



## 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](mailto: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, February 10, 2022**

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For everyone's health and safety, we will not be serving a breakfast in January. Our next breakfast will be Sunday, February 27, and the proceeds will benefit the St. Luke's MT TOP group (a youth mission experience in rural Tennessee).

Our Fish Fry dates are set. We will be serving on March 4, 11, 18, April 1 and 8. These will be takeout only this year. We are still doing well with our rentals. We have 6 already on the calendar for this year. If you are thinking about renting this year, give Sam Phipps a call at 563.556.8105 to save the date. Please keep Steve and Bonnie Sanders in your thoughts and prayers as she continues her recovery.

**Respectfully;**

**Smokey McGovern**

## Dubuque Lodge #3

### A.F. & AM

**Thursday, February 17, 2022,**

**7:00 PM**

It's always nice to see the guys before Lodge a chance to chat with them - all 7 of them. All the same it was nice to talk with the guys again.

Minutes read from last meeting, approved Robert Young, and seconded by Wesley Struebing.

Brother Robert Young was installed as Sr Deacon.

Annual report was discussed within the Lodge. Approved by Robert Young and seconded by David Patton.

The meeting was closed in good form, harmony being the strength and support of most societies, more especially ours.

**Respectfully;**

**Robert Young - SD**

## Key City Shrine Club

**February 16, 2022**

January 2022 Trestleboard report for the Key City Shrine Club

On January 19<sup>th</sup>, the Key City Shrine Club met down at Mario's where we had a nice turnout, thanks to Kaaba attendees from Davenport.

After saying the pledge and asking for a blessing on the food, we stood in silence out of respect for the passing of Blake McKahin back in December. He was, after all, very active not only in and around the community, but also with Shriners.

So, since we haven't seen many of the Davenport Shriners for months, much of the meeting was spent reminiscing, and getting caught up on what's going on in the area. Nathan Stone, the Oriental Guide then extended a greeting from the Potentate, and reported about various fundraising activities.

Tom Hodges and Mary Coffin then reported about traveling around much of this country this last year, trying to take in as many Masonic functions as possible (Mary's not only the navigator, but also helps keep Tom on the straight and narrow path!)

He and Dave Glanz are anxious to start parading again, and mentioned all the parade units sitting idle in storage down in Davenport waiting to once more hit the road. Hopefully, COVID won't continue limiting our efforts. (By the way, keep Dave and his wife, Jean, in your prayers as he spends much of his waking hours catering to her needs.) Just as COVID and its variants have greatly affected Dubuque, the same is true down in Davenport. So, while many of us have witnessed the effects of COVID on friends and relatives, Brian Kelley is a living example of someone whose lungs are now scarred from it. The Key City Shrine Club will meet again on Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 down at Mario's. Hope to see you there!

**Respectfully;**

**David H. Patton – Treas.**

## Dubuque York Rite, Regular Meeting

**Tuesday, February 1, 2022**

*(York Rite did not meet this month. It is in the process of rebuilding. Ed.)*

## Metropolitan Lodge #49 Next Meeting

**Thursday, February 3, 2022**

Metropolitan 49 did not meet for our scheduled meeting due to cold weather and multiple members unable to attend. Here is an update on brother Sanders and Bonnie. Bonnie's surgeries have not been healing as expected and her rehab has taken a setback.

She has been scheduled for another long surgery on January 11<sup>th</sup>. Keep them both in your prayers.

***(further update: The last surgery was successful, and she is recuperating. Ed.)***

***Dan Neuhaus WM***

***Met #49***

## **Mosaic Lodge #125 Regular Meeting Tuesday, February 8, 2022**

Happy New Year!

Mosaic held its regularly stated meeting on January 11. We began by installing our Sr. Deacon, Joe Hartell. We only have one officer yet to install. Last month, we asked Les Sonkson to check on storage lockers and report back. Les secured a climate-controlled locker to store our records. This will make a big difference for our secretary.

We have decided to set up a tour of the Grand Lodge Museum. This is tentatively set for Saturday February 12. I am extending this as an invitation to you all. I am setting it up and will pass on any updates. We will meet at the Grotto and car pool from there. I will follow up with the time we will meet and any changes. Hope to see you attend. If you have never been, it will be a fun event and worth your time.

Brian C. and Randy attended Lodge in Farley and reported that they are planning a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree for Brother Justin Bussey. A practice will be held on Monday January 17<sup>th</sup> and the degree will be on January 24<sup>th</sup>. Both will be held in Farley and will begin at 6:30pm. As always, your help is encouraged and appreciated.

Ed and I both took falls and are recovering well but we ask for your prayers for Steve and Bonnie Sanders. Bonnie is back in the hospital and has had another surgery. Keep both of them and their family in your thoughts and prayers. We have also been informed that Betty Muellich has passed away. I would also ask for prayers for this family in their time of grief. Same goes for any of our Masonic family who may be ill or in need.

Our annual treasurer's report was presented and approved. Mosaic ended the evening with a presentation on Safety by Brother Gerald Edgar. Gerald has made a Career in the Safety industry with OSHA certifications and has chaired State Boards due to his extensive Knowledge. Gerald brings home the point, noting that most accidents and injuries happen in our own homes. Thank you, Gerald; we always enjoy your visits home. I leave you with this reminder to be aware and safe. Not only is Covid back in force, winter weather is upon us. Whether traveling or at home, be safe. Until Next Month or when we meet again,

***Fraternally;***

***Brian Kelley - WM***

## **Bellevue Chapter #359 OES Stated Meeting Tuesday, February 15, 2022**

As I look out on this cold, snowy morning, I'm trying to think of interesting things to include for those who read this. As Bellevue Chapter OES is dark during January and February, not much new is forthcoming. We are sorry to report the loss of Sister Betty Muellich. She was living near her daughter in Carey, Illinois.

On a happier note, we got the following information from Gerald Edgar, the father of our member, Charity Edgar, who was deployed for 10 months on the USS Nimitz and before that was in Afghanistan for a year. She was just promoted to Lt. Cmdr, the Navy equivalent of Major. She is now stationed in San Diego, California. She was Worthy Adviser of the Mason City Rainbow Girls. She joined Julien Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star in 1986. We are very proud of Charity's service to our country, and we wish her well in the future.

I don't know of any illnesses in our Chapter, but send out prayers for those who are being kept homebound during this pandemic and the cold of winter.

***May God be with you;  
Beverly Godsey***



## **Ye Olde Editor's Ramblings**

This 'n that, and a tribute this month – belated.

A New Year's greeting from all of us who put this thing together! May your 2022 be better than 2021! With COVID in full swing around these parts, please – stay safe and avail yourselves of the test kits and N95 masks available from the Feds. We'd like to have you reading this publication next month (and the following months, too).

Though he died in early December, Senator Bob Dole was a figure who loomed large over many years in service to his country. Even those who disagreed vehemently with his politics respected and loved the man. This month's tribute is penned by Brother Gerald Edgar, and we present it now:

**Bro. Bob Dole** passed away Dec 5. He was in Garner in 2000 when campaigning for his wife's GOP presidential nomination. I had the honor of visiting with him on several occasions (he was a special Senate friend & mentor to our Bro., Senator Chuck Grassley). Brother Dole served in the U.S. Army during World War II & became a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army's 10th Mountain Division. In April of 1945, he was wounded while engaged with the German Army in the hills of Northern Italy. Decorated three times for heroism, he received two Purple Hearts for his injuries and the Bronze Star with Combat "V" for valor for his attempt to assist a downed radioman.


Brother Dole represented the State of Kansas in the United States Senate from 1969 to 1996. He was the Republican Leader of the U.S. Senate during the final 11 years of his tenure including three years as Senate Majority Leader. Prior to his service in the Senate, Brother Dole served in the U.S. House of

Representatives from 1961 to 1969. The Robert J. Dole Institute, housed on the University of Kansas campus in Lawrence, was established to bring bipartisanship back to politics. May be rest in peace....

Member of Russell #177 @ Russell, KS & a 33<sup>rd</sup> Degree Mason, his body lay in state in the U.S. Capitol – a rare honor for any but former Presidents.

*Submitted by Brother Gerald Edgar*

### Masonic Calendar: February, 2022

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

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