



# Lakeville Lodge / Eastern Star Newsletter

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### Message from the Worshipful Master

Happy February to everyone and hope you all are enjoying an old fashioned Winter, let it snow!

Minutes from the January meeting were approved as read and then the rest of the business went as usual but with discussion of members late with their dues. Brothers, you need to get them paid. Please respond to emails and texts from our Secretary, Worshipful Brother Larry Ort.

Annual Reports were read and approved. Good job officers and committees!

Worshipful Master Dean Shinneman installed the last two officers and that gives us a full corps. Thanks to all those Brothers who have agreed to serve.

Worshipful Brother Larry Ort read the Ancient Charges, which completes that requirement of Grand Lodge.

We have a Fellowcraft Degree schedule for Thursday, March 19th, at 6:30pm. We will have several candidates going through. Please come and help us bring these good men to more Light. Practice for the Degree will be Thursday, March 12th at 6:00pm.

The next Stated Meeting will be on Thursday, March 5th at 7:30pm with a Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner at 6:30pm. RSVP to Max Feitz (Cell: 574-298-3454 Home: 574-784-8488) by Tuesday.

#### Dates to Remember:

- Sat Feb-28 @ 9:00am** Ritual Workshop at Lakeville @ 9am - 12pm - Donuts and coffee before the meeting.
- Thu Mar-5 @ 6:30pm** Stated Dinner (RSVP to Max Feitz - C:574-298-3454 H:574-784-8488)
- Thu Mar-5 @ 7:30pm** Stated Meeting - Refreshments to follow the meeting.
- Thu Mar-12 @ 6:00pm** Fellowcraft Degree Practice
- Thu Mar-19 @ 6:30pm** Fellowcraft Degree - Refreshments to follow the Degree.
- Sat Mar-28 @ 3:30pm** Pork Tenderloin Dinner @ 3:30 - 6:30pm (Drive-Through Only)

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### Message from the Worthy Matron

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

It is good to see the sun and all the snow melting. I don't know about you, but I think we have had plenty of snow this year and don't need any more. The last few days have felt like Spring so hopefully it will be here soon.

We will be having the District Inspection on April 6 at Starlight. Officers, we will be doing the initiatory so you will want to brush up on your part. The practice will be on April 1 (no joke) at 6:30. If you are unable to come to either the practice or the Inspection, please let me know.

Our Friends Night will be April 22.

The application deadlines are approaching for our scholarships.

ESTARL Scholarship: for Indiana residents dedicating their life to doing God's work in the Church. Applications due May 1st, 2026.

Nettie Ransford Scholarship: for third and fourth year student enrolled in Special Education courses. Applications due April 3rd, 2026.

Our World of Youth: for members of our Fraternal Youth Organizations as well as Eastern Star. Applications due TBA. No application yet.

ESTARL and Nettie Ransford are open to anyone pursuing these fields. No OES, Masonic or youth affiliation is required so please share them with your church, school and anyone who may be interested. Information and applications can be downloaded through the Grand Chapter Website:  
<http://www.indianaoes.org/documents>

See you in March.

Star Love,

Donna Hoover, WM Brian Hoover, WP

#### Dates to Remember:

- Tue Mar-3 @ 7:00pm** Stated Meeting - Refreshments to follow the meeting by Barb Micetech & Hannelore Slayton
- Sat Mar-28 @ 3:30pm** Pork Tenderloin Dinner @ 3:30 - 6:30pm (Drive-Through Only)
- Wed Apr-1 @ 6:30pm** Inspection Practice @ Starlight
- Mon Apr-6 @ 7:00pm** Inspection @ Starlight - Refreshments to follow the Inspection.
- Wed Apr-22** Lakeville Visiting Night

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