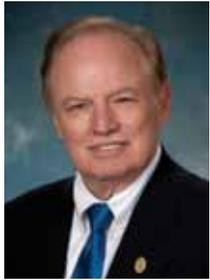


Board Chair

Change is an inevitable consequence of time. People, products, services and organizations all evolve as they journey down life's pathway. Those who adjust to their environment prosper and grow, while those who don't stumble and fail.

The appearance and design of our personal homes have changed. Gone are the front porches where neighbors would gather to share family recipes, fishing stories, talk about their kids, their work and Sunday's sermon. Now we rush home put the car in the garage close the door and rarely see or even know our neighbors' names.



One constant in our technologically ever changing society is the Ohio Masonic Home's commitment to offer you products and services that meet your needs. Whether you live on one of the Home's three campuses or if you would prefer the product or service be delivered to your front porch, the Home is there to serve you at your home, wherever that may be.

This has been a challenging year for our Board with the unexpected death of our Chairman, Right Worshipful Brother Michael T. Puskarich, 33°. Although we miss his astute business and Fraternal insight, we will continue his journey to deliver to you the best products and services when and where you need them.

On behalf of all the Home's Board members, I want to thank each of you for your continued financial and personal support to our mission to the members of our great Fraternity.

Our new Memory Care Centers at Browning Masonic Community and at Western Reserve Masonic Community will be a testimony to our commitment to assist those who suffer from dementia and Alzheimer's.

Change does have a purpose. As we meet your current needs, we will also seek new growth opportunities to serve you at home while developing the Ohio Masonic Home from a senior living community to an aging services company.

Most Worshipful Brother Terry W. Posey, 33°,
Chairman, The Ohio Masonic Home Board of Trustees

More than 120 years ago, William B. Hillman, the Grand High Priest, proposed to create an Ohio Masonic Home. He urged Ohio Masons to share their time, talents and wealth to care for poor Masons their wives, widows and children.

Today, the Ohio Masonic Home Benevolent Endowment Foundation continues Brother Hillman's legacy. Only through your generosity can we provide charitable care to our brethren. Throughout the years many different leaders contributed to making our Foundation one of the most successful and largest in Ohio. A trend we will continue as we incorporate new fundraising methods from traditional approaches to a regional concept to manage and grow our endowment fund.

We anticipate future requests for financial support will increase as more seniors outlive their existing retirement resources. Our new business ventures and models are designed to help seniors age where they want to age, at home, rather than moving them to a



more costly institutional environment; thus, freeing more financial resources to serve other Ohio Masons.

As we complete the Home's most successful capital campaign, we are close to reaching our \$7.1 million dollar goal to construct the Memory Care buildings at Browning Masonic Community and Western Reserve Masonic Community. I am excited about your overwhelming response to meet the regional needs of individuals and families affected by Alzheimer's and dementia diseases.

Despite our economic challenges, you continue to generously support Ohio's oldest Masonic charity. We are thankful to every donor for their gifts, large and small, that enables us to support Ohio Masons and their wives and widows. It is truly an honor for us to serve you.

Right Worshipful Brother Ronald L. Connelly, 33°,
Chairman, The Ohio Masonic Home Benevolent Endowment Foundation Board of Trustees