



Alpha Lodge Newsletter September & October

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From the East:

My Brothers-

September is coming and with it the 'opening' of Alpha Lodge for our fall meetings. I trust you all had an enjoyable, busy summer and that you are as eager as I am to renew your Masonic friendships. We have some exciting events planned, including a Special Olympics fundraiser on September 11th, two "Going to the Game" opportunities, weekly seniors meetings, and, of course, Lodge meetings and Degree work.

Alas, over the summer, we 'lost' three Brothers, including W.B. Kenneth Kier, making it an unfortunately busy time for our Memorial Committee. Please keep the families of our departed Brothers in your prayers. While you are at it, make contact with a Friend and Brother you have not talked with for awhile- it will bring a smile to both of you.

Our officers have been busy learning new stations and practicing the work to give the best degrees possible for our candidates. It has been a great learning experience !

I'm looking forward to welcoming many of you back into our Lodge, beginning with our first meeting on September 8th. See you then !!

R. Karl- W.M.

Trestle Board

Sept	4	Seniors	9-11AM
Sept	5	Breakfast	7-10AM
Sept	8	Stated Meeting	7PM
Sept	11	Seniors	9-11AM
Sept	11	Special Olympics Fundraiser	5-9PM
		See back page	
Sept	15	Special Meeting	7PM
		Master Mason Degree	
Sept	18	Seniors	9-11AM
Sept	22	Stated Meeting	7PM
Sept	25	Seniors	9-11AM
Sept	29	Special Meeting	
		If needed check web site	
Oct	2	Seniors	9-11AM
Oct	3	Breakfast	7-10AM
Oct	9	Seniors	9-11AM
Oct	12	Stated Meeting	7PM
Oct	15	Seniors	9-11AM
Oct	17	OES Breakfast	7-11AM
		Prepared by Alpha Crew	
Oct	20	Special Meeting	7PM
		If needed TBA see web site	
Oct	23	Seniors	9-11AM
Oct	23 & 24	Grand Lodge	
		Cincinnati, Ohio	
Oct	27	Stated Meeting	7PM
Oct	30	Seniors	9-11AM

Dues

It's that time of the year again when the annual dues will soon be due. This year the dues \$80 and notice will soon be mailed out. I usually stagger them according to when you usually have paid them in the past. If you are a life member and have not received your new card call me lets see what the problem is.

Craft Dinner

There will be no Craft Dinner this year. Last year there were only a few who attended a free steak dinner. so this year we will be doing something else. Stay tuned to upcoming events.

Grim Reaper Report

Since the last Newsletter there have been a number of deaths. Brother Howard Bailey. passed away on July 14, Brother Louis Leroy Hogue passed away on July 24, Brother Leland Wilson passed away on July 24, Brother Ronald E. Mullins passed away on July 26, Brother Ivan E. Moore passed away on July 27, and W. Brother Kenneth Kier passed away on July 31. Please remember the families of these Brothers and may they hear those welcome words 'well done good and faithful servant thy task well done, enter thou into the joy of our Lord.

Ladder 11 Dinner

Based on the great turnout we had last time Alpha had dinner at Jimmie's Ladder 11, we're doing it again! Come join us on Thursday, September 17 at 6:30pm. The restaurant is located at 936 Brown St. Again, ladies and family are welcome. Dress will be business casual so come comfortable! We'll order off the menu so your cost will be contingent on what you order. Please make a reservation with Alf Butler at 937-271-8145. Please plan to call by Tuesday, September 15 to ensure that we have your reservation and that the restaurant will have space for us.

Special Olympics Fundraiser on Sept 11!

Alpha will be hosting a Special Olympics fundraiser on Friday, September 11 from 5-9pm. Zombie Dogz, a food truck featuring gourmet hot dogs, will be joining us in the parking lot selling hot dogs, chips and drinks. All tips go to support Special Olympics! There's no cost for this event so we're hoping that it will be a great fundraiser for this worthy cause.

Along with the food truck, we're working on some other fun activities for kids and families. Come out with your friends and family and support this event! If you have any questions, please contact Alf Butler at 937-271-8145. Find out more about Zombie Dogz at their website at zombiedogzdayton.com.

Dress is casual and non-Mason guests and their families are welcome!

Alpha on Facebook

Are you on Facebook? The lodge is! Look us up! We have a Facebook page if you search for Alpha Lodge 729. We post upcoming events, obituaries and lodge news. We keep the website current as well, but like us if you're on Facebook to keep up with the latest news.

Breakfast

The Lodge continues to serve breakfast on the first Saturday of each month from 7AM until 9:30AM. We have a complete meal with eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, biscuits, also with gravy, and pancakes and French toast, all for a donation which goes to support the operation of the building. If you haven't tried it you might be pleasantly surprised,

Special Meetings

As usual our Special Meeting are contingent upon the candidates returning their work. It's impossible to know at the middle of August what the situation will be in October. The best thing is either consult the web site or call to see if there is a meeting.