



The Trestleboard



Masonic Temple, 1155 Locust St., Dubuque, Ia. 52001-4751

Julien Chapter #125 O.E.S. Stated Meeting June 16, 2015

Sisters & Brothers,

Sister Arline Dieterich celebrated her 73 years as a member in Eastern Star with a special lunch after our April Meeting to celebrate. How thankful we are for her many years of service to our Order.

Sunday, April 26th was the breakfast at Camp Courageous and we were there with the Grand Family to help serve the many, many people that came to eat.

Monday, April 27th was the Grand Representatives Luncheon in Des Moines and Russ and I attended that meeting and enjoyed the good lunch that was served and seen a lot of friends.

May 9, 2015 our Grand Officers did the degrees at Davenport for 4 new members. Brother Don Wohlers was one of those initiated and is our new member. Welcome Don to Julien Chapter.

June 17th we will have a lunch at the Temple for our 50 year members. We now have 19 50 year members in our Chapter. Some live out of state and will not be able to attend our lunch. We have one new 50 year member this year and that is Sister Melissa Rhame who lives in South Carolina.

Our June Meeting will be June 16th and we invite our Sisters and Brothers to come and join us for our meeting.

Worthy Matron - Leona Hibben
Worthy Patron - Russ Hibben
Secretary - Beverly Godsey

April, Hi Twelve Report

Shortly after this edition of the Trestleboard comes out the first part of May, I will be assuming my duties as president for the North Central Association of High Twelve. Which also means, I will be doing a great deal of traveling around the state over the next year, visiting the various clubs. Boy, I'm sure glad I now have a reliable vehicle to depend on! So, since I'm very active with the Child ID event, plus since we're constantly looking for more venues at which to put it on, I plan to take one of the units with me.

I should also mention, one of my main goals - as is true of all Masonry, is to work on increasing membership. Remember, we're much more interested in quality, than quantity. The problem with Masonry, however, everything about it, for years has always been considered a 'SECRET' and Heaven knows we can't talk to anybody about it who's not a Mason. The thing is, if you have a GOOD product, the worst thing to do is keep it hidden under a bushel basket! And, of course, in this day and age where there are SO many different organizations

out there, and so many things that are taking our young people's time and attention that now is the time to start to get the word out! (I know Shriners just started to realize this. That's why in this last year, Shriners have been doing some advertising on TV. That's also why two years ago, we started parading here in Dubuque - to get the word out) Come join us for some lively discussions on Friday at noon down in the dining room of the Masonic Temple at 1155 Locust Street.

Dave Patton,
President Hi Twelve Club

The Black FEZ
OXUS Grotto #137
Regular Meeting
Thursday, July 9, 2015

Dubuque York Rite,
Regular Meeting
Tuesday July 7, 2015

Boy, time flies when you're having fun! The Dubuque York Rite Bodies have been working hard on getting back to its roots and back on its feet. A lot of work is being done to inventory and identify exactly what we have for all three bodies. So far, if you've been in the Commandery Room, you will see an enormous amount of hats, swords and other regalia lined up. It's hard to believe that at one time there was a head that wore almost every chapeau that was found. Chapter and Council

are also making headway. New ritual books have been made with the help of Mike Mudrey. This will definitely help with getting back into the swing of things. Which brings me to my next point. We really need people. Not many come to the meetings any more. There are those who strive to keep it alive, but our light is dwindling. If you yourself or a Brother you know might be interested in joining the York Rite any one of us would be more than happy to sit down with you or them and talk about the York Rite. Also if you would like to help with the clean up and reorganization of the Commandery Room feel free to contact me.

***Fraternally,
Shawn Evarts,
Secretary/Recorder***

**Dubuque Lodge #3
A.F. & A.M.
Stated Meeting, Thurs.
July 16 - Work 7:00**

When I just became a Mason, back in 2003, I was looking for something to give more meaning to my life. You also need to know, I was discouraged from being in the classroom for 33 years! So, I knew it was high time I had to look for something else.

That's when I was invited down to speak at a meeting of High Twelve, following an editorial I'd written on being more understanding of our youth. Several hours later, and following several lengthy discussions, I realized I agreed with all of the tenets of Masonry. and decided to become one. (Now, what specifically attracted me to Dubuque #3 was all the rich history behind its forming.)

Dubuque #3 meets every third

Thursday. First, at 6:00 to share a meal, then at 7:00 for lodge. This meeting, we entertained a vote on a request for affiliation by Robert H Johnsen. The vote was clear and unanimous to accept his request for affiliation with Dubuque Lodge #3.

David H Patton-SW

**Tri-State Morning Lodge
#673 Meets Friday, 10:30 a.m
July 10, 2015**

Tri State Morning Lodge #673 had a Short meeting on Friday APRIL 10 at 10:30 A.M. We covered the old business and addressed the new business. For Education in April, we practiced opening and closing lodge in the Master Mason Degree.

For masons that would like to attend a lodge meeting and not go out at night, Tri State Morning Lodge meets at 10:30 A.M. on the second Friday of the month. All Masons are welcome to attend.

Al Tischuk.
Secretary
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Life is a game but golf is serious

**Metropolitan Lodge #49
Next Meeting -July 1, 2015
Meal at 6 PM
Meeting at 7 PM**

**DUBUQUE SHRINE
CLUB**

**July 15, 2015 Dubuque
Shrine Club Report**

First of all, I would like to thank all those Masons and family members who participated in the Memorial Day Parade. Our representation seems to increase every year. (Meanwhile, I'm receiving a lot of positive feedback!)

I should also point out, although

we now have the 'can' truck, we decided to keep it out of this event, since we still need some mechanical and decal work. (Besides, Wayne thinks it needs a muffler to make it road worthy.)

We even had some perspective candidates ride along with us. (My hope is to get some former patients involved in future events.)

You can also probably guess, once more the 'choppers' were a big hit. This year, we even had a third one with a sidecar.

Also, make sure you sign up with Wayne to work in the popcorn stand. He especially needs people who know how to pop for both the day and evening shifts.

On June 7th, we had our latest Child ID event down in Columbus City, from 2:00-5:00.

In the end, we had about 50 kids go through the process. Regrettably, school personnel did not distribute information about the event, otherwise, there would have been many more. Hopefully, that will change next year!

***Fraternally,
David Patton***

**July, 2015 Trestleboard
report for High Twelve by
David H. Patton**

Just a reminder, the next couple months we will be Dark. (Still, we plan to get together a few times to get up-to-date with the latest news, and visit.)

More importantly, it will give me a chance to get in a few of the annual visits that I'm suppose to make at other clubs around the area. Fortunately, they all don't start at high noon on Fridays. (By the way, if any of you would like ride along, it would be greatly appreciated, since I tire quick after about 60 miles. At the same

time, I'll just keep lugging my Mountain Dew around to help me stay alert!)

On June 25th, I'll be leaving early for my first annual convention out in Philadelphia - flying, NOT driving! (I'm really kind of nervous, but I'm sure this with be just my first of many.)

Fraternally;

Dave Patton, President

Mosaic Lodge # 125 Reg Meeting, July 14, 2015

It is hard to believe that half of the year has passed already. I am truly impressed with all that has been accomplished thus far to grow our membership and to work together as a lodge. We have two more investigation committees working hard this next month interviewing and checking potential candidates. I do understand that there is concern that we could be growing too quickly or that we are not doing our due diligence and simply accepting people purely to have new members. Please let me assure you that this is not the case. Rather, remember that when you have men of similar interests they will naturally tend to come together. What we are currently experiencing is that very phenomenon in which a brother is excited and inspired by our fraternal organization to such an extent that he exudes our core values. The principles of our brotherhood shine through in all aspects of daily living to such an extent that others are naturally going to be curious and wish to find out what the secret of this excitement is. Do you remember the feelings of awe and wonder upon being given the opportunity to take your first degree? Where have we lost our way and become lackadaisical? We should actually applaud our newest brethren for

wanting to share our organization with those who are near and dear to them. Without this excitement we will surely lose new members and our current members will drift away. Normally I am not a fan of using newsletters and other regular communications to address financial issues or concerns. However, since this also concerns our current expansion of new members I think it is only right this is mentioned. We have the Brown Fund which was created via various donations to help defray the initiation costs for new members under the age of 40. While all new members are important to us, please keep in mind this particular age group represents a point in life where someone is typically getting a good start in life and will hopefully be a long standing member of the fraternity. As such the Brown Fund aims to encourage those candidates to make the initial steps towards joining our ranks. Our treasurer has reported that currently our fund is running low and will not be able to support the candidates who are currently taking their degrees. It is also against Grand Lodge code for the lodge to subsidize initiation fees from the lodge's general fund. At this time I am putting a call out to all of our brothers to please consider providing a donation directed towards the Brown Fund. Any amount is greatly appreciated. I am also looking for volunteers who would be willing to assist in developing a plan to develop the fund further either through fundraising activities or direct appeal campaign. If you are so moved to assist, please email me at mason@stechman.net or you may call my home at 563.583.3597

Fraternally,
Chris Stechman

From the Trestleboard

To the Secretaries, Members and others receiving the Trestleboard.

The Trestleboard would like any address changes, new members, deaths or members temporarily away to turn in these changes to DUBTRESTLEBOARD@GMAIL.COM or send them to The Trestleboard, 1155 Locust ST, DUBUQUE, IA 52001, or leave them in the Trestleboard mailbox

TRI STATE MORNING LODGE #673 FRIDAY, July10 2015

If I haven't stated it before High Twelve officers for 2015 are, President, David Patton; Vice president, Jack Smeltzer; Secretary, Don Giesemann; Treasurer, Neil Millard. Anyway, on Friday the thirteenth, our guest speaker for High Twelve was Brother Gerald Edgar. He's a very interesting motivational speaker, who shared how Masonry has greatly impacted his life, and that of his family. He then shared with us several ways to attract, not only more young men

High Twelve meets most Fridays at 11:30 down at the Masonic Temple at 1155 Locust Street. Meanwhile, all are invited.

Dave Patton

Julien Lodge 551 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m. Wednesday July 1, 2015

Saturday, June 6, 2015 the Julien Brothers attended the 150th Anniversary of Burns Lodge ,A.F.& A.M.

The celebration began at 6:00 p.m. at the beautiful home of Brother Charles and Pat

Becker. They welcomed us warmly and showed us to their hors d'oeuvre table which was brimming with many kinds of delicious foods.

We indulged ourselves as we greeted one another and remembered many tales about Burns Lodge. A number of the Brothers were 50 or 60 Year Masons, and as you might expect had humorous stories to engage our attention.

We also remembered Brothers, now gone from our sacred band, who had contributed so much toward our pleasure of this celebration.

Before dinner, Charlie and Pat toured us through their beautiful home, and showed us some of their wonderful collections. My poor words cannot adequately describe such!

Dinner was carefully prepared and was as delicious as was the presentation. Rightly said, "we feasted!"

We remembered this day, and gave honor to the memory of those brave men and women who saved civilization and made

celebrations such as ours possible.

After dinner, Charlie demonstrated his skill as a pilot by flying his drone. Quite a lot of interest in this!

It was a beautiful day, a day to remember. Thank you Burns Lodge, and thank you, Charlie and Pat.

We concluded our evening with prayer for those serving our nation and we ask God's blessing on those in sickness and distress and those whom you hold in your heart.

We hope you will make time to be with us Wednesday, July 1, 2014 at our Regular Stated meeting and Thursday, July 23 for Trowel Fellowship.

My Brother, we always have a warm welcome waiting for you...and of course.. we'll leave the light on for you!

Bob Ganfield, Worshipful Master

MASONIC CALENDAR July 2015

W 01 Julien Lodge 551 7:30 p.m.
Th 02 Metropolitan Lodge 49

7:30 p.m. Eat 6:00

F 03 High Twelve Noon

Tu 07 York Rite 7:00 p.m.

Th 09 Oxus Grotto 7:30 p.m.

Eat 6:00 p.m.

F 10 Tri-State 673 10:30 a.m.

High Twelve Noon

Tu 14 Mosaic Lodge 125 7:00 p.m.

W 15 Shriners 6:00 p.m. Eat Main St. Holiday Inn

Th 16 Dubuque Lodge 3 7:00 p.m. Eat at 6:00 p.m.

F 17 High Twelve Noon

Tu 21 Julien OES 7:30 p.m.

Th 23 Trowel Fellowship 7:30

F 24 High Twelve Noon

Tu 28 MTA

F 31 High Twelve Noon

Dubuque County Fair

Its that time of year again! The Fair will be here, before we know it! We could use some help at the popcorn stand.

The starting date is Tuesday, July 28th and ends Sunday, August 2nd. Please give me a call, if you can work. My phone number is 563-556-5279! Your help would be greatly appreciated. Hope all of you are having a great Summer!

**Fraternally,
Wayne Stanfley**