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Stated Communications: 1st & 3rd Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

Monthly Newsletter July 2010 – August 2010



FROM THE EAST

Brethren, our Feast of St. John the Baptist was a great success. How can we judge such a thing as this?

There was absolutely no food on the table when the night was over! Brotherly love prevailed with great conversation, smiles, and lots of feasting.

Remember, the Feast of St. John the Evangelist is only a few months away.

Guest nights on September 2nd and October 7th are almost here!

Now is the time to invite your guests to these special events.

These will be two big charity nights. On our first guest night the Shrine will receive a check for the Shreveport Shriner's Hospital. The Shriners will show up in full regalia with speeches.

St. James Masonic Lodge is continuing to be blessed with applicants for Masonry.

The degree teams are working diligently under the direction of our Senior Warden Brother Jim Robinson and our Trainer Brother Cal Elliot, P.M. Perfection is the goal we all work for in our degree work.

I look forward to seeing YOU and YOUR guests on both guest nights, from the East!

Masonry: making good men better!

Brother Timothy H. Atkins
Worshipful Master 2010

Message from our secretary:

"DUES are now OVERDUE!"

Consider a PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIP at twenty (20) times current annual dues. This may be paid over 5 years.

Keep OPEN MEETINGS in mind

Invite worthy guests!

It is NOT too early to *invite* a guest: 6:00/6:30 P.M

Sept 2, October 7 and Dec 2

RECENT EVENTS

Thursday, July 1 at 7:30 P.M. - Stated Communication - one Entered Apprentice degree was conferred.

Thursday, July 8 at 6:00 P.M. - SPECIAL Communication - two Entered Apprentice degrees were conferred.

Thursday, July 15 at 7:30 P.M. - Stated Communication - Feast fellowship recognizing St. John the Baptist Day on June 24. A good time was had by all in attendance.

Saturday, July 17 at 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. - Trinity Union Lodge BLOOD DRIVE at Oak Point Shopping Center at corner of Greenwell Springs & Sullivan Roads and in Central, LA.

Thursday, July 22 at 6:00 P.M. - SPECIAL Communication - Conferred one Entered Apprentice degree.

FUTURE EVENTS

Practice every Monday at 5:30 pm at the Lodge. All officers are hereby requested to practice.

Thursday, August 5 at 7:30 P.M. - Stated Communication - Confer one Fellow Craft degree.

Thursday, August 19 at 7:30 P.M. - Stated Communication - Possibly confer one Entered Apprentice degree.

-----END Casual Summer Attire-----

Sept. 2 Guest Night (Open/Meal 6:30 PM) Bring Many Guests!

Sept. 16 TBA

Oct. 7 Past Masters', Widows & 25/50 Yr. (Open/Meal 6:30PM)

Oct. 21 Tyler's Annual Report

Nov. 4 St. John the Evangelist & Election of 2011 Officers

Nov. 18 TBA

Dec. 2 Installation of 2011 Officers (Open/Meal 6:30PM)

Sickness and Relief

It was good to see W: Bro. Bill Zollinger back in the Lodge and recovered 110% from his second operation for cancer.

We are happy that Bro. Edison Frederick is at home, recovering well from his heart valve and pacemaker surgeries. W: Bro. David Dodge is at home and recovering rapidly from his knee replacement surgery. We expect to see him back soon in the Secretary's station.

Bro. Joe Cooper is home after a week in OLOL due to disabling blood clots in his legs.

Bro. Eddie Coleman's father continues to suffer the effects of the stroke. Pray for his dad's recovery. Eddie is also dealing with the recent loss of a 'best friend'. Pray for Eddie and his mom, that they maybe given strength and be able to provide care.

Fraternally,
JoeR P.M.

SORROW!

Bro. Edwin Doyle Lane went to his reward in the Celestial Lodge Above at 84 years of age on Thursday, July 1, 2010. He joined St. James Lodge in December 2004 from a Lodge in Littleton, CO. We miss him. Keep his wife Mary Jane and their four sons in your prayers.

Pray for Bro. Wendell Shiflett' family over the death of his wife Janice.

Bro. Howard Eugene Wright, Jr., Age 91, a 59 year member of Trinity Union Lodge died Tuesday June 29th in Baton Rouge, LA.

Bro. Mehmet Dicle's mother left for that house not made hands, eternal in the heavens. Kindly keep him and their family in your prayers.



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PLEASE notify our Secretary, W.Bro. David Dodge and W.Bro. Joe Richard
 whenever your address, email address or telephone number changes.

Other Masonic Events

Saturday, July 31 at 7:00 A.M. - Downtown & Istrouma York Rite Bodies Festival for Chapter and Council degrees.

Saturday, August 7 at 7:00 A.M. - Downtown & Istrouma York Rite Bodies Festival for Orders of Knights Templar.

Acacia Shrine meets at 6:00/7:00 PM every 3rd Wednesday at 7991 S. Commerce Ave.

Downtown York Rite Bodies meet regularly on the 1st Saturday of each month at 8:00 a.m. with breakfast at 7:30 a.m.

Scottish Rite Baton Rouge Valley meets on the 2nd Monday of each month, dinner at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM, at the Consistory on Florida Boulevard. The Advisory Council will meet at the Consistory at 6:00 P.M. on the 4th Monday of the month.

Livingston Certificate Association meets at 6:00 P.M with dinner, on the first Friday of each month at Hurd Merrill Lodge # 454 in Livingston, LA and Baton Rouge Certificate Association meets at 6:30 P.M. with dinner on the third Friday of each month at Trinity Union Lodge # 372.

Lodge of the Nine Muses #9, F&AM, meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. The meeting on Wednesday, August 11th will be a Stated Communication at 6:00 PM and will be held under special dispensation at the Camelot Club. If you are interested in visiting, contact one of the members for dress code and other details.

NOTICE

St. James Lodge is requested to donate Blood in the name of Trinity Union Lodge #372, since their bank was emptied for Bro. Fredrick. Donation may be made at any blood donation facility.

Masonry's light

is a beacon of light shining out from the darkness
 brightly shining for those who seek it
 and live by its teachings.

Symbolically it has tools to use for betterment,
 living on the square with everyone while travelling
 along the road of life.

When I lay down those tools at my death, it is my hope it will be said:
 "Well done, good job, good, honest, honorable brother, well done!"
 Ed Lane St. James Lodge 1/11/2007

Memories

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| Fond memories are those to be treasured | Bad ones are those to be forgotten. |
| Good ones are those to be remembered | Bad ones are those to be dismissed. |
| Joy is known when good ones are recalled | It's not there when on bad ones dwelled. |

Ed Lane 2/12/07

Masonry's Light

It would be so very well indeed, if more men and women could find their way to seek and find the wonderful light of Masonry. To seek and find, to understand the significance of the "LIGHT" would enhance the beauty of their lives as it has mine. I know without a doubt I am a better person having found the light of Masonry. I am inspired to do my best to live by the teachings of Masonry each day.
 Ed Lane 3/14/07 St. James Lodge

LIGHT OF MASONRY

Light of Masonry shine within you,
 like the light shines on the altar of the Lodge Room.
 May the strength and power of the light of Masonry be with you in all seasons
 ----thru the warmth of spring times,
 thru the heat of summers,
 thru the cold of winters.
 And, as you walk along the road of life,
 may you have a comforting,
 kind word for those you meet along the way.
 E. D. Lane 6/30/2008

Alas, Rest well! Brother Ed Lane, 6/24/1926-July 1, 2010
Well done, good job, good, honest, honorable brother , well done!
 I thank you for your contributions to the newsletter! -bz-

Your article could have been here. Submit articles to Bob Zinn, N5bz@cox.net