



# 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

[DUBTRESTLEBOARD@GMAIL.COM](mailto:DUBTRESTLEBOARD@GMAIL.COM) or send them to The Trestleboard, 1155 Locust ST, DUBUQUE, IA 52001, or leave them in the Trestleboard mailbox at the Dubuque Masonic Temple.

### *Al Tischuk*

Life is a game but golf is serious

## OXUS Grotto #137 Regular Meeting

### Thursday, November 9, 2017

The October meeting went well with Dr. David Birdsell's visit. He told us he could see that we have put forth an effort to work on our ritual. A definite improvement since his last visit. I didn't get into the house to sit down after the meeting, and Dr. Dave called stating his car broke down not far from the Grotto, so I went to get him and help a Brother in need. Luckily we were able to get to the airport and get him a rental so he could get home. Just a reminder, if your battery light is on don't think you can drive very far in the dark! Steve Sanders supplied dinner and I will supply the November dinner. The November breakfast will be a benefit to help out Cory Watson who is undergoing cancer treatment. Cory was a DeMolay. Please let Smokey know if you can come and help at the breakfast.

*Fraternally,*  
**Dan Neuhaus - Monarch**

## Dubuque Lodge #3

**A.F. & AM**

### Thursday, November 16, 2017, 7:00 PM

Greetings, all; Dubuque Lodge #3 did not meet formally on Thursday, October 19. We did not have a quorum for a business meeting, nor did we have a Secretary (Brother Jack Smeltzer had a previous engagement). Since Brother Gene Chappell graced us with his presence, however, we conducted what turned out to be a very good practice. We worked on a few rough spots in our ritual and got some very good (and needed) corrections on some our wording and phraseology.

We all have our homework of polishing our pieces and look forward to seating enough chairs for the November Regular Meeting.

*Respectfully submitted;*  
**Wes Struebing – SW, for**  
**Dale Hefel - WM**

## Dubuque Shrine Club November 15, 2017

From all the reports I've received concerning the Fireball Run, it was very successful! I was busy dealing with the Child ID event from 1:00-7:00 on September 25th - long before any of the cars pulled into town, and after the drivers turned in for the evening. So, I missed all the action! (*ed. Note – Sounds as if you had plenty to do there, as well! Thanks!*)

I know they talked about rain for the day, but fortunately it stayed dry. Meanwhile, Dan and Wayne had the Fez in place along with a couple El Kahir parade units. At the same time, Wes and several other Masons were down at the Temple trying to steer the drivers in the wrong direction. Let's also not forget,

Brian, Jacob, and several other Brothers were manning the I.D. event. I know Stacy Stechman was very nervous, yet also excited beforehand. Anyway, now she can sit back and relax a little. (From what I heard, everything went very smoothly!) I've also heard that it may be a couple years before the Dubuque segment will be shown on television; they're still editing the filming from 2016. Come join us at our Shriners' meeting on the third Wednesday, 5:30PM at the Holiday Inn downtown.

*Respectfully;*  
**David H. Patton**

## Dubuque High Twelve Club November 10, 2017

On October 13-14, the North Central Association of High Twelve met in Mason City for its mid-year meeting with nine members in attendance. (Gerald Edgar and I represented Dubuque #119.) Topics that were brought up at the International meeting were discussed and dealt with, including having better communications between all the different entities. (Monthly updates of club meeting are still lacking – both to the International office, and to NCA!) We also discussed the future of the magazine that Brother Phil puts out, the *High Twelvian*, since it is the most expensive item that is budgeted. (After all, it runs about \$1,600 yearly in full print form with colored pictures, and is quickly draining our treasury!) So, to help hold our cost down, if everyone could get an email address in, it would be greatly appreciated! (Even if you don't have email, someone in the club could possibly print it with their computer and share it with others.) While I was in Mason City, Jack Smeltzer held a High Twelve meeting back here in Dubuque. He gave a presentation of the

Siloam Commandery installation back in 1962. (What was really scary, in the pictures he had, everyone except Jack has passed away!)

Come join us on the second Friday of every month, in the dining room at 1155 Locust Street at 12:00N for Fun, Food, and Fellowship.

*Respectfully;*  
**David H. Patton**

### **Dubuque York Rite, Regular Meeting Tuesday, November 7, 2017**

Greetings Sir Knights,  
We had a small gathering this month, but it was a great discussion. Many plans are coming out for this next year in our ongoing efforts to have some social time with our families as well as the community at large. Please come to our meetings and voice your ideas and thoughts of things that you would like to see the group do. Sir Knights, this is YOUR York Rite.

Please also remember that we are currently working on our slate of officers for this next year. Elections are right around the corner. Be sure to attend the last two meetings of this year as they are what will set the pace and tone for 2018. We meet at the temple on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM. We look forward to seeing you.

*Respectfully;*  
**Chris Stechman**

### **Tri-State Morning Lodge #673 Friday, 10:30 AM, November 10, 2017**

Greeting Brethren;  
I am not sure where I left off last month so some of this may be a repeat. Brother Gene Chappell reported that Santrum Patton was proficient in the first degree. He will be contacting Mosaic Lodge #125 to do courtesy on the second degree for Santrum Patton. I think that the second degree was held on September 27th. (*ed. Note: it was; it was well-attended*) I did

not see the degree since I was home with an Ice pack on my mouth due to some oral surgery. I would like to thank Mosaic Lodge for doing the courtesy work. Brother Gene reported that Brother Santrum Patton was proficient in the Second degree, and he will again contact Mosaic Lodge to confer the Third Degree. Time and date are not known at the moment.

We had a quiet meeting with no new business and any old business to go over.

*Respectfully;*  
**Al Tischuk - Secretary**

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

#### **Thursday, November 2, 2017**

Greetings Brothers:  
Thank you to Bill Luensman for providing the October meal. A good meal leads to a good meeting! Our November meal will be provided by Bob Benzer. Last year we gave out three \$800 scholarships to NICC students, who were following a technical path. We will be contacting the Director of Financial Aid from NICC and awarding 3 more scholarships this November. Also, the Grand Lodge of Iowa is offering MCEC Technical Scholarships, also known as the Mark Earl and Esther Ruth Spencer Technical Scholarships. Francis Spencer was a member of Metropolitan Lodge #49. If any of the Brothers know of a graduating senior who might be interested, the forms are online at the Grand Lodge of Iowa's website: [http://grandlodgeofiowa.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/MCEC\\_2017\\_2018\\_Scholarship\\_Application.pdf](http://grandlodgeofiowa.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/MCEC_2017_2018_Scholarship_Application.pdf). If you have any questions you may call Grand Lodge of Iowa at [319.365.1438](tel:319.365.1438).

*Fraternally,*  
**James (Smokey) McGovern - W.M.**  
**Cell # [563.590.8841](tel:563.590.8841)**

### **Mosaic Lodge #125 Regular Meeting Tuesday, November 14, 2017**

Prior to our October 10, 2017 meeting the Brothers and their wives and sweethearts met in the small dining room to enjoy a delicious Salisbury Steak Dinner prepared by Hy-Vee. The event was to honor and recognize our Past Masters who have lead Mosaic Lodge over the years. W.M Brian Kelley read off the names and the year or years each had served. There were ten Past Masters present from Mosaic along with three who had served as Masters in other lodges.

We were saddened to receive word that Kenneth R. Pease had passed away. Ken received his degree in Masonry in Mosaic in 1977. He served as our Master in 1982 and Secretary in 1987. Ken moved to Malden, MA and became a dual member in The Harvard Lodge, Malden, MA where served as its Master on at least two occasions. While in Dubuque he was a teacher and librarian at the University of Dubuque. Masonic Services were held for him on Saturday October 14, 2017 at the Malden Public Library. We extend our sympathies to his family.

At our October meeting we read Petitions For The Degrees in Masonry from Jonathon David Moore and Nicholas Eugene King. They were referred to Investigating committees. We will be voting on their petitions at our November meeting.

It is that time of year again when we will be electing officers to lead Mosaic Lodge in 2018. The election will be held at our regular meeting on Tuesday November 14, 2017. We will have a soup supper, at 6:00 P.M. prior to the meeting. Be sure to watch your mail. Grand Lodge will be sending out the dues notices for 2017, shortly Our dues remain the same \$77.00.

Have a good Fall and hope to see you in Lodge.

*Respectfully;*  
**Brian Kelley - Worshipful Master**

**Julien Lodge 551  
Stated Meeting 7:00 PM  
Wednesday, November 1, 2017**

Greetings;

The Brothers of Julien opened in Due and Ancient form and got right to business. After paying all our bills, the talk turned to the Grand Lodge information from the Grand session.

We completed all that in 30 minutes and turned to our charities. We are supporting Hillcrest again, and hope that you feel the same. They will do their "Lights in the Park" fund-raiser again in Murphy Park.

The Brothers voted unanimously to give them \$300.00. All money helps to support their family services. It is great to do something good and see all those kids happy!

We then invested the majority of our remaining time to practice our ritual. I must say that the officers are really impressive.

The Brothers wish each and every person a wonderful Thanksgiving time!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

*Respectfully;*  
**Charles E. Hawkins, Worshipful Master**

**Julien Chapter #125 OES  
Stated Meeting Tuesday,  
November 21, 2017**

It is time for Grand Chapter once again and 6 of our members will be going to participate by giving reports, marching in the grand marches, listening to the words of WGM Jane Green and WGP John Hauser, enjoying banquets and luncheon, singing in the choir and greeting old friends and new ones. All of this going on at the Meadows Event and conference center in Altoona from Oct. 19-22. More will be reported here in next month's Trestle Board.

At our Oct. meeting we had a skeleton crew so our meeting was short. WM Jennifer greeted with a "color of fall" poem which was very appropriate. A

report that Sister Arline Dieterich is doing well at Luther Manor. She appreciates visits and cards. Our Nov. 21st meeting will be election with a soup supper at 5:30PM. We encourage all who can to attend. We need officers to keep our chapter going!

We celebrated to very happy birthdays: Bro. Russell Hibben and WP Dave Patton. We wish those members who were not with us a very happy birthday too. We know that Barb and Jack Smeltzer celebrated their 50th Ann. on Oct. 14, too.

We wish you all a very good month with not too many BOOS AND SCARY HALLOWEEN CHARACTERS!

*Respectfully;*  
**Jennifer Diller – WM  
Dave Patton - WP  
Beverly Godsey – Sec'y.**



**Ye Olde Editor's Ramblings**

Brothers, Patrons, Matrons, Nobles, Sir Knights (and anyone we've neglected to greet):

We normally don't care to intrude ourselves on what is YOUR newsletter, but there IS a bit of news that we must convey to you.

Several months ago, our printer changed ownership. Along with that change in ownership came a change in business hours. The print shop now closes at 5PM on Friday and has no weekend hours. They previously had weekend hours and if we got the newsletter in by the midnight Friday after Dubuque #3 deadline, it was printed over the weekend and available for pick up on Monday.

With the new hours that is not possible. Therefore, after much debate, a command decision was made. In order to meet our Monday schedule and get

the Trestleboard out in a reasonable amount of time, the new, improved deadline for submission must be 4:00PM on the Friday following Dubuque #3's meeting.

We apologize for the initial inconvenience, but we also want to provide you with a timely newsletter.

*Respectfully;*  
**The Trestleboard Staff**

## Masonic Calendar: November, 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Julien Lodge #551 7:30PM	<b>2</b> Metropolitan Lodge #49 7:00PM, eat at 6:00PM	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> York Rite	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> OXUS Grotto 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting	<b>10</b> High Twelve  Tri-State #673 10:30AM	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Mosaic Lodge #125 7:00PM	<b>15</b> Shrine Club 6:00PM eat 7:00PM Meeting	<b>16</b> Dubuque Lodge #3 7:00PM	<b>17</b> <b>Trestleboard Deadline</b> 4:00PM	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Julien OES #125 7:00PM	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <b>Thanksgiving</b>  (Trowel Fellowship 7:30PM)	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>28</b> MTA Board	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>		

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