



Alpha Lodge Newsletter September & October

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Sept	1	Breakfast	7-10AM
Sept	7	Seniors	9-11AM
Sept	11	Stated Meeting	7PM
Sept	14	Seniors	9-11AM
Sept	18	No Meeting	
Sept	21	Seniors	9-11AM
Sept	25	Stated Meeting	7PM
Sept	28	Seniors	9-11AM
Oct	2	Special Meeting Master Mason	7PM
Oct	5	Seniors	9-11AM
Oct	6	Breakfast	7-10AM
Oct	9	Stated Meeting	7PM
Oct	12	Seniors	9-11AM
Oct	12& 13	Grand Lodge Arkon, Ohio Master Mason	
Oct	16	No Meeting	
Oct	19	Seniors	9-11AM
Oct	23	Stated Meeting	7PM
Oct	26	Seniors	9-11AM
Oct	27	Craft Dinner	6PM
Nov	2	Seniors	9-11AM
Nov	3	Breakfast	7-10AM

Grim Reaper Report

Since the May & June Newsletter Brother Edgar R. Wightman passed away on July 23rd and Brother Roy Burns and Brother William Ruth both passed away on August 8th. Please remember the family 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'.

Prayers are Needed

Like many members of our family when our time comes they know not what to do. Our fraternal organization has had a reputation of being so secret that our own families have no idea what they have to do to have a Masonic Memorial Service. I think it's time Brethren, if nothing else, to tell them about your apron and their need to mention the affiliation to the fraternity to the funeral director. Most of the funeral homes in the Dayton area have my phone number and they will call me. One of the biggest secrets we have is "We have no secrets". If you have any questions please feel free to call me at 293-1404.

Dues Notices in the Mail

Dues notices are being mailed. If you have not yet received one you will soon. I have been mailing them out about the month you normally pay in an attempt to save postage on multiple mailings. Remember the dues must be paid at or before the Annual Meeting, November 13th. Once again we are using the notice that was used last year. Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated. We are making every effort to keep the dues as low as possible.

Craft Dinner

The Craft Dinner is scheduled for Saturday October 27th at 6PM. To the members of the Craft Club, those who pay dues to the Club, the meal is in appreciation for your services during the year and is therefore at no cost. To your spouse or lady and to non- Craft Club members the cost is \$10. The entrée is a grilled steak dinner. RSVP must be made by no later than Tuesday October 23rd to the Craft Captain, Bro Gary Shifflett at 937-673-6873.

Opening

Plans are underway to open Lodge on Tuesday September 11th. It seems the Master has a new job and will be working from 4PM until 12AM, therefore will be unable to attend the Lodge meetings. Although, still the Master of the Lodge, the Lodge will be in the hands of our two Wardens until the Annual Election on November 13th.

We will be getting off to a slow start as no degree work is scheduled until October. We do have two waiting to get their Masters but they need to return their FC work first. Also, we have two EA studying their work and will be progressing soon.

If you have not heard there will be a One Day Class in April 2013. If you have been waiting on this, as I know some of you have, having been asked about it last year, the time is here to get your petitions and get them filled out and turned in. The fee is still \$150.

This is all the information I have at this time. The form, times, locations, in other words, the how, when, and where, we do not know yet. If you need petitions call me at 293-1404 or go on the Lodge web site, remember you need to print both the front and the back of the petition from the web site.

One Day Class