



# Alpha Lodge Newsletter

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Brethren-

I would like to wish all our Brethren a very happy and prosperous 2010! As 2010 begins our annual inspection is rapidly approaching. Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, March 2nd for our inspection in the Fellow Craft degree. We will have our New Grand Master, MWB Terry Posey, attending as well as several other Grand Officers including RWB Doug Kaylor our new Grand Junior Deacon. Several Masonic bodies will be represented so it should be a great time with great attendance. Please plan on attending and supporting your Lodge.

We will also be holding a One Day Class on Saturday, March 27th in combination with Sabina Lodge #324 and Wilmington Lodge #52 from the 8th District. This will be a full day event with Wilmington doing the EA degree, Sabina doing the FC degree and Alpha doing the MM degree. If you know of any potential candidates, let them know of this class as we would like to have a large class of new candidates. Please plan on attending this day and seeing some great ritual work as well as the fellowship you can expect to enjoy.

I would also like to congratulate the following officers for continuing to learn our ritual work. Junior Warden Matt Rentz gave his EA lecture and now has 2 lectures complete. Senior Warden Alf Butler gave the FC lecture and also has 2 lectures completed. Both these officers are on target for completing their third lecture early this year. Junior Deacon Jim Blum and Senior Deacon Vince Pecararo are also giving their first lectures in January. Congratulations to these Brothers!!

WB Dan Sullivan

### Trestle Board

Jan	2 Breakfast	7-10AM
Jan	5 Craft Club Meeting	7PM
Jan	8 Seniors	9-11AM
Jan	12 Stated Meeting	7PM
Jan	13 Craft Practice	7PM
Jan	15 Seniors	9-11AM
Jan	19 Practice	7PM
	For Inspection	
Jan	22 Seniors	9-11AM
Jan	26 Stated Meeting	7PM
Jan	29 Seniors	9-11AM
Feb	2 Craft Practice	7PM
Feb	5 Seniors	9-11AM
Feb	6 Breakfast	7-10AM
Feb	9 Stated Meeting	7PM
Feb	12 Seniors	9-11AM
Feb	16 Practice	7PM
	For Inspection	
Feb	19 Seniors	9-11AM
Feb	20 Past Master's Dinner	6PM
Feb	23 Stated Meeting	7PM
Feb	26 Seniors	9-11AM
Feb	28 Practice	2PM
	For Inspection	
March	2 Inspection	7PM
March	5 Seniors	9-11AM
March	6 Breakfast	7-10AM

### Meet the Candidates

On Sunday April 11th the Lodge will invite all the candidates from Alpha's One Day Class and their wives to an informal pizza party at the Lodge. They will be given the rest of the information from their initiation including their dues cards etc. Please join us as we welcome our new members.

### **Grim Reaper Report**

Brother Jay E. Frick passed away on October 19th. Please remember the family of this brother and may he hear those welcome words well done good and faithful servant thy task well done, enter thou into the joy of our Lord

### **Inspection**

The Annual Lodge Inspection will be on March 2nd in the Fellow craft Degree. This will be a special occasion as most of the Grand Lodge Officers along with the heads of the State Masonic bodies as well will be in attendance. We are expecting a very large number for dinner, which will consist of chicken cordon bleu with mashed potatoes and vegetables a salad and pie for dessert. The officers have tickets or you may make reservations by calling the secretary at 293-1404. The ticket price is \$10.

### **One Day Class**

On Saturday March 27th a One-Day Class event will be held at Alpha Lodge. Participating with Alpha will be Wilmington Lodge #52 and Sabina Lodge # 324, both from the 8th district. Registration of the candidates will be at 7:30AM with coffee and donuts available. Lodge will open at 9AM with the Entered Apprentice Degree, preformed by Wilmington Lodge, and the Fellow Craft Degree, preformed by Sabina Lodge, in the morning session. The Master Mason Degree, conferred by Alpha Lodge, will follow lunch. Lunch will be available at a cost of \$7.

### **Craft Captain**

W. Bro. Dan Sullivan has appointed Brother Gary Shifflett as the 729 Craft Captain. He has scheduled a meeting of the Craft Club for Tuesday January 5th at 7PM. He is requesting your support as he is trying to fill some positions that need to be filled in the Craft as we prepare to confer the 2nd section on the candidates at the One-Day Class. Gary has volunteered to assume this position as the Lodge prepares for the inspection in 2011 which will be in the Master Mason degree.

### **An Honored Brother**

A number of years ago following W. Bro. Alex Johnson's election as Master I was approached to return as the Secretary of the Lodge. I had been gone, because of my work schedule, for 4 1/2 years. On my return I meet an officer who had just been elected the Senior Warden and though I had heard the name when I went through the Lodge line I had never met the man. As it turn out the man I met was not the person I expected. The name I heard from the past was Kaylor, who was instrumental in the construction of our building. This Kaylor Doug and then I meet Roland. So I now had it figured out. Norman, the Charter member, was the father, Roland the son and Doug the grandson. Over the years Doug and I grew close, particularly when he was the Master in 1996. His step - daughter, Allison, and I use to have these long conversations whenever I called Doug at home, because it seemed she always answered the phone. Doug and I share the same alma mater, Beaver creek High School, but years and years apart. He was raised in Alpha Lodge on June 2, 1987. Now, he is the Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Ohio and in a few years he will be our Grand Master. I just hope I am here to see it. I cannot think of a better person for this honor. Congratulations Doug.

### **Past Master's Dinner**

On Saturday evening February 20th the Worshipful Master Dan Sullivan will host a dinner for all the Past Master and their wives in Alpha Lodge. A meal will be prepared by the brethren of the Lodge which will be held at 6PM. We would like for you to make reservations so we can have some idea of many meals to prepare. Please do so by calling the Secretary at 293-1404 before February 16th.

### **Rental**

One of our members, Brother Ed Loewer, has a home for rent if any of our Brethren might be interested. The house is in the Hills & Dale's area across from the golf course. It has 2 bedroom, 1 bath, hardwood floors, appliances and a garage. The water, sewer and trash are paid. The cost is \$495 per month. If interested call Jay at 256-1512.

### **Petitions**

Petitions are available on the Lodge web site (the address is in the heading above) or call the Secretary at 293-1404 and I'll see you receive one. We need candidates for the One Day Class to be held on March 27th. The fee is \$150 for all three degree and must be paid at the time the petition is submitted.