

October 2008

Message From the East

Hello Brethren:

As I stated in our last bulletin, we are "Looking for a few good Men" to assume officer positions in our Lodge. With Past Masters sitting now in just about all positions and no one to replace them, our Lodge is going to have to make some difficult decisions in the very near future. I have informed our "Future Planning Committee" to evaluate our options and make recommendations on where our future lies. I encourage you to please come to our next Stated Meeting and vote on your Officers for the 2008-2009 Masonic Year.

I am sorry to say that our Lodge has voted that this year was the last for our Annual Corn Roast. In the past few years, we have tried to breathe life into this event, but the time has come to end this event.

I would also like to thank all who helped make the spotlight shine on us this year, and boy, at times it was bright.

I know that this is a pretty solemn Message from the East, but we all see the writing on the wall. We all hope that we are wrong on the view of the Lodge's future, and that College Hill - Harry S. Johnson continues to be one of the Best...NO, THE BEST LODGE IN THE DISTRICT!

Always remember to replace yourself by bringing to light 1 or 2 friends you find worthy to keep our "World's Oldest Fraternity" prosperous.

Faternally,

W.M. Rich Dickerscheid

STATED MEETING-OCTOBER 2, 2008

After a dinner of Metts and Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Limburger, Onions, Rye Bread and Cookies, the W.M. opened a Lodge of EA in due form at 7:30 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country, he announced that this Lodge of EA was opened for the purpose of holding our October Stated Meeting. The usual business was conducted. A proposed amendment to Standing Resolution No. 7 was distributed and laid over to the November Stated Meeting. The Correspondence was read. The L.E.O., Brother **Harry Klein**, gave a report

on Pope Pius IX. Brother **Klein** examined Brother **Matthew Alan Long** and **Richard Alan Long** in the EA degree and the Lodge accepted the examinations. Dues were remitted on one Brother. The Budget for next year was distributed, discussed and laid over to the November Stated Meeting. The Lodge voted to discontinue the Corn Roast due to disappointing results. The Lodge voted to cancel the S.W.s Night ad in the FMDOA Roster. Whether there will be another one will be decided by the incoming S.W. The Master made changes in the Long Term Planning Committee and scheduled a meeting for Oct. 23rd. The Lodge elected Brother **Charles Short** to Honorary Membership. Mr. **Jason Preston Funk** was elected to receive the Three Degrees. A Scholarship was presented to W.B. **Donald Perry** for his granddaughter Christina Camardo. Two Fifty-Year Members and nine Past Masters were recognized and applauded. The Master set the Trestleboard and closed the Lodge in due form and harmony at 9:30 p.m. Eighteen members enjoyed the evening.

SPECIAL MEETING – September 18, 2008

After a meal of lasagna, salad and cake, the W.M. and the officers of CH-HSJ opened a Lodge of MM at 7:30 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country, the Master announced that this Lodge of MM was opened for the purpose of holding our Annual Senior Wardens' Night. Three Past District Deputy Grand Masters and four present District Deputy Grand Masters were admitted, introduced and accorded Grand Honors. The candidate for the evening was Brother **Ronald J. Bluestein**, J.W. of Avon-Miami Lodge No. 542. The officers for the First Section were: W.M. – **Matthew Rosensweet**, Avon-Miami 542; S.W. – **William Hunter**, Delhi Hills 775; J.W. – **Craig S. Simonton**, Mad-Mad 419; S.D. – **Gary D. Koester**, N.C. Harmony 2; J.D. – **Rodney G. Gibbons**, North Bend 346; S.S. **Sean T. Manhertz**, Mariemont 707; J.S. – **Arthur F. Birkemeyer**, Sharonville 204. For the Second Section, W.B. **Tony Dsuban** was K.S.; Brother **Gibbons** was the SGW; W.B. **Birkemeyer** was J.W.; the Chaplain was W.B. **Charles R. Hicks**; the S.D. was Brother **Danny Lutz**, McMakin 210;

the J.D. was W.B. **Gary D. Koester**, N.C. Harmony 2. Brother **Simonton** gave an excellent Lecture and Brother **Rosensweet** gave an excellent Charge. Brother **Harry Klein**, gave an LEO's report on the Chaining of the Hudson River, during the Revolutionary War. The Master thanked all who had attended and performed the work, especially the CH-HSJ Fellowcraft Team. Various announcements were made and comments were made by our Deputy, RWB **Robert Coster** who closed the Lodge in due form and harmony at 10:05 p.m. Sixteen members and twenty-one visitors enjoyed the evening.

WIVES' AND WIDOWS' NIGHT

Our Lodge held its annual Wives' and Widows' Night on September 26, 2008. After a dinner of Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Toast and Cookies, the Oola Kahn Prize Winning Band provided our Annual Concert. Twelve Band Members (two from CH-HSJ) rocked the Lodge with great selections. The officers present (W.M., Treas., Secy., Chaplain and Tyler) were given turns conducting the Band to the enjoyment of all. Nine members and nine Wives and Widows were in attendance, for a total of 28 enjoying the evening.

TRESTLEBOARD

Thursday October 9, 2008

**Visitation to Bradford Lodge, Kentucky
FC Degrees for Brothers Matthew Alan Long and
Richard Alan Long**

**Leave Lodge at 5:30 p.m. Call the W.M for
Transportation**

Thursday October 16, 2008

DARK (Grand Lodge)

Thursday, October 23, 2008

**Long Term Planning Committee Meeting
Dinner and Meeting 7:00 p.m.**

Thursday, October 30, 2008

DARK

Thursday, November 6, 2008

**Annual Meeting for the Election of Officers
Dinner 6:30 p.m. Meeting 7:30 p.m.**

FROM THE L.E.O.

De Witt Clinton, Democrat, Lawyer. 1798 New York State Assembly; 1802-03, N.Y. US Senator; 1803-07 Mayor of New York City, N. Y. 1817-23 N.Y. Lieutenant Governor; 1825-28 Governor of N.Y. His portrait appeared on the \$1,000 U.S. Note 1898-1905. Holland Lodge # 16, Holland, New York.

IN MEMORIAM

No deaths were reported this month.

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DUES

By now you should have received your dues notice/envelope and your dues card, if you have paid or are a senior or an endowed member. Please pay your dues in the next few days, if you can, as I am required to send notices out to those who have not paid by late October. This is very time consuming and an expense to the Lodge. If, due to health or financial concerns, you are not able to pay your dues, please let me know, as we do not want to suspend anyone. After all, this is what Brotherhood means. *Barrie*

CONTRIBUTIONS

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