



Wadsworth Lodge # 25 F. & A.M. April, 2009 Trestle-Board

Lodge Calendar

April 3rd 6:00 PM Dinner 7:30 PM Stated Meeting

April 13th 7:00 PM Sparks Masonic Building Asso.

April 17th 7:30 PM First Degree (Practice to be announced)

Greetings from the East,

March was a very productive month for the Lodge. Brother Joseph Boetler was passed to a Fellow Craft on March 20th and we congratulate him on his advancement. He advised that he would be proving his Second at the earliest opportunity so that we can conduct a Master Mason Degree in the near future. Brother Buffington and Brother "Battery" Brown provided the Middle Chamber Lecture and the Charge in their usual excellent, outstanding manner.

Brother Trey Watts was found proficient in the Third Degree during the March 20th degree event and we congratulate him on the completion of his Master Mason Degree proficiency work.

The first "Golden Hammer" awards were presented to Bro. "Ducky" Anderson, Bro. John Bower and Bro. Will Wearne for their efforts in the maintenance and repair of the building. Their efforts literally saved the Lodge in excess of one thousand dollars in anticipated repairs. I know that there are other deserving brothers and I anticipate more presentations in the future. Thanks to all for their contributions in the maintenance, repair and upkeep of the Lodge facility.

April will be another busy month "kicking off" with the State Meeting, April 3rd at the appointed hour, 7:30 pm. There will be a special dinner at 6:00 pm consisting of a similar faire to that which one can experience while attending a professional baseball game. This is in honor of the commencement of the "Reno Aces" baseball program in their new Reno Stadium. Brother Patrick Higgins suggested the theme as the Lodge has come into possession of two tickets to the opening season game in April.

All brethren who attend Lodge that night will have a chance to win these two highly coveted tickets for this historic event. The name of each brother in attendance will be place in "the hat" and immediately after closing the lodge; the lucky winner's name will be drawn.

Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend the April State Meeting, as I will be in Tulsa, Oklahoma on a business trip. Senior Warden Will Wearne will conduct the meeting in my absence.

We will have a First Degree on Friday April 17th, @ 7:30 pm. Most Worshipful Grand Master David Martinez has provided excellent instruction and direction in the administration and conferring of the Entered Apprentice Degree. This is the Degree, above all others, where the performance of ritual should shine; practices will be announced.

The First Degree, from which the candidate experiences his introductory Masonic experience, should be a memorable event that leaves him with a lasting impression of excellence, friendship and brotherly love. The candidate(s) needs the support of all the brethren and we owe him the honor of an excellent turnout.

Junior Warden Patrick Higgins will conduct the degree and he has made a personal commitment to provide an excellent ritual experience for this event.

The Grand Masters Official Visit is scheduled for Friday, May 29th @ 7:30 pm. Having attended the GMOV in March at Ben Franklin #45 I was impressed with the excellent floor work and ritual which was presented. Several practices for this event will be scheduled as they have "set the bar" very high for our Lodge.

Due to a recent death in the family, that necessitated his presence in Oregon, Senior Warden Will Wearne was excused from his Trestle Board article for this edition. We sincerely wish him our sincerest condolences for his recent loss.

May I once again express my most humble appreciation for all of the officers and members of the Lodge from whom I have received selfless service, cooperation and fraternal support. It is truly an honor to have the association of such good and great brethren.

Fraternally From the East,
Howard L. Rigdon, Master



From the West,

Busy taking care of family affairs out of state.

William John Wearne IV
Senior Warden



From the South

Greetings from the South...

Great job to Wade from Reno Chapter of DeMolay for his presentation at last month's stated meeting.

Spring is upon us, and it is already time for our April Stated Meeting. To start it out, we have a couple of candidates ready for the first degree, Bernard Dowel and David Sultz. Congratulations to them both!

At our stated meeting, to continue Masonic youth appreciation, we will be having Selena La Rue, Grand Worthy Advisor in Nevada, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, and some of the girls from Sparks Assembly come visit us and speak about Nevada Rainbow. So come and hear her and the other girls as they are all great speakers. It is something you don't want to miss. I promise you will enjoy their presentation.

Our dinner for the stated meeting will be a bar-b-que to kick off spring. We will be having hamburgers, hot dogs, corn-on-the-cob, baked beans, and a terrific macaroni salad prepared by my wife.

With Spring comes the start of the baseball season, and we finally have a baseball team in Reno! Come to lodge and have a chance at winning two tickets to the Reno Ace's season opener.

We will have a great stated meeting! I can't wait to see you there.

Fraternally,
Patrick Higgins, Junior Warden



Affiliated Bodies

April 2nd 7:00 PM **Reno Chapter #7 RAM / Reno Council #4 CM**

April 8th & 22nd 7:00 PM, Sparks Assembly #3 Rainbow

April 9th 7:30 Reno Scottish Rite Monday Thursday observance 4th floor Reno Masonic Temple

April 10th & 24th 7:30 PM **Martha Chapter OES**

April Birthdays

Antonio Pastini	4 th	Thomas Widaman	7 th	William Branstetter, PM	8 th	Albert Codega	14 th
Kenneth Thurston	18 th	H Michael Reed	20 th	Dwight Wilson Gover	22 nd	Ronald Darlington	23 rd
Gary Hatlestad	28 th						

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