communication has enabled us to stay connected, to handle the business of the Lodge to the best of our ability, and has facilitated our ability to reach out to our elderly and vulnerable members and our widows and to continue to effectively serve our communities.

I thank and commend the Brethren for their tangible demonstration of one of the fundamental tenets of Freemasonry; Charity and Benevolence, through their many “Acts of Kindness” throughout the Jurisdiction. In particular, I want to commend the Brothers for their participation in extraordinary programs that addressed the significant food shortages and desperate nutritional needs that have arisen in our communities as a direct result of the Pandemic. Lodges in Columbus/ District 3 (April 17th), Dayton/ District 4 (May 22nd) and Akron/ District 5 (May 29th) participated in the Farmers to Families Program and distributed between 1100 and 1300 boxes of food to needy families, churches and shelters. Lodges in Cleveland/District 7 continue to run their successful Food Pantry addressing the ever growing need for assistance in their inner city neighborhoods. Lodges in Cincinnati continued their very successful Food Basket/Box distribution program providing support to over 900 families. A special thank you is extended to PM Sir. Carrington Melton, St. Marks Lodge #7 for spearheading the Farmers to Families program and enabling us to introduce it statewide.

I commend our RW Grand Physician, Dr. Keith Melvin for his continuing efforts to address COVID-19 testing needs and, more recently, his work to promote and support mobile vaccination sites to aid in increasing the % of fully vaccinated persons in the greater Cincinnati

area. I also want to thank and commend RWSGW Robert M. Estelle, Jr. for his enthusiastic promotion of our “Acts of Kindness” outreach and his coordination of the effort to capture and chronicle the many charitable activities undertaken by the Lodges in addition to those described here. You will have the opportunity to see examples of this later today.

Even though many Lodges have been hampered somewhat by the limited opportunities to generate revenue, I commend them on their ingenuity and creativity in the area of fund raising, and applaud their ability to continue to assist the Grand Lodge through the timely payment of their per-capita taxes.

Although traditional District Meetings were not conducted by the respective Deputies due to COVID-19 related restrictions, The annual Grand Lodge Mid-Year Workshop was conducted virtually with over 300 Brothers participating. I commend RW Grand Lecturer Dean J. Jackson, the respective District deputies, RW Traylon G. Smith, Chief Administrative Officer, the District Administrative Officers, and our Technology Team led by RW Tony J. Dye and RW William Benyard for their extraordinary contributions to the success of the Workshop.

The ever-growing popularity and familiarity with the Zoom platform aided us in being able to hold a very successful, enlightening and inspiring Statewide Observance of Prince Hall Americanism Day (September 13th). Kudos to our Grand Lecturer and the Grand Orators led by RW Jerry D. Springer. Our Annual Observances of St. John the Evangelist Day and St. John the Baptist Day was held in each District in December and June respectively. The Trustees of the MWPHGL of Ohio and several Brothers were able to join the GW Matron, the Trustees and Grand Deputies of Amaranth Grand Chapter in the celebration of Esther Day on June 13th.

These are just a few examples of how we have utilized available technology to enable us to continue the business of our Lodges and other Houses in Masonry while also fulfilling many of our sacred and time-honored observances.

There is a ray of Light at the end of this very dark tunnel. After almost 15 months of not meeting in person I authorized the establishment of District wide degree teams to confer the EA and FC Degrees in each District in person, under the direction of the respective Deputy Grand Lecturers, observing strict COVID protocols, beginning June 17th through the August recess. Outstanding Degree work has been performed in the several Districts, and I have had the privilege of witnessing and participating in the work in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. Congratulations to the Lodges and our newly obligated Brothers. This has truly been a breath of fresh air and a desperately needed resumption of some semblance of normalcy.

I truly believe that even after returning to in-person meetings, we will continue to utilize available technology to facilitate the efficient operation of our Order. If we fail to do so we will be missing the boat on a tremendous opportunity that God has opened to us.

MWPHGL Trifold

The Prince Hall Scholarship foundation has for many years successfully utilized a trifold pamphlet to succinctly describe the foundation and summarize its purpose. During this administration the MVGC Order of Pythagorans finalized the creation of a similar trifold with the aid and assistance of the Director of Youth Activity RW Eric Warren and P M John Jennings. With the able assistance of RW Junior Grand Warden Maurio D. Powell, and the support of the Trustees, a trifold pamphlet has been created for MWPHGL. It contains valuable descriptive information about our Order without violating any of our tenets or traditions; and I believe it will be a valuable aid in consistently answering any questions addressed to a member by an interested inquirer. It will go into production, prayerfully, after the adoption of a proposed resolution at this 172nd Annual Communication.

Return of the “Lamp”

After a 3 plus year hiatus, as a result of numerous unforeseen challenges, the Grand Lodge’s long time periodic newspaper, “The Lamp” has returned to Publication. A special Edition capturing highlights of the past three years, in primarily a pictorial form, was issued in May 2021. I extend a huge thank you to our Editor RW Jimmie E. “Jay” Johnson and PM Karla Goldsby Jones, our new Publisher for the production of an outstanding and noteworthy Edition. We are very proud of this Edition and are looking forward to a long and harmonious relationship with our new publisher. Many thanks to RW Eston “Lucky” Wilson and Sister Joan Wilson for over 30 years of support and professionalism in producing the Lamp before their retirement from that role.

Updated “Master Ritual”

On the recommendation of MW Bro. Louis B. Henderson, a resolution was adopted authorizing the writing of our coded Ritual in long hand to be carefully preserved and protected as a “Master Ritual”. In 1955, pursuant to that resolution, the coded Ritual was written in long hand. At the time of that writing, for reasons unexplained, the coded parenthetical notes found in the ritual were not included in the long hand written version. In 2019, under the direction of MWPGM Kelvin J. Davis, a committee composed of the District Deputy Grand Lecturers and the Ritual Committee Chairman PM LaDonald Prophett initiated an extensive review of the coded Ritual, the hand written “Master Ritual”, and the coded parenthetical notes to ensure uniformity and consistency in how the degrees are conferred in this Jurisdiction. In 2020 I directed the committee to be reassembled and the coded parenthetical notes be incorporated into the written “Master Ritual”. The updated “Master Ritual” including the notes was completed July 7, 2021. Our deepest appreciation and gratitude is extended to all who were involved in this process. Thank you for a job well done.

Corporate Engagement / Support of our 501 (c) (3) s

In October , 2020 I issued a communication to the Craft requesting your support and encouraging your assistance in identifying corporations in Ohio that sponsored charitable giving programs or matching donation programs as a means of leveraging our 501 (c) (3) entities (including the Scholarship Foundation and the Order of Pythagorans) and increasing the level of outside contributions to both. This concept is the outgrowth of some of the work of the Corporate Engagement Committee that was created during this administration. I am pleased to report that as a result of these efforts, the Prince Hall Scholarship Foundation received a \$5,000.00 grant from McGraw Hill Publishing in Columbus through a matching funds initiative. Additional funding will be pursued on an annual basis. The Committee has also secured funding through the Kobaker Company and the Roy Pollard, Jr. Paying it forward fund (managed by the Columbus Foundation) that has provide \$20,000.00 to the Scholarship Foundation and \$5,000.00 to the Order of Pythagorans this calendar year. The fund has also made a pledge of \$5,000.00 per year for the next 5 years, for a total gift of \$50,000.00. The Grand Lodge also applied for and received a \$5,000.00 grant to the Order of Pythagorans from the Youth Enrichment Fund, managed by the Cleveland Foundation. While I am very pleased with the success of this committee, I sincerely believe we are just beginning to scratch the surface of these funding opportunities and encourage their continued pursuit.

In addition, the Grand Lodge entered into a unique partnership with a cultural trivia game company called Legacy Genius, owned by one of our own Brothers. Legacy Genius has created a Prince Hall Mason Trivia game that celebrates the contributions of our Brethren worldwide. For every trivia game sold the MWPHGLO will earn a portion of the proceeds which will be used to create a MWPHGLO/Legacy Genius Scholarship given to a deserving student to further his/her education. This innovative partnership does not require any financial investment on the part of the Grand Lodge. We need only assist in promoting and supporting the sale of the games. We thank Dr. Ron Jackson for his innovation and his benevolence.

Voter Awareness/Voter Education

The Voter Awareness/ Voter education Committee has been one of the most active and engaged Committees during my administration. They have done an extraordinary job of registering voters, providing access to absentee ballot applications, educating the Craft and the communities we serve through virtual candidates' forums, providing transportation to the polls and other voting assistance to the membership and the community. All these efforts were extremely important during one of the most consequential elections in our nation's history. Their efforts were especially commendable in light of social distancing and other requirements imposed by the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The fruits of their labor were harvested with the election of the Country's first Woman Vice – President of African and Indian decent and acquiring a majority in both Chambers of Congress.

The work that has been done this year is about more than a single election. It is about building long term empowerment and enhancing the political voice and influence of our communities. The **VOTE** is power .When we show up at the polls and **VOTE** we are respected as a community capable of changing the nation. When we **VOTE** in decisive numbers we become the nation's most powerful voting bloc, capable of changing the entire political landscape in States and in Congress. By voting in record numbers we make voters of color a potent political force that cannot be ignored or taken for granted. Voting is how we protect our Civil Rights and our Voting Rights and is how we make our social justice demands heard and addressed.

Hats off to Brothers Joseph Clark, Harold Wilson and David Whitehead and the entire Committee.

Scholarship Foundation Fundraiser

This year's Scholarship Foundation Fundraiser was a tremendous success. The Fundraiser Committee, ably chaired by RW Gary Hairston and supported by the RW District Deputies and Administrative Officers, did an extraordinary job under some of the most challenging circumstances. The campaign successfully raised in excess of \$42,000.00 during a time when the need of our recipients and their families was at its greatest. I thank the Craft for your untiring and laudable efforts in support of the Prince Hall Scholarship Foundation.

Resolutions

Four Resolutions will be considered by the Craft during our 172nd Annual Communication:

A Resolution to amend Article 5 Section 3 of the Grand Lodge Constitution, in the manner prescribed in Chapter 15, Section 15.08 of the Masonic Code that will codify the necessary Constitutional Authority to convene future virtual Grand Communications should the necessity dictate.

A Resolution to amend the provisions of Chapter 17 Section 17.07 regarding Members at large.

A Resolution to amend Chapter 27 Section 27.03 to adopt the use of a supplement to the existing ritual.

A Resolution that the Grand Lodge adopt a Mission, Vision and Purpose Statement.

I urge the adoption of each for the reasons stated therein.

Necrology

The Great Architect of the Universe in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to call 55 of our Brethren from Labor to Reward. Each now resides in that House not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Notable among them are Stalwart Master Masons who have left an indelible mark upon Prince Hall Masonry and this Grand Lodge in particular in the names of: Bishop J. Delano Ellis, II, Eureka #52; RW Grand Secretary Melvin L. Russell, William T. Boyd #79; Judge James R. Williams, Mt. Calvary #76; PM Kenneth McCullars, Gothic #122; PGM Charles W. Hales, Ecclesiastes #120; and PGM William C. Parker, Equity #121. We thank God for the extraordinary contributions they made , individually and collectively to our Beloved Order. May they rest in Peace until we meet again.

Recommendations

My recommendations are as follows:

1. Retain membership in the Midwest Conference of Grand Masters
2. Retain membership in the U S Conference of Grand Masters
3. Adopt the Resolutions presented to the Craft for consideration
4. Reallocate the portion of the per capita tax payment currently designated for the Charity Fund to the GLDF and Reallocate the portion of the per capita tax payment currently designated for the GLDF to the Charity Fund.
5. That the Title of Grand Photographer Emeritus be bestowed upon P M Woodrow Riddle, Jr., King Solomon #87
6. That the Title of Exemptions Committee Chairman Emeritus be bestowed upon P M Mark A. Wells, Equity #121
7. That the Title of Assistant Grand Treasurer Emeritus be bestowed upon P M John A. James, St. Mark's #7
8. That the Title of RW Grand Secretary Emeritus be bestowed upon P M Charles G. Smith, St. Mark's #7
9. That the Title of Grand Chaplain Emeritus be bestowed upon Bishop J. Delano Ellis, Eureka #52 Posthumously
10. That the Title of Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance Director Emeritus be bestowed upon Rev. Dr. Charles Holmes, Unity #115
11. The Honorary Title of Past Grand Master be bestowed upon PM George Smith, Sr. King David #116

Closing Remarks

In closing, I thank the Trustees for their unwavering support and assistance during the past Masonic year and throughout my administration. The Trustees have done an exemplary job in the performance of their duties under some of the most challenging circumstances imaginable. I also commend the GLDF Committee for their outstanding stewardship of the Grand Lodge Real Estate and Investment resources. I thank the MWPGMs for their support and their wise Counsel

throughout my tenure. Each of our District Deputy Grand Lecturers has done an extraordinary job of managing the activities of their districts and the many challenges presented during the Pandemic with the able assistance of the Administrative Officers. Our Worshipful Masters have done a yeoman's job during a term in office that none of them could have ever anticipated, and in most cases for two terms. Each of you has my deepest gratitude and my utmost respect. And, I thank each of you my Brothers, the members of this Grand Lodge, for your ingenuity, fidelity, fervency and zeal as you endeavored to fulfill the designs upon the Trestleboard of this MWPHGL of Ohio. I thank my Family for their continued love and support and the many sacrifices they made that have enabled me to travel this Journey. I thank God for his grace and mercy and for the privilege of serving this Grand Lodge as we endeavored together to Build Upon the Firm Foundation of our Historic Legacy. It has truly been one of the greatest privileges of my lifetime. A summary of my activities and visitations is attached.

God Bless each of you and your families and this Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio.

Respectfully and Fraternally,

Chester C. Christie

Chester C. Christie, PM #7

64th Most Worshipful Grand Master

Summary of Activities and Visitations

AUGUST:

3rd Grand Lodge Trustees Zoom Meeting
17th Grand Lodge Trustees Zoom Meeting
25th Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance Virtual Prayer Service
26th OCD GIG's Zoom Meeting
26th AASR, Valley of Dayton Lecture Series
29th 171st Annual (First Virtual) Communication MWPHGL of Ohio

SEPTEMBER:

1st St. Mark's Lodge #7 Virtual Business Meeting
2nd Gloria Lodge #89 Virtual Business Meeting
3rd King David Lodge #116 and Samaritan Lodge #117 Virtual Meetings
7th Grand Lodge Trustees Zoom Meeting
13th Statewide Virtual Prince Hall day Observance
17th Voter Awareness Committee Virtual Candidates' Forum
21st Grand Lodge Trustees' Zoom Meeting
23rd MWRC Grand Masters' Conference Call
29th Heads of Houses Meeting

30th RW Grand Lecturer/ Deputy Grand Lecturer's Meeting

OCTOBER:

5th GL Trustees Zoom Meeting
10th AEAONMS, Ohio Desert Conference
10th Grand Council R&SM Trustees' Meeting
19th GL Trustees' Zoom Meeting
22nd Golden Square Lodge #23 Virtual Meeting
24th Ohio Council of Deliberation Virtual Meeting
24th Masonic Think Tank UTUBE Forum
25th Ohio Grand Assembly Virtual Meeting
27th Deputy Grand Lecturers' Meeting
31st MAPHGC, HOJ 45 Year Anniversary Recognition Event

NOVEMBER:

1st Russell W. Pace Past Masters Council Meeting
2nd GL Trustees' Zoom Meeting
16th GL Trustees' Zoom Meeting
22nd Worshipful Masters' Zoom Meeting
22nd Amaranth Grand Chapter, Chapter of Sorrow
24th Deputy Grand Lecturers' Meeting
30th Glenn R. Rollins Funeral

DECEMBER:

7th GL Trustees Zoom Meeting
9th PGM Charles W. Hales Masonic Funeral Service
10th PGM Charles W. Hales Civil Service
13th AGC, Heroines of the Order Recognition Day
16th MWRC of GM Zoom Meeting
20th St. John the Evangelist District Wide Observance
21st GL Trustees' Zoom Meeting
22nd Deputy Grand Lecturers' Zoom Meeting
23rd Int. Grand Ct Cyrene Crusaders, Christmas Gospel Service
24th Prince Hall Family Virtual Christmas Eve Fellowship
31st AGC Installation of Officers

JANUARY:

2nd AGC, GWM Incoming Address & Appointments
4th GL Trustees Zoom Meeting
19th MWRC of GM Zoom Meeting
28th Deputy Grand Lecturers' Meeting

FEBRUARY:

1st GL Trustees Zoom Meeting
6th Springfield NAACP Stand Your Ground Forum
15th GL Trustees Zoom Meeting
17th 50 Year Pin Presentation PM Ken McCullars
22nd L D Easton consistory Virtual Meeting (Deputy's Visit)
24th Deputy Grand Lecturers' Meeting
27th MAPHGC H.O.J. Prayer Breakfast
28th 3rd Masonic District Black History Month Observance

MARCH:

1st Gothic Lodge #122 Virtual Business Meeting
1st GL Trustees Zoom Meeting
2nd St. Mark's Lodge #7 Virtual Business Meeting
2nd Trinity Lodge #9 Virtual Business Meeting
3rd Ecclesiastes Lodge #120 Virtual business Meeting
8th Wesley Smith Lodge #107 Virtual Business Meeting
10th Elisha Lodge #106 Virtual Business Meeting
13th P M Kenneth McCullars Funeral Service
15th GL Trustees Zoom Meeting
18th 49th Annual Midwest Regional Conference of Grand Masters
20th RWGS Melvin L. Russell funeral Services
21st Amaranth Grand Chapter O.E.S. Occasional Grand Chapter
23rd Stand Your Ground Law Legislative Forum
16th GL Trustees Conference Call Meeting
24th Deputy Grand Lecturers' Zoom Meeting
25th Excelsior Lodge #11 Virtual Business Meeting
28th Trustees Grand Lodge Planning Meeting
28th Worshipful Masters' Zoom Meeting

APRIL:

3rd Midyear Grand Lodge Virtual Workshop Statewide
5th G L Trustees Zoom Meeting
10th Amaranth Grand Chapter Statewide Workshop
10th MEPHGC Occasional Grand Convocation (Election Nominations)
17th St. Mark's Lodge #7/ 3rd Dist. Farmer to Families Food Program
17th AGC Grand Girls Assembly Debutant Ball
19th G L Trustees Zoom Meeting
23rd Robert W. Lynch PGWJ Collar Presentation
24th MEPHGC, RAM Grand Convocation
25th MEPHGC, HOJ 46th Annual Grand Convocation

28th Deputy Grand Lecturers' Zoom Meeting

MAY:

- 1st AEAONMS, Ohio Joint Desert Conference
- 3rd GL Trustees' Zoom Meeting
- 15th U S Conference of Grand Masters
- 16th MIPHGC, RSM Grand Assembly
- 16th MWPHGL Scholarship Raffle Drawing
- 17th GL Trustees' Zoom Meeting
- 19th Deputy Grand Lecturers' Zoom Meeting
- 22nd Farmers to Families Food Distribution Program (Dayton)
- 29th United Supreme Council Virtual Meeting
- 29th 33rd Degree Elevation Reception

JUNE:

- 7th GL Trustees Zoom Meeting
- 12th Amaranth Grand Chapter Southern District Meeting
- 13th O.E.S. Esther Day Virtual Observance
- 14th PGM William C. Parker Funeral Services
- 17th 3rd Masonic Dist. E A Degree Work, Columbus, OH
- 19th Prince Hall Scholarship Foundation Scholarship Selection Meeting
- 21st GL Trustees Zoom Meeting
- 23rd Deputy Grand Lecturers' Zoom Meeting
- 26th 1st Masonic District E A Degree Work, Cincinnati, OH
- 26th 4th Masonic District E A Degree Work, Dayton, OH
- 27th Int. Grand Ct., Cyrene Crusaders Virtual Grand Conclave
- 27th 3rd Masonic District St. John the Baptist Day Observance
- 27th Kenneth F. Smith Reception, Columbus, OH

JULY:

6th GL Trustees Zoom Meeting
17th 2nd Masonic District E A Degree Work, Portsmouth, OH
17th David V. Moore Grand Guild, HTC Virtual Grand Conclave
18th PHGC Knights Templar, Virtual Grand Conclave
19th G L Trustees' Zoom Meeting
20th 3rd Masonic District FC Degree Work, Columbus, OH
22nd PH Scholarship Foundation Board Meeting
31st MWPHGL Occasional Grand Lodge (Awards and Presentations)

Regularly Attended Lodge, Chapter, Consistory and Shrine Meeting are not listed individually in the interest of conserving space.