



The Trestle Board



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Commander—Joe Kindoll—DePayens Commandery #11

Brothers and Sisters,

I'd like to take a minute to thank everyone who participated in and supported our annual Knight sight due to the need for surgical treatment as well as funds for research in curing diseases of the eye. This year, thanks to your contributions and support of our event, DePayens Commandery #11 was able to contribute over \$1400 to this cause. I would like to personally thank the officers of the Commandery for their hard work in making this event successful, in particular Jim Howard, Jesse Riggs and Robert Peay. This has proven to be a successful event, and we will likely repeat it next year.

This Saturday, March 22, we will hold our annual Easter Observance in conjunction with the Lodge and the OES. This is always a special event, as it provides a great opportunity to enjoy the company of our Masonic widows, who are our guests of honor. Please join us this Saturday at 5:30pm for an excellent dinner, followed by a short Easter message.

Brothers, if you have not yet continued your Masonic education by joining the York Rite, I would like to invite you to do so. The degrees of the York Rite are both informative and thought-provoking, and compliment the craft degrees nicely. Petitions are available on the first floor of Hiram Lodge, or by contacting any of the York Rite officers. The Middle TN York Rite Association will be holding its spring festival this year on May 16 and 17 in Murfreesboro. This gives you the opportunity to receive the degrees of the Chapter, Council and Commandery over the course of two days.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Sir Knight John L. Palmer, Past Commander of DePayens Commandery #11. John has recently been hired to become the new editor of the Knight Templar Magazine that each of our members receives monthly from the Grand Encampment. It is a great honor for our Commandery to have one of our members producing this national publication.

Fraternally,
Joe Kindoll - Commander



Lodge Dates

- Mar. 22**—5:30 pm Widow's Easter Observance
- Mar. 26-27**-8:00 am Annual Grand Lodge-Nashville
7:15 am Stationed officers will meet at Hiram
- Apr. 7**—6:00pm Bicentennial Committee Meeting
- Apr. 10**—6:00pm Dinner
6:30pm Entered Apprentice Degree
- Apr. 12**—7:00pm Spring Hill #124
Blue Lodge Inspection
- Apr.21**—7:00 Stated Meeting

Shrine Dates

- Mar. 31**—7:45 am Shrine Potentate and Divan delivery for Paper Sale. Coffee & Donuts Served. Shriners and Brethren encouraged to attend.

York Rite Dates

- Mar.22**—5:30 pm Easter Observance
- Mar. 24-25**—Grand Chapter/Council
- Apr. 14**—Stated Meeting

OES Dates

- Mar. 22**—2:00pm Open Installation
- Mar. 22**—5:00 pm OES members to bring desserts & side dishes for Widow's Dinner
- Apr. 8**—7:30pm Stated Meeting
- Apr. 12-16**—Grand Chapter in
Jackson, TN

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Blue Lodge News

New Committees and Appointments – Worshipful Master has formed two new committees and appointments as follows:

Building Maintenance Committee – goals will be to maintain and improve various aspects of the building and grounds, such as landscaping, minor painting, interior and exterior clean up, past masters' picture project, various small decorating projects, etc. Appointees: Jim Howard, Jack Bledsoe, John Sylva and Craig Feldner.

Ritual Committee – goals will be to improve, expand and encourage participation by brethren in ritual work, moving brethren towards obtaining proficiency and, lecture cards. Appointees: James Newberry, David Moran, Larry Davis, and Craig Feldner.



Blue Lodge News-Continued

- The Williamson County Historical Society, chaired by our brother Bob Canaday, met at Hiram Lodge last Saturday. Presentation was given. 76 were in attendance and good time was had by all.
- Very special thanks to the Order of the Eastern Star on behalf of the Blue Lodge for their \$300 donation to the Building Trustee Fund. Also, a very special thanks to them for their \$200 contribution for printing and publishing costs of the newsletter.
- Hiram Lodge Officers and various brethren will be meeting at Spring Hill Lodge #124 on April 12th at 7:00 pm to support Spring Hill brethren in their annual Blue Lodge inspection. All brethren are encouraged to attend. Directions can be found on the Hiram website.

Eastern Star News



Open Installation of the 2008 Officers will be held on Saturday, March 22nd at 2:00 pm. All Masonic body members are invited to attend.

We had 9 officers and members attend the School of Instruction at Rock City in February. Eleven members earned their Proficiency Card, as well. Thanks to everyone for all their hard work this year!

Grand Chapter will be held in Jackson, TN on April 12th-April 16th. If you are interested in attending, please contact Janet Whaley, Secretary.