



# The Trestleboard



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## 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

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Life is a game but golf is serious

## OXUS Grotto #137 Regular Meeting Thursday, July 14, 2016

Greetings, Prophets and Brothers; I would like to thank Prophet Smokey McGovern for standing in for me at this month's stated meeting. Dinner was a sort of BYOD, with Prophet Smokey providing the main course (hot dogs and brats), and Prophet Secretary Dale Hefel providing the 7-layer salad. I hear that it was tasty; thank you all who provided a dish.

Prophet Dr. David Birdsell from Mohassan Grotto in Davenport visited us again this month. He informed us that he will return later this year to evaluate our proficiency (namely getting completely away from using our ritual books). Once he declares us proficient, that will be communicated with the Supreme Council, and we will be recognized by said Council.

We will have a work day on 14 July, before our meeting. We will be really sprucing up the interior of the Grotto building – cleaning and painting the ceiling and the walls, replacing floor

tiles. Please plan to show up around 12:30, if you can make it that early. On the 13<sup>th</sup> in the evening, we will scrub the walls to prep them for painting. Those who can't make it during the day on Thursday, if you can show on Wednesday, that would be great! Last year Oxus Grotto provided golf equipment for Special Olympics. Our point of contact (through Prophet Dan Neuhaus) was Mary Sue Green. She contacted Dan again this year and passed on the following information:

*"Dan;  
We are just starting our golf for the year. I know we talked about a few personnel from the Grotto that were interested in training and playing with the athletes. One thing that I will need from anyone who would like to assist is to have Class A certification with the state. Basically they need to do a background check and then they will be given a badge good for 3 years.*

*Can you pass the word for me? I would need them to contact me and we can do that process from my office computer. There is the application, a little quiz and a copy of the driver's license is required. Handled in 30 minutes. They need that before they help with the golf. They can do it themselves by going on line to [soiowa.org](http://soiowa.org) and looking for volunteer and follow instructions. I think Katie Stephan (in the wheelchair) is going to do mini golf, and will also need a partner.*

*I do not have a date yet for the state tournament. Pushing for that, as is Ron Breitbach.*

*Thanks much.  
Mary Sue Green ph: 563-559-2615  
[msgreen@grnind.com](mailto:msgreen@grnind.com)"*

**Fraternally;**  
**Wes Struebing –Monarch**

## Dubuque Lodge #3 A.F. & AM Thursday, July 21, 2016, 7:00 PM

Greetings Brothers and Ladies! It's time for another note. Judy tells me she will bake a chocolate cake for our Lodge meeting tonight. I can taste it right now. We are trying to practice Ritual each time we meet. It's going well. The Fair will be here soon. The dates are July 26<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>. The Shrine Popcorn Stand, is in need of much help. We have 2 shifts. The first one is 11a.m. - 5 p.m. The last one is 5 p.m. - 11 p.m. If you would be interested in helping, please call me at 556-5279. You can also send me an email at [Zipdeer@aol.com](mailto:Zipdeer@aol.com). Hope everyone is having a fun Summer!

**Fraternally;**  
**Wayne Stanfley - Master**

## Dubuque Shrine Club July 20, 2016

Dubuque Shrine Club is dark for the summer. Stay tuned for more mayhem, Shriner-wise, in September.

**Respectfully;**  
**Ye Olde Trestleboard Editor**

## Dubuque High 12 Club July, 2016

Over the last several years, the city of Dubuque has done several things to make the community more 'green.' After all, they're finishing up the Bee Branch to help alleviate the flooding issue that regularly plagued the north end. Plus, they've worked on many of the alleys by putting in permeable bricks to help slow down the rushing waters from the steep hillsides.

Their latest move to help the flow of traffic and cut down on tailpipe emissions is by putting in several roundabouts on the West End, beginning at the intersection of North Grandview and Delhi. This then became the center of discussion the last couple weeks at High Twelve. Fortunately, we had had a similar type of discussion at our Noon Optimist meeting, so I had several handouts to share. Mike Mudrey then shared many of the positives, and negatives that they've experiencing in Wisconsin. So, while they should help reduce congestion and accidents, it's going to take a while to get used to them.

I should also point out, we've had several of these downtown for many years to largely restrict speeding and truck traffic. The ones on the West End will basically help reduce cost and accidents. (Plus, it definitely helped that the D.O.T. is kicking in \$700,000 of this \$900,000, five-year, project.) Remember, too, we will be dark July and August, but please come join us on Friday at noon in September.

**Respectfully submitted:**  
**David H Patton - President**

## **Dubuque York Rite Regular Meeting Tuesday, July 5, 2016**

Companions and Sir Knights:  
What a nice spring we're having this winter! This December meeting we elected officers for 2016. Chris Stechman was elected to High Priest, Illustrious Master and Imminent Commander. Brian Kelley was elected King and Deputy Master. Keith Robertson was elected Scribe and Principle Conductor of the Work. Wayne Stanley was elected Generalissimo and Mike Mudrey to Captain General. Shawn Evarts was elected to Secretary/Recorder and Treasurer. As the new year rolls around dues notices will be going out. The Grand Chapter and Grand Council have both raised their per-capita dues by \$2 each.

**Fraternally,**  
**Shawn Evarts**

## **Tri-State Morning Lodge #673 Friday, 10:30 AM, July 8, 2016**

Its great fun. WM Neil is using our Lodge time as a Lodge of Instruction, with a lot of starts and stops to clarify what is happening. Of course, Mike Mudrey insists that is not how it is done in Wisconsin, and we keep reminding him that he is in Iowa now!

Wayne made a pitch for popcorn vendors at the Dubuque County Fair. Tri-State is always well-represented. Why don't you readers come out and support your Lodge's role.

Next meeting, Friday July 8, 10:30 a.m.  
And remember, 673's Lodge meeting transitions into High Twelve for lunch.

**Respectfully,**  
**Neil Millar - WM**

## **Metropolitan Lodge #49 Next Meeting Thursday, July 7, 2016**

Metropolitan Lodge #49 has no report this month.

## **Mosaic Lodge #125 Regular Meeting Tuesday, July 12, 2016**

Greetings everyone,  
Happy Summer. At our June meeting we had several petitions to act upon. First we reinstated Josh Baal from his non-payment of dues. Then we balloted on two petitions held over from our previous meeting. Next we read a new petition and assigned an investigative committee to report back at our next meeting. This means we will have several degrees to perform. The dates are being worked out so please be ready to attend and participate in these important degrees. We will surely need help to fill all the parts and keep our momentum going. You can contact our Secretary, Keith Robertson, or myself if you want to make sure you are on our

calling list for upcoming degrees and events (or check out our award-winning web site).

Our Treasurer, Edwin Blinks, reported a low balance in our Brown fund. This fund helps offset the initiation fee for new members under the age of 40 years old. The Iowa Code does not allow us to use monies from our general fund for this purpose so it completely depends on generous brethren to voluntarily contribute to this fund. If you have been looking for a way to give back to our lodge this would be a good time to donate money toward the funding of new brothers to join us in this great work. Just designate the amount to be applied to the Brown Fund. The lodge thanks you for any contributions you are able to make.

There are still a few brothers needing to pay their dues for the current year. Anyone who has not paid his dues by July is to be dropped from membership per the Iowa Code.

There was not much other news to report other than for our next meeting in July. We plan to hold a potluck picnic at the screened porch of the Arboretum and Botanical Gardens of Dubuque at 6 p.m. This will precede our regular meeting on July 12th and therefore informal dress will be suggested. Mosaic Lodge will supply the meat: chicken, brats and hot dogs. We will also have paper plates, plastic ware and napkins available. We would ask that those attending bring along a couple of dishes to share such as salads, vegetables, fruit, chips, desserts and drinks. All masons and their families are invited and encouraged to attend. This would also be appropriate to bring along any prospective members. Additionally, we extend a special invitation for any masonic widows who would like to get out and join us. They should look for a special invitation coming soon in the mail. If anyone needs a ride please contact the Worshipful Master, Brian Carroll. Hope to see many of you there to enjoy some great fellowship surrounded by beautiful flowers from the gardens.

Finally, we concluded our meeting with a program from our Junior Steward, John Wissing. John spoke briefly about the symbolism of the three degrees and how they relate to the cycles of life. It was a thoughtful and personal presentation. This completes his requirements for the Ashlar Award. As a newer member who hasn't been in masonry yet a year the lodge is proud of John's willingness to get right in and actively participate in our great fraternity. He is just one example of how to make use of the many opportunities our craft offers to those who seek more light.

A special thanks to Brother Gene Chappell for providing sandwiches and refreshments following the meeting. Brother Ed Blinks will offer a masonic education program at our July meeting.

***Fraternally;  
Brian Carroll - WM***

### **Julien Lodge 551 Stated Meeting 7:30 PM Wednesday, July 6, 2016**

I'm thinking of the wonderful time the Julien Brothers had at this time last year, on Saturday, June 6, 2015, as we attended the 150th Anniversary of Burns Lodge. It was a night to remember the history of the lodge and celebrate its many achievements.

It was also the Day to Remember the many Sacrifices made by our fighting men to beat back the forces of tyranny. Free men brought us from darkness into light!

And now, the Brothers of Burns Lodge and Snow Lodge are blessed to make and be part of the on-going history they are making together.

We also remembered Brothers, now gone from our sacred band, who had contributed so much toward our pleasure of that celebration and the very Freedom that ensures those blessings! 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.

It was a beautiful day, a day to remember.

We held a Julien School of Instruction for our members, with emphasis on Opening and Closing. It was great to see how eager the Brothers took to this, and how well they performed the Work. Well done, Brothers!

Be with us Wednesday, July 6, 2016 at our Stated meeting and Thursday, July 28 for Trowel Fellowship Annual Picnic at Colesburg.

We'll leave the light on for you! (Of course)

***Bob Ganfield;  
for Art Miller, Worshipful Master***

### **Julien Chapter #125 OES Stated Meeting Tuesday, July 19, 2016**

Greetings Sisters and Brothers; Summer has begun and it is a different type of busy. I had the privilege of attending Indiana Grand Chapter. It was a great time. I visited with many old friends and made some new ones. Our meeting this month is going to be a low attendance, but those in attendance will enjoy some social time. I will see you again in July. Stay cool and enjoy the sunshine!

Remember Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa as you reflect on our heroines in life.

***Star Love,  
Worthy Matron-Jennifer Diller  
Worthy Patron-Dave Patton  
Secretary-Beverly Godsey***

## **MASONIC CALENDAR July, 2016**

F 01 High Twelve  
Mo 04 INDEPENDENCE DAY!  
Tu 05 York Rite  
We 06 Julien Lodge 551 7:30 PM  
Th 07 Metropolitan Lodge 49  
7:00 PM Eat 6:00  
F 08 Tri-State 673 10:30 AM  
Tu 12 Mosaic Lodge 125 7:00 PM  
Th 14 Oxus Grotto  
7:00 PM Eat 6:00 PM  
Tu 19 Julien OES 7:30 PM  
W 20 Shrine Club (Dark)  
Th 21 Dubuque Lodge 7:00 PM  
Tu 26 MTA  
Th 28 Trowel Fellowship 7:30 PM

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