



The Trestleboard



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From the Trestleboard

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Wes Struebing

In trying times, try!

OXUS Grotto #137

Regular Meeting

Thursday, November 14, 2019

Greetings Brothers; The Oxus Grotto opened for an informal meeting Thursday evening. We reviewed current rental progress and results from our first breakfast of the year. On the subject of breakfasts it was noted that a soccer team wanted us to sponsor a breakfast for their expenses. After some discussion it was decided we would continue to schedule charitable benefit breakfasts but decline non-charitable organizations such as sports teams. We closed at around 7:40pm.

Respectfully;

Dale Hefel - Secretary

Dubuque Lodge #3

A.F. & AM

Thursday, November 21, 2019,

7:00 PM

Dubuque Lodge #3 met in regular session on Thursday, October 17th, at 6:55PM. We had a small turnout, so my thanks to the members who sat several chairs! (Temporary) Secretary, Dave Patton, read the minutes of the previous meeting; they were approved. He also read correspondence from Grand Lodge,

summarizing the Grand Lodge Session in September, which listed, among other things, the Officers for the next year. In addition, there was no proposed legislation requiring a vote before the Session this year.

Brother Kirk Williams injured himself in a fall outside the Potosi, WI, lodge. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

Remember that November is election of Lodge officers. We would really appreciate a good turnout for those elections. So, please make every effort to be at Lodge on November 21st, at 7:00PM.

Brother Dave Patton provided refreshments after the meeting, and Brother Wayne Stanley has graciously offered to provide them next month. The Lodge was closed in form; peace and harmony prevailed.

Respectfully;

Wesley Struebing - WM

Key City Shrine Club

November 20, 2019

The Key City Shrine Club was called to order on October 16th, at 5:45 at Mario's, with ten people present, including: Oriental Guide, Monte Harris; Past Potentate, Tom Hodges and lady friend Mary; Ruth Teply; AND, blushing bride, Angie Kelley.

Brother Brian had new membership cards printed up with our name – Key City Shrine Club and logo. We'll distribute them in the new calendar year with payment of dues.

The first order of business was to elect officers for 2019. They are: President, Dan Teply; Vice President, Wes Struebing; Secretary, Brian Kelley; Treasurer, David Patton. Past Potentate, Tom then installed us.

We then voted to donate \$500 to Kaaba's fraternal fund, to be used at their discretion. President Dan plans to

present the check to Kaaba at their next stated meeting.

For months, now, Key City Shrine Club has been talking about acquiring a trailer, so we can be more mobile, and take our popcorn business on the road. Dan found an inexpensive sixteen-foot commissary trailer in storage behind Kennedy Mall that was originally set up for barbecuing. (Wayne is still stumped how they ever wired the thing!) Our plan, after we get it renovated, is to either go around to different events in Eastern Iowa to promote our product, or rent it out to other lodges to help them make some money. (Any interested Masonic group should contact Dan Teply.) Blake McKahn has friends associated with Medinah Shriners in Chicago. One of their parade units has several motorized pop coolers. (Since we're talking about parading, Dan and Wayne haven't had a lot of luck this year! Very often they would arrive at an event, only to have it rained out. This includes Dubuque.)

On October 5th, we had a very successful Child ID event at the Child Expo down at the Grand River Center in Dubuque. (Since Nobles Chris Stechman and Brian Kelley were in Des Moines learning how to set up an Amaranth group, Brother Greg Stechman was put in charge of the event. With help from a few other Masons and several students from Clarke University, we took care of roughly 75 youngsters.)

I should also point out that we had several things working against us. First, the attendance was down this year due to inclement weather. Plus, our event was held upstairs, away from where most of the foot traffic could be found. We were also unable to take teeth impression, since we lacked a dental hygienist.

However, organizers of the event were so impressed with our effort that they plan to regularly invite us back. At the

same time, they put out a type of newsletter in which they plan to give us some free press.

Zach Spurgeon (sp) even mentioned he's into putting together promotional events, and would like to video-tape one of ours, and gather additional background information. His goal – set up a monitor to be viewed by those who are waiting to be interviewed. He would like to get other veterans who might have PTSD to take part in one of our endeavors.

Come join us on Wednesday, November 20th down at Mario's at 5:30.

Respectfully;

David H. Patton - Treasurer

Dubuque High Twelve Club November 8, 2019

High Twelve met at noon in the Temple's dining room on Friday, October 11th after breaking bread. With the unpredictable weather on everyone's mind, we had plenty to talk about.

October 18-19, the North Central Association of High Twelve will have their midyear meeting in the Des Moines area. I will be reporting on the international convention that we had this last summer in Chicago. As always, the big push is to bring in new members. (At the last minute, the midyear meeting then was cancelled for lack of interest.)

I need to also point out that we are quickly approaching the hundredth anniversary of High Twelve on May 17th, 2021. It was first established by E.C. "Wallie" Walcott to promote fellowship and camaraderie in Sioux City. Therefore, to commemorate this occasion, High Twelve International will have its annual meeting with Founders #1. (Since this historic event will be held in our backyard, I expect many North Central High Twelvians to make the pilgrimage to western Iowa.)

Near the end of our meeting, Brian Kelley showed up to make sure everything was in place for his upcoming wedding (Oct. 12th, 2019).

Be sure to join us the second Friday, November 8th, at noon in the Temple dining room.

Respectfully;

David H. Patton

Dubuque York Rite, Regular Meeting

Tuesday, November 5, 2019

Turnout was small in October, so there isn't much to report. Please stay tuned for November's report.

Metropolitan Lodge #49 Next Meeting

Thursday, November 7, 2019

Our meeting was held on Thursday, October 3rd.

Smokey McGovern supplied a chili dinner, and Arvid Saele volunteered for the November dinner.

We had a low turnout of members, due to family, work, and health issues.

We had dinner and discussed what else we could use to make setup of a lodge room easier.

Keep **ALL** of our brothers with health issues in your prayers.

Remember; November is time for officer selection.

Fraternally and Respectfully;

Dan Neuhaus - WM

Mosaic Lodge #125 Regular Meeting Tuesday, November 12, 2019

Greetings Masonic family:

Hope everyone is enjoying the fall season. At our October meeting, our SW Greg Stechman opened lodge and conducted the first half of the meeting until I could make it and resume my duties in the East. Thank you, Brother Greg, for capably filling in for me to begin the meeting. The lodge approved the petition for affiliation from Verlyn Haahr and read a new petition for the degrees from Jason Johnson. We also recently conducted two first degrees for Liam Curoe and Tim McClain. Please stay open to joining and assisting us with the upcoming degrees.

Brother Greg Stechman reported on his attendance at Grand Lodge. Mosaic Lodge once again received the Plus One

and Lodge of the Year awards. He also reported on the recent Child I.D. event at the Grand River Center, which serviced 64 children. Brother Joe Hartel continues to offer free yoga classes at 6 p.m. at the temple on all Fridays except the first Friday of the month. Anyone from the community is welcome to attend. Brother Ed Blinks fulfilled our previous motion of purchasing a computer for the lodge. We were able to acquire two computers to be used by the Secretary and Treasurer.

To close the meeting, we had a visitor from Des Moines to report on service animals. Brother Wade was accompanied by his dog, Whiskey, to provide information on the needs and rights of people who qualify for service animals. Thank you, Brother Zach Spurgeon, for lining up this educational program. We also thank Brother Dan Call and his lady, Jacque, for supplying sandwiches and hearty refreshments after the meeting. For our November meeting, please join us at 6 p.m. for a soup supper, prepared for by Brother Greg Stechman. This will precede our annual election of officers for the year 2020.

By the time you read this article, congratulations should be in order for Brother Brian Kelley and his newly wed wife, Angie. We wish you great happiness for your new life together. We also celebrate and congratulate Dan and Jacque Call on their 50 years of wedded life together.

Fraternally submitted by:

Brian Carroll - WM#125

"Masonry was not made to divide men, but to unite them, leaving each man free to think his own thoughts and fashion his own system of ultimate truth. All its emphasis rests upon two extremely simple and profound principles, love of God and love of man." --Joseph Fort Newton

Julien Chapter #125 OES Stated Meeting Tuesday, November 19, 2019

It's time for another article to our members and with the leaves turning the beautiful colors of fall we hope you are

preparing for the chilly temperatures to stay healthy by getting your flu shot.

As I have said in the past, our membership is shrinking but we are still meeting the 3rd Tuesday of each month but for Feb. and Aug. We encourage all members to attend as often as possible. Those who have not paid 2019 dues, please do so as soon as possible. I have the dues cards for 2020 so those dues may be sent to our Secretary, Beverly Godsey, any time. Look on the card you have to see the price. We have 4 members who will reach the 50 year mark this coming year as soon as their dues are paid.

We are looking forward to the special event of the Grand Conductress's Last/First school at our Temple on Feb. 1, 2020. Bellevue Chapter will be helping with this event. We will have to have help from members of other chapters as neither chapter has a full crew of officers. This what Sister and Brother do - help out!

We are happy to report that PGP Russell Hibben is doing well but still has some leg pain. Brother Ed Blinks is doing well. If anyone knows of a member needing a card or phone call let us know.

There was a cooking class being conducted in the kitchen when we went down for refreshments so we gathered around a table in the corner and visited. The kitchen really smelled good, but we didn't get to taste! Our next meeting will be Nov. 19 with a soup supper at 5:45 with the meeting, which will include ELECTION OF THE NEW CREW OF OFFICERS, to follow. We'd really like to have members step up and take an office for the coming year. We need some new ideas to keep our chapter going!

God bless and keep you all!

Jennifer Diller – WM

Dave Patton – WP

Beverly Godsey – Secretary



Ye Olde Editor's Ramblings

Once again, a reminder from Ye Olde Editor. One can view this issue and back issues of the Trestleboard on the web. Currently it is under development at:

<https://carpedementem.org/Trestleboard%20Test>

Arrangements are in the works to move it to a "permanent" location. More on this, later. Also, if there is anyone who has worked with Microsoft Access, we need that person to take over the Trestleboard Member Database. Contact us at the email listed up top.

It seems that Brother Brian Kelley got himself hitched to a lovely lady on 12 October. We Trestleboard staff wish Angie and Brian much happiness and wedded bliss!

Masonic Calendar: November, 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5 York Rite	6	7 Metropolitan Lodge #49 7:00PM, eat at 6:00PM	8 High Twelve	9
10	11 VETERANS' DAY	12 Mosaic Lodge #125 7:00PM	13	14 Oxus Grotto 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting Br. Joe Hartel Yoga at the Temple 6:00PM	15	16
17	18	19 Julien OES #125 (DARK)	20 Shrine Club 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting	21 Dubuque Lodge #3 7:00PM Br. Joe Hartel Yoga at the Temple 6:00PM	22 Trestleboard Deadline 4:00PM	23
24	25	26 MTA Board	27	28 Trowel Fellowship 7:30PM*** Br. Joe Hartel Yoga at the Temple 6:00PM HAPPY THANKSGIVING!	29	30

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