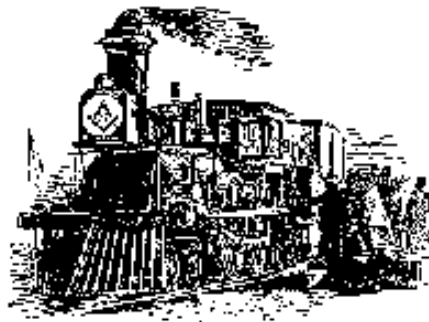




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## First Collinwood Scholarship Night Is a Success

The Collinwood Lodge Scholarship Fund received a big shot in the arm on Monday, January 29, when the Lodge held a social event to benefit the fund.

Nearly 50 guests enjoyed a dinner served by Janice Herbst and her crew from Western Reserve Chapter #71, Order of the Eastern Star. The main course was ham, cheesy potatoes and vegetables, followed by cherry and apple crisp dessert baked by the Worshipful Master.

After dinner, the guests retired to the Lodge room for the musical entertainment. They took their seats to a rousing rendition of "Pennsylvania 6-5000", followed by a 40-minute jazz program performed by the Euclid High School Jazz Band, under the direction of Mr. Scott Astey.

Collinwood Lodge presents a scholarship each year to a graduating senior at Euclid and Collinwood High Schools, who has shown proficiency in the "seven liberal arts and sciences." This program began under the leadership of WB Horace H. Miller, Jr. in 2003, and continues today. In the past, the scholarships have been paid for entirely by donations received from our membership.

In addition to the funds raised through dinner receipts, guests added donations to a top hat in the lobby. When the evening was over, enough funds were raised to fully finance one of our two scholarships.

*Call the Worshipful Master, Wardens, or Secretary if you know of a brother who is sick, needs help, or maybe just a ride to Lodge.*

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## Sweetheart Dinner Dance Planned For February 17th

Valentine's Day will be here again before you know it, and Collinwood Lodge will recognize the holiday by holding a dinner dance at the Euclid Temple on Saturday, February 17 at 6:30 PM.

Tickets are \$15 each, and are available by calling the Worshipful Master at (216) 261-9045, or at our next stated meeting on February 12.

Dinner will be prepared and served by Perfect Touch Catering, who has done dinners for us in the past. We have always been very pleased with the work they do, and dinner should be excellent again this year.

Musical entertainment will be provided by the Suspenders, a seven-piece band that is guaranteed to get your toes tapping.

Please get your reservations in by February 13!

## *Annual Lodge Inspection To Take Place March 12 at Special Time—7:00 PM!*

Collinwood Lodge #582 will hold its annual inspection on Monday, March 12 in the Entered Apprentice degree.

This year all Lodges in the District have been requested to open earlier than normal for their inspections, and Collinwood will follow suit. **We will open Lodge at 7:00 PM.**

There will be a dinner at 6:00 PM that evening. Please contact any officer of the Lodge to let us know that you'll be there for dinner so we can have enough food for all.

Our inspecting District Deputy Grand Master this year is Right Worshipful Brother Charles E. Cole.

Officers, please be advised that we will have our pre-inspection meeting with the Deputy at the Euclid Public Library on February 19 at 7:00 PM, in the Erie Room.

## *From the East*

Brethren, it's a pleasure to greet you again from the East. It is hard for me to believe but we're already two months into the Masonic year. The Christmas holidays are behind us, and we are now in the heart of inspection season. I have been told that one's year as Worshipful Master passes quickly, and that is indeed the case!

The Lodge has been busy. We were well-represented at Golden Gate Lodge in Chagrin Falls on New Year's Day, when they conferred the traditional "First on the First" EA degree. Our Marshal, Bro. Freddy Moses, stepped up to serve as the exemplar candidate, and our own Past Master, WB Roman Vaynshtok, conferred the degree.

A small group of Brothers and their ladies attended the Master and Wardens dinner at the Sawyer House restaurant in Mentor on the 20th. What we lacked in quantity, we more than made up for in quality, as we enjoyed a fabulous meal, excellent service and exemplary fellowship. Those who weren't there missed out on a good time. Thanks to our Sr. Warden, Bro. Bill Mehle for coordinating the event!

I would like to thank all those who attended and helped out at our Scholarship Night on the 29<sup>th</sup>. We were able to raise some money for our Scholarship fund, and have some fun doing it.

Just a reminder—get your reservations in to me as soon as possible for the Sweetheart Dinner Dance on February 17. We always have a lot of fun at this event; reservations are a must!

Please plan to attend Lodge on February 12<sup>th</sup> if you are able. We will be initiating our first new Entered Apprentice on that date.

Our inspection on March 12<sup>th</sup> will be in the EA degree as well. We are still in search of a candidate for that evening. Now is the time to turn in any petitions you might be holding on to. Every member of this Lodge was mailed a petition; remember, it is OK to tell a qualified man that you think he would make a good Mason. Don't wait for him to ask you!

Looking forward to seeing you in Lodge, at the Sweetheart Dinner Dance in February or somewhere else very soon!

Fraternally,  
**Robert C. Hager**  
Worshipful Master

## **Award-winning Collinwood Express Is Rolling Again!**

The 22<sup>nd</sup> District kicked off inspection season on January 23<sup>rd</sup> at Mid-Century Lodge in Avon Lake, and five Collinwood members were on hand for it.

We are once again challenging the rest of the District for the coveted traveling award. As you know, we have won it two of the last three years, and have not missed an inspection in over 3 years.

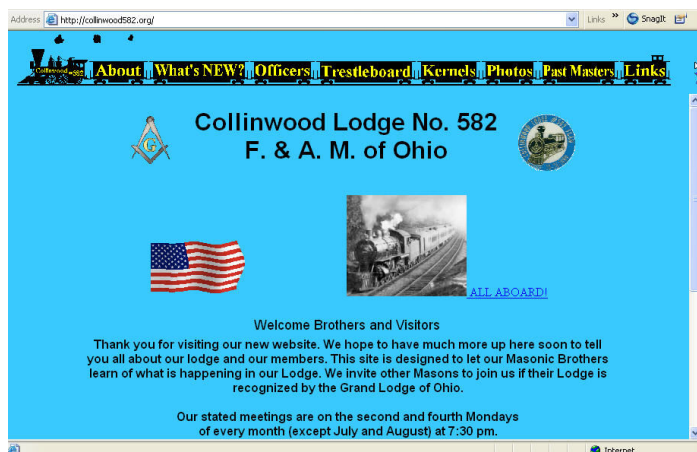
Bro. Tim Collins, S.D., is coordinating our travels, and so far has lined up brethren to attend most of the 34 inspections this year. However, we still need volunteers for a few and of course we can always use more traveling companions.

We still need help with the following:

- **Parma (FC):** Dinner 6 PM, Open 7 PM – **Feb 2**
- **Rocky River (FC):** Open 7 PM – **Feb. 15**
- **Lakewood (MM):** Open 6:30 PM – **March 26**
- **Solon (EA):** Open 7 PM – **May 3**

Please contact Brother Collins at (216) 486-8748 or [sirknighttc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sirknighttc@sbcglobal.net) to sign up!

**[www.collinwood582.org](http://www.collinwood582.org)**  
**is On The Air!**



Thanks to the efforts of our Junior Warden, Brother Todd Vargo, Collinwood Lodge once again has a working web site. Please check it out for yourself. At [www.collinwood582.org](http://www.collinwood582.org), you will find back issues of the Kernels, up-to-the-minute news on what's happening in Lodge, a schedule of upcoming events, links for contacting your Lodge officers and much, much more.

We strongly encourage you to visit our web site, and let our web master, Brother Vargo, know what you think!