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2020 Regional Schools

Tuesday, March 17, 2020 Waterloo Lodge No. 105, 607 Bishop Avenue, Waterloo.....5:30 P.M.

Wednesday, April 22, 2020 Mount Pleasant Lodge No. 8, 206 N. Main St.....9:00 A.M.

Thursday, April 23, 2020 Newton Lodge No. 59, 208 1st Ave W, Newton.....9:00 A.M.

Wednesday, May 13, 2020 Osceola Lodge No. 77, 100 S Park St.....9:00 A.M.

Thursday, May 14, 2020 Mirza Lodge No. 609, 505 W Mulberry St, Ogden.....9:00 A.M.

Thursday, June 18, 2020 West Union Lodge No. 69, 132 S Vine St, West Union.....5:30 P.M.

Wednesday, June 24, 2020 Morningside Lodge No. 615, 4110 Morningside Ave.....5:30 P.M.

Wednesday, July 15, 2020 Signet Lodge No. 264, 2002 Highway 71, Carroll.....9:00 A.M.

Thursday, July 16, 2020 Star Lodge No. 115, 233 S State St, Madrid.....9:00 A.M.

Saturday, August 29, 2020 Adel Lodge No. 80, 411 S 12th St, Adel.....9:00 A.M.

Monday, September 7, 2020 Ottumwa Lodge No. 16, 611 E Pennsylvania Ave.....9:00 A.M.

Thursday, September 17, 2020 Grand Lodge School, Sioux City.....8:00 A.M.

2020 Secretaries Conferences

Thursday, January 2, 2020 Olive Branch Lodge No. 21, 102 1/2 E Main St, Agency.....6:30 P.M.

Friday, January 3, 2020 Bellevue Lodge No. 51, 206 N Riverview St, Bellevue.....6:30 P.M.

Tuesday, January 7, 2020 Solomon Lodge No. 594, 634 Bush St, Lamont.....6:30 P.M.

Wednesday, January 8, 2020 West Gate - Adelphic Lodge No. 509, 1141 69th St, Windsor Heights.....6:30 P.M.

Thursday, January 9, 2020 Grace Lodge No. 519, 323 W Main St, Laurens.....6:30 P.M.

Saturday, January 11, 2020 Coral Lodge No. 335, 405 High St, Carson.....10:00 A.M.

Monday, January 13, 2020 Triangle Lodge No. 643, 3100 41st St, Sioux City.....6:30 P.M.

Wednesday, January 15, 2020 Morning Star Lodge No. 159, 120 N Wilson Ave, Jefferson.....6:30 P.M.

Thursday, January 16, 2020 Faith Lodge No. 179, 121 1/2 Fillmore St, Mount Ayr.....6:30 P.M.

Saturday, January 18, 2020 Benevolence Lodge No. 145, 304 1st St SE, Mason City.....10:00 A.M.

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 Grand Lodge of Iowa, 813 1st Ave SE, Cedar Rapids.....6:30 P.M.

Thursday, January 23 2020 Des Moines Lodge No. 1, 401 N 5th St, Burlington.....6:30 P.M.

Grand Master's Message
"Celebrate our Past, Embrace our Future"

Dear Brothers,

Thank you for the honor of serving the Iowa Masons as Grand Master for 2019-2020. It is a very humbling experience.

When I was Raised, wearing the Purple of the Fraternity was the farthest thing in my mind. Then in 1998, M.W. Brother Raymond E. Clause appointed me as Junior Grand Deacon. Then through a combination of events, I was appointed Grand Secretary in March of 1999. It was a fifteen year ride of serving the Masons of Iowa. There are many wonderful memories and a great number of Masonic friends that I have because of that service. Now being elected your Grand Master is something that I will always cherish.

My theme for this year is "Celebrate our Past, Embrace our Future." Last year Iowa Masonry celebrated its 175th anniversary. M.W. Brother Terry E. Osborne and his officers held several special events to commemorate this milestone concluding with a Rededication of the Grand Lodge. All our lodges have a past. I am encouraging each lodge to either write their history, or update it, and then presenting it to the Iowa Masonic Library. There are many special and unique items in each lodge's past, and to lose them would be a shame. Interesting tidbits can be found in the past, so make it a fun time and celebrate your lodge's past.

While our past is important, we cannot go back to yesterday. We need to look ahead and embrace our future. One of the changes taking place is the use of the Grand View System for keeping lodge records. In addition to the lodge secretary keeping records on it, each Iowa Mason can have access to their membership portal. For more information on it, please contact the Grand Secretary's Office.

Over the last several years important work has been done on the outside of the Iowa Masonic Library and Museums building. A new front entrance to allow for handicap accessibility was installed. Then new outdoor lighting for both security and beauty were added. Thank you to the brothers for their support of these projects. They are examples of "Embracing our Future."

Now, we need to work together to preserve some of our literary collection that because of age, wear and tear, etc. need to be rebound to protect them for future generations. A "simple" rebinding will cost from \$250 to \$350 per book, while a more detailed, elaborate one can range from \$1,200 to \$1,500 per book. Your support of the label program will make a difference in that area and will make progress in preserving the collection. I have been asked if a lodge or individual can sponsor the rebinding of a specific book and yes that is an option. Please contact the Grand Secretary's office about picking a book and then receive recognition for their contribution with a bookplate in the book.

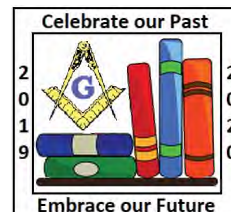
Each Mason is encouraged to read a book this year and write a report on it. Share the report with your lodge brothers as an educational program. Books can be checked out of the Iowa Masonic Library, with postage paid for both ways thanks to a grant from the Iowa Masonic Library Association. All are encouraged to take advantage of this incredible asset. This is your Masonic Library and it is open for you to visit and/or use. It is open Monday thru Friday 8 to 5 and by appointment at other times.

Again, thank you for the honor of serving you as Grand Master. I hope to meet many of you in our travels this year.

Fraternally and Sincerely,

William R. Crawford

William R. Crawford
Grand Master of Masons in Iowa



“Be A Mason” 175th Annual Communication in Cedar Rapids

Grand Master Terry E. Osborne traveled the State of Iowa and beyond spreading his theme for the year “Be A Mason”. The year concluded with the 175th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa at the DoubleTree in Cedar Rapids on September 19-21, 2019.



Grand Lodge School of Instruction

The Annual Grand Lodge School of Instruction was held with two MI-DL Schools and one Craft School under the direction of the Board of Custodians on Thursday, September 19. The 26 departed District Lecturers and Masonic Instructors were included in the Necrology Service during the Friday morning session.



Charter from Des Moines Lodge No. 1



Altar from Anamosa Lodge No. 46



Banner for Iowa City Lodge No. 4

Thursday Night Program

The Grand Master's Fellowship Banquet began with the Introduction of Grand Lodge Officers and their Ladies and a Welcome from Master of Ceremonies Jeremy J. Myers. Councilman Scott Overland welcomed everyone to Cedar Rapids and wished them a successful session. Deputy Grand Master William W. Post gave the response. Grand Chaplain Timothy D. Bonney gave the invocation. Masonic Youth Leaders brought greetings from their organizations. Grand Worthy Advisor Bryndle Rademacher, Honored Queen Samantha Harman and State Master Councilor Jacob Gimmy spoke on behalf of Rainbow, Job's Daughters and DeMolay respectively. Grand Matron Jean Koss brought greetings from the Order of the Eastern Star. Mark A. Cline announced the Teacher of the Year Recipient Stephanie Risius from Bettendorf. Eddie N. Sauls Chairman of the Joint Cooperation Committee and Grand Master Osborne presented the T.S. Parvin Award to Robert C. Pedrick from Celestial Lodge No. 413 in Douds.



T.S. Parvin Award Winner
Robert C. Pedrick



Grand Master's Banquet



Teacher of the Year
Stephanie Risius

Business of the Grand Lodge

Grand Master Terry E. Osborne opened the 175th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa on Friday, September 20 at 8:30 A.M. The Grand Master gave his report to the Craft in addition to the other reports that were given throughout the morning session. Grand Chaplain Timothy D. Bonney conducted the Necrology Service remembering the Past Grand Lodge Officers, District Lecturers and Masonic Instructors who had passed during the 2018-2019 year. Several visiting dignitaries were given the opportunity to bring greetings to the Craft.

Election of the 2019-2020 Grand Lodge Officers was the first order of business after lunch. The Grand Master's Award was given to Clinton Lodge No. 15 at Fairfield. Worshipful Master David J. Thebodo accepted the award.

The 16 lodges that earned the Lodge of the Year Award were recognized with Gnemeth Lodge No. 577 at West Des Moines receiving the Gold Award; Osceola Lodge No. 77 at Osceola receiving the Silver Award; and Cobia Lodge No. 631 in Council Bluffs receiving the Bronze Award. 62 Lodges were recognized as recipients of the Plus One Award and Cobia Lodge No. 631 in Council Bluffs was recognized as the lodge with the largest net gain. The 17 Master Builder Award and 26 Ashlar Award recipients were recognized with Brother Austin P. Anderson of Mount Nebo Lodge No. 297 at Avoca being named New Mason of the Year.

Following the Awards presentations Lanny R. Sander, Past Grand Master of Oklahoma and Executive Board member of the Masonic Service Association of North America presented Grand Master Osborne a plaque acknowledging him as Grand Master of Masons in Iowa and congratulating him on his service to Freemasonry.



Visiting Grand and Past Grand Masters



Arthur G. Crandon receives recognition for his years of service to the Board of Custodians of the Work



Visiting Dignitaries

All Masonic Banquet and Public Installation

The All-Masonic Banquet was held on Friday evening, with the winners of the silent auction items being announced. The 2019-2020 Grand Lodge Officers were installed with Paul H. Wieck, P.G.M. as Installing Grand Master; Charles D. Yates, P.G.M. as Installing Grand Marshal; Grand Marshal Robert M. Litwiller as Assistant Installing Grand Marshal; Eric A. Rozeboom, P.G.M. as Installing Grand Chaplain; Dennis R. Heflin P.J.G.W. as Installing Grand Secretary; and John M. Klaus, Past Grand Treasurer as Installing Musician.

The 2019-2020 Grand Lodge Officers Installed were:

Grand Master, William R. Crawford – Glidden
Senior Grand Warden, Richard L. Humphrey – Clarinda
Junior Grand Warden, A. Lyle Miller – Manilla
Grand Treasurer, Arthur W. Pixler – Fenton
Grand Secretary, Craig L. Davis – West Des Moines
Deputy Grand Master, Harvey N. Woody – Ankeny
Grand Chaplain, Floyd E. Brown – Bloomfield
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Grand Marshal, Jeremy C. Long – Altoona
Senior Grand Deacon, Guy J. Mc Causland – Camanche
Junior Grand Deacon, John M. Bartunek – Avoca
Senior Grand Steward, Roman A. Redig – Alta
Junior Grand Steward, Lynn A. Broughton – Bettendorf
Grand Tyler, James D. Musal – Ames
Grand Musician, Antonio B. Collins – Davenport



Grand Master William R. Crawford
and his lady Elaine



Past Grand Master
Paul H. Wieck



Roman A. Redig and Lynn A. Broughton Installed
as Senior and Junior Grand Stewards

A reception was held after the Installation for the newly installed Grand Lodge Officers by Past Grand Master Terry E. Osborne and the Grand Lodge Officers

Saturday morning began with a breakfast sponsored by the Scottish Rite Foundation.

Grand Lodge resumed labor at 8:30 A.M. with the first order of business being the Craft approving the 2019-2020 Budget. Most Worshipful Brother Arthur G. Crandon gave a "Break In Session" on New Masonic Instructors and District Lecturers and the changes in proficiency.

There was no proposed legislation this year.

Grand Lodge was closed in Ample Form at 10:35 A.M.

Silent Auction – Live Auction – Bake Sale SUCCESS!

From Tammy Van Horses-Post

Thank you to everyone who bid on the auction items and purchased the yummy baked and home canned goods during Grand Lodge! Even if you weren't the successful bidder – you still helped make it a HUGE SUCCESS. If you did get to take home one (or more) of the donated items – THANK YOU. The baked and canned goods were enjoyed by many, and we enjoyed baking them for you. All proceeds will go to Terry's project Spina Bifida Association of Iowa. Special thanks to Kris Erickson for encouraging so many people to contribute items for the silent auction, and for letting Terry move some over to the Thursday night live auction. Kudo's to Terry, Neil Paulsen, Bill Post and Tom Francis for keeping the bidders on their toes. Pam McCampbell stepped in to assist Kris in collecting the funds.....thank you Pam! Kathy & Amanda Bowersox had deliveries of cookies waiting outside the Grand Lodge Room, so the men had easy access to homemade items – thank you Kathy & Amanda! Drum Roll please – we're happy to report that \$7,700 was collected during these events.

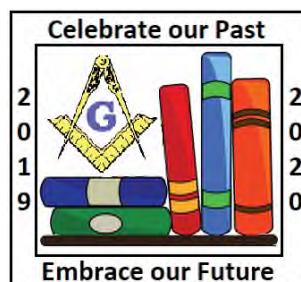
From Kris Erickson

Thank you to all that attended the 175th Grand Lodge session in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The Live and Silent Auction along with the Bake Sale were truly a success. There was \$7, 720.00 raised through the Ladies events at Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master's project of Spina Bifida will receive all monies raised through the Ladies events.

The success of this year's Auction was because of each of you, Masons and Ladies across Iowa that stepped up to the plate. Brothers collected items from their respective lodges to donate to the Auctions for the benefit the Grand Master's project. Thank you!

Thanks again to one and all that made the 175th Annual Communication a year to remember.



Meet Your Grand Lodge Officers 2019-2020

Grand Master William R. Crawford

After being appointed by Grand Master Raymond E. Clause as Grand Secretary on March 19, 1999, Brother William R. Crawford was elected at Grand Lodge to continue serving the Fraternity as the eleventh Grand Secretary.



Brother Crawford was born in Waterloo on July 19, 1946, and attended the Jesup Community Schools graduating in 1964. He received a B.S. Degree in Dairy Science/Ag Business from Iowa State University in 1969.

On November 19, 1967, he was married to Elaine Reynolds. Bill and Elaine are the parents of two grown children, Mark and Jill and the grandparents of five and great-grandparents of two. He moved from Glidden to Cedar Rapids where he joined the staff at the Iowa Masonic Library as the Deputy Grand Secretary in October of 1998. Prior to that, he was the Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper for the Community Grain Company in Coon Rapids. They are members of the First

Presbyterian Church in Glidden. Bill served as a lay speaker in area Presbyterian Churches. Brother Bill served on the Glidden City Council from 1986-1998, and was on the Carroll County Resource Enhancement Committee from 1988-1998.

Brother Crawford was Raised in Radiant Lodge No. 366 at Alden on March 10, 1973. A career change took the family to Glidden in 1978. He then affiliated with Haggai Lodge No. 369 the following year. He served as Worshipful Master in 1981, and was Secretary from 1986 through 1998. In 2005 he became a Charter Member of Crossroads Lodge No. 677 at Dewitt, where he continues to hold a dual membership. He holds District Lecturer's Certificate No. 3013.

His first Grand Lodge service was a 1992 appointment to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, remaining on that committee until 1995. He also served on the Lodge Service Committee from 1995 through 1998. In September of 1998 he was installed as Junior Grand Deacon, and 26 short days later, on October 14, was installed as Deputy Grand Secretary. He became the first Iowa Mason to hold three offices the same year when appointed and installed as Grand Secretary on March 19, 1999. In September of 2018, he was appointed as Chairman of the Committee on Division and Reference.

His York Rite membership is at Sioux City in Sioux City Chapter No. 26, R.A.M.; Zadok Council No. 24, R. & S.M.; and Columbian Commandery No. 18, K.T. He received his Scottish Rite Degrees in Clinton Consistory and is a dual member with the Sioux City Consistory. He is a member of Research Lodge No. 2, Iowa York Rite College No. 2, Lewis & Clark York Rite College No. 199, Marion Chapter No. 183 O.E.S., Scottish Rite Research Society, and Iowa College Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis.

Brother Crawford retired from the duties of Grand Secretary on March 31, 2014, after 15 years of dedicated service to the Grand Lodge of Iowa and the Masons of Iowa. He was named Emeritus Grand Secretary by Grand Master Eric Rozeboom. Following retirement, he and Elaine returned to Glidden on a permanent basis.

He had been preaching each Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church in Odebolt he then became a Commissioned Lay Pastor on November 11, 2014, to that church and continues in that role. He was selected to represent Prospect Hill Presbytery (Northwest Iowa) as a delegate to the PC (USA) biennial meeting in St. Louis in June of 2018, and currently is serving as the Moderator for the Presbytery. Masonically, he enjoys assisting area lodges with degree work.

Senior Grand Warden Richard L. Humphrey



Brother Humphrey was born in Clarinda on August 16, 1962, and is a resident of Clarinda. He graduated from Clarinda Community School, after High School Dick attended Northwest Missouri State University where he attained a two-year degree in Farm Operations and completed his Bachelors Degree in Agricultural Business at Tarkio College in Missouri in 1981. Brother Dick worked in retail management in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Kentucky after graduating, he currently operates the family farm. Brother Dick is a bachelor.

Brother Humphrey received his three symbolic degrees of Masonry in Nodaway Lodge No. 140 at Clarinda. He was Initiated on December 15, 1980; Passed on February 16, 1981; and Raised on March 23, 1981. Brother Humphrey served the Grand Lodge as Junior Grand Deacon in 2013-2014 and has served on the Lodge Service Committee.

Brother Dick became a member of the Corning York Rite Bodies, Gabil Chapter No. 14, Hiram Council No. 30, Bethany Commandery No. 29 in 2015. He holds District Lecturer's Certificate No. 3176.

Junior Grand Warden A. Lyle Miller



Brother Miller was born on September 6, 1949 at Manilla, Iowa. Brother Lyle graduated from Manilla High School in 1968 and received his Degree in Business Management from Buena Vista University. He spent most of his life operating the family farm. He has been a member of Presbyterian Church in Manilla. He is a Trustee of the Nishnabotna Township Cemetery. Lyle married Marolee on April 22, 1973 in Manilla and they have one daughter Kathleen and two sons, Michael and Patrick.

Brother Lyle received his symbolic degrees of Masonry in Golden Leaf Lodge No. 595 at Manilla. He was Initiated on December 7, 1987; Passed on January 18, 1988; and Raised on February 3, 1988. He served his lodge as Worshipful Master in 1992, 1998, 1999 and again in 2003, he is currently serving as Secretary. He also holds dual membership with Otley Lodge No. 299 in Perry. His service to Iowa Masonry includes serving as Grand Tyler in 1994-1995, Deputy Grand Master in 2014-2015, and currently serves on the Herman L. Rowley Memorial Trust and has served on the Scholarship

Selection Committee.

He is a member of the Sioux City Scottish Rite where he served as Master of Kadosh and received his 33rd Degree. He is a member of the York Rite at Sioux City Chapter R.A.M. No. 26, Zadok Council R.A.S.M. No. 24, and Columbian Commandery No. 18 where he is a Past High Priest, Illustrious Master and Commander. He is a member of C.C. Hunt Priory KYCH, and he holds District Lecturers Certificate No. 3026.

Grand Treasurer Arthur W. Pixler



Brother Pixler was born in Onawa on January 25, 1952, and graduated from Whiting High School. He attended Wayne State College in Wayne, Nebraska and graduated Cum Laude. He also attended Drake University and received his Master's Degree in Education, and attended the University of Northern Iowa where he received a certificate of Advanced Studies in the Superintendency. Brother Pixler started his career in Education at the Lohrville Consolidated School District, he also worked in the Perry, Fenton, Sentral, and North Union school districts throughout his career. He married Christine George in Onawa on November 29, 1975 and they have three children Alyssa Rasmussen, Sean Pixler, and Caitlin Pixler. Art and Christine attend Fenton United Methodist Church, where Art serves as Chairman of Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee. Art serves on the North Union Community School District Board of Directors, the Fenton Community Club, Fenton Cooperative Telephone Board of Directors, and Membership Volunteer for Kossuth County Concert Association. He is "Santa" at Fenton Community Christmas Celebration.

Brother Pixler received his symbolic degrees of Masonry in Otley Lodge No. 299 at Perry in 1992, being Initiated on December 2, 1991, Passed on February 13, 1992, and Raised on April 23, 1992. He served as Worshipful Master of Otley Lodge No. 299 in 2000, and also served as Worshipful Master of Prudence Lodge No. 205 in Algona 2003, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2011, and 2018 where he is a dual member. He also serves on the Grand Lodge Finance Committee 2016-2019, the Iowa Masonic Scholarship Endowment Fund Committee, and the Masonic Charitable Educational Corporation.

Other Masonic Affiliations include the Des Moines Scottish Rite, Scottish Rite Research Society, Knights of Saint Andrew, York Rite Degrees: Ames York Rite Bodies, Joshua Chapter No. 127, Gebal Council No. 5, Ascension Commandery No. 69, Iowa York Rite College No. 37, Za-Ga-Zig Shrine in Des Moines, Kossuth County Shrine Club, Iowa Research Lodge No. 2, The Philaethes Society, Royal Order of Scotland, Knight Masons Council No. 93, Allied Masonic Degrees No. 449, and is a Senior DeMolay.

Deputy Grand Master Harvey N. Woody



Brother Harvey Woody was born in Des Moines on July 15, 1950, and is a resident of Ankeny. He graduated from Newton High School in 1968, he attended Ellsworth Junior College, Upper Iowa University and the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy. Brother Harvey spent his life working in the Law Enforcement field, retiring in 1995. Brother Harvey and his lady Linda have been married for 19 years. They have a blended family of 5 children, 12 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren. Brother Woody received his three symbolic degrees of Masonry in Logic Lodge No. 636 at Ankeny. He was Initiated on November 15, 2012; Passed on December 18, 2012; and Raised on January 22, 2013. He is a Member of Logic Lodge No. 636 and Acadia Lodge No. 249 in Ames, he served as Worshipful Master of Logic Lodge in 2015. Brother Woody served the Grand Lodge as Grand Marshal in 2015-2016, and has served on the Lodge Service committee from 2015 to present.

Brother Harvey is a member of the Des Moines Scottish Rite and the Knights of Saint Andrew. His memberships in the York Rite include; Corinthian Chapter No. 14, Alpha Council No. 1, and Temple Commandery No. 4 in Des Moines. He is a member of the Za-Ga-Zig Shrine and belongs the Shrine Past Masters Club. He is a member of the South Central MI-DL Club and is currently serving as President. He holds District Lecturer's Certificate No. 3188.

Grand Master William R. Crawford Reception



Masons from across the state gathered in Glidden to Honor Grand Master William R. Crawford. Haggai Lodge No. 369 from Glidden hosted a reception in his honor at the Lincoln Center.

The Masons moved to the lodge room which was located at the Albert Kruger Senior Shelter, where Worshipful Master Robert A. Linde opened Haggai Lodge No. 369 and received the Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers and the Grand Master. The Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers were received and introduced with Brothers Seth Johnson and Jeremiah Johnson as committeemen. Brothers Mark Crawford and Eric Rozeboom were committeemen for Grand Master Crawford. Grand Master Crawford thanked everyone for being there and saved his comments for the reception at the Lincoln Center and proceeded to close Haggai Lodge No. 369 with the assistance of the Grand Lodge Officers.

The Masons rejoined their ladies at the Lincoln Center for the Banquet. Brother Brian Johnson was the Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Grand Chaplain Floyd E. Brown gave the invocation prior to dinner.

Grand Master Crawford introduced the Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters. Grand Secretary Craig L. Davis introduced the Past Grand Lodge Officers and their ladies. Worshipful Master Robert Linde introduced the Haggai Lodge Officers and their ladies. The Grand Master also thanked everyone present for their support and spoke about his theme "Preserve our Past, Embrace our Future" and his plans for the year. Grand Master Crawford made a presentation of a book and a program to the Grand Lodge Library and Museums. Grand Chaplain Bonney gave the Benediction.

Cornerstone Laying Ceremony at Oak Hill Elementary School

On Saturday July 27, 2019 Masons from across the state gathered together to perform a Cornerstone Laying ceremony at Oak Hill Elementary School in Tiffin. The Grand Lodge of Iowa A.F. & A.M. opened at 12:15 pm and held a practice at 12:30. Worshipful Brother James E. Cline Jr. kicked off the event with a short presentation about some of the customs and courtesies used by the Masons during the ceremony. Grand Master Terry E. Osborne proceeded to conduct the cornerstone laying ceremony with the assistance of the Grand Lodge Officers. Bruce Dolder was the Flag Bearer, Dana Roggentien, Harry Dolder, and Andy Carr served as bearers of Corn, Wine, and Oil, Natalie Oppeadal was the Architect, Robert Tandy was the Bearer of Great Lights, Mike Ryan, Calvin Ryan, and Dustin S. Paulos served as Bearers of the Red, White, and Blue Candles, Loren Stein carried the Book of Constitutions. Worshipful Brother Ronald J. Mullenger, Junior Grand Deacon presented the School Book Lecture and Worshipful Brother W. Scott Hull, Senior Grand Deacon gave the Flag Tribute. After Worshipful Brother Robert M. Litwiller, Grand Marshal made the proclamation, the Oration was given by Timothy G. Keuhl. Special Thank You to the Grand Commandery for their assistance during the ceremony. At the conclusion of the ceremony. Grand Lodge was closed in Due Form by Deputy Grand Master William W. Post.



Nate Kemmer Receives his Masonic Instructor Certificate

Right Worshipful Brother William W. Post, Deputy Grand Master presented Brother Nate Kemmer with his Masonic Instructor Certificate at the Stated Communication of Daylight Lodge No. 660 in Des Moines on August 1, 2019. Brother Kemmer worked with Right Worshipful Brother Eldon F. Walton, Past Deputy Grand Master and Right Worshipful Brother Bill Post to achieve his goal of proficiency. Brother Kemmer is a member of Daylight Lodge No. 660 and West Gate – Adelpic No. 509 in Windsor Heights.



Scholarship Thank You

Katie Wyatt – I am writing to thank you for the generous scholarship I received from you. I am looking forward to attending Iowa State University this fall where I will be studying engineering.

Esme Belzer – I am continuing my education at the University of Iowa, with intentions to attend medical school. Your donation will not be wasted! Thank you so much for your generosity!

Noah Nelson – Thank you for selecting me for the \$2,000 scholarship. This scholarship will greatly reduce my tuition at Simson College.

Isabel Schneider – I am beyond grateful to be selected for this award. I will be studying pre-med biology at Wartburg College this fall.

Interning at the Masonic Library and Museums By Jess Manning

When I was first raised as a Mason at Evening Shade Lodge in Spencer, I was often told by my Brothers that I had to go to Cedar Rapids sometime to see the Masonic Library. My grandfather, Larry Olson, told me that it was one of the best collections in Iowa, possibly the best collection of Masonic books in the world. I was intrigued, but my immediate path took me to different places. I had no idea that – one day – the Masonic Library would play such a role in my own growth.

Over the last several months, I've had the honor of interning at the Iowa Masonic Library and Museums in Cedar Rapids, and it has been a special experience to say the least. A walk between the bookshelves reveals works on almost any topic imaginable – both Masonic and non-Masonic. One could read about the history of Freemasonry in Bristol, England, or look through the correspondence between President Teddy Roosevelt and his children while he was adventuring in the West in the late 1800's. Alternatively, one could enjoy the autobiography of legendary radio shock jock Howard Stern. That's just the first floor; the library covers two more floors filled with books on art, architecture, religion, and even the occult, with countless other subjects. The library's diversity is incredible, and honestly more than I expected to see anywhere in Iowa.

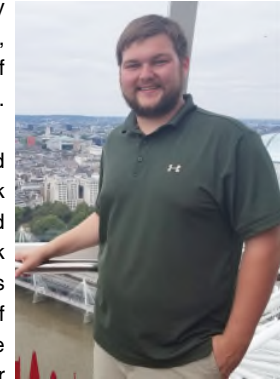
This incredible variety extends to the museum, as well. The first time I walked into one of the rooms, I was stunned by all the different artifacts that had been gathered from across the world. There's Samurai armor from Japan (2 sets), WWI-era equipment from Germany and America (helmets, entrenching tools, firearms, grenades), and intricate Native American pottery from Central and South America, just to name a few. The Masonic section holds artifacts from Masons in places like England and France, as well as pieces from all corners of the United States.

I could write about all the amazing things you could see in the museum for several more pages, but these are all things that a visitor could see for themselves. Rather, I'd like to explain what I was responsible for during my time as an intern: cataloguing the postcard/photograph collection of Iowa Mason and World War I veteran Jesse Danielson. Pfc. Danielson enlisted in the US Army Signal Corps in late 1917 or early 1918, arriving in Europe in time to see the sites of some of the worst devastation in recorded human history. Included in his collection are photographs of the battlefields near Verdun and Ypres, where hundreds of thousands of young men died just to advance their frontline a few meters. Some of the photographs in Pfc. Danielson's collection – the destruction of the Ypres Cloth Hall and the heavily-damaged Reims Cathedral, with its magnificent stained-glass windows blown out by the shock of an artillery blast – emphasize the unimaginable terror of "The Great War," a war that too often takes a secondary spot in the minds of Americans to World War II.

For all the photographs of destruction that I came across in Pfc. Danielson's collection, he also kept postcards from some of the most beautiful places I've ever seen. Outside of Ypres and Verdun, Danielson also got to see the Loire Valley, home to some of the world's best wine. He saw the chateau at Chinon, a strategically-important castle through the Middle Ages (location of the imprisonment of Jacques DeMolay, Grandmaster of the Knights Templar) located in an area known as "The Garden of France." He saw the beauty of cities such as Nantes, Angers, Saumur, Tours, and La Rochelle, with all their gorgeous Medieval and Renaissance palaces and Cathedrals. Particularly striking to me was the Belgian city of Brussels: the Palais de Justice and the Royal Palace are two of the most stunning buildings I've ever seen.

For all the beauty of the big cities, some of my favorite postcards to catalogue were those showing daily life in the smaller villages in France. For example, there is one photograph - taken near the village of Bourgueil – that showed two small children sitting in a cart being pulled by a dog. These photos are, to me, the most valuable in the entire collection. Seeing all these dozens of pictures of people going about their normal lives in a time of such uncertainty immortalizes these people in history, a history that too often concerns itself with the lives of kings and generals.

At the end of my internship, I felt extremely lucky to have been afforded such an opportunity, but I also felt deep regret that I had not visited earlier. The value of such repositories of knowledge is often not really noticed and appreciated until it is lost forever. They are our cultural heritage as human beings, and as the tragedies at Notre Dame Cathedral and the National Museum of Brazil in the last few years have shown us, that heritage can be lost in an instant. With that in mind, I'd recommend spending an hour or two at the museum. Browse the exhibits: speculate on the battles that Samurai armor had seen, ask yourself whose head was once protected by the German helmet, and wonder how in the world a Mason stumbled across an opium pipe in China and decided to bring it back to Cedar Rapids. I promise your time will not be wasted.



Brother Jared Green Raised at Benton City Lodge No. 81

Benton City Lodge No. 81 in Shellsburg held a Third Degree for Brother Jared Green. The lodge moved their Charter to the Amana's campground where the National Camping Travelers were having their annual meeting. The Masons were served a pulled pork dinner prior to the degree. After a lunch, Brother Steven R. Nielsen opened lodge and conferred the First Section of the Third Degree. Grand Master Terry E. Osborne was conducted to the East and received. The Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Grand Master Osborne in the East. Deputy Grand Secretary Darrell Fremont gave the Charge. Steve Nielsen and Dennis M. Zahrt gave the Third Section Lecture. Grand Master Osborne presented Brother Green with his lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and a Masonic ball cap. Brother Green thanked everyone for being there and being part of his degree.

Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master William W. Post in the East.



Cornerstone Laying Ceremony at Griswold Community School

On Friday August 23, 2019 Masons from across the state gathered together to perform a Cornerstone Laying ceremony at Griswold Community School. The Grand Lodge of Iowa A.F. & A.M. opened at 12:30 pm and held a practice at 12:45. Worshipful Brother James E. Cline Jr. gave a short presentation about some of the customs and courtesies used by the Masons during the ceremony. Grand Master Terry E. Osborne proceeded to conduct the Cornerstone Laying Ceremony with the assistance of the Grand Lodge Officers. Drue Kirchoff was Flag Bearers, Leo Robinson, Robert Redding, and Joe Riddle served as bearers of

Corn, Wine, and Oil, Clarence Waddell was the Architect, Doug Eckles was the Bearer of Great Lights, Donnie Drennan, Randy Dill, and Don Smith served as Bearers of the Red, White, and Blue Candles, Derik Shields carried the Book of Constitutions. Worshipful Brother Ronald J. Mullenger, Junior Grand Deacon presented the School Book Lecture and Worshipful Brother W. Scott Hull, Senior Grand Deacon gave the Flag Tribute. After Worshipful Brother Robert M. Litwiller, Grand Marshal made the proclamation the Oration was given by Nigel Horton. Dennis Frazier was the Bugler. Grand Lodge was closed in Due Form by Deputy Grand Master William W. Post. Special thank you to the Grand Commandery for their assistance during the ceremony



Brother Jim Dick is Raised By William R. Crawford

It was a beautiful Saturday afternoon on August 3 as Veritas Lodge No. 392 at Audubon hosted a Hiram in the Barn at the Dennis Heflin Farm near Harlan. Following the social time of fellowship and conversation, a fine meal that had been prepared by members of Exodus Chapter No. 313 was served. Birthday cakes (white and chocolate) were served in honor of Grand Master Terry E. Osborne's birthday.

Worshipful Master Ronald Mullenger, J.G.D. opened lodge in the hayloft and made a fine conferral of the First Section of the Third Degree on Brother Jim Dick.

Grand Master Osborne was received and was in the East as the Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section. Brother Mullenger was Senior Deacon. The Charge was given by Brother William Crawford. Brother Dick received several presentations from the lodge and the Grand Master including his pin.

The Grand Lodge Officers closed Veritas Lodge with the Grand Master in the East.



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Cost: \$70 per player
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- “Most Golf”
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Don't worry if you are not a golfer; bring a lawn chair, sit at a tee, and join us for dinner in the clubhouse.

Cost: \$16.00 per person
Reservations are required.

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Bill Post
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Tom Nash
Des Moines

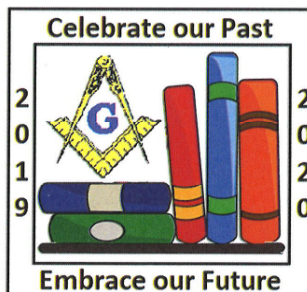
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Lodge secretary or Golf Committee member,
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www.iowaeasternstar.org and click on Golf Outing.

Masonic Cooperation **By William R. Crawford**

Bethel Lodge No. 319 at Garner reached out to Benevolence Lodge No. 145 for assistance in conferring the Three Degrees of Masonry on Jeffrey Braun. Benevolence Lodge agreed to do the work as a courtesy. To make it special for Brother Braun, the Grand Lodge Officers were invited on October 8 to confer the Second Section of the Third Degree.

The evening began with a delicious roast beef dinner. Following dinner, all moved to the lodge room where Worshipful Master Ronald Baratusek opened lodge. He invited Brother Eugene Kleinow to the East who made an excellent conferral of the First Section.

Grand Master William R. Crawford was introduced, who in turn introduced the Grand Lodge Officers before conferring the Second Section with the Grand Master in the East. Senior Grand Warden Richard L. Humphrey was Senior Deacon. The Charge was given by Junior Grand Warden A. Lyle Miller.

The Grand Master presented the new Master Mason with several items including the book, "Freemasons for Dummies."

The Grand Lodge Officers closed Benevolence Lodge with Deputy Grand Master Harvey N. Woody in the East.

Brother Brian Wright is Raised

It was a beautiful day as 31 Masons from at least a dozen lodges (including a brother from Houston, Texas) gathered at Pymosa Lodge No. 271 in Atlantic for the latest member of the Wright Family, Brother Brian Wright, to be Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. The evening began with a Mexican supper of either beef nachos or soft shelled tacos.



Secretary Donnie Drennan was in the East to open lodge and then made a fine First Section conferral. Senior Grand Warden Neil Paulsen served as Senior Deacon. Past Grand Treasurer Gary Warwick gave the Extended Trowel Lecture.

For the Second Section, Junior Grand Deacon Ronald Mullenger assumed the East. Brother Dennis Heflin served as Senior Grand Deacon. Brother Randy Dill gave the Charge and Brother Paul Oliphant gave a beautiful Bible lecture. Brother Drennan made presentations on behalf of the Lodge and Brother Paulsen presented Brother Wright with the Grand Master's pin. Pymosa Lodge officers closed lodge.

Cornerstone Laying Ceremony at Pymosa Lodge No. 271 in Atlantic

Saturday, October 26, 2019 Masons from across the state gathered together to perform a Cornerstone Laying ceremony at Pymosa Lodge No. 271 in Atlantic. The Grand Lodge of Iowa A.F. & A.M. opened at 11:00 pm and held a practice at 11:15. Right Worshipful Brother Arthur W. Pixler gave a short presentation about some of the customs and courtesies used by the Masons during the ceremony. Grand Master William R. Crawford proceeded to conduct the Cornerstone Laying Ceremony with the assistance of the Grand Lodge Officers. Mike Blevins was Flag Bearer, David York, Randall Dill, and Ronald Mullenger served as bearers of Corn, Wine, and Oil, John Bricker was the Architect, Donald Drennan was the Bearer of Great Lights, Randy Aggen, Steve Lewis, and Brian Wright served as Bearers of the Red, White, and Blue Candles, Derik Shields carried the Book of Constitutions. Worshipful Brother John M. Bartunek, Junior Grand Deacon presented the School Book Lecture and Worshipful Brother Guy J. McCausland, Senior Grand Deacon gave the Flag Tribute. After Worshipful Brother Jeremy C. Long, Grand Marshal made the proclamation the Oration was given by Mayor Dave Jones. Special thank you to the Grand Commandery for their assistance during the ceremony. Grand Lodge was closed in Due Form by Deputy Grand Master Harvey N. Woody.



Cornerstone Introduction



Mayor Dave Jones



Proclamation by Grand Marshal
Jeremy C. Long

Brother Kyle Siders Raised at Mount Olive Lodge No. 79

Mount Olive Lodge No. 79 in Boone held a Third Degree for Brother Kyle Siders. After a Brisket Taco dinner, Worshipful Master Kelly Bruce opened lodge and conferred the First Section of the Third Degree with Payton Pringle as Senior Deacon. Ian Decker gave the Extended Trowel Lecture. Grand Master Terry E. Osborne was conducted to the East and received. 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 Osborne in the East. Past Grand Secretary William R. Crawford gave the Charge. Grand Master Osborne presented Brother Siders with his lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and a Masonic ball cap. Brother Siders thanked everyone for being there and being part of his degree.



Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master William W. Post in the East.

Past Master's Night at Signet Lodge No. 264 By Jerry Janson

Thank you to the 23 Past Worshipful Masters present at our September 5th Stated Communication. It was a great night of



reminiscing and honoring our past achievements. Present were: Thomas Rogers - Signet Lodge 1968, 2004 & 2005; Gene Vincent - Signet Lodge - 1969; James Slechta - Diamond Lodge - 1971; George Towers - Signet Lodge - 1974 & 1987; Norm Hutcheson - Signet Lodge - 1975 & 1985; John Richards - Tyrian Lodge - 1976 and Charity Lodge - 1989 & 1999; Donovan Prior - Signet Lodge - 1976 & 1986; Terry Augustus - Signet Lodge - 1983 & 1984; Tom Tipton - Charity Lodge - 1985 & 1993; Richard Fulton - Charity Lodge - 1986, 1990, 1995, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2007, & 2008 and Signet Lodge - 2001 & 2002; Larry Lieb - Signet Lodge - 1989 & 1999; Thomas Lehman - Signet Lodge - 1990 & 1997; Leslie Duff - Signet Lodge-1993 &

2000; Mike Henning - Charity Lodge - 1996, 2001, & 2002; Charles Nixon - Charity Lodge - 1997, 1998, 2005, 2006, 2009, & 2010; Randy Anderson - Signet Lodge - 2006; Kevin Caltrider - Signet Lodge - 2007; Mark Bennett - Signet Lodge - 2011; Jason Bush - Signet Lodge - 2012; William Fish - Signet Lodge - 2013; Norman England - Signet Lodge - 2015 & 2016; Jack Edson - Signet Lodge - 2017; Josh Smouse - Signet Lodge - 2018

Also in the group picture of Worshipful Masters that Bill Fish will be sending to everyone was Bill Crawford - Haggai Lodge - 1981 and Richard Schmidt - Independence Rock Lodge No. 56 - 1983, Manual Lodge No. 450 -1995 & 2010 and Golden Leaf Lodge No. 595 -2019; Leslie Duff - Golden Gate Lodge No. 402 - 1975 & 1980 and Signet Lodge No. 264 - 1993 & 2000. Unable to attend were Lloyd DeMoss - Signet Lodge - 1995; Ronald Wright - Signet Lodge - 1998; and Greg Perkins - Signet Lodge - 2008, 2009, & 2014.

We welcome you to please join us at our regular Stated Communications!! Thanks again for a wonderful evening!!

We also thank the Brothers that helped serve at our 2019 Flight Breakfast on Sunday. Bill Fish, our chairman for the event, said that this was the best working group that he can recall. Flight Breakfast servers were: Bill Fish, Cory Waller, Craig Luchtel, Dick Fulton, Gene & LoaDawn Vincent & grandchildren, Greg Perkins & daughter, Gregg Knowles, Jack Edson, Jason Bush, Jerry Janson, Jim Hubers, Joe Reed, John Richards, Josh Smouse, Justin Venner, Kevin Caltrider, Les Duff, Mark Bennett, Norm England, Norm Hutcheson, and potential brother Ryan Schroeder.

2019 - 2020 Lodge Service Committee

The duties of the Committee shall include, but not be limited to, assisting the Executive Director in conducting the various activities of the Committee: including personal visitations of lodges in their areas; Grand Master Area Meetings; Lodge Service Committee Neighborhood Meetings; the various activities of the Committee at Grand Lodge; the development and distribution of Masonic educational materials; review and analyze membership trends; recommend, develop and implement short, intermediate, and long term goals for membership retention and growth; and to provide appropriate assistance to subordinate lodges for the improvement and betterment of Freemasonry in Iowa. You may contact any one of the members in your area for any assistance or information for your lodge. Contact the Grand Lodge office for individual contact information.

Northwest

Rod Heiden - Clarion
Ron Mullenger - Hamlin
Collin Buckingham - Boone

Southwest

Drew Mathias - Indianola
Justin Strange - New Virginia
Ronald Payne - Council Bluffs

Northeast

Jamie Johnson - Marion
Michael Root - Decorah
John Columbo Jr. - Mason City

Southeast

Roy Schulze - Norway
Monte Harris - Davenport
Aaron Kinser - Watkins

Polk County

Harvey Woody - Ankeny
Richard Maynard - Des Moines

Noblesse Oblige

By David Ritchie, Senior Grand Deacon, Grand Lodge of Wisconsin

Noblesse Oblige is the idea that, "One must act in a fashion that conforms to one's position and privileges with which one



has been born, bestowed and/or has earned." That if you are nobility you must act nobly. Nobility is obliged to act nobly both socially and ethically. If you are wealthy you will help the poor. That your behavior will always be that of the upper class, refined, educated, elegant. You are a step above and must act like it. You literally owe it to the rest of society to act as a gentleman.

It is a strange idea to many Americans where we champion equality yet, until recently, in countries like England and throughout Europe it was the standard. Yet it was practiced here as well. Think Rockefellers and Carnegie. The upper-class was held to higher standards. What would have been brushed off amongst the lower classes would be an embarrassment in the middle class and a scandal in the upper classes. Your behavior and lifestyle must be an inspiration to those less fortunate. You were obligated to become a role model for those in the surrounding area. You were obligated to have people try to emulate your charity, your manners, your speech, your behavior. You were nobility. You were a cut above. You were better.

Today Noblesse Oblige has given way to the "Rock Star" mentality. Tuxedos and top hats have given way to torn jeans and t-shirts. The chauffeured Rolls-Royce has been replaced with a Ferrari. The country estate has been replaced with a Mansion filled with drugs and alcohol. Instead of being the most mannered, law abiding citizens the wealthy now often feel above the law. The privileged lowered their standards. Who today is a real role model? Who today will inspire their fellow man to become better, nobler, kinder?

Noblesse Oblige was not just about wealth though. It also held for those who had earned rank and social position. Military Officers especially those of high rank and government officials were also held to these standards. Often families would be broke, but if you were upper class, the rules of etiquette and ethics still held fast.

My brothers the question I have is "Does being a Mason make you a role model?" Are we now of a higher social rank? I know we meet on the level and try to deal with all men equally, but are we, through our obligations and education, a different class of men? Are we noble and chivalrous? Are we charitable? Are we a cut above?

We are different. We understand that charity is more about a helping hand than a blank check. We understand the power of our words and actions. We understand that the rules we agree to outside of the lodge, as well as inside, are to promote and preserve Brotherly Love and Harmony. We still don a jacket and tie or maybe a tux, not to show off, but to show respect. The world may be wearing jeans but out of respect for the occasion, our brothers, and our guests we often button the collar button and put on a tie. We are the gentlemen in the room.

My brothers we have been given a great privilege in becoming Master Masons. We have been given the honor of keeping the company of good men. We have been taught a correct moral and ethical walk. We teach each other through the example of how we live our life and conduct ourselves and our business. We can become the examples of civility the world has lost. We are a cut above, something different, something special. Let's become that man in the company of other good men who willingly obligates himself to make the world a better place and those around him better people. We are Masons. "One must act in a fashion that conforms to one's position and privileges with which one has been born, bestowed and/or has earned."

Brother Gabriel Besh Raised at Equity Lodge No. 131

Equity Lodge No. 131 in Janesville held a Third Degree for Brother Gabriel Besh on August 20, 2019. The degree was held at Tyrrell Lodge No. 116 in Waverly. Three generations of Besh's are shown in the photo below.



Kirk Besh (Uncle), Bruce Besh (Grandfather), Gabriel Besh,
Ryan Besh (Father), and Jacob Besh (Brother)

Brother Josh Dawson Raised at South Central M.I./D.L. Club

Brothers from the South Central M.I./D.L. Club in Prairie City and Preston Lodge No. 218 held a Third Degree for Brother Josh Dawson as courtesy work for South Gate Lodge No. 657 in Des Moines. The Masons gathered at the United Methodist Church for a Social Hour and then went to the lodge to confer the First Section of the Third Degree. Drew Mathias was in the East to open Preston Lodge and conferred the First Section, Marty Jacobs was the Senior Deacon. The Masons then joined their ladies for the annual Oyster Stew and Chili dinner. After the meal Grand Master William R. Crawford introduced the Grand Lodge Officers. Grand Secretary Craig L. Davis introduced Past Grand Lodge Officers and other dignitaries.



The Masons then returned to the lodge for the reception of officers. The Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers were received with Thomas P. Francis as Senior Committeeman and Marvin D. Kendall as Junior Committeeman. Grand Master Crawford was received with Past Grand Master's D. Dean Johnson and Craig L. Davis as Senior and Junior Committeemen. The Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Grand Master Crawford in the East. Deputy Grand Secretary Darrell G. Fremont gave the Charge. Grand Master Crawford presented Brother Dawson with his lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and a copy of the book "Freemasonry for Dummies." Worshipful Master Rex Valle from South Gate Lodge presented Brother Dawson with his White Leather Apron. Brother Dawson thanked everyone for being there and being part of his degree. Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master Harvey N. Woody in the East.

MCEC Recipient Carter Herbst

I wanted to give you an update of what I have been doing since graduating from high school in May. I attended my last day of high school on May 20. On May 21st; my parents moved me to dorms at Northwest Iowa Community College in Sheldon, Iowa, and on May 22nd, I began my first day of classes. Last week, I completed the summer term for my college courses and earned A's in all of the classes. I have attached a copy of my transcripts to this e-mail. The classes on the bottom of the transcript that have credit assigned but no grade; these are the 11 courses that I completed while I was in high school at Denver through Hawkeye CC and DMACC and was able to transfer them to Northwest Iowa Community College. I will graduate from NCC next May with my AA degree in Powerline Technology.

I am currently on a 4-week break between summer term and fall term and during that break; Cedar Falls Utilities has hired me full-time to be a ground helper on one of their high-voltage lineman crews. This will give me valuable experience in this career field and some hands-on experience of what I am currently learning at NCC.

Once again, thank you to the Grand Lodge of Iowa so much for this investment in my future. I give you my full assurance that I am applying 100 percent of my abilities in my college education and will relentlessly pursue my aspirations to become a power lineman.

Cooper Andreassen Raised at Farmers Lodge No. 168

Brothers of Farmers Lodge No. 168 held a Third Degree at the annual Hiram in the Hills hosted by Canopy Lodge No. 290 for Brother Cooper Andreassen.

The Masons then moved to the Shelter at Kent State Park where Worshipful Brother Mike Ryan opened lodge and was in the East for the First Section conferral, and Dustin Paulos was Senior Deacon.

After a brief break, Grand Master Terry E. Osborne was conducted to the East and received. Right Worshipful Brother William W. Post Deputy Grand Master introduced the Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers. The Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Grand Master Osborne in the East. Brother David Jackson gave the Charge. Grand Master Osborne presented Brother Andreassen with his lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and a Masonic ball cap. Brother Andreassen thanked everyone for being there and being a part of his degree.



Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master William W. Post in the East.

Grand Chaplain Floyd E. Brown

On November 9, 2019 Masons gathered in Ottumwa to honor Grand Chaplain Floyd E. Brown. Ottumwa Lodge No. 16 hosted the reception. The lodge hosted a social hour with tea, coffee and treats.

The Masons moved to the Lodge Room for the receiving and introduction of Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers, Worshipful Master Curtis B. Culver had opened the lodge. Committeemen for the Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers were Brothers Thomas P. Francis and John J. Bohi. Grand Master William R. Crawford was received and introduced with Larry E. Patrick and John J. Bohi as committeemen. Grand Chaplain Brown was received and introduced with Brothers A.J. Brown and John J. Bohi as committeemen. The honored brother was in the East as the Grand Lodge Officers closed Ottumwa Lodge No. 16.

After the Lodge closed all moved to the dining room for a brisket dinner and a program. Grand Master Crawford introduced his Grand Lodge Officers and the Past Grand Masters. Curtis B. Culver introduced the Officers of Ottumwa Lodge. Right Worshipful Brother Brown spoke about his Masonic journey and what Masonry has meant to him. The evening concluded with the Right Worshipful Dennis Heflin, P.J.W. giving the Benediction.



Brother Sean Haluska Raised at Signet Lodge No. 264

Signet Lodge No. 264 in Carroll held a Third Degree for Brother Sean Haluska. The Masons were served a pasta dinner. After dinner, Worshipful Master Jerry Janson opened lodge and Brother Richard Fulton conferred the First Section of the degree and also gave the Extended Trowel Lecture.

Grand Master William R. Crawford was conducted to the East and received. He also introduced the Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers. The Grand Lodge Officers conferred the Second Section of the Third Degree with Grand Master Crawford in the East. Junior Grand Warden A. Lyle Miller gave the Charge. Grand Master Crawford presented Brother Louis with his lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and the Book "Freemasonry for Dummies". Brother Sean thanked everyone for being there and he was excited to be a Mason.

Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master Harvey N. Woody in the East.



Nathan Hoag Raised at East Gate Lodge No. 630

Brothers of East Gate Lodge No. 630 held a Third Degree for Brother Nathan Hoag.

The Masons then moved to the lodge room where Worshipful Master Tom Clark opened lodge and was in the East for the First Section conferral, and David Palmer was Senior Deacon.

After a brief break, Grand Master Terry E. Osborne 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 Osborne in the East. Senior Grand Warden Neil R. Paulsen gave the Charge. Grand Master Osborne presented Brother Hoag with his

lapel pin, his own personal working tools, and a Masonic ball cap. Brother Hoag thanked everyone for being there and being a part of his degree.

Grand Lodge Officers closed the lodge with Deputy Grand Master William W. Post in the East.



Arcadia Lodge No. 249 Rededication Ceremony Ames

On a cool autumn day in November, Arcadia hosted a Rededication Ceremony. Grand Master William R. Crawford and the Grand Lodge Officers were invited to Ames to conduct a Temple Dedication Ceremony for Arcadia Lodge No. 249.

Worshipful Brother Eduardo Casas gave the invitation to Grand Master Crawford to Rededicate the Lodge. Grand Master Crawford and the Grand Lodge Officers conducted the Lodge Rededication Ceremony in Due and Ancient Form. Junior Grand Deacon John M. Bartunek gave the tribute to public education "School Book Lecture". Senior Grand Deacon Guy J. Mc Causland gave the Flag Tribute. Marty Jacobs was the Orator and spoke about the History of the Lodge.



2019-2020 Grand Lodge Officers



Front Row L to R: Harvey N. Woody, Deputy Grand Master; Arthur W. Pixler, Grand Treasurer; Richard L. Humphrey, Senior Grand Warden; William R. Crawford, Grand Master; A. Lyle Miller, Junior Grand Warden; Craig L. Davis, Grand Secretary; Floyd E. Brown, Grand Chaplain
Back Row L to R: Jeremy C. Long, Grand Marshal; Lynn A. Broughton, Junior Grand Steward; Roman A. Redig, Senior Grand Steward; Guy J. Mc Causland, Senior Grand Deacon; Darrell G. Fremont, Deputy Grand Secretary; James D. Musal, Grand Tyler; John M. Bartunek, Junior Grand Deacon; Antonio B. Collins, Grand Musician

Joint Reception for Deputy Grand Master Harvey N. Woody and Grand Tyler James D. Musal



It was a beautiful fall day across the great State of Iowa as Masons traveled to Ames to attend a reception hosted by Arcadia Lodge No. 249 and Logic Lodge No. 636 for Deputy Grand Master Harvey N. Woody and Grand Tyler James D. Musal. The social hour was hosted by members of Arcadia Lodge.

The Masons then moved to the Lodge Room following the social hour where Arcadia Lodge No. 249 was opened by Worshipful Master Ian Decker. Grand and Past Grand Lodge Officers were introduced and received with Brothers Marty Jacobs and Steven Schroder as Committeemen. Grand Master William R. Crawford was received and introduced with Brothers D. Dean Johnson and Arthur G. Crandon as Committeemen. Brothers Arthur G. Crandon and Wes Agar Jr. served as Committeemen as Deputy Master Woody was introduced and received. Brothers Steven Schroder and David Musal served as committeemen as Brother Musal was introduced and received. Brother Harvey thanked the brothers that had been important on

his Masonic Journey and then Brother James also thanked those who have served as his mentors throughout his Masonic Journey. The ladies enjoyed a program from the Ames Public Library

The Masons joined their ladies in the Dining Room where Worshipful Brother Justin R. Dodge served as Master of Ceremonies. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful brisket and ham dinner catered by Ames York Rite. The Grand Master Introduced the Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Master's and their ladies in attendance. Harvey and James each thanked the Grand Master for the appointment and thanked all that had mentored them on their journey through Masonry. Grand Chaplain Floyd E. Brown gave the Benediction.



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Congratulations to the following brothers who earned their Certificates.

Brothers are shown by Lodge No.

No.	Town	Lodge	Name	No.	Town	Lodge	Name
4	Wapello		Means, Williams J.	259	Council Bluffs		Watts, Robert A.
6	Marion		Hamdorf, Harlan R.	259	Council Bluffs		Gravett, William L.
8	Mount Pleasant		Millsbaugh, Marcus W.	307	Cherokee		Christensen, Bruce W.
8	Mount Pleasant		Barr, Kenneth F.	335	Carson		Blanchard, Harold F.
15	Fairfield		Stolz, Jerome H.	370	Pleasant Hill		Coon, Dennis R.
16	Ottumwa		Kinsinger, Daniel H.	413	Douds		Linge, Bobby L.
25	Cedar Rapids		Harris, Donald E.	413	Douds		Hootman, Wayne L.
26	Washington		Miller, Donald E.	419	Sanborn		Ridpath, Ronald J.
37	Davenport		Foote, Larry D.	471	Holstein		Holmes, Jack J.
59	Newton		Brown, Charles D.	508	Sioux City		Martensen, Don L.
61	Knoxville		Niday, Larry R.	509	Windsor Heights		Leerskov, Larry L.
80	Adel		Baker Jr., John S.	555	Prescott		Mullinix, Ralph G.
87	Independence		Stanford, John M.	569	Quick		Story, Shawn C.
95	West Liberty		Fiderlien, John T.	569	Quick		Danielson, John R.
108	Marshalltown		De Saulniers, Gregory D.	592	Des Moines		Abel, Donald L.
136	Donnellson		Tennant, Bruce A.	595	Manilla		Chance, James L.
116	Waverly		Heine, Verlyn W.	615	Sioux City		Gerking, Richard D.
159	Jefferson		Frantz, Haven H.	615	Sioux City		Godfrey, Dwight W.
162	Red Oak		Marsden, Kenneth G.	630	Des Moines		Hepler, Gilbert D.
165	Manchester		Carr, E. Michael	631	Council Bluffs		Chevalier, Edward E.
179	Mount Ayr		Elliott, Craig D.	632	Des Moines		Holmes, Gerald W.
208	Davenport		Bailey, John D.	632	Des Moines		Rhodes, Keith A.
252	Moravia		Prough, Harold W.	649	Mason City		Wilson, Reggie D.
259	Council Bluffs		Oleson, Dean A.	657	Des Moines		Rador, James T.
				675	Davenport		Sissel, Gary L.