

April 2014 Trestleboard



Brethren,
 The 638th Stated Communication of Ionic Lodge No. 31 A.F. & A.M. will be held in the Newport Masonic Temple on Thursday, **June 5th, 2014, at 7:30PM.** The reading of the minutes, reception of petitions, Masonic Birthdays, committee reports and all other business, as may lawfully be brought before the Lodge, will be transacted.

Dale T. Irwin P.M. Attest: Phillip E. Parke Sr.
 Worshipful Master Secretary

Brothers,

We are trying to get 100% of our dues into our secretary. As I am sure everyone knows, cost are rising and our income resources are declining. We need everyone to please get their dues up to date. Our net worth has been in the decline we must address this issue. Please get your dues in. If any has any difficulty, please contact me and we will do our best to help out.

Thank you for your support!

Masonic Birthdays - June 2014

Edward Abrams	42	Thomas Bullock Sr.	34
Vincent Cochran	4	Mark Cuomo.	16
Edward Darrah	29	Dennis Davis	48
Ronald Haas	48	Wm. F. Huxtable Jr. P.M	30
Lawrence Julian	6	Curtis Livermore	47
John McKenney Jr.	8	Ronald Nichols Sr.	4
Philip Parke	2	James Peterson	36
Daniel Saienni Sr.	8	Leslie Singleton	46
Harry Skinner III	2	Jonathan Skinner	2
Robert Spencer	60	Mark Warrington P.M.	18
Kevin Winter	19	D. Edward Wright P.M.	20
Thomas Wright	40	Richard Yoncokie	18

Message from the East

Brethren,

Our Masonic season is drawing to a close rapidly! We will be holding OPEN INSTALLATION of officers on Wednesday, June 25th, 2014 at the Newport Masonic Temple.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for the support and dedication you have shown. We had a very interesting year with a change in the majority of our officers coming unexpectedly in February. Since then we have held a major cleanup of the building and we have had some very nice programs.

I am pleased that we are including the Ladies and families in more of our activities. We have enjoyed some fine fellowship as we shared dinners together. The turnouts have been very good and I see the numbers increasing as we continue to move forward.

Let's look at some of our accomplishments.

1. 1. An open program with the Ladies in April with a large turnout
2. 2. A beautiful Necrology and Memorial Service Chaired by P.M. Chuck Simmermon. Thank you to Chuck and his team.
3. 3 The return of 'Bill's Bits' to our programs. Thank you Bill Calloway
4. 4. We have Entered 4 new candidates and read an additional 3 petitions to be balloted upon in June.

5. 5. The marked improvement in our Officers' performance and proficiency, thanks to the dedication and effort of P.M. Ed Wright and P.M. Dave Pudvan. Thank you Ed and Dave

I see our line getting stronger and more confident every week. Their hard work and effort can be easily seen.

Our Past Masters have been very active in the Lodge and deserve the credit for the progress we have seen.

In closing, I would like to say it has been an honor for me to work so closely with all of you again. I look forward to being active with the Lodge during the coming Masonic year and pledge my support whenever my Grand Lodge duties do not take me away.

Thank you all for your understanding during my short tenure as Worshipful Master.

Fraternally Yours

Dale T. Irwin P.M. J.G.W.

So mote it be

Program for June

Our June program will consist of the election of officers and the announcement of appointed officers. We will enjoy our traditional Strawberries and Ice Cream.

We will have dinner prior to the meeting at 6:30 P.M. this meeting will not be open as we have a heavy business schedule.

Please call Fred Palmer at 302-981-6202 with your dinner reservations. Please call Fred so we can have an accurate count for dinner. Dinner will be \$10.00

Upcoming Dates to Remember

June 5th, Thurs 7:30 P.M. - Stated Communication
 June 11th, Wed 7:00 P.M. - E.A. Degree (2) pending Ballot

June 18th - Wed 7:30 P.M. - E.A. Degree (2) pending Ballot (**Yes two nights of E.A.**)

June 25th - Wed. 7:00 - Open Installation of Officers Ladies and guest are invited

Sick and Visitation

Please contact **Brother Ben Deeble, PM**, Chairman of the Sick & Visitation Committee to report on the illness or needs of any member of Ionic Lodge. Ben can be reached at (302) 239-7150 or by email at conrady7@aol.com.

Ionic Past Masters

Emil H. Lawrence	1979	J.A. Sukeena	1980
Robert Bryant	1981	C.A. Walls	1983
Carl W. Morris	1986	Craig M. Cannon	1991
James T. Pratzner	1992	C.C. Simmermon, Jr.	1994
Jay C. Bergstrom	1995	W..David Pudvan	1996
D. Edward Wright	1998	Dale T. Irwin	1999
Mark S. Warrington	2000	Dale T. Irwin	2002
W. F. Huxtable Jr	2003	C.C. Simmermon, Jr	2004
James E. Duck*	2005	James E. Duck*	2006
Benjamin H. Deeble Jr.	2007	Robert W. Noble *	2008
Robert C. Wood	2009	Robert W. Noble *	2010
Robert W. Noble*	2011	Robert W. Noble *	2012

*- Suspended

Affiliated Past Masters

John C. Rayias 1998 – Brandywine No. 33
 William D. Johnson 2009 – Penns Grove – Excelsior No. 54, NJ

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