

Tidings from the East

Happy New Year to all! 2016 is here! I hope you had a and Merry Christmas too. It gives me Great Pleasure to announce that we have a full line of Officers this year I want to thank each and everyone of them and there Lady's for there support this year. Brethren if you haven't been to Lodge in a while come out and visit with us. We would really like to see you and know how you are doing.

Our stated meetings are still on the first Tuesday of the month. We'll have dinner at 6:00pm. The Executive meeting at 6:30 and the Stated meeting at 7:00, come join the fellowship. I'm planning several events this year, the first will be a Valentines dinner. All lodge members and there Lady's are invited, and the Lodge Widows will also be invited. February 12th.

Our first fundraiser dinner will be on April 2nd. We have a couple of projects started that I hope will be completed this year and I have some ideas to help get our Lodge better known by the people of Elwood who seem to not no who we are. If you have and ideas please let us now.

Fraternally,

Kevin Osborn, PM
Worshipful Master

Quincy Lodge Officers for 2016

On November 3rd, 2015, the attending brethren have duly elected the following persons to preside as Quincy Lodge Officers for the ensuing year, 2016.

Kevin Osborn, PM—Worshipful Master
Larry Warner, PM—Senior Warden
Dick Reynolds - Junior Warden
Karl Clouser, PM—Treasure
Guy Blanchard, PM—Senior Deacon
Jonathon Tyson—Junior Deacon
Mike Peterson—Senior Steward
Jim Marley—Junior Steward
Adam Fox—Chaplin
Ben Haskett—Tyler
Trustees - Bob Lair, Barry Clouser, Juan Garcia

We wish these officers the best of luck in continuing the traditions of the lodge while keeping it active and in touch with the community.

The Quincy Calendar

Tuesday, Jan 5th—Executive Committee & Stated Meeting: 6:30PM
Saturday, Jan 9th —Annual Grand Lodge Founders celebration: 9AM
Grand Lodge of Indiana, downtown Indianapolis.
Tuesday, Feb 2nd—Executive Committee & Stated Meeting: 6:30PM
Friday, Feb 12th—Ladies Valentines Day Dinner: 6:30PM
Tuesday, Mar 1st—Executive Committee & Stated Meeting: 6:30PM
Friday, Apr 1st —Lodge Fundraising Dinner
Saturday, May 28th—Memorial Day Breakfast: 8AM
Additional degrees and a Monthly Craft Practice Ritual work TBA

Executive Committee Program

Brethren,

For the past couple of months, Quincy Lodge has been participating in the Grand Lodge Executive Committee program and it has gone fairly well.

As a reminder, this program is designed to redirect some of the 'mundane' business such as paying bills, communications financial reports, etc to the executive committee (mostly lodge officers). This allows the actual Stated Meeting to be used for welcoming brethren and visitors to lodge, review lodge activities, membership development, masonic education and good of the order. Stated meeting will be shorter, faster, and hope to be more fun to visit brethren.

The Executive Committee Meeting will be held at 6:30PM on the First Tuesday of each month. Following the Executive Committee, the Stated Meeting will take place at 7:00PM. It is our hope to use the combination of the Executive Committee and the Stated Meeting to review the business of the lodge while adding some new energy for the brethren.

2016 Dues are now due

Brethren:

This is a friendly reminder that your 2016 lodge dues have now come past due. If you have not sent in your payment, please do so at this time. Your support thru dues is vital to keep the lodge moving forward. If you are experiencing financial hardship, please contact the lodge secretary.

Scholarship Packets Available

Brethren,

At the conclusion of the Grand Lodge Founder Day celebration on Saturday, January 9th, Quincy Lodge should be receiving Scholarship Packets for the Grand Lodge Scholarship program. The Scholarship is open to Master Masons, or the sons, daughters, adopted sons or daughters, stepsons or stepdaughters of a Master Mason in good standing in his Indiana Lodge, or from the orphaned child of a deceased Master Mason who departed this life in good standing holding membership in a Lodge in the State of Indiana.

Applications are available now thru March 1. Please contact the Lodge Secretary to obtain a scholarship packet. Visit the Indiana Grand Lodge website at: <http://www.indianafreemasons.com> for eligibility requirements and other details.

Ancient Masons

by William R. Fischer

"Ancient Masons," was the name assumed by a body of Masons who, in 1738 seceded from the regular or legal Grand Lodge of England. They did this because of changes the Institution made on the ritual work.

The Ancients called themselves "Ancient Free and Accepted Masons" and were the new Lodges. They practiced the old ritual work and condemned the Moderns, as they called them, for changes made in that work. The Moderns, were called "Free and accepted Masons" and were the old Lodges of England. They adopted the new style of ritual work formed by Anderson, Preston, and others.

These differences kept the two bodies apart to the extreme, that there would be both in the same community and sometimes, side by side. They would clam the same jurisdiction and argue over who was right and who was clandestine.

In 1813 the two bodies resolved their differences and joined hands, but the Lodges were spread through out the world, and particularly in America. They turned out to be impossible to align. Both are recognized by the Grand Lodge of England and both have the same rights and benefits which are accorded a legal Lodge of Master Masons. Although you will find the different Lodges in United States their jurisdictions are limited to each state. This is why we have:

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons—Ancient Free Masons - Free and Accepted Masons and on and on.

Memorial Walkway Project

Brethren, the construction of the Memorial Walkway has been completed. We have ordered several bricks and will be placing those in the walk-way by the end of the summer.

If you would like to purchase a memorial brick:

4" x 8" bricks are only **\$35.00**

8" x 8" bricks are just **\$50.00**.

Download order forms online at <http://www.quincylodge230.org>



Masonic Spotlight

Brother Robert Burns Scottish Poet and Lyricist

Robert Burns (25 January 1759 – 21 July 1796), also known as Rabbie Burns, the Bard of Ayrshire and various other names and epithets, [nb 1] was a Scottish poet and lyricist. He is widely regarded as the national poet of Scotland and is celebrated worldwide. He is the best known of the poets who have written in the Scots language, although much of his writing is also in English and a light Scots dialect, accessible to an audience beyond Scotland. He also wrote in standard English, and in these writings his political or civil commentary is often at its bluntest. He is credited for the poem, "Auld Lang Syne"

"Auld Lang Syne" is a Scots poem written by Robert Burns in 1788 and set to the tune of a traditional folk song (Roud # 6294). It is well known in many countries, especially in the English-speaking world, its traditional use being to bid farewell to the old year at the stroke of midnight. By extension, it is also sung at funerals, graduations and as a farewell or ending to other occasions. The international Boy Scout youth movement, in many countries, uses it to close jamborees and other functions.

Robert Burns was initiated into St David's Lodge No. 174, Scotland, Tarbolton, on 4 July 1781.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Robert_Burns

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