

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 8, 2021

We had a good turn out and Arvid Saele served as Monarch. As rusty as we are, we were still able to open and close a formal meeting.

The old business of some sort of alarm was tabled for another day. A permit was acquired to start the roof project. The flat roof was done by Polyvinyl Roofing of Springville Iowa. We are awaiting the Amish to come and do the steel roof. A special thanks goes to Mike & Bob Connolly and their crew for donating their time and materials. This saved us \$5,000.00.

It was brought up and decided to donate \$500.00 each to St. Luke's Mountain Top Youth Group and to Dubuque Packers Special Olympics Folks. This was to help them since we did not have any breakfasts for them for the past two springs.

We will start monthly breakfasts in September. Upcoming dates are: Sept 26th, Oct 31st, and Nov 28th. Any volunteers to help will be greatly appreciated!

As with all Masonic groups we are looking for new members.

Respectfully; Dan Neuhaus

Dubuque Lodge #3 A.F. & AM Thursday, July 15, 2021, 7:00 PM

Dubuque Lodge #3 met in regular session at 7:00PM, on Thursday, June 17, and we opened on the Fellowcraft Degree. Newly-minted FC, Brother Taylor Merfeld was in attendance this evening, and we had a visitor from Mosaic Lodge #125, an also newly-minted Fellowcraft Mason, Brother Randy Tolley, whom we welcomed. We mention that those two Brothers were present primarily because Brother Taylor requested that he recite the Obligation. Brother Randy acted as questioner, and Taylor whizzed through both the EA and the FC Obligations. Master Wes Struebing and the Lodge then declared Brother Taylor proficient in the 2nd Degree and eligible to be raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. More on that...

It was with some sadness that we received a request for Demit from Brother Bob Johnson. Since he was a member in good standing, and there were no issues, Master Struebing declared Brother Johnson demitted, and the Lodge wished him well.

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Returning to Degree work – Mosaic

Lodge and Dubuque Lodge both have
candidates for MM (and of course, we
will assist each other in raising our

Brothers to that sublime degree). The
dates (and, Masons, don't be shy; we'd
love to have you attend, so if you can
arrange it on your calendars, that would
be superb) are: Mosaic will open on
these dates (they have two) – June 21st
and June 28th, both Mondays. Due to the

Independence Day Holiday, and a conflict in Brother Taylor's schedule, Dubuque Lodge will open to perform the third degree for him on July 19th (also a Monday).

There being no other business to come before us, Dubuque Lodge #3 closed in form at 8:00PM; peace and harmony prevailed. Since we will restart afterlodge refreshments next month, on July 15th, Brother Jack Smeltzer graciously offered to provide refreshment.

Respectfully; Wes Struebing - WM

Key City Shrine Club September 15, 2021

(don't forget to volunteer for a shift or two at the Dubuque County Fair, the end of July! – ed.)

Dubuque High Twelve Club September 10, 2021

Dubuque York Rite, Regular Meeting Tuesday, September 7, 2021

Metropolitan Lodge #49 Next Meeting Thursday, July 1, 2021

We had visitors at our meeting. Brothers Brian Carroll, Ed Blinks, Zack Spurgeon, and Randy Tolley (Fellowcraft) came to see how we set up as a lodge room. I passed My Master's duties to Guest Brian to open a lodge of Fellow Craft. We were very impressed with Brother Tolley's proficiency questions and the reciting of his obligation. It was a unanimous decision to claim him proficient.

Thank you for coming and I hope you liked how we can set up for a lodge meeting.

I wish I could remember ritual as well as he did! Sometimes I think I'm losing my memory way faster than I should *(join the club! – ed.)*.

Metropolitan Lodge #49 has decided to pay for the roofing permit and new steel roof on the Grotto.

Respectfully; Dan Neuhaus - WM

Mosaic Lodge #125 Regular Meeting Tuesday, July 13, 2021

As most are aware, we have been busy with degree work. Dubuque 3, Mosaic 125 and most recently we helped Farley out with a 1st degree. Honestly it has been amazing getting re acquainted with all of you and getting to know our new brothers.

Currently we have three 3rd degrees in the very near future and will need all hands on deck. Please join us to make these spectacular and if you are able join in and help out. the first one will be Monday, 06/21/21, at 7:00PM. We will continue holding practices on the Mondays with no work to be done. As of now we have degrees on 06/21/21, 06/28/21 and 07/12/21.

It's that time of year again. the list of names who have not paid dues was read. Please brothers, if you are on the list and need assistance reach out to us. We don't want to lose you but we can't help until we know that it is needed. Due are due by the July meeting.

Mosaic will be holding a Pot Luck supper at the Oxus Grotto next month. Bring a dish to pass. that will be on 07/13/21 at 5:30PM. We will meet and eat and then adjourn back to the temple for our stated meeting. PLEASE, Join us. Degrees, practice and potluck. Let's help each other grow Masonically as we grow our lodges together.

Fraternally;

Brian Kelley

Meeting Tuesday July 11, 2021

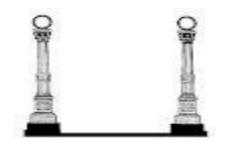
Tuesday, July 11, 2021

Summer time is here and I hope that everyone will feel free from the COVID enough to gather with friends and family for celebrations of special events! Our Eastern Star family is anxious to resume all the fun times.

Julien Chapter has been warmly accepted into the membership of Bellevue Chapter. We look forward to joining in whatever they have planned. We are so sorry to report the loss of Sister Betty Phillips on June 7th. Our sincere sympathy to her family. Don and I took a couple weeks to do some traveling. We enjoyed attending a beautiful wedding in Missouri of a niece of Don's, visited Cheryl (Willard) - she is one of our Star Members - and Dale Fjell in Manhattan, KN, visited a cousin of Bev's in McLouth, KN, and ended up in New Orleans as Bev's brother was in the hospital in serious condition. With much prayer and doctors care he is now home and improving.

I haven't heard from anyone so I hope everyone is ready to enjoy the summer. Cheryl Fjell, we hope your shoulder is healing from the surgery.

God bless and keep you all safe! Beverly Godsey reporting for Order of the Eastern Star



Ye Olde Editor's Ramblings

As promised, Ye Olde Editor continues the five-part series taken from "Essay Notes" of the Masonic Service Association of North America, its "5 Lessons About How to Treat People". Part 2 is entitled:

2. Second Important Lesson – Pickup in the Rain

One night at 11:30PM, an older African-American woman was standing on the side of an Alabama highway, trying to endure a lashing rainstorm. Her car had broken down, and she desperately needed a ride. Soaking wet, she decided to flag down the next car.

A young white man stopped to help her, generally unheard-of in those conflict-filled 1960's. The man took her to safety, helped her get assistance and put her into a taxicab. She seemed to be in a big hurry, but wrote down his name and thanked him.

Seven days went by, and a knock came on the young man's door. To his surprise a giant color console TV was delivered to his home.

A special note was attached. It read, "Thank you so much for assisting me on the highway the other night. The rain drenched not only my clothes but also my spirits. Then you came along. Because of you I was able to make it to my dying husband's bedside just before he passed away. God bless you for helping me and unselfishly serving others. Sincerely, Mrs. Nat King Cole."

Masonic Calendar: July, 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Metropolitan Lodge #49 7:00PM, eat 6:00PM	2	3
4 HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!	5	6 York Rite (DARK) Bellevue OES	7	8 Oxus Grotto 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting	9 High Twelve (DARK)	10
11	12	Mosaic Lodge #125 7:00PM	14	Dubuque Lodge #3 7:00PM	16	17
18	19	20	21 Shrine Club (DARK)	Trowel Fellowship 7:30PM Trestleboard Deadline 4:00PM	23	24
25	26	27 MTA Board	28	29	30	31

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