



Massena Lodge 513 F&AM

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March 23, 2011

Massena Brethren

Here is a recap of our Stated Communication Tuesday, March 22. You may want to that you print it out, highlight any committees you may be on, and note all the appropriate dates on your calendar. We had a very productive meeting, and covered a lot of territory that we needed to for some time. Thank you to the Brothers who helped make the decisions and set us in a more forward direction.

AWARDS NIGHT will be held in the fall, as the materials will not arrive until late June. We will have a planning session sometime before then to decide if we want to hold a public meeting, and where it will be held (Dar's did a great job for us; we may decide to do it again so our Brothers can enjoy the event.)

EXPENSES: We approved some expenses: \$180.00 plus tax for 30 frames for the awards certificates; \$500.00 for Grand Lodge trip, with any unspent moneys to be returned to the Lodge afterward; the cost of the Past Master Apron presented to W Clark Johnstone, expenses for our plaque we pass back and forth with St. John's 21A Lodge in Van Kleek Hill, Canada. We may have a picnic or other summer event with St. John's Lodge to plan out the plaque. \$164.00 was pledged for sponsorship of the annual Massena Soapbox Derby, to be headed by Bernard Pitts.

FIRST DEGREE: Our Entered Apprentice Degree will be held at our next Stated Communication on April 12. Practice will be on Sunday, April 10 at 6:30 PM. Please let me know this week what part you would like. We will get help from other lodges where needed

SECOND DEGREE: Scheduled for May 10.

FUNDRAISING: We will continue our monthly Pancake Breakfasts on the second Saturday of the month beginning April 9th. More details will follow. The committee is headed up by Everett Hampton, but he needs help in organizing, preparing and buying materials. Please let him know you are available.

SAFETY ID: We have an event scheduled for April 18th at Brasher Head Start. It is at St. Patrick's Church, in the school behind. Please let me know if you can help out!

COMMITTEES

Committees are to conduct research and make recommendations only . All actions, decisions and commitments will be made by the body of our membership in Lodge by a vote, according to the Constitutions and Masonic Law of New York. *Please do not hesitate to ask for assistance where needed.*

Each committee will be required to submit a report at each Stated Communication, as the agenda permits.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE: Our bylaws are somewhat outdated, and we had previously voted to address some issues in them such as dues, initiation fee, meeting times, etc. The goal is to review and update.

Clark Johnstone
Randy Stout
John Schneider
Bernie Pitts
Dewitt Forbes

HOUSE COMMITTEE: The goal is to protect the interests of the Lodge regarding our Temple. We need to open communication with the Temple Association and determine the financial and legal interests and liabilities, and ensure the viability of our assets.

Clark Johnstone – Chair
Ray Cutway
John Schneider
Randy Stout
Dewitt Forbes
Bernard Pitts

DEWITT CLINTON MASONIC AWARD

COMMITTEE: This award is given by our Grand Lodge to a deserving non-Masonic organization or individuals in our community. This program is also attached.

Bernie Pitts
Dewitt Forbes

SURVIVING SPOUSES AND LOVED ONES:

This is also a Grand Lodge program designed to allow each Mason to "help, aid and assist our Surviving Spouses and Loved Ones." This committee wi;; recommend ideas and programs for all of us to help with. Please see me for a copy of this program.

Jeff Marrin
Terry DuBray
James Boyce