

# OS.M.A. Weekly Update

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Arnie Holley**

## Fresh and New

THE NEW YEAR IS A TIME TO REFLECT ON THE YEAR THAT HAS PASSED AND TO GET

READY TO MAKE A MARK ON THE YEAR THAT TO COME!

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## TAKE five

We promise to strive to give you at least five different insights into the Moose program as it operates in Ohio each month.

1

"It's still the fraternal thing to do!" takes us to the Annual Higher Degrees Banquet, with an update on Chm. Bob Snyder's condition.

2

Presenting the third in a discussion of the qualities of leaders in the world of business and thus applicable to Moose business.

3

Pages is an update on the new Moose year's changes in population which determines the three divisions that we use.

4

Making good decisions is not predicated on doing the same thing, only clothed differently. Check this out!

5

Meet your new Executive Committee and their ladies, all dressed up in their best 'bib and tucker.'

# It's Still The FRATERNAL Thing To Do!

As those of you know who read the website and the updates on a regular basis, Higher Degrees Councils Chairman, Bob Snyder, has been hospitalized with an aneurism and has been in critical condition since being admitted to Riverside over one week ago.

The good news is that Bob was off the respirator for two days, but doctors felt that going back on would be best for him at this time. Apparently Bob suffered a stroke, and he is being treated accordingly. Those of you who know him well know that Bob was averse to medical treatment and proudly boasted never having met his family doctor personally!

At any rate, Bob and Sharon Miller once again this year have put together a splendid banquet, including the same outstanding entertainment as last year's was.

Since the banquet has been shifted from Marion Lodge 889 to Mount Vernon and Colonial City Lodge 2555, obvious changes have to be made. If you've already made your motel arrangements at Marion, you ought to cancel them and immediately make arrangements for Mount Vernon. Two motels are recommended both for price and for quality in Mount Vernon. The following motel accommodations are recommended:

**ATTENTION, HIGHER DEGREE COUNCIL MEMBERS:**  
Note that the 13th Annual Higher Degrees Councils Banquet has been changed:

**DATE:** Same (November 1st)

**PLACE:** Mount Vernon  
Colonial City Lodge 2555  
419 West High Street



**LEFT: Bob Snyder and Sharon Miller at the recent new Pilgrim Presentation Ceremony sponsored by the Ohio State Moose Association at the Worthington Doubletree Inn.**

**Super 8**  
Coshocton Avenue East  
\$70.00 + tax per night  
Phone: 740-397-8885

**Holiday Inn Express**  
Coshocton Avenue East on the Hill  
\$90.00 + tax per night  
Phone: 740-392-1900

This same notice will be prominently displayed on the website with the hope that everyone who had made reservations will see either this one or that and make changes accordingly.



# Keys To Leadership Greatness!

As a Lodge officer or Lodge administrator represents the leadership of his unit, each one, at his time of election or appointment, should have an understanding of greatness in leadership. Last week, we discussed the need to keep absolute integrity.

The second week's topic was a tad different. You can't be a leader and be an incompetent, plain and simple. Next we turn to a different consideration. As a leader, you've got to **DECLARE YOUR VISION**.

In fewer than 25 words, can you, as a lodge leader, recite to yourself how your Lodge makes money and where you plan to be in five years?

"Most organizations fail in their growth because they don't have a vision," says former Southwest Airlines CEO Howard Putnam.

"When you have a vision and someone comes to you with some convoluted idea, you can hold it up to the vision and ask: 'Does it fit? Does it fly? If not, don't bother me.'"

In a somewhat related sense, let's look at a lesson from history. After the battles of Shiloh and Vicksburg, when Ulysses Grant had developed fully as a general, he was called upon to resolve a crisis in Tennessee, where Chattanooga had become a trap for Union forces.

Grant's decisions underscored his competence in several ways, one of which was that **HE SHOWED DECISIVENESS**.

## The Best Leaders Often Act First, Ask Later!

Aspiring leaders often assume that their role models are successful because they make careful decisions.

The truth is a little more complex. While it is true that executives who act impulsively--without considering available intelligence--risk making huge mistakes, it is also true that highly effective leaders believe quick action is the key to success. Here's the #2 reason why:

### WINNING IS A NUMBERS GAME!

Successful salespeople believe that every "No" they get brings them one step closer to hearing "Yes."

When named commander of a new western division, Grant was given the choice of keeping or replacing Maj. Gen. William Rosecrans as commander of the Army of the Cumberland. He replaced Rosecrans with Maj. Gen. George Thomas, who had saved Rosecrans' army as it retreated from Chickamauga.

As a leader of your lodge, you too may have to make decisions which will see previous chairmen or committeemen replaced with those you think more able to get the job done.

Good-ole-boy-ism is all right to an extent, but when it comes to effective leadership, good-ole-boys doesn't get it! You've got to have the right people in place for the right job.

# Population Shifts in Lodge Members Determine New Divisions!

**As of 09-15-2008**  
**Good Standing Members**

**DIVISION I**  
**1,000+ Members**

Columbus 11  
Dayton 73  
Lima 199  
Montpelier 312  
Greenville 329  
Kenton 428  
Massillon 481  
Newark 499  
Middletown 501  
Springfield 536  
Sidney 568  
Bucyrus 669  
Findlay 698  
Barberton 759  
Elyria 778  
Tiffin 846  
Marion 889  
Cortland 1012  
Mogadore 1082  
Ravenna 1234  
Fremont 1286  
Worthington 1427  
Celina 1473  
Indian Lake 1533  
Sylvania 1579  
Port Clinton 1610  
Miamisburg 1645  
Miami County 2611

(28 total)

**DIVISION II**  
**500-999 Members**

Cincinnati 2  
Hamilton 36  
Trumbull 186  
Galion 303  
Mansfield 341

Clyde 393  
East Palestine 467  
Conneaut 472  
Chillicothe 1626  
Medina 647  
Ironton 701  
Uhrichsville 740  
Portsmouth 762  
Zanesville 867  
New Riegel 872  
Logan 873  
Coshocton 935  
Lancaster 955  
Delaware 1167  
Urbana 1215  
Whitehall 1245  
Fostoria 1567  
Marysville 1651  
Marietta 1823  
Defiance 2094  
Hilliard 2236  
Circleville 2440  
Gahanna 2463  
Colonial City 2555  
Whitehouse-Waterville 2537

(29 total)

**DIVISION III**  
**499 Members and under**

East Liverpool 122  
Caldwell 221  
Canton 233  
Bellevue 238  
Norwood 301  
Trenton 330  
Alliance 362  
Shelby 422  
Painesville 490  
Ashtabula 547  
Lake Erie 552  
Steubenville 619  
Niles 627  
Cambridge 631

Dover 707  
Toledo 713  
Napoleon 788  
Rittman 860  
Cuyahoga Falls 918  
Bryan 1064  
Piqua 1067  
Fairborn 1068  
Upper Sandusky 1093  
Brewster 1102  
Wooster 1115  
Glouster 1197  
Creston 1224  
Sabina 1244  
Norwalk 1248  
Van Wert 1320  
Newcomerstown 1337  
Ashland 1383  
Lafferty 1462  
Amsterdam 1495  
Xenia 1629  
Parma 1744  
Wadsworth 2070  
Willard 2153  
Northfield 2156  
Woodsfield 2247  
Waverly 2263  
Malta-McConnelsville 2317  
Pickerington 2321  
Lowell 2382  
Buckeye Lake 2434  
Crystal Lakes 2464  
Navarre 2471  
St. Clairsville 2161  
Lexington 2511  
Bellefontaine 2563  
Loveland 2583  
Harrisonville 2633  
Wapakoneta 2654

(51 total)

28  
29  
51

108 lodges all total



# CHANGE

Is Coming!

Does it affect your lodge?

You can't have watched television recently and not know that the buzzword of this upcoming election is 'CHANGE.' Candidates toss this word around without saying what they want to change to, just that we need . . . CHANGE!

This brings to mind the following illustration:

Years ago, there was an old tale in the Marine Corps about a major who inspected his Marines and told Gunny Sergeant that they smelled bad.

The major suggested that they change their underwear.

The Gunny responded, in typical Marine fashion, "Aye, aye, sir. I'll see to it immediately."

He went into the tent and said, "The major thinks you guys smell bad, and he wants you to change your underwear. Smith, you change with Jones. McCarthy, you change with Witkowskie. Brown, you change with Schultz. . . . everyone change! Now get on with it!"

And the moral of this story is this:

A candidate may promise change in Washington, but the stink remains!

As a new Governor or Board of Officers member, you have to keep in mind the moral of this lesson. You too may feel that some sort of change is needed in your lodge, but it's got to be a 'clean' sweep and not just a re-hash.

You have an archives collection to which you may refer for ideas. Webmaster Steve Speaks keeps a ton of information available to you. Every weekly update since we began doing them is available on demand on the website. Literally scores and scores of lodge newsletters is available on demand on the website.

Spending some time scanning and reading and looking for ideas can put you into position for making good decisions for your lodge instead of 'stinky' ones!



# PRESENTING

Your 2008-2009

## Executive Board and ladies



President Arnie L. Holley and Merri



Vice Pres. Robert L. Haley and Joyce



Prelate James K. Ludwig and Mary



LEFT: Treasurer Tom Zeigler and Wendy;  
CENTER: Past President Mike Thatcher and Jackie;  
RIGHT: Regional Manager Dwaine Brown and Peggy;  
BOTTOM LEFT: Association Secretary John R. Sipes and Linda.

