



## 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

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

### *Wes Struebing*

In trying times, try!

## OXUS Grotto #137

### Regular Meeting

### Thursday, July 11, 2019

We had a work day Thursday at the Grotto to spruce things up. Thanks to Dan Neuhaus for doing the trimming, Sam Phipps and Zach Spurgeon for painting the picnic tables, Rocky Tiefel and Gene Muntz for cleaning the kitchen, Arvid Saele for pressure washing, and Steve Sanders and Smokey McGovern for getting rid of all the tree limbs.

Just 3 years ago we borrowed money to keep the building going. We have paid that off, plus have over \$11,000 in the account. Keeping the place looking sharp pays in the long run. Way to go guys! Thanks to Steve Sanders for providing the meal. We have a fun group of prophets. We work for charities and we have a building we are proud of. So, if you are a Mason looking for something to do or just to hang out for fellowship, then I suggest you fill out a petition.

*Respectfully;*

*Smokey McGovern*

**Dubuque Lodge #3**

**A.F. & AM**

## Thursday, July 18, 2019

Dubuque Lodge #3 met in regular communication on June 20, 2019, WM Wes Struebing, presiding. Lodge was opened in form at 7:00PM. Our guest, Brother Keith Robertson temporarily took the Senior Warden's station. Thank you, Keith!

WM thanked all present for attending, and thanked them all, too for attending Dubuque #3's 175-year rededication ceremony, the previous night. Grand Lodge and Biker Masons came Wednesday evening, to eat a great meal and rededicate our Lodge. We have existed for the same 175 years that Grand Lodge of Iowa has. Grand Officers conducted a beautiful and meaningful ceremony. Turnout could have been better, though. Of 97 confirmed reservations, only 52 came to witness the ceremony. It was, however, a great success, and Dubuque Lodge #3, AF&AM thanks the Grand Lodge for rededicating us to continue our Masonic mission in the Dubuque area.

WM Struebing delivered a report on the ceremony to the Brothers present, and requested Brother Secretary Jack Smeltzer to send a letter of thanks to the Grand Lodge.

There are eight people who have not paid their 2019 dues, and letters and communications have been sent prior to July's meeting.

The Shrine popcorn stand is still seeking volunteers to take a shift or two; contact Brother Dave Patton

([choices47@mediacombb.net](mailto:choices47@mediacombb.net)) if you can take a shift.

Lodge closed in peace and harmony at 8:00PM.

*Respectfully;*

*Wes Struebing - WM*

**Key City Shrine Club**

**Dark Until September**

Key City Shrine Club will be dark until September. Please rejoin us then.

## Dubuque High Twelve Club Next Meeting Friday July 12, 2019

Not surprisingly, the big thing that they're pushing in High Twelve, just like any other Masonic organization is not only bringing in even more members, but retaining the ones they presently have. To achieve that, North Central Association of High Twelve has chosen to do a little 'tweaking' of the incentive deal to bring in some new blood. (previously, you needed two members by the March deadline. However, now it's been extended to their actual meeting date in May.) That's very good for High Twelve here in Dubuque, because we brought in two new members – Wes Struebing and Dan Teply after that March date this year, which means we've already qualified for \$100 for next year! I should also mention, whichever club increases, percentage wise, the highest membership, picks up another \$100. (We've already got a good start!)

I also failed to mention that Gerald Edgar, who is in line to eventually become NCA president, was also at the meeting. (So, you can probably guess, we'll be seeing more of him – matter fact, I missed the June 14<sup>th</sup> meeting where he was scheduled to give a talk on 'railroading'.)

Not a lot came out of International's meeting June 12-16<sup>th</sup> in Chicago. (Meanwhile, I was stationed at the credentials' table.)

International Midyear will be in Las Vegas in January, and Annual, next June, possibly Catalina Island.

In 2021, during Jerry Hamilton's term, we'll be in Sioux City, Iowa to celebrate the 100th year founding of High Twelve.

(Hope many from the area can make that meeting!)

(Just a reminder to sign up to work the Shriners Popcorn Stand at the Dubuque County Fair, July 23-28.)

Come join us at noon, Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup> for our next High Twelve meeting.

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

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

### **Dark Until September**

York Rite will be dark until September. Please rejoin us then.

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

### **Wednesday, July 10, 2019**

Our stated meeting was held on June 6<sup>th</sup>. Rocky supplied the dinner. Sam will supply dinner in July.

Since our July meeting falls on the 4<sup>th</sup>, as per the by-laws we will change the meeting date to WEDNESDAY, July 10<sup>th</sup>.

*"Masonry is a great fellowship of men of all countries and of all ages who are capable of discovering in the religious teachings of all humanity, some of them crude indeed, the fundamental truth common to them all, that God is the Father of all mankind. And all men are brethren; that this principal is worth dying for; and that he remains steadfast in the service of this ideal may well hope for and expect immortal life."*

Taken from THE MASTER MASON

**Fraternally and respectfully;**  
**Dan Neuhaus - WM**

## **Mosaic Lodge #125 Regular Meeting Tuesday, July 9, 2019**

Greetings masonic family:

We had another good turnout for attendance at our last regular meeting, which was rather lengthy and full of discussions. We were pleased to have Brother Zach Spurgeon back from active duty. Sam Phipps was also in attendance as a district lecturer to witness our

opening and closing on the Entered Apprentice degree.

The dining room was filled for our annual scholarship dinner on May 22, where we presented checks for \$2000 to seven graduating seniors. We received many positive comments and everyone seemed to enjoy the night's event.

Thank you to everyone who helped and took part in this.

Both Joe Hartel and Ronald Greve have been declared proficient in the third degree. Brother Joe also presented a new petition from his brother-in-law, Tim McClain. The secretary read the names of those who have not paid their dues yet this year and are in danger of being dropped. **Dues must be paid by July or your membership will be lost.**

Much of our discussion from the evening again centered around the deplorable conditions of the temple building and the subsequent consequences of this unfortunate state of neglect. Because of the lack of assured security in the building, we voted to donate the cane of Representative David Henderson to the Grand Lodge of Iowa Library and Museum in Cedar Rapids; he was a member of Mosaic Lodge and the first Speaker of the House west of the Mississippi during the 56<sup>th</sup> and 57<sup>th</sup> U.S. Congress. Similarly, a motion was made to donate to the G.L. Library the mosaic jewels that had been gifted to us from Mosaic Lodge in England. In the end the lodge tabled this vote to consider other options.

Brother Joe Hartel has offered to hold a yoga class at the temple for anyone from the masonic family who is interested. The first date is planned for Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend. He also proposed viewing the movie "War and Peace" to those interested.

Before closing the meeting, Brother Zach shared some reflections of his masonic moments while deployed in Cuba this past year, and Brother John Wissing distributed a short masonic quiz over our history and ritual. Thank you, Brother John, for also providing refreshments afterward. At our next meeting in July, we look forward to a program by our Junior Steward, Silas Cline, who will also

provide refreshments. Enjoy the summer everyone.

**Fraternally submitted;**  
**Brian Carroll - , WM #125**

*"Freemasonry is not only the most ancient, but the most moral science known to man; every character, emblem, and figure depicted in a Lodge has a moral and useful meaning and forcibly inculcates the practice of virtue." -- Knights Templar magazine*

## **Julien Chapter #125 OES Stated Meeting Tuesday, July 16, 2019**

Summer is about to arrive and we hope all is well with you and that you are looking forward to times to celebrations and good times with friends and family. Julien Chapter is holding regular meetings with the few dedicated members who are so faithful. Some of us are enjoying traveling to neighboring chapter events such as the Bellevue fun day at the state park which was also the official visit of the WGM Jean Koss and WGP Bruce Thomas and their Grand Officers and to the annual Auction and plant sale at the Eastern Star Home in Decorah. Always a fun time and an opportunity to buy some beautiful plant for you garden! Funds raised went to the Home. There were also Degrees by the Grand Officers in Davenport, and fun events held by joint day of Bona Dea Chapter-Reinbeck, Holly Chapter and Toledo Chapter, one at Marion Chapter and Grand Assembly of Rainbow Girls. All events were well attended so you see The Order of the Eastern Star is still busy and doing good work.

We are saddened by the loss of another of our members. Sister Rose Hall died on May 18, 2019 and our sympathy goes out to all her friends and family. Our prayers are also needed for our Grand Treasurer Beverly Smith who is still in Iowa City recovering from a severe stroke.

A rash of losses of family members has been suffered by members of our chapter so we ask that prayer be offered

for all who have lost family be included  
and also those who are ill.

*God Bless and keep you all;  
Jennifer Diller – WM  
Dave Patton – WP  
Bev Godsey – Secretary*



### **Ye Olde Editor's Ramblings**

It is summertime,(and the livin' is easy...  
err...); as you can see, many Masonic  
organizations are dark until Autumn.  
Since articles will, of course, be sparse  
these next few months, we here at the  
Trestleboard Brain Trust <sup>TM</sup> would make  
a request of you all. If you have any  
stories, experiences, or anecdotes that  
you would like to share with the Masonic  
community, now is the time. Please!  
however, keep them relatively short!  
You may email them to the Trestleboard  
email address at the head of this  
newsletter or drop them off in the  
Trestleboard mailbox at the Temple.  
Thank you all, and have a great Summer!

*Respectfully;  
Ye Olde Editor*

### **Masonic Calendar: July, 2019**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> York Rite <b>(DARK)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Mosaic Lodge #125 7:00PM	<b>10</b> Metropolitan Lodge #49 7:00PM, eat 6:00PM	<b>11</b> Oxus Grotto 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting	<b>12</b> High Twelve <b>(DARK)</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b> Julien OES #125 7:00PM	<b>17</b> Shrine Club <b>(DARK)</b>	<b>18</b> Dubuque Lodge #3 7:00PM	<b>19</b> <b>Trestleboard Deadline 4:00PM</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> MTA Board	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Trowel Fellowship 7:30PM	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			

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