



Alpha Lodge Newsletter

November & December 2008

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Brethren- From the Secretary

Another lodge year is about to begin with the election of the Officers on November 11th. As I told you in the last Newsletter special events are on the agenda. W. Bro. Gary Nicholson will be installed as a District Deputy Grand Master of the 2nd Masonic District in November with all welcome to attend. Awards' Night, also, in November, will be special as M. W. Bro. Neil Smalley will receive his 50 year pin. A number of Masonic dignitaries will be present to witness this event. The Christmas Party is the first Saturday in December and the Widows' Candy delivery will follow two weeks later.

This will be the last Newsletter I write as I am returning some of what I am doing back to the Master. In most cases I have enjoyed communicating with you through this medium although at time it was difficult to find material. Unless something unexpected occurs, 2010 will be my last year as your Secretary. I will have completed 17 years in this position and there are other things I would like to do.

Trestle board

Nov 1	Breakfast	7-10AM			
Nov 4	Special Meeting	7PM	Dec 2	Special Meeting	TBA 7PM
	See Invitation		Dec 5	Seniors	9-11AM
Nov 7	Seniors	9-11AM	Dec 6	Breakfast	7-10AM
Nov 11	Stated Meeting	7PM	Dec 6	Christmas Party	6PM
Nov 14	Seniors	9-11AM	Dec 9	Stated Meeting	7PM
Nov 18	Special Meeting	7PM	Dec 12	Seniors	9-11AM
	Installation of Officers		Dec 16	TBA	
Nov 21	Seniors	9-11AM	Dec 19	Seniors	9-11AM
Nov 25	Stated Meeting	6:30PM	Dec 20	Widow's Candy Delivery	8AM
	Awards' Night		Dec 23	Stated Meeting	7PM
Nov 28	Seniors	9-11AM	Dec 26	Seniors	9-11AM
			Dec 30	No Meeting	
			Jan 3	Breakfast	7-10AM

Dues

2nd notices will be sent out at the end of October with final notices to go out by early December. Remember the suspension date is December 31st. If you have not paid your dues now would be a good time to get that done.

Sick Report

W. Bro. Jim Sharp seems to be getting along fine with his knee replacement, as is W. Bro. Chuck DeVorak with his surgery as both have been seen in Lodge recently, and W. Bro. Jack Bissinger has been in and out of the hospital. Please keep Bill McMann informed if there are others. His number is 434-5137.

*Alpha Lodge, No. 729
Free & Accepted Masons of Ohio*

*Cordially invites
You and your guests
To the
Open Installation
Of*

RWB Gary L. Nicholson

**As
District Deputy Grand Master
Second Masonic District**

*Tuesday, November 4, 2008
7:00 PM*

*In
Alpha Lodge
2251 S. Smithville Rd.
Kettering, Ohio 45420*

**Installing Officer: RWB Terry W.
Posey
Installing Marshall: MWB Neil
M. Smalley
Installing Chaplain: RWB Douglas
N. Kaylor
Installing Secretary: RWB Gene R.
Pequignot**

Installation of District Deputy

The Grand Master has appointed R.W. Bro. Gary Nicholson as District Deputy Grand Master of the 2nd Masonic District. The Invitation to his installation is above and is open to the ladies. Refreshments will follow.

Grim Reaper Report

Since the last report we have lost one of our Brethren, Brother Verlin R. Bledsoe who passed away on September 2, 2008. Please remember the family of this brother and may he hear those welcome words well done good and the joy of our Lord.

Christmas Party

The Annual Christmas Party will be held on Saturday December 6th with dinner served at 6PM. As is the usual custom the Lodge will supply the meat will all attending bringing a cover dish. Don't forget the gifts for Santa to give the kid's and to put their name on the tag.

Awards' Night

This year's awards' night will be held on Tuesday November 25th. 25, 50, 60 and 65 year awards will be presented. M.W. Bro. Neil Smalley will be one of the honoree with a number of Masonic dignitaries present including the Grand Master. Lodge will open at 6:30PM and the ladies will be welcomed in around 7PM. This is the first time Awards' Night has been open to the Ladies.

Widows' Candy Delivery

This year the candy deliver to our widows will be held on Saturday morning December 20th. We will need to leave the lodge about 8AM. As usual donuts and coffee will be available beginning at 7AM. All who would like to participate please call the Secretary at 293-1404 so I know how to divide the areas up. We have about 130 boxes to deliver. We enjoy delivering the candy as much as the widows do receiving it.