

From the Trestleboard

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Al Tischuk 563-580-3424 563-556-8451 Life is a game but golf is serious

OXUS Grotto #137 Regular Meeting Thursday, April 13, 2017

Greetings all,

Before our regular meeting on Thursday March 10th we welcomed Caesar Gonzales as new member to the Grotto. Smoky McGovern supplied a huge dinner of baked chicken, roast beef and mashed potatoes. Thanks Smokey! Our rentals are filling up for the year, and the Grotto has a new updated look after being painted. The fish fries have been going well; two more left, Mar 17th, and 31st.

The monthly breakfast is on the 26th. The Special Olympics folks will be helping out and part of the proceeds from the breakfast will go to them. Please plan to attend. On the same hand I must thank the members and the SPOUSES who come and work the breakfasts and fish fries! Without their help we could not keep doing them.

Fraternally and Respectfully; Dan Neuhaus -Monarch Oxus #137

Dubuque Lodge #3 A.F. & AM Thursday, April 20, 2017, 7:00 PM

Greetings Brethren,

Well I made it through another ritual; my skills could use a bit more polish. Still a fine meeting; it's always good to be with great people.

I'm sure we are anxiously expecting Spring to get here. *[ed. Note: Oh, yes, we are!]* Oh well, treats from Wayne were nice and I look forward our time together as Masons.

Sincerely; Dale Hefel - WM DBQ 3

Dubuque Shrine Club April 19, 2017

The Dubuque County Shrine Club is probably the only club in Iowa that has to answer to two Shrine Temples. We are under the jurisdiction of not only El Kahir out of Cedar Rapids, but also Kaaba out of Davenport. So, even though most of our members are Kaaba, since we were originally established by El Kahir, that temple legally has first claim to us and our possessions. (Apparently, this was determined many years ago, because we were a couple miles closer to the Cedar Rapids' temple, than Davenport's.)

That also means any property, or any money that we have, legally belongs to El Kahir. I bring this up because when I sent the financial statements in to be audited for 2016, I listed \$250 that was sent to Kaaba for insurance on the 'Can Truck.'

I then received an email from El Kahir, asking what the 'Can Truck' was, and why I was sending \$250 to Kaaba. Plus, should it actually be listed as a possession of El Kahir?

I then had to explain it was a parade unit that we borrowed from Kaaba. The \$250, meanwhile, was to cover any liability insurance.

You can also probably guess, before we do any activity, we have to determine which of the two temples we need to communicate with to get permission. Believe me, sometimes it gets very confusing!

Come join us on the third Wednesday of every month downtown at the Holiday Inn at 5:30 for more confusion and merriment.

Respectfully; David H Patton - Treasurer

Dubuque High Twelve Club April 7, 2017

I belong to several Masonic organizations. I can also tell you, I enjoy watching beautifully performed ritual just as much as anyone! The question then comes up, are we spending as much time instilling morals and values to make us better men and women, as we do on getting down the proper wording and the correct steps?

I say that, because they tell me that several years ago, in Dubuque #3, there was a member who would stop people midsentence just to get the right wording, then have them start all over again from the very beginning. (Well, I can tell you, for those of us who are not gifted in memorization, this becomes very frustrating and taxing!) I suppose that's why I enjoy High Twelve! There is no ritual! No marching! We do, however, go to bat for young people who do service work in the community. Plus, we're there for those who are repeatedly overlooked, who are traditionally ignored, and continually end up falling through the cracks! Come join us on Fridays at noon.

Fraternally; David H Patton

Dubuque York Rite, Regular Meeting Tuesday, April 4, 2017

York Rite Meeting;

Due to only two people coming to the monthly meeting there was nothing much of note. We are hoping to hold a Mark Master degree by our next meeting. If you want a part in the degree, please contact me or High Priest Chris Stechman.

February Birthdays

Warren Peterson - 2/3 Daryl Griffith - 2/21 Chris McQuillen - 2/24 Jack Smeltzer - 2/25

March Birthdays

Walter Jacobs - 3/13 Edwin Blinks - 3/20 Dave Stuart - 3/22 William Collings - 3/23

Fraternally;

Shawn Evarts -Secretary/Recorder

Tri-State Morning Lodge #673 Friday, 10:30 AM, April 14, 2017

Goodness, Brothers!

Did I see a ROBIN or two? Spring is here! WM Neil has decided to broaden our perspective. He moves us around at each meeting. We all get stale when all we do is one part; so this maneuver on his part keeps us on our toes.

With Al Tischuk keeping us on track, we are all set for lunch with High Twelve after Lodge.

2nd Friday..April 14, 2017 next stated meeting.

Fraternally;

Neil Millard - Worshipful Master

Metropolitan Lodge #49 Next Meeting Thursday, April 6, 2017

Next meeting, Thursday, April 6, 2017. We met at the Oxus Grotto in March to celebrate our scholarship winners. Thank you to Bonnie Sanders and Susan McGovern for decorating. After an informal gathering, Sam Phipps started our meal with a word of prayer. We then enjoyed a catered meal from Poor Man's Café. When we decided to give out scholarships, we specifically wanted to help those students who are pursuing technical careers. With help from Barb O'Hea, Director of Financial Aid from NICC, we were able to award three \$800 scholarships. Sam introduced each of the winners with a bit of background information and then each of them told us a little about their journey and what their goals are. This year's winners are Amy Gaul, Anna Goodman and Haley Loeffelholz.

Fraternally;

James (Smokey) McGovern - W.M.

Mosaic Lodge #125 Regular Meeting Tuesday, April 11, 2017

'Tis the middle of March already. Not feeling a whole lot like Spring quite yet with the blast of winter we had earlier in the week. However, we did have a good turnout at lodge for our regular meeting. It was reported that Edwin Blinks, PGM, had total knee replacement surgery. They sent him home the next day. He is doing good and aids are coming in a couple times a week to check up on him. The Lodge did make a motion to make a charitable contribution to Olivet Lodge #436, Gladbrook, Iowa. This past December the building adjacent to them had two different fires. The last one spread over into the lodges basement area making their building unusable. The city has asked them to take down the

buildings. They are a small lodge, with only 27 members, neither buildings had insurance. The lodge does not have the funds for this type of project. With the approval of the Grand Master they have make an appeal to the Iowa Lodges for assistance.

The Finance Committee met with the bank to review our investments. The bank is doing a good for us. This is monies received from the Warren Schenck Estate. The income from this investment can be used "only" for charitable proposes. In the year 2016, alone, Mosaic gave out over \$25,000.00 in charitable contributions and scholarships to students graduating from Dubuque Public High Schools, from this investment. " One person can make a difference."

Shawn Evarts had the program for the evening. He spoke on the "Ark of the Covenant", its construction and use. The story of this is brought out in the Bible, and is a part of the lessons taught in the Royal Arch Degrees.

Robert Happ provided refreshments following our meeting.

We still have a few who have not paid their 2017 dues. Please check your dues card to see if you may be one of them. We would like to remind members if you have moved or will be making a move in the near future please let your Secretary know of your change of address. The lodge and the Grand Lodge like to keep this information up to date. This also goes if you have changed in your e-mail address.

Our next regular meeting will be on April 11, 2017, starting at 7:00 P.M. Edwin Blinks has the program and Brian Kelley the refreshments.

Hope you can come down and join us.

Respectfully; Brian Kelley - Worshipful Master

Julien Lodge 551 Stated Meeting 7:30 PM Wednesday, April 5, 2017

Lodge was canceled on Wednesday, March 1st, as we always do, so that most of our Brothers might attend Lenten services in their respective churches. This is the custom of Julien Lodge. Per our bylaws, we then meet on the following Monday.

Likewise, we will not meet on Wednesday, April 5th. Per our bylaws, we will meet the following Monday April 10th.

We received very nice letters of thanks from the Rowley Masonic Home; Iowa Masonic Health Facilities; Masonic Services Association; Veteran Visitors Program; and Hillcrest Family Services. We are indeed blessed to be able to participate in these fine endeavors. Our next Trowel Fellowship meeting will be March 23rd, at Constellation Lodge. We will carpool from Farley.

"...it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor." Thanksgiving Proclamation, October 3, 1789, by George Washington, President of the United States

It always feels better when Brothers are on the sidelines helping us by their presence, so we hope you will make time to be with us April 10th at our Regular Stated meeting.

My Brother; we always have a warm welcome waiting for you... and of course...

we'll leave the light on for you!

Fraternally;

Chuck Hawkins, Worshipful Master

Julien Chapter #125 OES Stated Meeting Tuesday, April 18, 2017

Sisters and brothers;

Another month is upon us. Can you believe the third one of 2017 already! Feb. was dark for Julien Chapter so we note current and upcoming events. March 7th several officers went to Bellevue Chapter's meeting to practice for our joint school. Then our stated meeting will be March 21st at 7p.m. at which time we can get in another practice for school that will be in Bellevue on April 1st at 12:30. We will be having an inspection with initiation at 7 p.m. so plan to stay and take part. REMINDER: dues are now payable. Make your check to Julien Chapter and send to: Beverly Godsey, secretary, 5297 Grand Meadow Dr. #212, Dubuque, Iowa 52002.

We wish you good health

Jennifer Diller - WM. Dave Patten - WP. Beverly Godsey Sec'y

MASONIC CALENDAR April, 2017

- Tu 04 York Rite Th 06 Metropolitan Lodge 49 7:00 PM Eat 6:00 F 07 High Twelve 10 Julien Lodge 551 7:30 PM М Tu 11 Mosaic Lodge 125 7:00 PM Th 13 Oxus Grotto 7:00 PM Eat 6:00 PM F 14 Tri-State 673 10:30 AM Tu 18 Julien OES 7:00 PM W 19 Shrine Club 6:00 PM Eat Main St. Holiday Inn Th 20 Dubuque Lodge #3 7:00 PM
- Tu 25 MTA
- Th 27 Trowel Fllwshp 7:30 PM

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