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BERRIEN COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

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2018 Friday lunch schedule

1st & 2nd at Super Buffet

If there are 5 Fridays in the month, lunch on the 3rd is at Lydia's in Bridgman

Last 2 Fridays at Galley Grille

Business meeting – last Friday

Thank you to all of the Berrien County Shrine Club Nobles, we are Saladin Shrine's "Club of the Year." We have set the bar and are going to rise above again this year. Next Regular is 25 January at Galley Grill noon. Sweetheart dinner is scheduled for 13 February at South west Michigan Masonic Center at 6 pm, Hope to see you there.

We are still looking for an enclosed trailer to store and transport our club supplies.

January 25 Regular at Galley Grill
February 13 Sweetheart Dinner
February 22 Regular at Galley Grill

Fraternally, Ron Price, President

The March 2019

Newsletter deadline is

FEBRUARY 10, 2019

Please do not be late.

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THREE OAKS LODGE No. 239 F. and A.M.

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Brothers,

Well we got the first Regular of the year done and I thank all the Brothers and Officers for a great stat to a great year. Thank you Brother Derek for a fine meal and Thank you Brother Jack Schmidt for the after meeting raffle and cheesecake. Every meeting we will have a raffle for a small prize, a knife or money clip or something like that and a great dessert after the meeting.

We have two EA Degrees, 14th and 21st of January 730pm meal at 630pm. Also thanks to Junior Warden Derek Nicely for setting up a Cards and Other Play night on 18 February 700pm, come on out for a night of fellowship.

Trestle Board:

14 Jan EA Degree 730pm meal 630pm
21 Jan EA Degree 730pm meal 630pm
4 Feb Regular 730pm meal 630pm
18 Feb Cards and Other Play 700pm

Thank you for your support.

Ron Price, Worshipful Master



SAINT JOSEPH LODGE No. 437 F. and A.M.

WM Jerry Sirk (269) 934-7475
Sec'y Stuart Fenton 269-369-7835

January 15, FC practice, 6:00 pm

January 22, FC Degree, 7:00 pm

February 5, Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

Thank you to all the brothers for their help and support in this year.

To ALL MASONS in this area.

Saint Joseph Lodge will need extra help at regular meetings and any degree work if February, March and April, because the Cook Plant will be requiring extra work hours during these months, and as you may know, many of our members work at the DC Cook Power Plant.

Fraternally, Jerry Sirk, WM

NATIONAL SOJOURNERS' CLUB

Regular– 2nd Friday at 11:30 AM at the Super Buffet.

All military veteran Masons welcome.



LAKESHORE LODGE No. 298
F. and A.M.

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Dear Brothers,

Congratulations to Thomas J. Mitchell P.M. on being nominated Mason of the Year, we will be having a dinner honoring him on January 28th. I would like to thank Ed Baginski for providing delicious dinners for the month of January. Lakeshore Lodge meets on the first Monday of the month, except holiday. Dinner and fellowship at 6:30 PM and lodge opens at 7:30 PM. All masons are welcome.

January 21st Dark Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 28th Mason of the Year Dinner

February 4th Regular Business Meeting

February 11th Entered Apprentice Degree

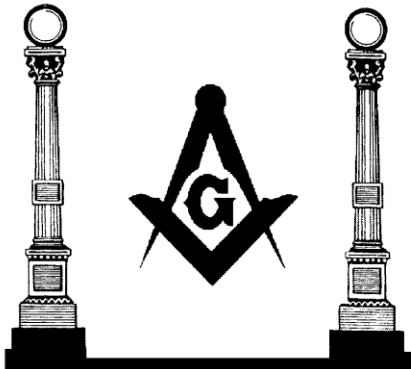
February 18th Fellow Craft Degree Practice

February 25th Fellow Craft Degree

Jeffrey A. Keehn, P.M., 33°

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O.E.S.

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No Business Mtgs. Held In Jan or Feb

Jan. 12 Brunch 11am

Jan. 23 Potluck & Committee mtg
/Proficiency

Feb. 9 Brunch 10am

Feb 20 3rd Wednesday Mtg.

Sisters and Brothers,

We welcome the New Year with opportunities to build and engage Fraternally. Thank you to Worshipful Masters; Jerry Sirk & Ray "Doc" Alderdice, for support to form a more collaborative & unified fraternity!! We have agreed to assist with landscaping the grounds. We are grateful and blessed that "Master Gardener," Sister Jeri Spitzer, has kindly offered her knowledge & energy to lead this project. Thank you Jeri!

Thanks to all who came and made our Christmas "Fun Night" a very memorable and profitable evening!! Don't throw away your old Christmas Cast-offs, rather, please donate to our chapter to be repurposed.....;)

Our first brunch Sat. Jan 12th will be at Super Buffet in B.H. @ 11am

We will begin our 3rd Wed. mtgs on Jan 23 with a potluck dinner followed by committee sessions & proficiency practice lead by WP Andy Heier & Vicki Warner.

Mark your calendar for our **"Tea Party" on Sat. April 13th** Honoring and Hosting **PGM Helen Milbourne** as she presents her "Historic Slide Show". We are extremely grateful & excited to about this special event. We will be inviting area & district chapters: watch for more information!

Thanks to our cleaning crew!! I appreciate You and all that you do!!!

In closing, I wish you all the very best for this New Year and may you all be richly blessed!!

**Till next time...
Deb Lightner WM**



COLOMA LODGE No. 162
F. and A.M.

WM Travis Schultz 269-861-7738
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Sec'y David Mayne, PM 269-487-6750

Feb. 7 Regular Communication

From the East:

I am truly honored to sit in the East this year, working alongside my brothers at the Coloma Lodge to fulfill our profession of brotherly love, relief and truth. I'd like to thank our newest Past Master, Charlie Weeden, for his leadership in 2018. We have a full schedule for 2019.

We expect that the replacement of our chairlift will be completed very soon, and we will pass the word as soon as it is finished. Many brothers with mobility challenges have expressed their desire to rejoin the fellowship that comes with being in lodge and we thank them for their patience.

The calendar may say winter, but we are already thinking about spring and hope that you will join us for our Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner in mid-March. We also will host our annual golf outing once again at Cora Lake Golf Course in mid-July. Stand by for more details!

In the meantime, I hope you will join us in lodge. The gavel falls at 7:30 on the first Thursday of every month.

Fraternally, Travis Schultz, WM

From the Secretary's Desk

Second dues notices have been mailed. Remember that although online dues payment is no longer available through the Grand Lodge website, you may pay online at: **162-mi.ourlodgepage.com**. Contact Bro. Dave if you have any questions.