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"Each One Reach One, Each One Teach One"

Malachi Hornbuckle, Nevada High School



Malachi is the best math and science student that I have ever had. He has the ability to create deep, meaningful understanding.

Stephanie Gibbons, Hempstead High School Dubuque



She is a modest, empathetic young woman who throws herself into lives of those less fortunate than herself.

Grace Herring, Kennedy High School Cedar Rapids



She always strives to find out the entire story before making conclusions about events in her personal life, as well as her student life.

Levi Tuecke, Central Community High School Elkader



He continues to work hard and apply himself even when the task at hand causes him to struggle.

Jacob Townsley, Central DeWitt High School



He takes pride in himself, his school and his community.

Isabella Martinez, West High School Iowa City



In the time I've known her, I have seen that she is a passionate, kind, and hardworking student with high academic potential.

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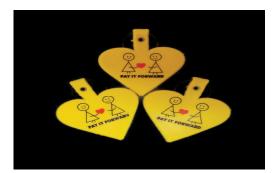
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Grand Master's Lady Project



Grand Master Dennis E. "Toby" Williams wife Nancy's project for the year is "Pay It Forward". Nancy, along with the wives of the Grand Lodge Officers will have Key Chains available for purchase at the low price of \$3 at any function that the Grand Lodge Officers are present. The proceeds raised from the sale of the Key Chains will be distributed to the Rowley Home and the Iowa Masonic Health Facility. Each facility will use the money to purchase I-Tunes cards for the patients with memory loss. If you would like to purchase a Key Chain, contact one of the ladies or if you would like to make a contribution to the Project, send it to the Grand Lodge of Iowa, PO Box 279, Cedar Rapids Iowa, 52406-0279.



2018 Regional Schools Board of Custodians

 Friday, June 22, 2018
 Astor Lodge
 No. 505, 15 1/2 S Clinton Street, Albia
 9:00 AM

 Saturday, June 23, 2018
 Star Lodge
 No. 115, 233 S State Street, Madrid
 8:00 AM

 Wednesday, July 11, 2018
 West Gate - Adelphic
 Lodge No. 509, 1141 69th St, Windsor Heights 5:30 PM

 Thursday, July 12, 2018
 Mount Nebo Lodge No. 297, 107218
 West High St, Avoca
 9:00 AM

 Saturday, August 25, 2018
 Adel Lodge No. 80, 411 S 12th Street, Adel
 9:00 AM



Regional School in Cedar Rapids

Grand Master's Message "Each One Reach One, Each One Teach One"

It's summer! I hope you are enjoying a fun and productive summer. Doing what is right even when nobody is looking is encouraged by every major religion that I am aware of. I believe it's human nature to do what you think is best for you personally. It's survival of the fittest. It is also an inherent tendency to take the easiest road, which is to conform to culture and not make waves in the way of society. As Masons, we ask our candidates, and ourselves, to go against human nature and the easiest path by encouraging them to think about more than just themselves but also to the well-being of those around them. We encourage them to think of a larger family's welfare, not just their own, and work for the well-being of others as well as for themselves. Encouraging them to do more. This requires effort and understanding on their part but also on ours.

As we begin each day we don't know exactly what we may encounter. All of us have entered our Fraternity with much the same uncertainty, wondering what may lie on the other side of that door that each of us knocked on for admission. When we petitioned our lodge, most of



us expected to experience something special, even if we weren't sure exactly what that might be. Today's candidates are no different. As Masons, we must accept the challenge to see that they are not disappointed. We must make each candidate's experience "something special."

A positive first impression is the key to starting any successful, long-term relationship. The opportunity to impress the candidate is not only the responsibility of those who recommend him, those who investigate him, and those conferring his degrees, but of the entire lodge.

One of the first interactions a man has with our Fraternity is the ritualistic portion of our degrees. It is of the highest importance that we confer the degrees in a dignified manner. More than just reciting the ritual to him, we have a valuable opportunity, as well as an obligation, to present the serious teachings of our Fraternity in the most memorable manner possible.

Our ritualistic ceremonies are the basis of our Masonic lodge. They set us apart from all other Fraternal organizations. However, simply experiencing them does not automatically make a man a Mason. We must cultivate our newly raised Brother rather than let him sit on the sideline. It is our responsibility to encourage our new Brother to pursue the most active status in our Fraternity that his circumstances will permit. He has asked for, and we have promised "further light" and we must see that he receives it. He may not know what is expected of him or the resources available to him, but he is looking for something special.

Following the Third Degree, our new member is often advised, "You will get out of Masonry what you put into it" or remind him that "We hope to see you at our next meeting." These may sound nice, but they are insufficient. We must be more assertive and emphatic in our approach. Contact each new member before every meeting. If transportation is an issue, offer to bring him to the lodge personally. Provide a welcoming atmosphere that the new Brother looks forward to.

An older Brother was asked why he attended all of the lodge meetings. His response was, "The more I go, the more I get. If I don't go, I don't get." Iowa, like many other states, has an unacceptably high attrition rate of membership. We must step in before a new Brother develops a habit of nonattendance by assisting him in his transition from the role of candidate to that of an active member.

Men, by nature seek out further knowledge and have a desire to improve themselves. Masonry is ideally positioned to fulfill that desire by offering knowledge, moral teachings and opportunities for self-improvement. We have failed if we don't help each of our new Brothers to find something in the Craft that appeals to their interests.

We need to stress to all of our members that they are an important part of our Masonic team, invite them to participate in the social as well as Fraternal functions of our lodges. We must inform them of non-ritualistic activities and make them aware of the many charities we support and the good work that our lodges are doing in their communities that might appeal to their interests. Being attentive and responsive to members' ideas and talents helps maximize involvement, which creates pride in their membership. This, in turn, will inspire our Brothers, new and old, to invite their acquaintances to join our Fraternity as we strive to make the world a better place. It's up to all of us to make lowa Masonry special!

The Iowa Masonic Golf Outing will be on July 27, at Terrace Hills Golf Course, 8700 NE 46th Ave, Altoona, Iowa. Put together your best foursome and come swing for the greens with your fellow Iowa Masons! Please look for more details in this Bulletin.

Our 174th annual Grand Lodge Communication will be here in a few months. It will be held on September 20-22, 2018 at the Holiday Inn Des Moines-Airport/Conference Center, 6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, Iowa. Please look for more details in this Bulletin.

The Grand Lodge annual communication is an important and serious part of Iowa Masonry. It is the obligation of every lodge, according to our by-laws, to have delegates in attendance. These men need to be prepared and ready to take their responsibilities seriously.

Have you and your lodge prepared for the upcoming Grand Lodge Session?

- Make plans to attend.

- Discuss with your lodge the proposed by-law changes and informed your delegates how you wish for them to vote on these changes.

- Make hotel reservations.

- Get your meal tickets ordered.

- If your Ladies are attending please let them know there are events planned for them.

I hope that every lodge will be represented this year and that all in attendance will enjoy themselves and take advantage of the many events offered during the session.

I will leave you with this quote:

"Some people are so busy preparing for a rainy day that they are missing out on today's sunshine." "Author Unknown"

Fraternally yours

Dennis Toby Williams

Dennis Toby Williams Grand Master of Masons in Iowa



Manchester Lodge No. 165 Tractor Ride August 25, 2018



Manchester Lodge No. 165 will host a Tractor Ride on Saturday August 25, 2018. Registration begins at 7:00 A.M. at the Delaware County Fairgrounds in Manchester. The Ride begins at 8:30 A.M. and travels south to Delhi, from there they will travel through Hartwick to Buck Creek and on to Hopkinton where they will have lunch. From Hopkinton they will travel to Buck Creek towards Ryan turning north to the Golden Congregational Church for another break, before returning to the fairgrounds. If you are interested in participating contact Scott Bishop at 563-927-4778 for registration or go to www.mwtractorrides.com.

Grand Lodge 2018 Ladies Programs in Des Moines



2018 will be the year of "Sisters helping Sisters" by "Paying it Forward". Two special projects are being undertaken. The First Lady is asking those who come to Grand Lodge to bring Personal Care Items, that will be directed to Beacon of Life, the only shelter in Des Moines providing women with transitional housing in a supportive services environment. Personal Care Items: may include small or trial size containers of shampoo, comb, lip balm, hand lotion, women's underwear (all sizes), socks (all sizes) and feminine hygiene products, etc. Supply as much as you can, remembering that lots of

women are being served. Shelters will always accept cash to buy necessary items.

She also encourages you to bring decorated Birthday Bags to help make a child's birthday nicer. Each bag (for either a boy or girl) should include: paper plates, napkins, birthday card, cake mix, frosting and one small gift item. These bags will be distributed to a local food pantry.

There will be a Silent Auction and Bake Sale. The money from this activity will go toward the lighting project for the Grand Lodge Library and Museums in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

If you cannot attend the Grand Lodge session, please send items with someone who is coming. If you need more information, contact Ladies' Chairman Kris Erickson (515-285-0880 or email: kristine.erickson77@gmail.com.

All activities for the ladies will be located in the Westview Room on the second floor of the Holiday Inn Des Moines Airport/Conference Center.

Wednesday, September 19

2:00 to 4:00 P.M.: Ladies Hospitality Room open to receive silent auction Items and baked goods.

Thursday, September 20

8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.: Ladies Hospitality Room open for registration, silent auction items and bake sale.

10:00 A.M.: - Program by Administrators of the Masonic Homes who will speak on the key chain project.

1:30 P.M.: Program by Beacon of Life. For 35 years, the Beacon of Life has been a guiding light for women in our community experiencing homelessness due to trauma, substance abuse, domestic violence and incarceration.

Friday, September 21

8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.: Ladies Hospitality Room will be open for registration, silent auction items and bake sale.

9:30 A.M Breakfast and Program. Jennifer Hirakawa is the owner of Kawa Farms. Kawa Farms dog trainers conduct adult dog and puppy training in your home. No matter what breed, age, or issue, Kawa Farms' natural, dog-friendly methods and proven effective, We Train using positive rewards and praise.

Saturday, September 22

8:00 A.M.: Ladies Hospitality Room Open

8:30 A.M.: Continental Breakfast hosted by the 2017-2018 Grand Lodge Ladies.



Grand Lodge of Iowa

174th Annual Communication September 20-22, 2018 Airport Holiday Inn Headquarters Hotel: 6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, Iowa 50321 Standard King or Double/Double – \$99.00/nightly plus tax To make your reservation: Masons - Grand Lodge

or call: 1-515-287-2400 (Please reference Masons - Grand Lodge of Iowa when calling).

Grand Lodge 2018 Meal Ticket Order Form

Thursday, September 20

Lunch – On your own								
Grand Masters Fellowship Banquet – 6:00 p.m.								
Parmesan Crusted Pork Loin \$37.00	Number	Cost						
Honey Garlic Chicken \$37.00	Number	Cost						
Friday, September 21								
Lunch – Hot Beef Sandwich								
Provided by the Iowa York Rite Bodies	Number	Cost Free						
Ladies Breakfast – \$20.00	Number	Cost						
All – Masonic Banquet – 6:00 p.m.								
Roast Beef \$37.00	Number	Cost						
Chicken Cordon Bleu \$37.00	Number	Cost						
Saturday, September 22								
Ladies Continental Breakfast	Number	Cost Free						
Masonic Breakfast								
Provided by the Iowa Scottish Rite Bodies	Number	Cost Free						
	Total Enclosed							
Please make checks payable to the Gran	d Lodge of Iowa							
Send to: Grand Lodge of Iowa								
Attention: Tickets								
PO Box 279, Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-0279								
Note: Reservation cut-off is Friday, September 1.	Reservations are	a must!						
No meal tickets will be available at Grand	Lodge Session							
Your tickets will be available for pick up at th	e credentials tabl	e.						
Name and Address: Please Print								
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A Tribute to Ralph A. Livermore By Raymond E. Clause P.G.M.



Ralph Livermore was a Mason's Mason. A man of high integrity, honor and dignity.

Ralph was born on October 31, 1932 in the Woodbury County Community of Anthon, Iowa. He graduated from Central High School in Sioux City and continued his education at the Midland Linotype School in Charles City, Iowa. Ralph served from 1952 to 1956 in the US Navy including a tour of duty in the Korean conflict. On his return to civilian life he worked in the printing trade in Onawa, Sioux City, Omaha and Council Bluffs before accepting employment with the Iowa Department of Transportation for 20 years before his retirement. On June 9, 1956, Brother Ralph and Miss Connie M. Warner were united in marriage for 60 years and were extremely proud of their four children, 11 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Ralph's theme in office as Grand Master for 1997-1998 was "Racing for Masonry". He felt every Mason in Iowa should picture himself strapped into a stock car and listening for those exciting words. "Gentlemen, start your engines for Masonry."

Ralph received his Three Degrees of Masonry in Vesper Lodge No. 223 in Onawa. He was initiated September 16, Passed on September 30 and raised a Master Mason on October 22, all in 1959. He served as Worshipful Master in Valley Lodge No. 232 in Missouri Valley, where he affiliated in 1981. Ralph served the Grand Lodge as Junior Grand Steward in 1979-80, Senior Grand Warden 1984-1985, the Committee on Division and Reference in 1985-1986. The Lodge Service Committee in 1986-1992. Visitors Committee 1992-1993, and Chairman of the Committee on Division and Reverence 1996-1997. In addition he proudly held District Lecturers Certificate No. 2800 and was a valued member of the Grand Lodge Speakers Bureau for years. Other Masonic affiliations included the York Rite Bodies, K.Y.C.H. in 1995 and Knight Commander of the Temple, Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S. of America 1996, Sioux City Consistory, A.A.S.R., K.C.C.H. 1991, 33° 1997. DeMolay Legion of Honor, Red Cross of Constantine, Iowa York Rite College, Iowa Research Lodge, Abu Bekr Shrine, Sioux City, Valley Chapter of O.E.S., Southwest Iowa M.I. – D.L. Club., Northwest Iowa M.I.-D.L. Club and honorary member of Acacia Fraternity at Morningside College in Sioux City.

Ralph and his Lady Connie were both members of the Missouri Valley United Methodist Church where Ralph was a Past Lay Leader and they both served on many committees for the church.

Ralph A. Livermore laid down his working tools on Tuesday April 3, 2018. The Masonic Service was given Friday April 6th at 6:00 pm at the Hennessey Funeral Home in Missouri Valley and the Christian Services were given Saturday April 7th at the United Methodist Church in Missouri Valley.

2018 Iowa Masonic Scholarships

Pictures of the sixty recipients of a 2018 Grand Lodge of Iowa \$2,000 Scholarship are shown throughout this issue of the "Bulletin." All quotes are taken from the recommendations of high school staff members that accompanied the student's applications.

Brother John C. Rothlisberger chairs the Scholarship Selection Committee that sorted through over 650 completed applications, and selected 70 applicants for interviews. From those interviewed sixty outstanding students were chosen to receive \$2,000 scholarships, and the other ten received \$1,000 scholarships. The interviews were held at the Iowa Masonic Library in Cedar Rapids, South Gate Lodge in Des Moines, Exodus Lodge in Exira, and Tyrrell Lodge in Waverly. The students and their parents learned about Masonry and its support of public education, including the scholarship program at each location. Since the program began in 1970, 2,365 scholarships totaling \$3,390,900 have been awarded.

Alexis Irlbeck, Harlan Community High School



She has the ability to wield her dedication and persistence until the problem is solved or goals are met. This young lady has the power to change the world.

Alexander Hodge, Kennedy High School Cedar Rapids



Alexander's success is due almost entirely to his tireless work ethic, dedication, self dicsipline and character.

Yiging Lan, Ames High School

Worked hard to learn English so she could contribute to class discussion. Overcame her fears and became a class leader.

Alexis Redshaw, Underwood High School



Believe Alexis to be one of the elite individuals at our school, both in the classroom and in our community as well.

Wesley Hanson, Union High School



Wesley aspires to excellence in everything he participates in.

Will Martin, West Branch High School



Will is a determined and growth oriented student who will take full advantage of the opportunities provided to him.

Grand Tyler Drew C. Mathias



Masons from most of the state gathered at Indianola to honor Grand Tyler Drew C. Mathias. Warren Lodge No. 53 hosted the reception. The Masons moved to the Lodge Hall for the receiving and introduction of Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers after Worshipful Master Brian Blakely had opened the lodge. Committeemen were Brothers Marvin D. Kendall and Mike Aubert. Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams was received and introduced with George Robinson and Mike Aubert as committeemen. Grand Tyler Drew C. Mathis was received and introduced with Brothers Richard Maynard and Mike Aubert as committeemen. Brother Mathias thanked everyone for being there and the Grand Master for selecting him to be a Grand Lodge Officer this year. The honored brother was in the East as the Grand Lodge Officers closed Warren Lodge No. 53.

While the masons were in the Lodge, the ladies were entertained with a talk about the National Balloon Museum presented by Jim Fromm. After the program was finished and the Lodge closed all moved to the dining room for dinner and a program. Pasta was on the menu for the evening from Hy-Vee Catering. Brother Drew was the Master of Ceremonies for the evening. His daughters presented Drew with a set of masonic cufflinks. Mike Shannon was the entertainment for the evening playing the bagpipes and talked about how much time it takes to learn to play them and the process. The evening concluded with the Grand Chaplain Wayne A. Wunschel giving the Benediction.

Brother Cameron Mathias First Degree

The Grand Lodge Officers traveled to Paul Revere Lodge No. 638 in Lucas to confer the Entered Apprentice Degree on Cameron Mathias. Cameron is the Grandson of Grand Tyler Drew C. Mathias. Worshipful Brother Drew was in the East for the conferral. Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams and Past Junior Grand Warden Terry E. Osborne gave the explanatory lecture.



Everyone enjoyed hamburgers and brats prior to the degree and a game of pitch might have been played.

Camp Courageous Omelet Breakfast



Camp Courageous is a year round recreational and respite care facility located south of Monticello for individuals with vision, mental, physical and other disabilities.

The mission of Camp Courageous is to provide exceptional year-round recreational and respite care opportunities for individuals with special needs and their families. The camp is run primarily on donations, giving all individuals the

opportunity to give through gifts of time, materials, money, and other means that support the camp. Each year it has a pair of major fund-raisers, an omelet breakfast the last Sunday of April and a pancake breakfast the last Sunday of September.

April 29th was a beautiful spring day as the Grand Master and his lady Nancy, the Grand Lodge Officers, their ladies, Worthy Grand Matron Ellen Knupp and Worthy Grand Patron Charlie Young, his lady Mary Jane, the Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star Officers and their companions all journeyed to Monticello to assist at the Annual Omelet Breakfast. They cooked omelets, served sausage and toast, provided drinks, cleared and reset tables and generally assisted as a crowd of over 3000 were served omelets from 7:00 am until Noon. It was a very successful and rewarding event that was enjoyed by all.

Emily LaRosa, West Delaware High School



Emily is one of those students you enjoy seeing on your roster because you know your class will benefit from her thoughtful contributions and positive attitude.

Jacob Wesselink, Linn-Mar High School



Koby is an inquisitive young man who loves to learn and is willing to put in the time and effort to excel. Sydney Illg, Johnston High School



Sydney's drive and effort to be successful is second to none.

Hannah Heit,

New Hampton High School

Isabelle Acheson, Valley High School West Des Moines



Driven and committed student.

Thomas Donovan, Carlisle High School



Undoubtedly, Tommy is one of the best and brightest students I have had the pleasure of teaching and coaching.



What sticks out the most to me about Hannah is her level of determination and desire to keep reaching higher.

Scholarship Thank You

Stephanie Gibbons – Thank you so much for this scholarship. It made my day... well, my year... when I received the award letter. I just wanted to express my gratitude for the scholarship that will greatly help me in funding my college education and for the opportunity to meet you at the interview in Waverly as well as learn more about what being a Mason is all about.

Catherine Ju – Thank you so much for the incredible honor and your generous scholarship. I am grateful to be selected as one of the individuals to receive this award, and am thankful to have organizations such as the Grand Lodge in the community who support students and their education.

Renee Reid, Newell-Fonda High School



Outstanding high achieving student. Excels in her courses and is dependable and courteous.

Riley Smith, Griswold High School



Riley is a very driven individual, who has big goals and dreams for the future.

Lily Paulsen, Linn-Mar High School



This young lady loves to learn and that is her focus every day.

Danielle Elliot, Tri-Center High School



Whether you talk to her peers, teachers or administrators, they will say the same thing; Danielle is a great individual who would do anything for anyone and always do her best.

Hannah Fisher, IKM-Manning High School



Hannah is a talented musician, but she is an even better role model.

Taylor Bahr, Lincoln High School Council Bluffs



I have known Taylor to be an inspiring problem solver, driven, and a compassionate person. Taylor is so patient and caring, willing to help anyone in need.

Scholarship Thank You

Joshua Bolen – Thank you so much for the financial assistance you have provided me. It will greatly help me pursue my career in healthcare and business. I thoroughly enjoyed my opportunity to both meet and learn about the Freemasons and their direction as an organization.

Gabriel Kjeldgaard – Thank you so much. I am planning to major in engineering at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. By awarding me this scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school: learning.

Andrew Macumber started a Masonic Tradition in Evening Star Lodge No.43.

Andrew Macumber lived 5 December, 1841---20 November, 1915. Andrew had three sons and one daughter On September 4, 1914, Brothers-in-Law Ora Macumber and Emory Victor Callison together petitioned Evening Star Lodge No. 43 at Winterset, Iowa for the Degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry.



On September 11, Ora Macumber and Emory Victor Callison were initiated as Entered Apprentices in Evening Star Lodge. On September 25, 1914, they were passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft in Evening Star Lodge No. 43. On October 9, 1914, they were raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in Evening Star Lodge.

The new Evening Star Lodge Building was dedicated on September

1, 1914 making these Brothers the first getting their degrees in the new building. Phillip Macumber was initiated on July 14, 1972 as an Entered Apprentice in Evening Star Lodge No. 43. Phillip was coached in the Entered Apprentice Proficiency Lecture by Wilbur Callison (1st. Cousin once removed) in Evening Star Lodge No. 43.

Phillip was passed to the degree of a Fellow Craft on January 12, 1973, with Kenneth Callison as Worshipful Master (Second Cousins) in Evening Star Lodge No. 43.

Phillip was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on April 7, 2018 in Evening Star Lodge No. 43. Phillip's Great Grandfather (Andrew Macumber), Grandfather (Ora Macumber), and himself are Brothers. Three of four generations are Masons and members of Evening Star Lodge No. 43.

Kenneth's Great Grandfather (Andrew Macumber), Grandfather (Emory Victor Callison), Father (Wilbur Callison), and himself are Brothers. A four generation Brother and members of Evening Star Lodge No. 43. Ken has two other Great Grandfathers known to be Masons. Emory Victor Callison married Mary Emily Macumber sister of Ora. Brother Trenton Johnson raised November 2017 took part in the 3rd for Phillip as did Ken. Brother Trenton Johnson is a 1st cousin 5 times removed to Andrew Macumber.

In other words, Trenton's 5th Great Grandfather was Phillip and Ken's 3rd Great Grandfather.

In the other Photo are Ken Callison on the left holding pictures of (L to R) his father Wilbur Callison and Grandfather Emory Victor Callison. Phillip Macumber

on the right holding a picture of his (and Ken's) Great Grandfather, Andrew Macumber and his Grandfather Ora.

Two additional stories are 1. Phillip did not know his Grandfather was a Brother until this night. Ken found the records in the Lodge archives and, 2. he and the two stewards found the large photo of Andrew in a storage closet covered in 100 years of dust.

Notice the Square and Compass lapel pin on Alexander, a veteran of the 4th. Iowa Cavalry (Civil War).

All of these brothers' family have a very special additional

bit of American history as they had several ancestors aboard the ship Mayflower in 1620 and the Macumbers were pioneer residents of Madison County, Iowa.

Senior Grand Steward Hollie F. Smith



Masons from across the state gathered at the Des Moines Scottish Rite to honor Senior Grand Steward Hollie F. Smith. West Gate - Adelphic Lodge No. 509, Moingona Lodge No. 633, and Daylight Lodge No. 660 hosted the reception.

The masons moved to the lodge hall for the receiving and introduction of Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers after Worshipful Master Doug Clabaugh had opened the lodge. Committeemen were Brothers Lee Leonard and Nate Kimmer. Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams was received and introduced with Eldon Walton and Lee Leonard as committeemen. Senior Grand Steward Smith was received and introduced with Brothers James Windsor III and Lee Leonard as committeemen. Brother Smith thanked everyone for being there and the Grand Master for selecting him to be a Grand Lodge Officer this year. The honored brother was in the East as the Grand Lodge

Officers closed Daylight Lodge No. 660.

While the masons were in the Lodge, the ladies were entertained with a talk about the History of the Scottish Rite Building presented by Shane Harshbarger. After the program was finished and the lodge closed all moved to the dining room for dinner and a program. Hollie prepared the firehouse rigatoni dinner for the evening. Grand Master Williams spoke about the many wonderful qualities of Hollie and how he is an important part of this year's Grand Lodge Family. The evening concluded with the Grand Chaplain Wayne A. Wunschel giving the Benediction.

Christopher Cannon Raised at Triangle Lodge No. 643

Triangle Lodge No. 643 in Sioux City hosted a Grand Lodge Reception and Third Degree for Brother Christopher Cannon. Following the Social Hour the masons enjoyed a Salisbury Steak Dinner prepared by Brother George J. Harrison.

Following dinner the masons moved to the lodge room where Worshipful Master Jared Knudsen opened lodge. Donald Wakefield was in the East for the First Section conferral, Brother Jeremy Owens was Senior Deacon, and Brother Dennis Boehmer gave the extended trowel lecture.

After the First Section, the Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers were received and introduced with Brothers George Harrison and Robert Mesmer as Senior and Junior Committeemen. Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams was received with Brothers George Harrison and Robert Mesmer as Senior and Junior Committeemen. The Grand Lodge Officers



conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Grand Master Williams in the East. Grand Chaplain Wayne A. Wunschel gave the Charge. Grand Master Williams presented Brother Cannon with his lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and other items. Brother Cannon thanked everyone for being there and being a part of his third degree.

Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master Kevin A. Nelson in the East.

Good Faith Lodge No. 235 Honors 50 Year Members



On January 6, 2018 Good Faith Lodge No. 235 in Winfield honored 50 Year Members, Gary Johnson and Ed Hudson. After a wonderful catered meal the 50 year pins and certificates were presented. Brothers Johnson and Hudson shared their memories of Masonry over the last 50 Years. In the photo (L to R): Senior Warden Jared Wolford, Gary Johnson, Ed Hudson, and Worshipful Master Mike Prior. Sara Divingzzo, Waukee High School



Being involved with so many different activities and groups, Sara is a fantastic student with a wonderful, giving personality.

Trevor Thornburg, Interstate 35 High School



Trevor sets a great example through appropriate participation, leading small groups, etc.

Jenna Tolle, Jesup High School



She has excellent time management skills and knows how to prioritize to accomplish the task at hand.

Claire Duncan, Anamosa High School



Claire's drive and work ethic have brought her much success in the classroom.

Atlantic High School

Cale Pellett,



Cale is a hard working individual that has many great characteristics such as honesty and integrity. He makes the people around him better.

Jade Paulsen, Linn-Mar High School



Jade is both very bright and quite motivated. She is a responsible student and is well respected for her leadership, service and character.

The Ashlar Award for New Masons

Have you just been raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason? If the answer is yes, you should take the time to work towards your Ashlar Award. You have fourteen months from the time you were Initiated to complete the requirements. Each Master Mason that completes the requirements has the opportunity to be chosen as the "New Mason of the Year." Take the time to get active in your lodge and help make it "the lodge you want it to be."

Catherine Ju, Iowa City West High School



Because Catherine is ambitious and always looking for ways to improve, I have no doubt she will make significant long-term impacts throughout her lifetime.

Daniel O'Hara, Linn-Mar High School



Daniel does things in a way that demonstrates thoughtfulness toward others, yet, he is uncompromising in avoiding things that are unhealthy and unethical.

Sadie Brockett, Gladbrook-Reinbeck High School



Sadie does not give up or try to find an easier way, but rather works to do it right the first time.

Sarah Garland, Calamus-Wheatland High School



She possess the positive qualities that are important to be successful in life. She is honest, sincere, and relates well with a variety of personalities.

David Lopez Sanders, Newton High School



David is a respectful, kind, and considerate to all. With the goals that he has set, I only envision a distinguished career in the future.

Paige Hurlburt, Sibley-Ocheyedan CSD



I thoroughly enjoy her sharp mind and willingness to be challenged and to challenge others in their thinking. Paige has a desire almost hunger - to learn.

Teacher of the Year

As masons we stand unswervingly for the protection and perpetuity of our public schools for they are the foundation of our countries greatness. Each Lodge should therefore recognize an outstanding teacher in their community. You may also nominate them for the Grand Lodge Teacher of the Year Award. The Public School Support Committee recognizes a teacher annually. Ask your local secretary for the nomination form.

Corry Johnston Raised at Osceola Lodge No. 77

Members of Osceola Lodge No. 77 held a third degree for Brother Corry Johnston on Tuesday April 10. The Brothers gathered together in the dining hall for a pot roast supper provided by Ron Harper. Following dinner, the masons then moved to the lodge room where Worshipful Master George Williamson

opened lodge. Worshipful Brother Williamson was in the East for the first section conferral, and Worshipful Brother Ron Harper was Senior Deacon. Right Worshipful Brother Richard L. Martin gave the extended Trowel Lecture.

After a brief break, the Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers were introduced and received with brothers Terry Jacobsen and Ron Harper as Committeemen. The Grand Master was introduced

and received with Ron Harper and Terry Jacobsen as Committeemen. The Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Grand Master Williams in the East. Grand Secretary Craig L. Davis gave the Charge. Grand Master Williams presented Brother Johnston with his lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and other items. Brother Johnston thanked everyone for being there and being a part of his degree.



Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master Kevin A. Nelson in the East.

Joint Reception for Deputy Grand Secretary Darrell G. Fremont and Grand Marshal Brian L. Ahrens

It was a beautiful day across the great state of Iowa as masons traveled to Madrid to attend a reception



hosted by Star Lodge No. 115 and Operative Lodge No. 308 for Deputy Grand Secretary Darrell G. Fremont and Grand Marshal Brian L. Ahrens. The social hour was hosted by members at Snus Hill Winery.

The Masons then moved to the Lodge Hall following the social hour where Star Lodge No. 115 was opened by Worshipful Master Benjamin R. Badgley. Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers were introduced and received with Brothers Steve Neff and Kevin Griggs as Committeemen. Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams was received and introduced with Brothers D. Dean Johnson and Jim Trotter as Committeemen. Brothers Craig L. Davis and Arthur G. Crandon served as Committeemen as Deputy Grand Secretary Fremont was introduced and received. Brothers

Steve Neff and Kevin Griggs served as committeemen as Brother Ahrens was introduced and received. Brother Darrell thanked the brothers that had been

important on his Masonic journey. Brother Brian also thanked those who have served as his mentors throughout his Masonic journey. The ladies enjoyed entertainment at Snus Hill Winery.

The masons joined their ladies at Snus Hill Winery where Benjamin Badgley served as Master of Ceremonies. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful sampler smoked meats dinner catered by Hickory Park. The Grand Master introduced the Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Master's and their ladies in attendance. Darrell and Brian each thanked the Grand Master for the appointment and both Star and Operative Lodges for being shining examples of Masonry in Iowa. Grand Chaplain Wayne A. Wunshcel gave the benediction.



Emma Kelchen, Bellevue High School



Emma is a great student, and outstanding citizen and has been involved in many activities in our school and community.

Gabriel Kjeldgaar, Lewis Central High School Council Bluffs



Gabe's service to others is also uncommon. I have observed first hand Gabe's compassion for his fellow students and the countless hours he has devoted to helping others in need.

Gizzy Keeler, Chariton High School



Because of her attitude and work ethic, Gizzy does well in everything she does.

Hannah Schmitt, South Winnesheik High School



Hannah is the type of student that is always striving to give her best. Taking the "easy way out" is not something this student allows herself to do.

Jackson Birdie, Dallas Center-Grimes High School



I have known few students with the maturity and kindness Jackson shows. His peers look to him for leadership and support while the staff holds him in high esteem. Hannah Sacora, Washington High School Cedar Rapids



Hannah is an attentive learner and diligent worker. She is among the most dependable and responsible students I teach.

Who Composes the Grand Lodge?

Sometimes when I travel I hear someone say "The Grand Lodge said..." My next question to them is, who is the Grand Lodge? All too often I receive the incorrect answer. The answer is: each of its Officer's, each past elected Grand Lodge Officer while a member of one of its subordinate lodges, each member of each of its Boards and Standing committees, the Master and the Wardens of each of its Chartered Lodges.

Danielle Schuman, Maquoketa Valley High School



Danielle is a person with high character, positive attitude, and strong organizational skills.

Caleb Lines, Nashua Plainfield High School



Caleb's leadership skills have been a great asset to our school and community.

Kathryn Mc Carthy, East High School Sioux City



Kathryn has an incredible work ethic and is always willing to take on additional tasks and responsibilities.

Kalei Bock, Boone High School



Intellectually gifted and socially adept.

Tate Lobeck, Madrid High School



Tate is a quality young man who has a strong work ethic. He understands the value of communication skills and treating others respectfully.

Jessica Hicks, South Central Calhoun High School



With her work ethic, her ability to manage her time and her "people skills", Jessica will be very successful in her life pursuits.

Where's The Grand Master of Iowa? Look for him on Facebook. #iowamasons

Grand Lodge of Iowa Education Conference 2018



Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams welcomed the crowd of masons to the Annual Grand Lodge of lowa Education Conference for 2018. Terry E. Osborne was the Master of Ceremonies for the day, after the Pledge to the Flag our Grand Chaplain Wayne A. Wunshcel gave the invocation. The first speaker of the day was Chandler Gordon, Past International Master Councilor for the International Order of DeMolay from Tempe, Arizona. Chandler talked about "Generation Z" and their perception of social media, webpages and what we need to be doing to attract their generation. Daniel Hrinko author of the book "Craft Driven Lodges" was the next speaker and spoke about

Meaningful Lodge Experiences, Powerful Ritual, and forging strong fraternal bonds through education.

Chad Simpson from the Grand Lodge of Ohio and a past recipient of a Grand Lodge Scholarship was our speaker just prior to lunch. Chad talked about "From Profane to Master Mason, Raising an Active Member."

Jordan Yelinek Director of Membership Services at the Grand Lodge of California was the speaker following lunch. Jordan's talked about "New and Renewed Lodges Freemasonry in the 21st Century."

Robert Davis brought everything together in his talk about "It is Time to Cross the Rubicon." At the conclusion of the presentations, the presenters assembled for a panel discussion. This was a little different as the speakers turned the questions towards the participants and ask them what they were going to take with them from the conference.

We would like to acknowledge everyone that attended the conference and everyone behind the scenes to make this conference a success. Special thanks to the Masonic Charitable Education Corporation, Des Moines Scottish Rite, and Grand Lodge Staff.

Dan Michaelsen Raised at Star Lodge No. 115

Brothers of Star Lodge No. 115 held a third degree for Brother Dan Michaelsen. The brothers gathered together in the dining hall for a delicious meal of smoked meats, cheesy potatoes and baked beans by Brother Joseph Clark's competition team.

The masons then moved to the lodge room where Worshipful Master Brother Benjamin Badgley opened lodge. Worshipful Brother Brian L. Ahrens, Grand Marshal was in the East for the First Section conferral, and Loren Heckathorn was Senior Deacon.

After a brief break, Right Worshipful Brother Darrell G. Fremont Deputy Grand Secretary introduced the Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers. The Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Deputy Grand Master Kevin A. Nelson in the East. Grand Tyler, Drew C. Mathias gave the Charge. Deputy Grand Master Nelson presented Brother Michaelsen with his lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and a masonic ball cap. Brother Michaelsen thanked everyone for being there and being a part of his degree.

Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master Kevin A. Nelson in the East.



Elizabeth Wessels, Nevada High School



Person of high integrity. "...one of the best of the best high school students..."

Ellie Mendlik, Denison High School



Demonstrates positive personal attributes and a critical thinker.

Daniel Johanningmeier, Union High School



Daniel does not shy away from hard work; he is a student who continues to strive to better himself for the benefit of the world and community around him.

Madison Newton, Murray Community School



Madison has already had a great deal of success and I have no doubt Madison will have continued success through college and into her future in nursing.

Marshall Curnes, Clarke Community High School



Marshall has the temperament, the drive, and the skills to accomplish anything he sets his mind to.

Madolyn Clark, Clarinda High School



Shown amazing drive to improve herself as a student and athlete. She turned into a wonderful leader becoming someone the younger students can look up to.



Katherine Sturmer, North High School Davenport



Katie would give of herself and help others when they don't understand. Overall, she has all the tools to be successful in whatever she puts her mind to.

Joahua Bolen, Clinton High School



Joshua has high moral character, as well as an exceptional work ethic.

Kendra Offerman, West Delaware High School



Kendra stands out due to her fearlessness.

Kianna Lechtenberg, Centerville High School



Most of all, Kianna is a wonderful student to work with and her personality is infectious.

Joshua Hutton, Muscatine High School



Joshua has a very strong academic record and work ethic.

Kirsten Loynachan, Linn-Mar High School



Kirsten is a top student, one of the most talented musicians to ever perform at Linn-Mar, and a person of high character and integrity.

When Can I Visit the Grand Lodge Library and Museums

The Grand Lodge of Iowa Library and Museums are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to Noon and 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. If you have a group that would like a tour on a Saturday please contact William Kreuger 319-365-1438 to find out his availability.

Brother Wilber L Hubbard Presented 75 Year Award

On September 9, 2017, six brothers from Grove Lodge No. 492 in Marne assembled in Council Bluffs to present Brother Wilber L Hubbard his 75 year membership certificate. Joining them were Wilber's son Neal from Lilydale, Minnesota, Marjorie Frisbie, Linda and Dennis Heflin.

Brother Hubbard received his masonic degrees in Agate Lodge No. 423 in Neola in 1942. Entered Apprentice-June 5th, Fellowcraft-July 31st, & Master Mason-August 13th. He affiliated with Amber Lodge No. 569 in Quick on December 7, 1989 (Pearl Harbor Day), and later Grove Lodge No. 492 in Marne on June 2, 1992. Shortly after he entered the US Army on August 26, 1942 serving with the 7th Field Artillery Division with duty in the South Pacific. He recalled receiving a letter from Grand Master F.L. Van Hoesen thanking him for his service and encouraging him to keep true to his masonic ties and seek out masonic opportunities with others while serving his country. Brother Hubbard farmed and celebrated his 98th birthday earlier this year. He shared with the group that his masonic lineage scans six generations on his father's side with early membership held in



Pennsylvania and also on his mother's side with membership traced back to Illinois.

Alan Cranston, secretary, presented Brother Hubbard with his framed certificate from the members of Grove Lodge and summarized the information on the certificate. Dennis Heflin, Lodge Service Committee member, presented him with a current Grand Master's lapel pin and shared the meaning of the design.

Brother Hubbard expressed his appreciation and thanked all who attended and taking time to share in this memorable day.

Junior Grand Deacon Roy L. Schulze

It was a beautiful day across the state of Iowa as masons traveled to Belle Plaine to attend a reception hosted by Hope Lodge No. 175 for Junior Grand Deacon Roy L. Schulze. The social hour was hosted by his lady Denise.

The masons then moved to the lodge hall following the social hour where Hope Lodge No. 175 was opened by Worshipful Master John Brandt. Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers were introduced and received with Brothers Aaron Kinser and Robert Miller as Committeemen. Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams was received and introduced with Brothers Aaron Kinser and Bruce Robinson as Committeemen. Brothers Glenn Mc Bride and Jim Burns served as Committeemen as Junior Grand Deacon Roy L. Schulze was introduced and received. Brother Schulze thanked everyone for coming and then presided in the East as the Grand Lodge Officers closed Hope Lodge No. 175.



The ladies enjoyed a program presented by kids from Kazakhstan and Brazil.

The masons joined their ladies in the dining hall where John Brandt served as Master of Ceremonies. The Grand Master introduced the Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters and their ladies in attendance. Roy thanked the Grand Master for the appointment and talked about the many influential people in his life. Grand Chaplain Wayne A. Wunschel gave the Benediction.

John M. Klaus Installed as Grand Musician



Right Worshipful Brother John M. Klaus, P.G.T., was re-installed as Grand Musician of the Grand Lodge of Iowa on April 10 by Past Grand Master Craig L. Davis and Deputy Grand Secretary Darrell G. Fremont served as Installing Marshal. The installation took place at Osceola Lodge No. 77 in Osceola. Brother Klaus had previously served as Grand Musician for the 2002-03, 2011-12, 2013-14, 2014-15 year and Grand Treasurer in 2010-11.

Shawn Garrington Raised at Black Hawk Lodge No. 65

Black Hawk Lodge No. 65 in Cedar Falls hosted a Grand Lodge Reception and Third Degree for Brother Shawn Garrington. Following the Social Hour the masons moved to the lodge room where Worshipful Master Curt McCollum opened lodge and Deputy Grand Master Kevin A. Nelson was in the East for the First Section conferral, and Kaleb Zimmerman was Senior Deacon. The masons moved to the dining room for a wonderful roast beef dinner prepared by Randals.

The masons returned to the lodge room where the Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers were received and introduced with Brothers Duane Nottger and Jon Laity as Senior and Junior Committeemen. Grand Master Williams was received with Brothers Duane Nottger and Jon Laity as Senior and



Junior Committeemen. The Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Grand Master Williams in the East. Senior Grand Deacon Charles A. Rodrigues gave the Charge. Brother Duane Nottger preformed the Bible lecture. Grand Master Williams presented Brother Garrington with his lapel pin, a masonic cap, and other items. Brother Garrington thanked everyone for being there and being a part of his degree.

Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Past Grand Master Paul H. Wieck in the East, Past Grand Master Kenneth A. Hurmence was in the West and Past Junior Grand Warden Terry E. Osborne was in the South, these three brothers served the Grand Lodge as Officers in 1995.

Junior Grand Steward Michael E. Root

It was a beautiful day on April 28, 2018 as masons gathered in Decorah to honor Junior Grand



Steward Michael E. Root. Great Lights Lodge No. 181 hosted the reception.

The lodge hosted a social hour with meat snacks and cheese, tea and coffee.

The masons moved to the lodge hall for the receiving and introduction of Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers after Past Master Jon Sommermeyer had opened the lodge. Committeemen were Brothers Steven L. Riley and Chris Mc Cartney. Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams was received and introduced with Kenneth A. Hurmence and Eric J. Sommermeyer as committeemen. Junior Grand Steward Root was received and introduce with Brothers Kelly Root and Chris McCartney as committeemen. The honored brother was in the East as the Grand Lodge Officers closed Great Lights Lodge No. 181.

While the masons were in the lodge, the ladies were entertained with a

talk about the Fung Shui presented by Elaine Felton. After the program was finished and the lodge closed all moved to the dining room for a smoked pork chop dinner with home-made cheesecake and a program. Brother Root thanked everyone for being there and the Grand Master for selecting him to be a Grand Lodge Officer this year. The evening concluded with the Grand Chaplain Wayne A. Wunschel giving the Benediction.

Chod Cremer Recognized

Chod Cremer is finally retiring from driving the veteran's van when taking other veterans to their medical appointments. Wapello County Veterans' Affair Director Terry Bradley recognized the Master Mason's 18 years of service driving the van. Chod transported 200 veterans over 50,000 miles while making 295 out of town trips to Des Moines, Iowa City, and Knoxville, sometimes making more than one visit on a given day. His modest, efficient, and under the radar demeanor impressed the director. Chod told Bradley that it was a privilege to help so many veterans. Well done, Chod! Chod has been a Master Mason since 1966.

Lauren Hartman, Southeast Warren High School



No matter how the day has gone for her, Lauren is always positive and personable with students and staff.

Matthew Bohan, Marshalltown High School



Outstanding young man, self disciplined, leader - ability to motivate.

Magdalena Dale, Mount Vernon High School



I have complete confidence that Maggie will excel in whatever she sets herself to do. She has the intelligence, patience, humor and work ethic for success.

Joe Hakim Raised at Great Lights Lodge No. 181

Great Lights Lodge No. 181 in Decorah hosted a Grand Lodge reception and Third Degree for Brother Joe Hakim. Following the Social Hour the masons moved to the lodge room where Right Worshipful Brother Eric J. Sommermeyer opened lodge and was in the East

for the First Section conferral, and Worshipful Brother Michael E. Root was Senior Deacon.

The masons moved to the dining room for a wonderful smoked pork dinner prepared by Brother Dave Dunlavy.

The masons returned to the lodge room where the Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers were received and introduced with Brothers Brian Town and Jeff Boeke as Senior and Junior Committeemen. Grand Master Williams was received with Brothers Brian Town and Jeff Boeke as Senior and Junior Committeemen. The Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Grand Master Williams in the East. Grand Chaplain Wayne A. Wunschel gave the Charge. Grand Master Williams presented Brother Hakim with his lapel pin, a masonic cap, and other items. Brother Hakim thanked everyone for being there and being a part of his degree.



Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master Kevin A. Nelson in the East.

Joint Officer Brunch

Officers of the Grand Lodge of Iowa and their ladies assembled with the officers of Grand Chapter of Iowa Order of the Eastern Star and their companions for brunch at the Triple Crown Buffet at Prairie Meadows in Altoona on March 4. Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams and Worthy Grand Matron Ellen Knupp shared their programs and goals for the year. The brunch was a great opportunity to get better acquainted and fellowship while enjoying a wonderful meal.

Magi Jones, Shenandoah High School



Magi has demostrated the ability to set goals and apply generous amount of time to achieve them.

McKenzie Friedman, North Polk High School



McKenzie is a kind, caring, and generous young lady who gives freely of her time and talents.

Meghan Ryan, West Burlington High School



Meghan is an elite student in terms of integrity, interpersonal skills, and authenticity.

Stephan Baggengstoss Raised at Za Ga Zig Shrine

West Gate-Adelphic Lodge No. 509 in Windsor Heights hosted a Grand Lodge reception and Third Degree at the Za-Ga-Zig Shrine Temple in Altoona for Brother Stephan Baggengstoss. Following the Social Hour the masons moved to the lodge room where Worshipful Master Douglas Clabaugh opened lodge. Bryce B. Hildreth was in the East for the First Section

conferral, and Brother Larry Smith was Senior Deacon.

The masons moved to the dining room for a cavatelli dinner.

The masons returned to the lodge room where the Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers were received and introduced with Brothers Scott Neil and Travis Finch as Senior and Junior Committeemen. Grand Master Williams was received with Brothers Bryce B. Hildreth and Travis Finch as Senior and Junior Committeemen. The Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Grand Master Williams in the East. Grand Chaplain Wayne A. Wunschel gave the Charge. Grand Master Williams presented Brother Baggengstoss with his lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and other items. Brother Baggengstoss thanked everyone for being there and told everyone that he had not had a real male influence in his life and no biological brothers, but now he has thousands of brothers and has found what has been missing in his life. He promptly received a standing ovation for his comments.

Potentate E.J. Coon introduced his Divan officers and presented the Grand Master Williams with his Fez.



Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master Kevin A. Nelson in the East.

Mercedes Hendricks, Urbandale High School



Mercedes has always shown a pleasant, positive attitude even when things were tough or did not go the way they were planned.

Johnathan Issa, Linn-Mar High School



I appreciate Johnathan's passion for his own education and his willingness to pursue different options to have educational opportunities.

Skylar Fisher, Tri-County Community High School



Skyler is quick with a kind word for anyone who needs it. She is comfortable in her own skin and makes people around her comfortable too.

Landmark Lodge No. 103 Remembers Long time Member By Adrian A. Cordovi, Junior Deacon



Landmark Lodge No. 103 mourns the loss of Brother Ev Waller on January 19th, followed by his dear wife, Virginia, who joined him in heaven on February 6, 2018. Brother Ev was raised to the degree of a Master Mason on July 25, 1952.

Brother Ev, a U.S. Army Vietnam Veteran and retired Lieutenant-Colonel, had a deep booming command voice, used as Chaplain, that a generation of masons will remember. I almost jumped to attention every time he pronounced "Behold!"

He and Virginia welcomed me and my wife to both the community, and the Lodge. Virginia had a gentle way of teaching us budgeting, hospitality, communication and how a couple complements each other. Talk about mentoring!

Ev stepped in as Worshipful Master after serving many years as Chaplain. Ev belonged to Research Lodge and presented at the International Masonic Conference years ago. He donated a small library to our Lodge and to individual members.

The Waller's made such a difference in our community, sponsoring a scholarship at their church, showing their support of Israel, and actively participating in so many organizations: Eastern Star, Scottish Rite, Midwest Agricultural Chemicals Association and to Virginia's membership in the Philanthropic Education Organization.

Tyrrell Lodge No. 116 Host Scholarship Night

On May 2, 2018 Tyrrell Lodge No. 116 held its annual dinner and scholarship awards night at the Masonic Temple in Waverly. There were 30 people present and Mike Schmitz gave a short program on Masonry, then handed out six \$1,000.00 scholarships from Tyrrell Lodge and two \$2,000.00 scholarships from the Grand Lodge of Iowa to students that will go on to higher education. We wish them well in all their future endeavors. The Recipients are from (L to R) front row: Eamonn McCullough, Hannah Heit, Bethann Tolnai, Sydney Schwartz. Backrow: Kaylie Yanda, Mike Schmitz Past Master, Caleb Lines, Cael Michael Negen. The two students that received the Grand Lodge scholarships are: Hannah Heit and Caleb Lines.



Veritas Lodge No. 392, 50 Year Presentation

On March 4th, 69 masons and friends gathered together to honor Brother Clark Kauffman with his



50 Year Certificate in Masonry. The event was held at the Old Park Hotel, dining area of Veritas Lodge No. 392 in Audubon. Masons from Exira, Atlantic, Council Bluffs, Irwin and Audubon also honored 14 Masonic Widows, 17 Past Masters, and 8 Fifty Year Members.

The program for the evening was given by Deputy Nate Tibbits and his K-9 partner Axel, about the various duties of the K-9 Program and the training and care of Axel.

A delicious meal was prepared and served by the members of the Eastern Star Exodus Chapter No. 313 in Exira.

Ronald Steverson Raised at Early Morning Lodge No. 672

Brothers of Early Morning Lodge No. 672 held a Third Degree for Brother Ronald Steverson. The brothers gathered together in the dining hall of Snow Lodge No. 44 in LeClaire. The temple in Bettendorf is currently undergoing some construction and the brothers from Snow Lodge No. 44 were willing to share their temple for the evening for this important occasion.

The masons then moved to the lodge room where Worshipful Master Brother Bill Matthews opened

lodge. Right Worshipful Brother Realff H. Ottesen, Past Junior Grand Warden was in the East for the First Section conferral, and Right Worshipful Brother Dennis Soebbing, Past Junior Grand Warden was Senior Deacon. Worshipful Brother Monte L. Harris Past Grand Tyler gave the extended trowel lecture.

The masons moved back to the dining hall for a wonderful chicken pot pie and homemade berry crisp dinner.

Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams was received in the East and Grand Secretary Craig L. Davis introduced the Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers. The Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Grand Master Williams in the East. Grand Musician John M. Klaus gave the Charge. Grand Master Williams presented Brother Steverson with his lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and a masonic ball cap. Brother Steverson thanked everyone for being there and being a part of his degree.



Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master Kevin A. Nelson in the East.

Rowley Home Visit



Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams and the 2017-2018 Grand Lodge Officers and their ladies traveled to the Rowley Home in Perry, Iowa on March 3rd. Kate Klimesh and her staff welcomed them with open arms and a hearty brunch prepared by the kitchen staff at the home. Kate introduced the Rowley Board of Directors and her staff. Grand Master Williams made introduction's of the Officers and their ladies. Michael Fletcher Chairman of the Rowley Board made a donation to the Grand Master's lady Nancy's fundraising effort for this year. The

Grand Master's lady Nancy then made a presentation to the Memory Care Unit for the purpose of purchasing I-Tunes cards for the members of the community. After the program, tours of the new facility were given to the Grand Lodge Officers and their ladies.

Larry Snyder Raised at Veritas Lodge No. 392

Brothers of Veritas Lodge No. 392 held a third degree for Larry Snyder. The brothers gathered together in the dining hall for a soup, sandwich supper.

The masons then moved to the lodge room where Worshipful Brother Ron Mullenger opened lodge and A. Lyle Miller conferred in the East for the First Section with Ron Mullenger as Senior Deacon.

After a brief break, Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams was conducted to the East and received the private Grand Honors of Masonry. The Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Grand Master Williams in the East. Grand Chaplain Wayne A. Wunschel gave the Charge. Grand Master Williams presented Brother Snyder with his lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and a masonic ball cap. Brother Snyder thanked everyone for being there and being a part of his degree.



Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master Kevin A. Nelson in the East.



Rick Mc Campbell a Hall of Famer

Right Worshipful Brother Rick Mc Campbell Past Junior Grand Warden "Rick the Rock" missed the York Rite Festival in Des Moines this spring, because he had played in a band named "Festival" 45 years ago. Rick was inducted into the South Dakota Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. He said, "It may only be South Dakota, but it was still an interesting experience." He even spent an hour signing autographs, "It was mind-boggling since they had no idea who I was." The next time you stop by the Hall of Fame in Sioux Falls, you can find his picture on the wall.

Golden Rule Lodge No. 24 Recognizes Jessica Kirk as its Teacher of the Year

Golden Rule Lodge No. 24 in Rochester, recognized Jessica Kirk as its Teacher of the Year for the 2017-2018 on April 12, 2018. Jessica is a third grade Teacher at Tipton Elementary School, which was recently designated as a "Blue Ribbon School."



Conference of Grand Masters in North America

The 2018 North American Conference of Grand Masters was held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in



Indianapolis, Indiana on February 19-21. The Conference was a mixture of business meetings and breakout sessions on a variety of topics. Grand Master Dennis Toby Williams, Terry E. Osborne, William R. Crawford and Elaine Crawford represented lowa during the business meetings at the conference. Some of the breakout sessions included: Millennial Apprentices, The Next Revolution in Masonry, The Reality of Lodge Finances, Generational Differences and Expectations, and Membership Retention.

The Conference will be held in Rapid City, South Dakota in 2019.

Conference of Grand Secretaries of North America

The Conference of Grand Secretaries in North America was held in Indianapolis, Indiana on February 19-21, 2018 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Monday, the opening ceremonies were held.

Topics of discussion for the day were Freemasonry in Mexico. Breakout sessions: What are the positive changes that have improved Grand Lodge Office performance and what negatives are affecting the office performance? Indentifing membership incompatibility issue trends reaching Grand Lodge? What are the differences between a Grand Secretaries Office and a Manager/ Administrator? Lodge Building fire safety standards and lodge coverage and officer liability coverage? The day concluded with a presentation from the Northern Scottish Rite Jurisdiction "Not



Just a Man-A Mason." Tuesday morning was the Frank S. Land Breakfast hosted by Shrine Imperial and DeMolay International. The topics for Tuesday were: Lodge Safety and Security, Cornerstone Project, and several reports from other jurisdictions. The conference was loaded with many topics and great fellowship.

Robert D. Sornson Recognized

Veritas Lodge No. 392 of Audubon, Iowa recognizes Robert Dean Sornson for his many years of

dedication and service. Robert (Bob) entered Masonry on January 30, 1975, passed on March 12, 1984 and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason on April 13. 1984. Bob was a member of York Rite from 1984 to 2012. Bob became a Za-Ga-Zig Shriner in 1984 and is still active in the Nishna Valley Shrine. He has driven the Pacer parade cars for many years and was Area Coordinator in 2000.



Bob has done the maintenance and financial bookwork of the lodge and its' facilities for over 20 years. Bob took the lead on a major remodeling of the lodge in 1995-1998 completely redoing the lodge room, installing a modern kitchen, and moving walls to make room for the present dining area. At meetings you will find Bob organizing lunch and making coffee. He helps serve meals and is always the last to leave after lunch clean-up.

Bob has awarded our yearly Masonic scholarships at our local high school for many years and is a main contact person with the community for lodge charitable community work.

Outside of the lodge Bob has served on many government, civic, church boards and committees.

Bob Sornson's dedication, support of Masonry and Veritas Lodge No. 392 is greatly appreciated. We are very proud and fortunate to have him as a friend and brother.



2018 ALL IOWA MASONIC GOLF OUTING Sponsorship Opportunity

July 27th Altoona Terrace Hills Golf Course, 8700 NE 46th Avenue, Altoona, 50009

() Green Jacket Sponsor - \$1,200.00 Includes: Golf for four, green fees, lunch, welcome banner at the registration area, display table at the registration area, hole sponsor, sign on the course and your logo in our social media blasts.

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 Women's Longest Drive
 Closest to the Pin
 Longest Putt

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2018 ALL MASONIC GOLF OUTING!

All Proceeds from the golf outing will be donated to: Iowa Masonic Library and Museums Outside Lighting Project

JOIN US: The Golf event will be a scramble. There are openings for (36) 4-person teams. If you don't have a full team we will find a team for you. Registration will be taken on a first come first serve basis. To Reserve Your Spot - Advance payment is requested. Please make all checks payable to the Grand Lodge of Iowa.

When: Friday, July 27, 2018 Cost: \$70.00 per Golfer

Where: Terrace Hills Golf Course 8700 NE 46th Ave Altoona, IA 50009 Phone (515) 967-5426

Schedule:

7:30 AM - 8:15 AM - Registration 8:30 AM - Shot Gun Start 12:30 PM - Lunch and Awards Fees Include: Green Fees, Carts, Practice Putting and Chipping Green, Lunch and Prize's for Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin and Longest Putt

Please Print Names:

Golf Team

Name and Phone # of contact person _

Please mail checks and registration forms to: Bill Dayton 1614 Old 6 Rd., Brooklyn, Iowa 52211

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50 - Year Certificates Issued Since The March 2018 "Bulletin" Congratulations to the following brothers who earned their Certificates.

Brothers are shown by lodge.

	Lodge			Lodge				Lodge	
No.	Town	Name	No.	Town	Name	No.	Town	Name	
1	Burlington	Hurd, Morris C	91	Corydon	Perkins, Leroy F	407	Altoona	Edwards, Larry E	
1	Burlington	Hayes, Jack H	91	Corydon	McGraw, Rex E	471	Holstein	Hurd, Morris C	
2	Muscatine	Merritt, Jon M	96	Kalona	Netherton, Darrell L	478	Rockwell City	Fouts, Harlan K	
2	Muscatine	Adams, Everett W	100	Clinton	Vandenhul, Marinus	522	Creston	Mosman, Donald W	
11	Tipton	Walters, Robert H	103	Sioux City	Lawrence, Harold K	548	Hiawatha	Jones, Glen D	
15	Fairfield	Zihlman, Ronald G	103	Sioux City	Teach, Frederic M	569	Quick	Caldwell, Charles B	
26	Washington	Jarvis, Yale H	108	Marshalltown	Wagner, Allen C	577	West Des Moines	Payne, Jack W	
29	Keokuk	Ludwig, James C	115	Madrid	Wisecup, Ronald E	584	Bussey	Evans, Kenneth M	
37	Davenport	Wallace, Wayne R	125	Dubuque	Hibben, Russell L	584	Bussey	Clark, Wendell L	
37	Davenport	Hartman, Sterling H	125	Dubuque	Happ, Robert E	592	Des Moines	Colvin, Ronals E	
37	Davenport	McCubbin, Guy	145	Mason City	Mott, Russell V	615	Sioux City	Wingert, Franklin J	
42	Centerville	Sells, Warren F	156	Bedford	Nally, David E	616	Stanwood	Butler, James C	
42	Centerville	Underwood, James W	175	Belle Plaine	Arduser, Richard E	626	Bettendorf	Teter, Norman K	
43	Winterset	Motsinger, Gaylord W	191	Hampton	Wolfe, Kenton A	628	Norwalk	Berry, Cecil D	
43	Winterset	Belden, James E	204	Postville	Kups, Kenneth E	630	Des Moines	Wion, Lester J	
55	Pella	Danks, James R	223	Onawa	Burgess, Kenneth W	630	Des Moines	Olgren, Gerald N	
58	Glenwood	Boyer, Clifford E	232	Missouri Valley	Lee, Terry R	632	Des Moines	Anderson, Carroll G	
58	Glenwood	McLain, Leo D	263	Cedar Rapids	Jacobson, William C	632	Des Moines	Williams, Robert L	
59	Newton	Hickman, James E	266	Northwood	Bakken, Gerald L	633	Windsor Heights	Wicklund, Richard A	
62	Vinton	Fry, Edward A	275	Corning	Smith, Marvin E	654	Des Moines	Langdon, Richard G	
62	Vinton	Werner, David A	275	Corning	Spencer, Norvin D	660	Des Moines	Mickey, Jack L	
67	Colesburg	Holtaus, Arthur H	315	Saint Charles	Cunningham, Thomas D	662	Sioux City	Karnatz, Ronald G	
71	Council Bluffs	Clawson, Charles C	325	Clarion	Olsen, Steven M	662	Sioux City	Paulson, Stephen L	
71	Council Bluffs	Marshall, Edward E	334	Grundy Center	Norris, Wayne E	662	Sioux City	Robeson, Gary L	
77	Osceola	Simmons, Jerry H	335	Carson	Henningsen, Daryl A	675	Davenport	Zahrt, Dennis M	
81	Shellsburg	Carbaugh, John E	374	Oelwein	Carson, Roger C	681	Cedar Rapids	Jacobson, William C	