

Lakeville Eastern Star Newsletter

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Message from the Worthy Matron

Greetings!

On October 14th, the members of Lakeville Chapter were invited to La Porte Chapter in District #19 to celebrate their 25, 50 and 75 year member awards and the dedication of their new organ. Our Brother Fred Rowe recognized the need to have their old one replaced and retrieved a Baldwin organ from our own Brother Verl and Sister Sylvia Shaffer who were downsizing and offered to donate the instrument. Members of Lakeville Lodge, Chapter and Christian Rowe transported the organ to the top floor of Excelsior Lodge, the home of La Porte Chapter. Members enjoyed a delicious dinner and were entertained by a selection of songs performed by our own Brother Brian Hoover, husband of the District Deputy and Past Grand Organist. At our November meeting, we honored veterans and shared our gratitude for those who have served in the armed forces. We are fortunate to live in a country where we have freedom to gather and worship our Savior as we please. A gift was given in the name of the Chapter to the Wounded Warrior Project, which is a non-profit organization which provides veterans with support needed to recover and community connections needed to heal. Following the meeting, we had a yummy cobbler and Brother Harold shared shells he found on the beach while attending General Grand Chapter in Myrtle Beach last month.

Friends Night at Warsaw chapter was very well attended. All enjoyed a delicious Thanksgiving dinner and a special celebration as two of their members received 50-year awards. In addition, there was a presentation explaining the shield of the DeMolay. It was nice seeing the meeting room full and everyone having such a good time. November also saw the consolidation of St. Joe Chapter with Lakeville. We are honored they are joining us. The sidelines were full as WGP Denver Gray and WM Anne completed a service uniting St. Joseph chapter with Lakeville. We celebrated the 80th year of St. Joe Chapter with cake and ice cream following the meeting before heading home in the first snow fall of the season!

Our December meeting will be on Tuesday December 3rd. We will have a Christmas carry in at 6:30 honoring our new members from St. Joe Chapter. Ham will be provided and members are asked to bring a side dish to share. The meeting will focus on the "Star in the East" in celebration of the birth of our Lord. It will be casual but no jeans. We will also prepare Christmas cards to send to our shut ins so please bring names and updated addresses for those to be included. Lakeville will host our Friends Night on Friday December 13th with a light supper beginning at 6:30pm. Sloppy Joes will be provided and the Chapter is asked to bring desserts and salads. You won't want to miss the fun following dinner as we join in "Reindeer Games" which will be sure to bring a lot of laughter! Dress will be casual and there will be an ugly Christmas sweater contest if you'd like to participate.

As we enter into this holiday season, the friends at Lakeville are certainly among the blessings for which I am grateful! Thank you for traveling and going out of your way to help each other. We may be a small chapter, but our light shines bright!

Shine On! --Barb

Dates to Remember:

Tue Dec-3 @ 7:30pm Stated Meeting - Christmas Carry-In at 6:30 - Lakeville Members bring a dish to share.

Fri Dec-13 @ 6:30pm Lakeville Visiting Night - Christmas Carry-In at 6:30 - Bring a salad or dessert to share.

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