



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, August 12, 2021

Dinner was provided by Dale Hefel and Gene Muntz. I'll take the blame for them doubling up, because I didn't get it into the Trestleboard. August dinner will be provided by Smokey McGovern. Breakfasts will start the last Sunday in September. Dates are Sept. 26th, Oct. 31st, Nov. 28th. As with everything else we can always use help with the breakfasts.

Also, we need new members in the Grotto!!!

Respectfully;

Dan Neuhaus - PM

Dubuque Lodge #3

A.F. & AM

Thursday, August 19, 2021,

7:00 PM

Dubuque Lodge #3 met in regular session on July 15, 2021 at 7:00PM. There six of us, plus one visitor from Mosaic Lodge 125, Randy Tolley. He was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason on the 28th of June. Therefore, he was able

to sit in our Lodge of Master Masons (he has also been declared proficient already, too! Our congratulations!)

We had a report from membership that there are still two members who have not paid their 2021 dues. They will be suspended if they fail to send their dues by the end of July.

Brother Dave Patton reminded us that Brian Kelley is still looking for volunteers for the Dubuque County Fair's Shrine Popcorn Booth.

Unfortunately, Brother Taylor Merfeld was unable to join us this evening, but on Monday evening, July 12, he, too was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. Dubuque Lodge #3 opened and hosted his raising. Brother Dave Patton will continue to mentor him in that degree, and Brother Merfeld is hoping to be declared proficient in just a few weeks as well! Brother Randy will assist Brother Dave in this noble endeavor. More power to these wonderful, new Masons! And as Master of the Lodge, I would like to sincerely thank the Masons from Mosaic 125 and Metropolitan 49 for their assistance in making the degree ceremony a success.

On that note, please remember that Mondays are scheduled as practice sessions. Please attend if you can. Lodge was closed in form at 7:46PM, peace and harmony prevailed. Brother Jack Smeltzer provided refreshments afterward, and Master Struebing will provide the goodies at our next meeting on August 19th, 2021.

Respectfully;

Wes Struebing – WM

Key City Shrine Club

September 15, 2021

(dark until September)

Dubuque High Twelve Club

September 10, 2021

I was very pleased to see several NCA members in attendance at the 100th High Twelve International meeting out in Sioux City the last full week of June. Not only was it in our backyard, but it's also the birthplace of its founder Edgar Cornelius (Wallie) Wolcott. Therefore, the meeting was held where he was born and buried. (By the way, he really disliked his name, so instead, he went by E.C. Wolcott.)

Taking a tour of the city, we first visited the museum of Masonic Brothers Lewis and Clark and boarded a paddlewheel boat named after Sergeant Floyd. Later we took an informative private tour of the MidAmerican Museum of Aviation & Transportation, and we were able to vicariously relive the crash of United Flight 232 that took place there on July 19, 1989.

Ironically, just a few days before this crash, the community had taken part in a city-wide disaster drill! As a result, they were well prepared to handle this crisis situation. Largely because of that, they were able to save many lives!

Getting back to the annual meeting: since I was working outside at the credential table, I was not present for much of the business taking place. I do know, after a great deal of discussion, they did vote to approve increasing the international dues by \$5.00, taking it up to \$15.00 per capita.

I would also expect that there should be a good turnout next year, since our president for the 2021-2022 calendar year is Mike Haxton from Kansas City. Not surprisingly, he has several things already lined up for us to do, including attending a baseball game.

By the time you will have read this report, the Dubuque County Fair will probably be in full swing. I'm also hoping the Key City Shrine Club will do well on

their popcorn stand! (Believe me, we couldn't have had it without all your volunteer help!) Have an enjoyable, safe summer, while staying cool and hydrated. See you in September.

Respectfully;
David H. Patton

Dubuque York Rite, Regular Meeting
Tuesday, September 7, 2021
(dark until September)

Metropolitan Lodge #49
Next Meeting
Thursday, August 5, 2021

Our stated meeting was held on July 1st. Steve Sanders provided the meal. Gene Muntz will provide the August dinner. Six members were in attendance, along with guest Brothers Wayne Stanley and Ed Blinks. Thanks for coming gentleman! Your attendance gave us enough members to do a formal opening and closing - a much needed refresher for all of us.

A few of us have been joining the other lodges for their degree work the past few Monday nights, helping wherever we can. It helps them out and also helps everyone's memorization. ***(and your presence is greatly-appreciated! – ed.)***

I know the memorization's much needed on my part. How about you? The more the merrier! Another thing that I would like everyone to take a look at is the website www.NotJustAMan.org. This site has free downloadable posters, banners and videos for Masons to get new members to join and helps to let us all know who we are and what we do. Yes, I know many are saying we know who we are, but these are just a refresher for things we sometimes forget. And remember; those who we might recruit don't know who we are.

Respectfully;
Dan Neuhaus – WM, Metro #49

Mosaic Lodge #125
Regular Meeting Tuesday,
August 10, 2021

To start this off, I want to acknowledge Russ and Leona Hibbens on 68 Years of Wedded Bliss. What an accomplishment! You, too, need to share your secret to such a successful relationship. My heart felt congratulation to both of you. In addition, the TH digital edition put out an article about them. I wish you many more to come.

Thank you to everyone who came to the PotLuck before our meeting. We had a great time and a wonderful turn out. Food was great and the company, well who could ask for better? I would like to do this again, perhaps on a night that no meetings are scheduled.

We held another third degree on Monday, July, 12 for Taylor Merfeld. I was under the weather that day but am told it was a great turn out. Thank you. Julien Lodge for coming out again, you are always welcome.

There will be a 2nd degree for Julien Lodge on 08/09/21 for their newest brother, Justin Busse. I again encourage everyone to get involved and help out.

Business as usual but with the good comes the sad. I called the craft up to pay our respect and a moment of silence for Brother Mike Pratt. Mike was a 50-year member of Mosaic lodge and will forever remain in the memories of those who knew him. May the Grand Architect of the Universe approve your work.

Dubuque County Fair is very near and I am still looking for volunteers. If I haven't already spoken with you, and you want to help out, please reach out. I will always make room.

It is also that time of year to prepare for Grand Lodge. Grand Lodge will be held From Sept. 16 thru the 18th, at the RiverView Center in Davenport. If

you are planning on attending, more information will be available soon. Until Next month...

Fraternally;
Brian Kelley - WM

Bellevue OES #359, Formal Meeting
Monday, August 9, 2021

This will be a short article just to let all our OES members know that we are still alive! Yes, we went to Bellevue Chapter for the monthly meeting and enjoyed a pot luck dinner before the meeting on July 6th. Always good to share a meal with friends and GOOD cooks!! The meeting was conducted by Sister Terri Peterson as pro-tem for her mom, Sister Shirley Petersen, who was off caring for a grandson during surgery. We wish him well and pray that he will recover soon. Plans for the annual OES Golf Tourney was discussed. The tourney had to be changed to a different course this year.

Don and I are in New Orleans just now, visiting my brother who is not doing well. We are here to celebrate his 75th birthday. We are so happy that he has survived to celebrate this milestone. He and Susan celebrated their 47th anniversary on the 8th of July.

Don has become a Great-Grampa again this time to twin girls born to Jenny and Matt Gordon on July 8. They are Emma and Grace. Congratulation to all the family!!! That's enough about our family. The next meeting of Bellevue Chapter will be Aug. 9 at 7 p.m. This will be a formal meeting with the ladies in long white dresses. We will be opening in regular form.

Information about the upcoming session of Grand Chapter was given out. Anyone who needs information for meal reservations or registration please contact Wanda Koch, secretary of Bellevue Chapter. The session will be held in Davenport in Oct. More info later.

Sister Shirley Jackson had fallen so was not at the July meeting. Our prayers are sent out for her fast recovery.

That's all I can think of for now, and I don't have my note with me so please forgive the brief message but know that we think of all members and wish you well.

Respectfully;
Bev Godsey – Reporter, Bellevue Chapter OES #359



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 3 is entitled:

3. Third Important Lesson – Always Remember Those Who Serve

In the days when an ice cream Sundae cost much less, a 10-year-old boy entered a hotel coffee shop and sat at a table. A waitress put a glass of water in front of him.

"How much is an ice cream Sundae?" he asked.

"50 cents," replied the waitress. The little boy pulled his hand out of his pocket and studied the coins in it.

"Well, how much is a plain dish of ice cream?" he inquired. By now more people were waiting for a table, and the waitress was growing impatient.

"Thirty-five cents," she brusquely replied.

The little boy again counted his coins. "I'll have the plain ice cream," he said.

The waitress brought the ice cream and left the bill on the table. The boy finished the ice cream, paid the cashier and left.

When the waitress came back, she began to cry as she wiped down the table.

There, placed neatly beside the empty dish, were two nickels and five pennies.

You see, he couldn't have the Sundae

because he had to have enough to leave her a tip.

Masonic Calendar: August, 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 York Rite (DARK)	4	5 Metropolitan Lodge #49 7:00PM, eat at 6:00PM	6	7
8	9 Bellevue OES (formal)	10 Mosaic Lodge #125 7:00PM	11	12 Oxus Grotto 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting	13 High Twelve (DARK)	14
15	16	17	18 Shrine Club (DARK)	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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