

## Tidings from the East

April is here. Flowers are starting to bloom and the grass is growing. I hope this letter finds you well.

Our spring fundraiser is coming soon. A dinner will be held on Friday, April 21st from 4 to 7 pm. Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, drink and desert are included. Prices are \$10 for adult, \$5 for kids 12 and under. Come out and enjoy the dinner and great fellowship.

Don't forget about our Dairy Queen fundraisers. They have helped us make donations to the Elwood Food Pantry, Elwood Animal Shelter, and to our own Angel Fund, which we use to buy items needed for the elementary school kids.

In March, we attended the Grand Master's Area Conference. In May, we will be attending the Grand Lodge Annual Communications, where we expect to receive the Grand Master's Award with High Distinction for our activities in 2016. We are making great progress toward another award next year.

The drainage ditch project is finally complete. Hopefully this will fix our moisture problems in the lodge room.

We will be having an Entered Apprentice Degree on Tuesday, April 25. The meal will be at 6:00 pm and the Degree work will begin at 7:00 pm.

As always, remember our meeting nights on the first Tuesday of each month (except in July). Come out for supper at 6:00 pm.

Fraternally, Kevin Osborn, WM

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### Quincy Lodge Officers for 2017

The following officers have been duly elected and installed as Quincy Lodge Officers for the current year.

Kevin Osborn, PM – Worshipful Master  
Rick Hoffmeister – Senior Warden  
Aaron Myrick – Junior Warden  
Karl Clouser, PM – Treasurer  
Barry Clouser, PM – Secretary  
Jonathon Tyson – Senior Deacon  
Shawn Ice – Junior Deacon  
Avery Schwinn – Senior Steward  
Jim Marley – Junior Steward  
Guy Blanchard – Chaplain  
Richard Reynolds – Tyler

## The Quincy Calendar 2017

**Tuesday, Apr. 4th**—Executive Committee & Stated Meeting: 6:30PM

**Friday April 21st**—*Spring Fundraiser Dinner: 4 to 7 PM*

**Tuesday April 25th**—*Entered Apprentice Degree: 6:00 PM*

**Tuesday, May 2nd**—Executive Committee & Stated Meeting: 6:30PM

**Saturday May 27th**—*Memorial Breakfast: 8:00 AM*

**Tuesday, Jun. 6th**—Executive Committee & Stated Meeting: 6:30PM

**Tuesday, Jul. 11th**—Executive Committee & Stated Meeting: 6:30PM

**Tuesday, Aug. 1st**—Executive Committee & Stated Meeting: 6:30PM

**Friday August 18th thru Sunday August 20th**—*Elwood Glass Festival*

**Saturday September 2nd**—*Fall Fundraiser Dinner: TBD*

**Saturday October 14th**—*Elwood Chili Cook-Off*

**Additional degrees and a Monthly Craft Practice Ritual work TBA.**  
**Check the local newspaper or our website for details.**

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### Executive Committee Program

Brethren,

Since October 2015, 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, reviewing Lodge activities, membership development, Masonic Education and good of the order. The Stated meeting will be shorter, faster, and hopefully more fun to visiting brethren.

We meet on the First Tuesday of each month, and our schedule looks like this:

6:00 PM – Small meal and fellowship

6:30 PM – Executive Committee Meeting (Dining Hall)

7:30 PM – Stated Meeting (Lodge Room)

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.

## 2017 Elwood Dairy Queen Fundraisers

Brethren:

As part of our fund-raising efforts, Quincy Lodge is teaming up with the Elwood Dairy Queen to hold fundraisers to benefit the Lodge or other community groups and projects.

On the day of each event, 15% of the Dairy Queen sales are given to the Lodge, which we then pass along or place into our funds. Join us at our next fundraiser to offer your assistance. It will be greatly appreciated.

April 6—to benefit the Quincy Angel Fund

June 1—to benefit the Elwood Animal Shelter

July 6—to benefit the Quincy Lodge General Fund

September 7—to benefit the Quincy Angel Fund

October 26—to benefit the Elwood Food Bank

December 7—to benefit the Elwood Animal Shelter

**All times are from 4pm to close**

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### From the Office of the Secretary

Brethren:

Going forward, I hope to take an opportunity in each newsletter to relay some information to you.

This month, I want to make sure that everyone is aware of the new website that Grand Lodge is rolling out that will allow each and every one of you to keep YOUR personal information more up to date. This will help in the Lodge's communications with you.

The URL for the new website is <https://members.indianafreemasons.com>. The first time you go to the site, you will click on the 'Create Your Account' button. The process will require that the system knows your existing email address (the email address that I have on file). If you don't have an email address or if I don't have your current email address, you will have to reach out to me for assistance in the process.

If you have any questions about this process or any questions about lodge, don't hesitate to reach out to me.

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## Memorial Walkway Project

Brethren, the construction of the Memorial Walkway has been completed. Look for your brick on your next visit to the lodge.

If you would like to add a brick to the memorial walkway:

**4" x 8"** bricks are only **\$35.00** (3 lines of text)

**8" x 8"** bricks are just **\$55.00** (5 lines of text)

Download order forms online at

<http://www.quincylodge230.org>



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## *The Quincy Visitor*

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