



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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Wes Struebing

In trying times, try!

OXUS Grotto #137

Regular Meeting

Thursday, March 12, 2020

Oxus Grotto #137 met informally Feb 13th. There were 6 members in attendance.

There were no pending business concerns. We spoke of plans for our next Breakfast Feb 23rd. A nice meal was provided by DBQ Metro. Thanks to Steve Sanders for preparing it.

Fraternally yours;

Dale Hefel - Secretary

Dubuque Lodge #3

A.F. & AM

Thursday, March 19, 2020, 7:00

PM

Dubuque Lodge #3 met in regular session on 20 Feb, 2020, at 7:00PM, opened by WM Wes Struebing.

We had an investment come to maturity at the end of last year; we have opened a new account for the funds at DuTrac. We'll be receiving much better return there (thank you, Brother Jack, for chasing this down and getting it done!).

Brother Dave Patton informed us that Brother Keith Robertson is in hospice care at Luther Manor and would love visitors. He has also requested a Masonic funeral. Dave also informed us of the Child "Safety" event on 7 March, 10:00AM-3:00PM, down at the Temple. Volunteers are always welcome.

A former Lodge Brother requested reinstatement as a MM. Chris Weaver is a former member of Dubuque Lodge #3, and now that he is back in town to stay, requested that we consider it. Secretary Jack read Chris' petition, the interview committee met with Chris last week, and recommended that the Lodge vote in favor. A private ballot was conducted (he only needed a positive vote of two-thirds of those present; the vote was unanimous. Jack will send out a letter from WM Struebing informing him of the vote and inviting him back. In addition, a current member of Metropolitan #49 has requested affiliation with us. Brother Al Kopchuk of Metropolitan Lodge sent a request to us. Brother Secretary Jack will send him the change of affiliation form. We do not know at this time whether he is requesting a change of affiliation, or a dual membership. We should find out when Brother Al fills out the request and sends it back to Dubuque Lodge #3 for consideration.

There being no other business to come before the Lodge, we closed, in form, at 8:00PM. Peace and harmony prevailed.

Respectfully;

Wes Struebing – WM

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Key City Shrine Club

March 18, 2020

The Key City Shriners met down at Mario's. We had discussion on several things. First, everyone was very surprised to have to read in the TH that the Shrine

Circus is coming to Dubuque. (I mention this because no Shriner here was informed beforehand, or even yet.) Since this originated from El Kahir out of Cedar Rapids, I hope they plan to be in attendance to oversee the event.

There was discussion on what all needs to be done to get the newly purchased popcorn trailer up and running, specifically, the wiring.

Our first Child "Safety" ID event for 2020 is scheduled for Saturday, March 7th from 10:00AM to 2:00PM at the Masonic Temple. We sincerely hope that many children will show up. (This will also be the first of many events to be scheduled this year around Eastern Iowa.)

Keep in your thoughts and prayers Chris Stechman as he is recovering from a car accident, likewise, Molli Struebing as she may need surgery in the foreseeable future. At the same time, keep in your thoughts and prayers anyone else who might be dealing with medical issues. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, March 18th at 5:30PM down at Mario's.

Respectfully;

David H. Patton - Treasurer

Dubuque High Twelve Club

March 13, 2020

For our first meeting down at Mario's on Valentine's Day, we had a nice turnout, with two lovely ladies in attendance – Ruth Teply and Barb Peterson.

Keep Keith Robertson in your prayers as he's under hospice care out at Luther Manor where he is resting comfortably. Jack Smeltzer then reported some good news about the cyst that he has been dealing with – fortunately, not life-threatening

Put on your calendars the upcoming breakfasts and fish fries dates out at the Oxus Grotto, also upcoming degree work planned this spring.

Hope to see you at our March 13th meeting at Mario's at 11:30, where lady friends are always welcome. (Our speaker that day will be Gerald Edgar.)

Respectfully;

David H. Patton

Dubuque York Rite, Regular Meeting

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

(there is no report this month – ed.)

Metropolitan Lodge #49

Next Meeting

Thursday, March 5, 2020

Metropolitan lodge met on Thursday February 6th at Oxus Grotto.

We held a dinner for the recipients of our scholarships for Northeast Iowa Community College. They are:

Tony Lutgen of East Dubuque, Il, who is working towards a Paramedic Certification

Morgan Schilling of Dubuque who is working towards her Elementary education degree

Kimberly Kruger of Hazel Green, WI, who is furthering her Nursing Degree. We had a great turnout for these folks with a total of 28 lodge members and spouses.

Remember, Lent is around the corner and Oxus Grotto will be holding its Fish Fry on the following Fridays: March 6th, 13th, 20th and April 3rd.

Breakfast on Sunday, March 29th.

Fraternally and Brotherly;

Dan Neuhaus - WM

Mosaic Lodge #125 Regular Meeting Tuesday, March 10, 2020

I hope everyone has been staying healthy of late; there has been a lot going around. A few of our own members have been down with the flu this year, so attendance was lower than normal. Mother Nature provided some snow, but no one was able to join in, so my lady Jasmine and I went snowshoeing.

On the digital front, we now have a page to honor our past lodge officers, as well

as to be able to read past editions of the Trestleboard. If interested, swing by mosaiclodge125.com/our-history/trestleboards. Events coming up: Jason Johnson has been declared proficient, so his 3rd degree is scheduled for Monday, March 2nd at 7 PM. March 7th is the annual Child ID event in Dubuque, and all hands are needed as always to help out with this - 9AM-3PM for the volunteers. Friday, March 13th we will host a friendly Masons-only pool game in our pool room, starting up around 7 PM. Come on down to have plenty of fun together and maybe meet a few new brothers. March 21st at 10 AM in the men's lounge, we will get together to discuss the state of our wonderful building and how to work together to keep it up; Justin has been doing a good job lately, but it is overwhelming to say the least. *(agreed! – ed.)* Afterwards, Joe Hartell will host a viewing of Tolstoy's *War and Peace* (1972 series by the BBC) episodes 1 and 2, followed by discussions.

Looking ahead to April, we will do the annual tour of our beautiful library down in Cedar Rapids. We will tour on April 25th: leaving the Temple lot at 8:30 AM, carpool down and tour from 10-noon. If interested, please let me know by April 17th.

Lastly, I hope everyone had a good Valentines Day!

Fraternally;

Greg Stechman - WM

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Julien Chapter #125 OES Stated Meeting Tuesday, March 17, 2020

Julien chapter did not meet in February but we want to keep our member in the loop as to what is and has been going on in our chapter.

First, I want to thank all the members of Julien Chapter and Bellevue Chapter for making the school of instruction a big success. Bellevue Chapter made beautiful decorations for the tables in the dining room and delicious soups for the lunch. Grand Conductress Vicki

Wallner was very happy with the work everyone did. Darlene Bowers and SherRee Engles, members of Julien Chapter, were the courtesy candidates for the initiation and we thank them very much for their participation. The members from all over the state came to fill our chapter room and celebrate this last first school of Sister Vicki. At the end of the school she announced that Brother Larry Niday has accepted her invitation to be her running mate to go to the Grand East in 2022.

Congratulations to Vicki and Larry!

The Lasagna supper catered by HyVee was ready for the members after the meeting closed.

Brother Keith Robertson is now living at Luther Manor on Hillcrest. He loves to have company and cards. Our prayers are with him.

We will meet on March 17 at 7PM. We hope many of you will come. We need your help and support.

We wish everyone safe travels if you are on the road, and God bless and keep you.

Respectfully;

Jennifer Diller WM

Dave Patton WP

Beverly Godsey Secretary



Ye Olde Editor's Ramblings

We have just some this-n-that this month. First, let me say that, as soon as DeMolay and Amaranth are ready to begin submission of columns to the Trestleboard, we'll welcome them! Secondly, as usual, here is the (temporary) link to A Trestleboard website (see Brother Greg's page, too, as he specified in the Mosaic 125 column for this month). It is <https://carpedementem.org/trestleboard> test ("test" is part of the link.) Feedback to either one of us is welcome!

Third, we have a guest editorial this month (and it is NOT from Brother Gerald Edgar! 😊) It has been included because it is something that those of us who meet at the Temple can sympathize with. Please remember, too, that editorials do not necessarily reflect the views of Ye Olde Editor and the rest of the Trestleboard staff:

(a guest op-ed from Brother Dave Patton – ed.)

I would like to comment on the lack of heat in the Temple. When you're having an all-day, winter event, with basically all the influential officers from around the state in attendance for an Eastern Star gathering, you'd expect to have heat in the building for the entire day. Or, at least, that's what most people would think; but then, they don't know the situation in Dubuque.

That's because in midafternoon, the heat was suddenly shut off, resulting in about half of the members leaving before the end of the day. (More than likely, they left for some place warm)

I'm sure we've made a lasting impression on Masonry. THIS MUST CHANGE!

Masonic Calendar: March, 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 York Rite	4	5 Metropolitan Lodge #49 7:00PM, eat at 6:00PM	6	7
8	9	10 Mosaic Lodge #125 7:00PM	11	12 Oxus Grotto 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting	13 High Twelve	14
15	16	17 Julien OES #125 7:00PM	18 Shrine Club 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting	19 Dubuque Lodge #3 7:00PM	20 Trestleboard Deadline 4:00PM	21
22	23	24 MTA Board	25	26 Trowel Fellowship 7:30PM	27	28
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