



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.

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In trying times, try!

OXUS Grotto #137

Regular Meeting

Thursday, October 13, 2022

Oxus Grotto had the usual turnout. Our first breakfast will be on September 25th. October 30th and November 27th are the next scheduled breakfasts. We discussed Breakfast help requirements for our first breakfast of the season. Our prices this season are: Adults \$10.00, Children \$5.00. Same menu.

Without the help of our spouses we couldn't put on the breakfasts. As with all Masonic groups we need more members. Anyone out there who may be interested please come to the breakfast and speak to us. Members present also discussed getting lodge practice going again on Monday nights due to the fact most lodges do not have the attendance to formally open and close our meetings and we are all getting rusty with ritual. MASTERS, now that summer is over let's get our lodges together!

Respectfully;

Dan Neuhaus

Dubuque Lodge #3

A.F. & AM

**Thursday, October 20, 2022,
7:00 PM**

Brothers;
We had 6 in attendance tonight. We conducted all the normal business and the bills have been paid. On *(October? Ed.)* the 13th The Grand Masters area meeting will take place. The Lodge communication was closed in good form. May peace and harmony fill all your lives
See you on the 13th!

Good day;

Bob Young - SD

Key City Shrine Club

October 19, 2022

Since our last meeting in the Spring of 2022, several things have happened: First, we had to give up our corner popcorn stand out at the Dubuque County Fair Grounds, which we have been operating since the fair first started back in the 1950's – due to several things:

- Lack of dependable volunteers to work it
- An aging membership
- Not making enough money to keep the club afloat
- Health problems, plus residual effects of the COVID-19 pandemic

We took the poppers out of the popcorn stand, and put them into my garage – hoping to sell them on the internet. *(If you know of someone who is interested in some reliable, vintage Manley popcorn poppers, give me a call.)*

Second, we had a food truck that we had hoped to sell popcorn out of, throughout the year, around the community. The only thing is, we don't have the time or manpower to get it up and running

completely. We, therefore, sold it to someone from the Waterloo area. We also have a Fez trailer that we have pulled around in several parades. However, we have no place to store it, so we plan to take it back down to KAABA in Davenport, and let some other Shrine unit take advantage of it. (Since Noble Brian Kelley was elected to a state office in Amaranth, and they plan to meet in Davenport the first part of October, he plans to take the trailer with him.) A couple weeks ago, I was invited to talk to a T.O.P.S. group about Shriners. I not only gave them a history lesson about Shriners, but did some comparison between Shriner's Hospitals and St. Jude's located in Memphis, started by Danny Thomas back in 1962. (Ironically, not only was he a devoted Catholic, but also an active Mason and Shriner!) I should also point out, joining us for our Shriner's meeting was Dave Glanz – Past Potentate from KAABA, who shared information about the Iowa Masonic Health Center in Davenport where he now resides. It's a gorgeous retirement center; all are invited to check it out. Our next meeting for the Key City Shrine Club will be October 19th at Mario's beginning at 5:30PM. Hope to see you there.

Respectfully;

David H. Patton (563) 556-1210

Dubuque York Rite, Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 4, 2022

(the status of York Rite is in limbo, currently. Ed.)

Metropolitan Lodge #49

Next Meeting

Thursday, October 6, 2022

Metropolitan Lodge #49 meeting was canceled. There is no Trestleboard input this month

Respectfully;

Dan Neuhaus - WM

Mosaic Lodge #125

Regular Meeting Tuesday,

October 11, 2022

Mosaic #125 met on our regular night but due to schedules and travel, we were a few Bro.s short this month. Business still has to go on, so we did. Bro. Joe Hartel has been welcoming Bro.s and family to his home to watch the War and Peace series. The next scheduled evening is set for Sept. 25th. If you would like to join in, please let us know. You can catch up by watching on YouTube, just search for War and Peace 1972. We are up to the 5th episode in the series. Thank you, Bro. Joe, for opening your home to us. Bro. Gerald Edgar was in attendance as well and spoke regarding the declining numbers in Masonry; he reminded us that it's not just the Masons, that everyone is feeling the crunch. Gerald went on to express his thoughts on how to promote our Fraternity and provided an example. Gerald walked up to another Bro. and stated, "Pardon me, do you happen to be a Mason?" He went on to say that this is a great way to open the conversation with someone you feel might be a great candidate. Thank you, Gerald, I love your input and couldn't agree with you more. Great Ice breaker. Gerald will be traveling to Europe and plans to attend Lodge meetings while he is there. Safe Travels and extend our warmest greeting. Bro. Ed Blinks went over the legislation for this year's Grand Lodge, and we worked out our proxies for those able to attend. Bro. Randy Tolley will be taking part 2 of the MI having passed the 1st degree. I can say confidently that I have faith he will do well. We discussed our usual business which will be voted for approval at our next

stated meeting. I closed with the following announcement and invitation. At 7:00PM on October 1st, 2022 at the Masonic Center in Davenport Iowa, Iowa Grand Court, Order of Amaranth will be holding its annual Grand Session. This evening is open to the public. I will be Installed as the Grand Royal Patron for Iowa Amaranth and would like to extend an invitation to all. Dress is Formal, but "church" attire is appropriate. This is a beautiful ceremony and a great opportunity to learn more about our Masonic family and its affiliates. Going back to Bro. Gerald's ideas on how to promote...I believe that knowing who we are and promoting our own organizations from within is just as important as promoting to the rest of the world. If we don't know ourselves, how can we sell it to others? I would love to see you there; please plan to attend. Honestly, I know what is happening, but it still hasn't really sunk in yet. Wish me luck. I challenge you to learn more about who we are and think about what you can do to help promote this amazing Organization and its entire family.

Fraternally;

Brian Kelley - WM

Bellevue OES #359, Next Meeting

Tuesday, October 4, 2022

Fall is making an appearance on the fields and in the morning temperatures, so I hope everyone is preparing for the cooler temperatures and the upcoming holidays. It is Grand Lodge time which is being held in Cedar Rapids at the Marriott hotel. I know that Barb and Ed Blinks, and Jack Smeltzer, along with Don Wohlers and Bev Godsey are attending. Bellevue Chapter meeting for September was held with a pot luck supper before the meeting. Much discussion was held planning for the upcoming meeting of the Tri state Grand Officers here at our Temple October 1 & 2. We will be putting our best "foot" forward to entertain this group of Grandies.

We are looking forward to Grand Chapter in October to learn about all the good works of this last year and about all that is planned for the new officers under the leadership of upcoming WGM Vicki Wallner & WGP Larry Niday. I'm sure those names sound familiar to many of you as she has been our instructor from time to time and Larry has traveled around the state with PGS Nancy Niday. Next month I will have exciting news which I have promised not to this month!

We were honored to present 50-year pins to Mrs. Brooks (sorry I'm away from my membership list) and Connie Kitchen. Congratulations to both sisters. We have an appeal from our WGM Cheryl Payne to help our Grand Chapter. With our membership declining at a faster rate every year she has suggested that each member give **1 DIME** a day for as long as you wish to be used for the expenses of Grand Chapter. This money will go directly to pay daily expenses of Grand Chapter! This money may be given through local chapter or sent directly to the Grand Secretary.

May you all enjoy a beautiful fall and good health to all.

Thank you!

Beverly Godsey - Reporter

Masonic Calendar: October, 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 York Rite Bellevue OES	5	6 Metropolitan Lodge #49 7:00PM, eat at 6:00PM	7	8
9	10	11 Mosaic Lodge #125 7:00PM	12	13 Oxus Grotto 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting	14	15
16	17	18	19 Shrine Club 6:00PM Eat 7:00PM Meeting	20 Dubuque Lodge #3 7:00PM	21 Trestleboard Deadline 4:00PM	22
23	24	25 MTA Board	26	27 Trowel Fellowship 7:30PM	28	29
30	31 HAPPY HALLOWE'EN!					

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