



The Trestleboard



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

Julien Chapter #125 O.E.S. Dark in August

The Eastern Star Fun Day for golf at Terrace Hills Golf Course was really a hot day. There was a good crowd there and everyone had fun even though it was hot.

July 24 - 26th will be the 5 State get together at Prairie Meadows in Altoona. Looking forward to seeing a lot of Star Friends there and hearing the dueling pianos.

We want to send Congratulations to Sister Beverly and Brother Don on their wedding day July 26th. We wish for you many happy years.

We have some that have not paid their dues yet so check your card and make sure it is a 2015 card.

We will be dark in August.

We hope everyone is having a fun summer.

Our next meeting will be September 15, 2015.

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

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

Well, I just got back from my first National Convention out in Philadelphia about a week ago.

And, at least for me, the name 'City of Brotherly Love' I found to be quite true!

In the process I also learned several things. First, I should have left to go out a day earlier, so I could have taken a historical tour of the city. Plus, I should have stayed a day longer, since that was when most of the actual business took place. (However, I had a family reunion I had to get to on Sunday morning.)

We also found out that many Masons actually got their start in Masonry after either being invited as a guest, or as a speaker for a High Twelve meeting. (Oh, I know this certainly true for me!) All the while, the importance of family was emphasized. They even suggested that we make a special effort to make sure that widows, and even wives were recognized for their contributions. (After all, without them allowing us to meet as we do, High Twelve would probably not exist!) Of course, better communication and increasing membership were the hot topics. Suggestions were then made of having more family events or inviting them to our meetings. At the same time, we need to become more active in the community. As far as communication, they not only want to set up a monthly conference call with the all the club presidents, but they're even encouraging all secretaries to ?le a monthly report electronically, that will not only inform others what all we're doing but also

record membership. (Also, remember, with an increase of \$100 from NCA.) We'll meet again on Friday, September 4th down in the Temple's dining hall.

Dave Patton,
President Hi Twelve Club

**The Black FEZ
OXUS Grotto #137
Regular Meeting
Thursday, August 13, 2015**

Greeting Fellow Brothers,

I would like to thank Wes Struebing for our meal. I would also like to thank everyone who came or helped with the April 26th breakfast & donated golf equipment. Dan said that they are sitting pretty good on equipment and we were able to donate \$500.00 to the Special Olympics, good job, thanks again.

Here are a few events to put on your calendars.

1. The Dubuque County Fair July 28th-August 2nd. Wayne still needs people to work the Popcorn booth.
2. All Masonic picnic August 21st. At the Grotto, open to all Masons and their families. Bring a dish to pass and your own drinks.
3. Oxus Grotto steak fry September 10th members & spouses, dish to pass and your own drinks.
4. Work Day September 24th we will supply Pizza and drinks. The Grotto needs a good cleaning

before the up coming breakfasts. Please we need everyone's help to make this a success.

Fraternally;
Gene Muntz – Monarch

**Dubuque York Rite,
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, August 4, 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
Stated Meeting
August 20, 2015
at 7:00 p.m.
Dinner at 6:00 p.m.**

Dubuque Lodge had a nice turnout for our stated meeting, July 16, 2015. and, again, I thank all the Brothers who helped make it so by attending.

Our Stated Communication on was preceded by a delicious supper prepared by Brother Jack Smeltzer. Remember, we have a meal together before our meeting. Thank you again, Brother Jack!

August dinner will be prepared by Brother Dale Hefel. It will be his usual delicious meal. You have been told!...

A few Brothers have not yet paid their annual lodge dues of \$57.00, so look in your wallet and if you are one of them, Thanks!

Remember that we meet at 7:00 p.m.

We always have room for one more, so we hope to see you August 20, 2015.

Our business being concluded under an hour, lodge was closed in peace and harmony.

Don Gieseemann, WM

**Tri-State Morning Lodge
#673 Meets Friday, 10:30 a.m
August 14, 2015**

Brothers in Masonry, Heat the past month may have melted ice, but its warmth only added to our Brotherly Love.

By now we are beginning to think of events for the Annual Sessions just around the corner.

I plan on being in Sioux City to help conduct our business. There appears to be no startling resolutions at this time

Interviews this year resulted in 60 scholarships of \$2000 each being awarded to our students.. 2,165 scholarships totaling \$3,070,900 have been awarded since the program began in 1970, Pictures of all of the students in in the most recent issue of the Grand Lodge Bulletin.

The most recent Grand Lodge Bulletin. It covers our scholarship recipients in some detail

Many of you prefer electronic to printed material (I do, it cuts down on storage!)
http://grandlodgeofiowa.org/docs/publications/June_Bulletin_2015.pdf

So, while thinking about our brotherhood, get out there and cut the grass and practice putting.

SW
Mike Mudrey
Tri-State Morning Lodge No. 673

**Metropolitan Lodge #49
Next Meeting
August 6, 2015
Meal at 6 PM Meeting at 7 PM**

For our July meeting, we headed to Potosi, WI to visit Warren Lodge #4. What a fun night it was to visit brothers in another lodge. The food and fellowship was great. Everyone had a great time. It was good for us to see the differences between IA and WI meetings.

On a sad note for us, David and Leanne Latham are moving to Bristol, TN to be closer to family. David, thank you for your years of service to Metropolitan Lodge.

"Worshipful" in Masonry means "greatly respected" and that's you. You will be missed! Thank you to Jeff Kotz for accepting the position of Senior Deacon for the remainder of the year.

We will be having an "All-Masonic" picnic on Friday, August 21st at the Oxux Grotto, in Asbury. We will supply the brats and hot dogs. You should bring your own drinks, place settings, a dish to pass, and your lawn chairs if you wish to sit outside. This will be held "rain or shine". We will have games set up for washers, bean bags, volleyball, and horseshoes. **All Masons and their family are invited.** We will meet at 5 PM, and start serving at 6:30 PM.

Fraternally
Smokey McGovern
Worshipful Master

DUBUQUE SHRINE CLUB, Wednesday, August 19

Even though we're supposed to be Dark for the next couple of months, it seems like we're actually the busiest! (Truth be known, I'm writing this report during the first part of this month, because I never know what might come up next.) Of course, the big thing we have to prepare ourselves now for is the Shrine popcorn stand out at the Dubuque County Fair from July 28th — August 2nd. Right now, I'm planning to go out about a week beforehand with several others to get the booth all cleaned up and painted. Oh, yes, I know we did a lot of that when we closed up last summer. However, the fairgrounds also use that same booth for selling tickets for the races and other events throughout the year. This year, we also hope the weather cooperates,

so we can sell more goods. After all, the fairgrounds is once more asking for a larger percentage of our take.

I also want to give out a big thanks to Dan Teply and Wayne Stanley, since they took it upon themselves the responsibility to get everything lined up and organized beforehand.

Yes, before we know it, the Labor Day Parade will be upon us.

Anyway, I'm encouraging all Masonic organizations and their family members come down and to join — to either ride or walk the parade route. After all, each year, Masonic participation gets bigger and bigger — so, let's keep it going that way!

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Fraternally;
Dave Patton, President

Mosaic Lodge # 125 Reg Meeting, August 11, 2015

Greetings Brothers!

I hope everyone is having a safe and fun summer. It is hard to imagine that by the time you are reading this school will be right around the corner and as usual that means summer is coming to a close. School coming back into session is also a reminder that we

need to rededicate ourselves to our Masonic education. We have been blessed this year with several new members. Our July meeting is no exception and we have 2 new candidates for the first degree. We will be holding practices on Monday nights again so we can make sure we know our various parts for the degrees. Remember, the degree work is our initial impressions we give the candidates of our inner workings. We did an excellent job in gaining their interest and getting the petition. Let's not lose the awe and reverence due to fumbling through our degree work.

As a "save the date" kind of note, please mark your calendars for August 21. Metro #49 is hosting an all Masonic picnic to be held at the Grotto in Asbury. This is an excellent chance to share in brotherhood with members of our other lodges.

Please be sure to attend our August stated communication. Ed Blinks will be reviewing the legislation being considered for Grand Lodge in September. This is your opportunity to voice your thoughts and opinions on how Grand Lodge should be directed for the next year.

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

Julien Lodge 551
Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 5, 2015

The main topic of discussion centered on the report of Brother Brian Hartbecke regarding his talks with the USPS about renewing our lease with them. We read all the pages of details as Brian explained them as related to his talks with USPS. The Trustees agreed with the new terms and moved the adoption of the new five year lease contract. Brother Hartbecke was thanked for his hours of work on this important project.

The lodge received an invitation from Burns Lodge to join in their celebration of 150 years of service to the community. Several of us will be attending. It will be a great evening!

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, August 5, 2015 at our Regular Stated meeting and Thursday, August 27 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
August, 2015

Tu 04 York Rite DARK AUGUST
W 05 Julien Lodge 551 7:30 p.m.
Th 06 Metropolitan Lodge 49
7:30 p.m. Eat 6:00
F 07 High Twelve DARK
AUGUST
Tu 11 Mosaic Lodge 125 7:30
p.m.
Th 13 Oxus Grotto 7:30 p.m.
Eat 6:00 p.m.
F 14 Tri-State 673 10:30 a.m.
Tu 18 Julien OES 7:30 p.m.
W 19 Shriners 6:00 p.m. Eat
Main St. Holiday Inn
Th 20 Dubuque Lodge 3; 7:00
p.m.
Eat at 6:00 p.m.
Tu 25 MTA
Th 27 Trowel Fellowship 7:30
p.m.