Lakeville Lodge / Eastern Star Newsletter



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Message from the Worshipful Master

Greetings Brothers,

It looks like March madness is upon us. It came in like a lion and hopefully will to out like a lamb! They are predicting snow again for us this Tuesday, March 25th. Indiana Winter!

Our March Stated Meeting went off OK with all business and bills handled. Don't forget scholarships can be applied for until March 31st, so get them in if you know of anyone who wants to apply.

We will have an investigating committee report at the April Stated Meeting and then, if favorable, set a date for an EA Degree in April. We will also set a practice date for the Degree at the meeting.

The cost of insurance and by-laws study is continuing and we will soon make those decisions.

The Area Conference is at Warsaw Lodge #73 at 7:00pm, March 26th. Let see if we can car pool.

A Walleye Fish fundraiser will be on Friday, April 4th from 3:30 - 6:30pm, drive-thru only. Tickets are in the mail or contact a Brother or OES Sister if you need more. Let's make this a success!

Our Golf Outing will be at Whispering Pines on May 3rd, shotgun start at 8:00, check in at 7:00am. The cost is \$50/person and hole sponsorship is \$50. Lunch will be served at the conclusion of play. Come out and enjoy a great time!

The next Stated Meeting will be on Thursday, April 3rd at 7:00. A Delicious Polish Dinner will be served at 6:00pm. Please RSVP to Brother Harold (hiram@haroldrowe.com / 574-784-8948) with your reservation by April 1st. Refreshments for the Stated Meeting will be furnished by Brother Ryan James.

I am proud to be a Lakeville Lodge #353 Mason!

WM, Max Feitz

Dates to Remember:

Wed	Mar-26	@ 7:00pm	Grand Master's Area Conference @ Warsaw Lodge #73
Thu	Apr-3	@ 6:30pm	Polish Dinner (RSVP to Harold Rowe - 574-784-8948 - hiram@haroldrowe.com)
Thu	Apr-3	@ 7:30pm	Stated Meeting - Refreshments to follow the meeting.
Fri	Apr-4	@ 3:30pm	Walleye Fish Sandwich Dinner @ 3:30 - 6:30pm (Drive-Through Only)
Sat	Apr-12	@ 8:00am	Free Breakfast - 8:00am - 10:30am (RSVP to Max Feitz - H:574-784-8488 C:574-298-3454)

Worshipful Master: Max Feitz - 574-784-8488 - janeandmaxf@embarqmail.com

Message from the Building Committee

We will be having a Walleye Fish Sandwich Dinner on Friday, April 4th, from 3:30 - 6:30pm, drive-through only, fish sandwich and fries, \$12 / meal. Area members should have received tickets in the mail to buy for yourself or sell. Please remember to call Chris Rowe @ 574-784-8948 if you have sold your tickets. Checks should be payable to Lakeville Masonic Building Fund. Also, let her know if you need more tickets. Everyone is encouraged to come and get a generously sized fish sandwich and fries, prepared by Brother Ralph Smith!

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Message from the Worthy Matron

Greetings!

We've certainly gone through all the seasons in March with snow, high winds, rain and some absolutely beautiful days. We were blessed that one of the beautiful days came on Tuesday, March 11th for District 20's Official Visit of Worthy Grand Matron Karen Hazelman and Worthy Grand Patron Denver Gray.

Congratulations to Sister Nancy Wickizer and Sister Hannelore Slayton on receiving their Awards of Gold at our Inspection. This achievement represents fifty years of service to our beloved Eastern Star. We are so happy for both of you and are grateful for your continued labors to the great moral and social purposes of our Order.

Congratulations also to Sister Holly and Sister Beth as Robert was dedicated to the principles of our Star during the Baby Dedication. Robert is growing up so quickly and has started attending a preschool group. We look forward to watching his achievements as he continues to grow!

It's been several years since we've seen so many people attend an inspection! The evening was special and Lakeville certainly did shine. The chapter room and the social room were decorated with beautiful spring flowers. Three candidates were initiated into the Order and we wish them many years of service. Sister Karen encouraged all of us to continue working on our ritual work while Brother Denver explained the projects that they are supporting this year.

Thank you to all for your generosity in responding to the request to fund our service dog. I am happy to report that we have commitments for the entire \$5000! We voted to provide the following names for our dog. The first name is Freddy or Freddie in honor of our own Brother Fred Rowe, PGP. The second name is Areme for the initials of the heroines of our order. The third name is Star. ICAN will review the names and let us know if the names are available. At this point, we are on the sponsor list and await the next litter of puppies.

Our April "Son Shine" meeting will celebrate Easter. We will do the full ritual opening. It's important that we don't forget the proper form. Ladies, please wear a spring-colored top. Street length skirts or dress slacks are appropriate but no jeans please. Emily will be providing refreshments following the meeting. See you there!

Dates to Remember:

Tue Apr-1 @ 7:30pm Stated Meeting - Refreshments to follow the meeting.

Fri Apr-4 @ 3:30pm Walleye Fish Sandwich Dinner @ 3:30 - 6:30pm (Drive-Through Only)

Worthy Matron: Barb Woods - 928-814-6200 - hopeudance8@gmail.com

Secretary: Chris Rowe - 574-784-8948 - ckrowe@mchsi.com

We have reached our goal for adopting a Service Dog! Thank you to all who made donations to this project.

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