



# Alpha Lodge Newsletter

## June 2009

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Brethren-

As promised in the last Newsletter I will attempt to give you some information about the events listed in the May and June Newsletter.

Worshipful Brother Dan Sullivan and I have been busy preparing some events for the Summer. We talked the Craft Club into the cook out at the Lodge at the raising of Brother Pecaroro, the fundraiser for the benefit of our Brethren and the Lodge Picnic. We hope all can attend these events

Don't forget the One Day class and the dinner following and Masonic Home Day is Springfield the next day.

W. Bro. Dan has scheduled Officers' practices on every other week at 6:30 during the summer starting on Tuesday June 16th. The other dates will be Wednesdays July 1st, 15th, 29th, August 12th, and 26th. The Craft will be needed on August 26th for the 2nd section only. All members who would like to learn an officers' station should plan to attend.

The Lodge will be closed other then these practices during July for maintenance purposes, with no exceptions.

Due to the amount of information in this letter the phone numbers at not listed. If you need a number please call me at home at 293-1404 and I will be glad to give you that information. Have a good summer and your next Newsletter will be in September.

Fraternally –  
 Russ Oliver  
 Secretary

### Trestle board

June	2 Special Meeting Master Mason Degree	6PM
June	5 Seniors	9-11AM
June	6 Breakfast	7-10AM
June	9 Stated Meeting	7PM
June	12 Seniors	9-11AM
June	13 One- Day Class	7PM
June	19 Seniors	9-11AM
June	23 No Meeting See on back	7PM
June	26 Seniors	9-11AM
July	3 Seniors	9-11AM
July	4 Breakfast	7-10AM
Aug	1 Breakfast	7-10AM
Sept	5 Breakfast	7-10AM

### Grim Reaper Report

Since the last Newsletter it has been reported that Brother Amos Lemmon passed away on September 26, 2008 and Worshipful Brother Jack Bissinger passed on April 17th. 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.

### Dues Increase

The dues increase was approved at the May 12th meeting making our dues now \$60 per year. This is lower than almost all the Lodge in the area. We are doing all we can do to keep your dues as low as possible. Remember if you have a problem paying your dues please let the Secretary know. We do have programs to help but we don't know if you need assistance if you don't tell us.

## **SICK & HOSPITAL REPORT**

By Bro. Bill Mc Mann

By the time this report appears, we hope that all the Brethren that have had some health problems are on the road to recovery.

### **June 2nd Raising**

At the raising on Tuesday June 2nd the 729 Craft Club will prepare hot dogs and hamburgers on the grill outside, weather permitting, while the candidate is receiving the lecture and charge. Lodge will open that evening at 6PM so that we will have more time following the meeting. Remember we will need some Past Masters to step up to open in officers' stations for those officers who work and cannot be there that early. Let the Secretary know if you can help.

### **2009 One-Day Class**

The Grand Master's One Day Class will be held on June 13th at the Dayton Masonic Center. Registration opens for the candidates at 7AM with Lodge opening at 9AM. Alpha Lodge candidates are been instructed to be there by 8AM to register with the Secretary then. All mentors should plan to either brings their candidate or candidates or plan to meet them there remembering there will be a lot of people there and it may be difficult.

### **June 13th One Day Class Dinner**

There will be a dinner at the Lodge at 6PM following the One Day Class to welcome the new candidates and their ladies. Brother Jim Blum will be preparing the meal. The menu for the dinner will be ham steak, salad, mashed potatoes, vegetables, and pie for desert. This is open to the Lodge members and their ladies as well. You will need to RSVP to the Secretary at 293-1404 by June 9th so we know how much food to prepare.

### **June 14th Masonic House Day**

Open House at the Ohio Masonic Home will be on Sunday June 14th. This is a picnic atmosphere with hot dogs, hamburgers and the trimmings with funnel cakes, pulled pork, ice cream, strawberry short cake and craft booths as well. There are tours of the Home for those who have never been there. The food is very reasonable as Masonic organizations are the vendors. The food booths open about 11AM and are open until about 4PM with a Shrine Parade, about 1PM. Music will last all day with over entertainment as well. Alpha Lodge members work the 2nd District Officers Association's food booth. If you would like to volunteer please call me, the Secretary, at 293-1404.

### **July 18th Spaghetti Dinner**

On Saturday July 18th the Lodge will have a fundraiser, open to the public. He proceeds will go to assist our Brethren who are unable to pay their lodge dues. There will be no charge however, donations will be accepted. The menu will be a salad, spaghetti, garlic bread, and cheese cake for dessert. We are working on obtaining music for this event. Dinner will be served from 5PM until 7PM. Brother Matt Rentz is in charge of the event.

### **Craft Club Picnic August 2nd**

W. Bro. Livesay has put together the Craft Club Family Picnic for Sunday August 2nd at Lofino's Park in Beavercreek. The time will be from 1-4PM with lunch at 2PM. That will give all time to attend church go home and change into your picnic clothes. We are trying to locate some games for the kids should as darts, bean bag toss etc and maybe a bad mitten game. If you help with this, call W. Bro. Jude Madden at 253-2549.

### **June 23 Meeting**

R. W. Posey has asked that the Officers attend a program to explain his programs for next year at the Dayton Masonic Center at 7:30 PM on Tuesday June 23rd. To facilitate this request all the Officers will be absent on this evening therefore, there will be no meeting at Alpha on June 23rd. Enjoy your Summer break and we will open again on September 8th.