

THE TRESTLE BOARD

MOORESVILLE LODGE #78

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Tidings From the East

Welcome Brethren,

I hope everyone had a Happy and Joyful Holiday. If you were out and about this holiday season, I hope your travels were safe and non eventful. My holiday travels this year were few but great. I traveled from the West to the East. I felt like a child who had been waiting in a long line to get into Santa's chair. The wait and anticipation was killing me, but now that the waits over and I'm setting in the chair, I'm in such awe that I'm speechless. Everything looks different once you're sitting in the "Big Chair". (Santa needs some better looking elves.)

I want to thank our retiring Worshipful Master, Bro. Scott Freeman for the outstanding year he had as Worshipful Master. Bro. Scott was instrumental in bringing several young men to Light. It's these young men that are our future. Not just to Mooresville's future, but to the future of all Freemasonry. Bro. Scott has left a huge set of shoes to fill.

I also want to thank my line officers for their commitment to fulfill the roles and duties of their office. I will be asking them to take another step forward as we reach out even farther with our commitments to our Brethren, our Lodge, and our Community. I want Mooresville Masonic Lodge to continue to be recognized as one of "the Best Masonic Lodges in Indiana". This requires us to be a Fraternity that good men will want to be associated with and be an active part of.

I want our lodge attendance to grow; this requires us to be a more proactive in reaching out to our members, and bringing them "home". Our first "Let's get reacquainted event" will be a "Rusty Nail Degree". This is a short program designed to refresh the memories of Brethren holding a valid dues card who are not regular in their Lodge attendance. We will have this program on Tuesday evening March 31st. at 7:00 PM. Come join us and let's start to get "reacquainted".

We have several more ideas in the planning stages for 2009 that will be new and exciting for our members. Keep a close eye on the calendar in the Trestle board and on our web site for upcoming dates and events.

Fraternally
Dale W. Wright
Worshipful Master
Mooresville Lodge #78



From the West Gate

Hello Brethren,

I'm Tony Holmes your new Senior Warden for this year. First, I would like to congratulate brother Scott Freeman on a wonderful year. I would also like to congratulate brother Dale Wright on stepping up to the big chair this year. We had our first officers meeting and brother Dale seems to have a good plan laid out for the year.

I would like to thank you all for electing me to Senior Warden and I will do my best to live up to the trust you have put in me. I look forward to the upcoming year. Make sure to keep a eye on the lodge calendar we have allot of events coming up . I Hope everyone's year has started out good.

Tony Holmes
Senior Warden

Officers for 2009

Worshipful Master———Dale Wright
Senior Warden———Anthony Holmes
Junior Warden———Jon Napier
Treasurer———James Catania
Secretary———Wilson Young
Senior Deacon———James Jacobs
Junior Deacon———Max Jeffrey
Senior Stewart———Craig Jeffrey
Junior Stewart———Marvin Owens
Chaplain———Mike Gill
Tyler———James Knot

Masonic Humor

The Worshipful Master of our Lodge found a bottle with a Genie in it. In accordance with custom, the Genie offered to grant him a wish.

"OK," said the WM, "I've always wanted to go to Hawaii, but I hate to fly. So my wish is for you to build a bridge so I can drive to Hawaii."

"I can't do that!!!" exclaimed the Genie. "Don't you know that's impossible? No Genie could do that. It's too far, the water is too deep, it's just totally beyond anybody's power. You will have to make another wish."

"OK," said the Master. "I wish that at our next Stated Meeting all the old PMs would just get along and not cause any trouble, not have to tell us how they did it their year, not complain about the ritual, not put down the current officers ... just sit on the sidelines and behave!"

"HmMMM," said the Genie. "Do you want that bridge with 2 lanes or 4???"

Committees

Finance—Henry Bear*, Wilson Young, Jim Catania, Jim Castor
Visitation—Richard Chambers*, Cecil Moore*
Relief—Dale Wright*, Tony Holmes, Jon Napier
Education—Craig Jeffrey*, Max Jeffrey, Jacob Heinz
Membership/Community—Scott Freeman*, Greg Bailey
Veterans—Mike Gill*, Marvin Owens, Mike Schmidt
Archives—Mark Baker*, All Past Masters
Masonic Home—Lennis Myers*
Investigating Visitors—Clyde Carter*
Investigating Candidates—Jim Catania*
Trestle Board/Web site—Jon Napier*, Scott Freeman

*Chair



From the South Gate

Happy New Year Brethren,

I hope everyone's holiday season was as joyful as mine. First, I would like to thank the membership for giving me the honor and privilege of serving as the Junior Warden for 2009. I would also like to congratulate C. Scott Freeman for completing his year in the East and Dale Wright for being elected Worshipful Master for 2009. Both of these brothers have done a spectacular job of keeping our lodge moving in the right direction through their leadership and devotion to the Fraternity.

The journey to the East at Mooresville takes several years to complete and each station has different challenges and responsibilities. The junior Warden's station seems to be one that most officers are anxious to start and are exceedingly anxious to finish, which is due to the many duties and tasks this station requires. One of the challenges is being in charge of the Old Settlers fish fry, our lodges primary fund raiser for the year. For the past 5 years that I have been involved, I see the same faces each year with the exception of some of our newest members. This year I would like to challenge all of our members to make a special effort to attend and help out for a couple hours or even just stop by and have some food and fellowship. This small contribution will help our lodge significantly and make the time spent for all more enjoyable. This year Old Settlers will be on **August 2, 3 and 4**. I will post any additional information along with the dates and times for our degrees and events on our lodge web site (<http://mastermason.com/mooresville78/>) and in future Trestle Board issues as soon as they becomes available.

Finally brethren, I would like to thank you for paying your dues on time this year, which saves the lodge time and money by not having to send a certified letter. For those of you who have not had the opportunity yet, please send them in as soon as possible. For misplaced dues statements or if you are having financial difficulty, please contact our Secretary, Bro. Wilson Young, at 317-831-3811 or by email at bluelodge78@yahoo.com.

I look forward to seeing you at Lodge,

Jon Napier
Junior Warden

Mark Your Calendars
Old Settlers Fish Fry — August 2, 3 and 4

IN MEMORIAM

Brothers that passed to that "house not made with hands" during 2008. We should take a moment to remember them and their families in thought and prayer.

Michael Eric Greathouse
Rolland Keller Kitchen
Floyd Lyman Searcy, PM
Floyd David Trischler
James Paul Wiley, PM

A Note to Veterans

2009 Defense Authorization Act, signed into law on October 15, 2008 Public Law 112-417, authorizes veterans and troops not in uniform to render a military salute during the raising, lowering, or passing of the flag and the playing of the national anthem.

Dues Breakdown for 2009

\$16.50	Ind. Masonic Home
15.50	Grand Lodge per capita
2.00	GL Endowment/ Support Fund
1.00	GL Trustees
1.00	Freemason' Hall Matching Fund (final year)
_.50	George Washington Masonic Memorial
\$36.50	TOTAL TO GRAND LODGE
\$43.50	REMAINS WITH LOCAL LODGE



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January	February
<p>6— Stated Meeting 6:30 pm 13—EA Practice 6:30 pm 17—Founders Day -Breakfast 8:00 @ GL 20—E.A. Deg 6:00 pm 22—Splinter Wakeman Committee mtg. 6:30</p>	<p>3— Stated Meeting 6:30 pm 8— WC Push Masonic Home 9:45 am 10—EA Deg or Practice 6:00 pm 17—FC Deg or Practice 6:00 pm 24—MM Deg or Practice 6:00 pm</p>
March	April
<p>3— Stated Meeting 6:30 pm 10—EA Deg or Practice 6:00 pm 14—Rabbit Supper, Deg 10:00am Eat at 1:00 pm 17—FC Deg or Practice 6:00 pm 24—MM Deg or Practice 6:00 pm 29—WC Push Masonic Home 9:45 am 31—Rusty Nail Deg 6:00 pm</p>	<p>7— Stated Meeting 6:30 pm 11—Chips/heal day 8:00 am 14—EA Deg or Practice 6:00 pm 21—FC Deg or Practice 6:00 pm 25—Widows Dinner, Wakeman Award 6:00 pm 28—MM Deg or Practice 6:00 pm</p>

Note: Dinner for Stated Meetings and Degree work will start at the time above, Lodge work will start one hour later.

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