



# 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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### *Al Tischuk*

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Life is a game but golf is serious

## OXUS Grotto #137 Regular Meeting

**Thursday, November 10, 2016**

Greetings Prophets and Brothers! We had a whirlwind meeting this month. After our normal chew-the-fat and dinner(I hope no one came away still hungry), we opened our meeting in proper form.

Main discussions concerned our proposed by-laws. Some good suggestions for clarification and correction were proposed, and we will take those up in our officers' meeting in November, as well as in our December meeting. Another hot topic was upcoming election/appointment of officers. More on that shortly.

A significant portion of the meeting related to our breakfasts and the schedule for the Lenten Fish Fries in 2017. Those schedules are as follows:

Breakfasts:

Oct. 30/Nov. 27/(no Dec.)

Jan 29, 2017/Feb. 26/Mar. 26/Apr.

30/May 28.

Prices are as last year - \$7 for adults over 10 and \$4 for children 10 and under.

Fish Fries

March 3, 10, 17, and 31/ Apr. 7. Prices for the fish fries are \$8 for adults over 10 and \$4 for kids 10 and under.

Remember Prophets, next month is an important one. The District Deputy, Dr. Birdsell will give us the first part of our Proficiency (officers – plan to practice at our Officer's Meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup>) AND we hold our election of officers of the Grotto and the appointed officers, too. I will post the slate of candidates before the stated meeting, and of course, we will entertain nominations from the floor.

Prophet Brother Jack Sibley has graciously consented to provide our diner in November. Y'all come, now, hear?

*Fraternally;*

*Wes Struebing - Monarch*

## Dubuque Lodge #3

**Thursday, November 17, 2016,**

**7:00 PM**

Hi from Dubuque Lodge #3!

October is nearly over. The leaves are turning their beautiful colors. Where did the Summer go? The year is almost over. We will be electing new officers for next year.

If anyone needs help, to learn their part for the next step in Masonry, just let Jack or Wayne know. We would be glad to help anyone, anytime. We are good at listening. I keep up my ritual, no matter if it's practice or for real. It all helps.

Yesterday, (10/19 – ed.) was Dave Patton's birthday. He will be gone to Grand Chapter and will be unable to be at our meeting tonight. He did leave us some cookies and ice cream for our refreshments. Thanks, Dave.

Have a Happy Halloween! Boo! Did I scare you? I hope so! :)

*Fraternally;*

*Wayne Stanfley – Worshipful Master*

## Dubuque Shrine Club November 16, 2016

Dubuque Shrine Club met in form at the Holiday In Express on Sept 21, 2016.

Business discussed was as follows: the Fezmobile has been put to bed for the winter. It has a nice, cozy garage to keep it in shape for next year's parades.

The nominating committee presented its slate of candidates for next month's election of Club officers. The slate was approved by all members present.

A final report on the Fair was presented by Treasurer Dave Patton, and we actually cleared more money this year than last. Thank you all for your hard work during Fair Week!

*Fraternally;*

*Wes Struebing*

*(for Chris Stechman – President)*

## Dubuque High Twelve Club November 4, 2016

October 2016 High Twelve Report:

You would think that since the parading is over for the year, plus the fair and the circus is now behind us, that there would be some downtime to unwind. (Well, not for a couple more weeks.) After all, I have Grand Chapter of Eastern Star the third week of October, plus North Central Association of High Twelve midyear meeting the following week. Wouldn't you know it, they're both in Des Moines?! Yes, it looks like I will be doing a lot of driving!

So, since I'll be out of town the next couple of weeks, plus with the holidays coming up, we decided to skip several Fridays of meetings. Therefore, mark your calendars for: 10/21, 10/28, 11/25, 12/23, and 12/30 for us not meeting. (After the first of the year, we might also be adjusting our meeting schedule.)

By the way Brother Mike Mudrey, who has given some very interesting talks in the past on Antarctica, plus Climate Change plans to have another Power Point in January – more than likely Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>.

(Another thing that I thought of, Eastern Star wants to have an all-Masonic party somewhere around Christmas. More to come in the future.)

Hope to see you on most Fridays at noon down in the Masonic Temple's dining room.

**Fraternally;**  
**David H Patton**

### **Dubuque York Rite, Regular Meeting**

**Tuesday, November 1, 2016**

Greetings!

We had a School of Instruction for Commandery this month. A special thank you to all who attended and to Past Eminent Grand Commanders Donald Radloff and Robert Smith for giving us a brush up on our tactics and a very special thank you to Most Eminent Grand Commander Wade Sheeler for visiting! November is a big month as we will be discussing our next officers and getting ready for elections in December.

**Fraternally,**  
**Shawn Evarts, Secretary/Treasurer**

### **Tri-State Morning Lodge #673 Friday, 10:30 AM, November 11, 2016**

Good Day, all fellow Masons!

We are excited, Kirk Williams in back from the Wisconsin northwoods. His report was gloomy: cold, wet and worst of all no fish!

Al Tischuk came through his surgery with shining light! Golf has been trimmed a little, but the humor and life are still there!

Mike and Neil are thinking about the last lawn mowing of the year...thinking not doing.

So, join the fall colors and join us 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday, 10:30 at the Temple.

**Respectfully;**  
**Neil Millard - Worshipful Master**

### **Metropolitan Lodge #49 Next Meeting**

**Thursday, November 3, 2016**

Greetings Brothers!

We had a very productive meeting this month. We made progress with our scholarship program. It was passed that we will provide 3 scholarships in the amount of \$800 each to be given to students at N.I.C.C. in their second semester of a program in the trades. We have a few more details to work out before we are able to accept applications, but this is some great progress towards a dream becoming a reality. To carry the efforts forward, a new permanent committee was voted on consisting of the WM, Secretary, and one brother from the craft.

Please don't forget that while the rest of the nation will be casting their votes for elected officials next month, we will be casting our votes for lodge leadership. It is important to be present for elections so you can share your voice on what direction our lodge will take for the following year.

Finally, looking towards summer already, we are working on the details for our trip to Minnesota. At this point we need to get a general count of how many people would be interested in going to Minneapolis. This would be a day trip to see some Masonic sights and to visit a table lodge. Depending on how many people are interested, we may even be able to get a bus and we can all relax during the trip. If you are interested in going or would like to be kept up to date on details, please contact Smokey at 563-588-8044.

**Fraternally;**  
**Chris Stechman – Worshipful Master**

### **Mosaic Lodge #125 Regular Meeting Tuesday, November 8, 2016**

Fall greetings everyone,

Our October meeting featured our Past Masters of Mosaic Lodge with a delicious stuffed pork chop dinner, catered by Hy-Vee and held prior to the meeting. After dinner, the past masters from the last 40 years or so were recognized, including many who were in attendance that evening. Thank you to all who shared the evening together and especially to our Secretary, Keith Robertson, who arranged for the meal; as well as to those who helped set up the tables and clean up afterwards.

Members of Mosaic then held our regular business meeting. It was encouraging to have at least 16 brethren present joining in the discussion of our lodge happenings. Among those present were Zach Spurgen, who was voted approved as a member of Mosaic by affiliation; Richard Pacetes, our newest raised brother master mason; Gerald Edgar, our visiting brother; as well as many of the regular attendees.

We have been most busy with degree work, thankfully. Both Tom McGuire and Josh Conley have received their second degree and are scheduled soon to be raised master masons; as is Caesar Gonzales, from Metropolitan Lodge #49. Plan to participate in the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree at 7:00 p.m. on Mondays, October 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> and November 7<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup>. We can use everyone's help.

Our November regular meeting is The Presidential Election night AND is also our own election of Mosaic officers for 2017, and will be preceded with a soup supper at 6:00 p.m. We hope many will join us for another night of fellowship as we begin to look forward to the end of yet another productive year.

*"Yet Masonry is, when clearly understood, a great world-wide system of emancipation, in that it teaches its initiates to liberate themselves from the slavery of all forms of ancient superstitions, obsolete creeds, and beliefs that do violence to the reasoning faculties of every intelligent, enlightened, and untrammelled human mind."* from the Candidate Instruction, provided by the Grand Lodge Service Committee of Iowa.

**Fraternally submitted;**  
**Brian Carroll, WM**

**Julien Lodge 551  
Stated Meeting 7:30 PM  
Wednesday, November 2, 2016**

We held our Stated Meeting on October 5, 2016, during which we held much discussion and planning for Thanksgiving as well as our annual Christmas program and the December Trowel Fellowship meeting.

Mercy Health Watch magazine printed a wonderful article about our WM Art Miller! It tells of Art's heart disease over the last ten years. He has several stents during this time but, in February, three major blockages were found while performing a cath. One artery was too small to open safely, so he had a double bypass. He is home in recovery, including cardiac rehabilitation. Art was in the care of Doctors Ramabadran and Vunnamadala. We are blessed to have their surgical skills available. You know that Art is a family guy, and he says, "Coming out of surgery, there was a picture of all(my) six kids and I. I opened my eyes and there they were. That's what getting better was all about-so that the kids and I could go to the (Flora Park) pool together this summer. And we did." Julien Lodge is also supporting the Hillcrest Services by again sponsoring a Christmas tree and Security persons. Money has been earmarked in our treasury for this purpose. The Brothers, as in every year, voted unanimously in support

Be with us Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at our Regular Stated meeting (where we solve the problems of the world). Thursday, November 24, Trowel Fellowship is DARK. GIVE THANKS! And of course...we'll leave the light on for you!

**Bob Ganfield, Worshipful Master sitting for Art.**

**GET WELL SOON, BROTHER ART!**

**Julien Chapter #125 OES  
Stated Meeting Tuesday,  
November 15, 2016**

Greetings Sisters and Brothers!  
As I finish this writing up several of us will be busy at Grand Chapter. It will be a fun, busy and tiring weekend with lots of fun! Did I say fun twice? Guess you'll have to join us sometime at Grand Chapter to see what all the fun is about. I will have the honor of giving the greeting to the Friday afternoon from the Host Chapters (ours and Sister Nancy's). Will share about Grand Chapter in my next writing.

Our last meeting was quiet and quick. We missed several at the meeting. We hope Sister Bev is feeling better. We hope to see everyone in November. November is also election of officers. Keep this in mind and we'll give all the support anyone needs to change it up if they would like. For November refreshments, we need your help. Sister Bev, Sister Leona and I will be bringing a soup type item to share. Sister Arline offered to bring pumpkin pie. Please bring an item to share. If you are unsure what to bring, please contact one of us. Serving will begin at 6pm.

My challenge this month to reach out and send a word of encouragement to two members of our Chapter, one you know well and one you don't know as well. As you reflect and would like to share, please write your experience down. If you are unable to attend in person, we would love to receive a note so we may stay connected with you.

**Respectfully;  
Worthy Matron- Jennifer Diller  
Worthy Patron- Dave Patton  
Secretary- Beverly Godsey  
Julien Chapter #125**

**MASONIC CALENDAR  
November, 2016**

Tu 01 York Rite  
We 02 Julien Lodge 551 7:30 PM  
Th 03 Metropolitan Lodge 49  
7:30 PM Eat 6:00  
F 04 High Twelve  
Tu 08 Mosaic Lodge 125 7:30 PM  
Th 10 Oxus Grotto  
7:30 PM Eat 6:00 PM  
F 11 Tri-State 673 10:30 AM  
Tu 15 Julien OES 7:00 PM  
W 16 Shrine Club 6:00 PM Eat  
Main St. Holiday Inn  
Th 17 Dubuque Lodge 7:00 PM  
Tu 22 MTA  
Th 24 Trowel Fellowship DARK  
Th 24 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

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**Editor's Note:**

In Metropolitan's submission, Brother Stechman mentions a potential trip to Minneapolis next year in June. Other than stating that Brother Smokey McGovern is the point of contact for all interested parties, there was not room (or time) to include more particulars. The Trestleboard received a copy of the letter sent, so it is included here. Please respond to Brother Smokey if you are interested.

Here is the letter from Brother Dale Seubert:

*"The Minnesota Masonic Heritage Center was dedicated on June 24, 2016. This is truly a beautiful edifice. It has received rave reviews by all who have visited. Lake Harriet Lodge #277, Minneapolis, MN has reserved the Lodge room at the Heritage Center for Saturday, June 3, 2017. We will exemplify the Third Degree at 3:00 P.M. This will be followed immediately by a Table Lodge. Estimated ending time is 8:00 P.M. We and I, are extending an invitation to all Masons in Dubuque and surrounding communities to attend this event. You will be my guest for the Burger Day at Lake Harriet Masonic Center and he table Lodge following the Degree, limit 45-50. If you leave on Saturday morning, there will be approximately 2 ½ hours for sightseeing. Possibilities are the Shriners*

*Hospital, the Masonic Cancer Center at the University of Minnesota, and the Minnesota Masonic Heritage Center. We won't be able to do all three in 2 ½ hours. Your choice! Should you desire to arrive Friday night, all the above would be possible. It is approximately a (5) hour drive from DBQ to MPLS*

*This proposed trip might sound as if it is something in the far distance future. However, it is only a short seven(7) months away. If you come Friday evening we will need to begin our search for suitable room, at a reasonable price, as quickly as possible. I would appreciate the appointment of a contact person.*

**Fraternally;  
Dale Seubert, P.M.**

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