

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

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 9, 2020
(no report this month - ed)

Dubuque Lodge #3 A.F. & AM Thursday, July 16, 2020, 7:00 PM

Greetings, Masonic Community; Well, we're back in harness again, and even masked up and disinfected it was good to meet together, physically, once more.

There were four of us this evening — Brothers Wayne Stanfley and Dave Patton doing yeoman's duty serving several chairs. Brother Jack Smeltzer was in his customary spot (you know — I sometimes believe that Secretaries actually run the Lodge. They just let us WM's preside.) And yours truly sat in the Master's Chair.

We had one petition to join Masonry, Taylor Burful. Brother Jack and I had talked to him previously and suggested he fill out a petition to request membership. An interview committee was set up; they will report back in our July meeting, and we will proceed from there. Under direction from Grand Lodge, we are, however NOT doing any degree work nor practicing, so while we may be able to approve his petition, we won't be able to do anything else with it for the time-being.

We had LOTS of correspondence; it's hard to believe that the last time we met in Regular Communication was in February. Business went relatively smoothly in spite of that. We approved the expenditure of \$100.00 to the Grand Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Iowa for its family food initiative.

I had the duty this evening of arresting the Senior Warden's Jewel. Therefore, in July, since that chair is now officially open, we will elect a new Senior Warden to fill it. So, members who weren't able to attend tonight – please make every effort to come to our July 16th Communication.

Respectfully and Fraternally; Wes Struebing - WM

Key City Shrine Club Dark Until September

Largely because of the COVID-19 pandemic, Key City Shrine Club did not meet in June. In addition, Mario's, where we've been meeting, will probably not reopen until after July 1st. (Which also means, our Shrine club will be dark until our next meeting in September.) Dubuque will, however, be holding an abbreviated County Fair this year from Thursday, July 30th - Sunday, August 2nd. So, while much of the fair will be downsized, including no carnival rides, the Shriners' popcorn stand will be up and running, which also means, we're looking for volunteers to help out. As it is, we're pretty well covered for the morning shift that runs from 10:00-5:00 each day. What we're really looking for is 4-5 people each evening to cover the

5:00-closing shift - preferably a couple people who know how to do some popping and bagging. All slots for all four nights are open, so please sign up early and often. (Kind of like how they vote in Chicago!)

In addition, as done in the past, a donation will be given in your group's name to the Shriners' hospitals. If you, or any of your friends are willing to help out, please email me at pattondavid47@gmail.com or call me - David Patton at (563) 556-1210. (If I'm not home, please leave a message on my answering machine.) Stay safe - stay healthy! Remember, we're all in this together!

Respectfully; David H. Patton – Treas.

Dubuque High Twelve Club Dark

Dubuque York Rite, Regular Meeting Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Sir Knights;

The time to meet again is upon us. July 7th will be a new start. Agenda items are due by Sunday, July 5th.

We will be electing a new secretary/treasurer, and picking up where we left off with our community service projects. We will also be overhauling a few in house items along the lines of membership and ritual.

Overall, this should be quite exciting. Vacation is over; time to get to work.

Respectfully; Commander Zach

Metropolitan Lodge #49 Next Meeting Thursday, July 2, 2020

Theresa Kotz would like a Masonic Service for Jeff. To be held on July 25th at Memorial Gardens cemetery at 12:30. In addition, what are everyone's feelings about getting together for a lodge meeting in July? There are forms (for contact tracing – ed) each member needs to sign and Sam must keep them for Grand Lodge. No meal can be served. Email me at dannyneu40@gmail.com or text/call me at 563-542-2871 with your thoughts. Stay safe!

Fraternally; Dan Neuhaus - WM

Mosaic Lodge #125 Regular Meeting Tuesday, July 14, 2020

Greetings Masonic family: Mosaic Lodge took advantage of the Grand Master's allowance for a "phase 1" reopening of stated meetings. The "phase 1" meant multiple guidelines were followed, including: the room and touchable surfaces leading to it were disinfected beforehand, attending members were required to verify in writing answers to questions surrounding symptoms or possible interactions related to COVID-19, face coverings were utilized, seating was spaced at least 6 feet apart, and no physical contact was made between brothers.

With those protocols in place, Brian Kelley opened the lodge as Worshipful Master and we began to catch up from our last meeting back in March. A respectful moment of silence was called for our dear departed brothers Keith Robertson and Donal Kolsrud. The lodge accepted Greg Stechman's request for resignation as WMaster and acknowledged his demit from the lodge. As Zach Spurgeon had resigned as Treasurer in March, the lodge voted Past Grand Master Edwin Blinks back into

that position. To all of our relief, he accepted.

From our Schenck Fund, the lodge approved a total over \$6000 to the following non-profit entities and events: The Dubuque YMCA youth camp, St. Mark's Youth Enrichment Academy, Two by Two's Kindhearted Kids program, and an exhibit on crafts at the Dubuque Museum of Art. There were 12 member's names read for lodge dues not yet paid. Dues must be paid by July or your membership will be lost. Please pay promptly - we do not want to lose any members, as you are all an important part of our craft. At this time, no degree work is yet permitted, so the lodge needs each of our member's support.

At the conclusion of the meeting, sentiments were shared at how great it was to meet together again as a fraternity of brothers. We hope more of you can join us in July, if conditions allow, and our kindest thoughts and prayers go out to those sick or dealing with difficulties. Brian Kelley will have the program and possible refreshments.

Fraternally submitted: Brian Carrol - Secretary #125

Julien Chapter #125 OES No Meeting in July

We had been asked to remember something from Julien Chapter past. Here's what I remember: the BIG dinners we one prepared and served. Remember the Washington Dinner? The making of 80 cherry pies, pealing bags of potatoes then cooking and mashing them, roasting the beef or chicken in the pie ovens and the big black stove. Making salads and desserts. This was under the supervision of Geneva Knapp and later Rex Brammer. The Worthy Matron was always responsible for the help in the kitchen and the Conductress was responsible for arranging the setup and serving the dining room. Everybody helped with the cleanup.

I'm sure some of the men will remember the High 12 dinners, when we had four ladies' organizations within our Temple (White Shrine, Amaranth, Cauldron, and Star)! it became a "contest" to see who could make the best dinners. So, the men had some really GOOD meals. Rex Brammer was the head planner and cook for Iulien Chapter. Usually Luella Brammer was in the kitchen along with Harrier Heller, Leona Hibben, Eileen Klawitter, Beverly Godsey, Marcia Willard, Shirley (Stover) Babka, and the help in the dining room which was the Star Point officers: Barbara Blinks, and I'm sure I've left out names that you would remember. Of course, the men of our chapter were always a big help. We have always had about as many men in our Chapter as women. Our MASONS have always been supportive of anything we would do. They were right there to help set up the tables and chairs and help clean up after the meals. Remember: The Wassail at Christmas we

Remember: The Wassail at Christmas we had in the Men's Lounge. The decorations we made and the brunches we made. What a celebration we had with food, music and lot of fun! Oh Yes! and the 7 course dinners were prepared and served at the Madrigal that Senior High has put on for at least 40 years. After a few years it was decided to have the dinner catered by outside caterers.

Remembering; Beverly Godsey – Secretary, Julien 125 OES

Masonic Calendar: July, 2020 Wednesday Thursday Sunday Saturday HAPPY Lodge #49 7:00PM, eat INDEPENDENCE 6:00PM York Rite Oxus Grotto High Twelve 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting Shrine Club Mosaic Dubuque Trestleboard Lodge #3 7:00PM Deadline 4:00PM Lodge #125 7:00PM Julien OES Trowel Fellowship #125 (DARK) 7:30PM 28 MTA



Brother Gerald has given us a
Masoncally-themed matching game –
match the Mason with his film. (Ye Olde
Editor figured it out, and we're too
young for some of these!)
Without further ado:

Ye Olde Editor's Ramblings

It's summertime, and the livin' is easy...(OK, I'm not Gershwin), but – we have a fun contribution from Brother Gerald Edgar this month. Something to get your brain cells working again after being cooped up with no one but your family to look at.

"MATCH THE MASON" (with his Academy Award winning Movie or Song)

John Wayne In the Cool, Cool, Cool of the Evening

Oliver Hardy The Cider House Rules

Ernest Borgnine The Way You Look Tonight

Hoagy Carmichael The Big Country

Irving Berlin The Ten Commandments

Clark Gable True Grit

Jerome Kern White Christmas

Burl Ives Marty

Cecil B. DeMille The Music Box

Michael Caine It Happened One Night

(submitted for your enjoyment by Bro. Gerald Edgar. Answers next month!)

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