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BERRIEN COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

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Aug 26, 2016 - 12 PM - Lunch,
Business Meeting and Drawing at the
Galley Grill.

Sept 14, 2016 - Ladies and Divan Night
at Skip's. Happy hour 6:00 pm, Dinner at
7:00. Make reservations w/ John Keyser.

Sept 30, 2016 - 12 PM - Lunch,
Business Meeting and Drawing at the
Galley Grill.

Nov. 9, 2016 - Red Fez Dinner at Skip's.
Happy hour 6:00 pm, Dinner at 7:00.
Make reservations w/ John Keyser.

Parades - Thanks to our Mini-bike unit
Sept 5 – Lawrence,
Sept 11 – PawPaw,
October 1 - Niles Four Flags Apple Fest

We do business on the last Friday of the
month at the Galley Grill, Stevensville,
and join for lunch on the other Fridays.
Several of our members are ill and need
our prayers and moral support.

Berrien County Low-12

**Ladies Night September 8
7:00 PM at the Super Buffet, 1956
Pipestone Rd,
Benton Harbor, MI.**

**All Masons, Eastern Stars, Widows
and their friends are welcome.
Ladies dine free.**

**Entertainment by the
Deep Fried Pickle Project.**



**SAINT JOSEPH LODGE No. 437
F & AM**

WM **Greg Weiser** 269-280-2419
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Sec'y Stuart Fenton 269-369-7835

Sept. 6 Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

I hope that everyone had a wonderful summer and got to spend lots of time with friends and family. I am looking forward to seeing the brothers again when we come to light on September 6th. Dinner and fellowship is at 6:30 PM the regular starts promptly at 7:00PM.

Greg Weiser, WM

A note from the editor

I was talking with some of the Brothers the other day and they were expressing their surprise and dismay about how many of our brothers do not seem to understand what RSVP means. They have used this abbreviation on invitations and announcements for events and had many show up without having made reservations. It simply ruins our ability to plan. RSVP is the same as saying please make a reservation, but actually goes one step farther and means that you should provide a non-reservation response if you will not be going.

Fraternally, John Hubbard



**LAKESHORE LODGE No. 298
F & AM**

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September 5 Labor Day No Lodge

September 12 Regular

September 19 E.A. Degree

September 26 Fellowship

Brethen,

September is a short month and with doing Fellowcrafts I would like an extra week for us and the Brothers. I would like to practice on the first Sunday in October for the Fellowcraft.

Fraternally Yours

WM Jeremy Watson

**Scottish Rite Steak Fry is
Thursday,**

August 18, 2016

in Riverview Park, St. Joseph

at 6:00 pm

\$20 per meal



**AMERICA CHAPTER No. 234
O E S**

WM Connie Kilburn 269 621-4403
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- Sept 7 Regular Business Meeting,
7:30 pm, Meal at 6:30 pm**
**Sept 10 Breakfast, 8:30 am
Mill Creek Charlies, Watervliet**
**Sept 24 Potluck at Masonic Center,
6:30 PM, Annual audit &
planning session**
**Oct 5 Regular business and Annual
Meeting, 7:30, Meal at 6:30 pm**
Oct 11-13 Grand Chapter OES of MI
Oct 19 Installation of Officers 7 pm
**Nov 2 Regular Business Meeting,
7:30 pm Meal at 6:30 pm**
**Nov 16 School of Instruction by
Worthy Grand Patron, Robert Otte**

Sisters and Brothers:

America members continued their faithful participation throughout the summer. In addition to our monthly meetings, we held a successful bake sale during the Lakeshore Lodge's Car Show and furnished desserts for the Masonic Center auction in July.

We were saddened by the death of Sister Ann Smith in June. We were honored to provide the Star Funeral service for her.

Attendance at our meetings continues to be strong. It is a pleasure to have sideliners at each meeting. Several of our members have experienced health issues; please keep all our members in your prayers.

Dues notices have been sent out; thanks to all who have responded promptly! We are collecting money for the Grand Chapter Goin' to the Dogs project with our "Dog-less Dog Show". Each dollar sent in will vote for your favorite breed of dog, and we are seeing that folks are passionate about their pooches.

You are encouraged to attend our regular and special meetings. If you have questions just give us a call. Email and text reminders are always sent out, if you aren't getting them just make sure that I have your information.

Connie Kilburn, Worthy Matron



**COLOMA LODGE No. 162
F & AM**

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- September 1st Regular Meeting
Dinner at 6:30 Lodge at 7:30**
**October 6th Regular Meeting
Dinner at 6:30 Lodge at 7:30**
**October 13th
Past Master's/ Widows dinner**

On August 4th Grand Master Bill Finkel visited Coloma Lodge to present a 70 year membership pin and certificate to W. Brother Fred Munchow. WB Fred celebrated his 91st Birthday in April. This was a special occasion for WB Fred, his wife Edith and Coloma Lodge. We also presented the Grand Master with an honorary membership to Coloma Lodge that evening. Welcome, Grand Master, to Coloma Lodge.

Our 2nd Annual Golf Outing was held at the Berrien Hills Golf Club on Friday, June 3rd. Thanks to Brother Travis Schultz, all the volunteers, sponsors and players for their participation. It was a very successful event.

We have been selling raffle tickets over the summer. On October 13th at our Annual Past Master's/Widow's Dinner we will draw the winning tickets. The dinner and drawing will be held at Ray's on the Green. 1st prize is a Remington Police Magnum Shotgun and 2nd prize is a 32 inch flat screen TV. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are available from any officer. If you haven't purchased your ticket yet contact secretary Baugher for tickets.

Fraternally, Andy Herrold, WM

Your 2016 dues were due on January 1st. We still have 14 NPDs. We need to hear from you before our September Regular meeting.



**THREE OAKS LODGE No. 239
F & AM**

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**Sept. 12 – Regular Communication,
Dinner at 6:30pm, Lodge at 7:30pm.**

Hello Brothers

Let me start by saying Masons do stick together. On June 23 we lost two up standing brothers my father in-law Donald Linn PM of Rolling Prairie Indiana lodge and Gene Zernia PM Vet. and King of Tyre of Three Oaks lodge #239. Our lodge will miss Gene, because he always put us in line.

I have 5 points to state this month.

First, , we need help at the Child ID booth at the Berrien County Youth Fair August 15 @ 4:00pm .

Second, I hope you will all come to our Pancake Breakfast on Aug 28 7:00-am -11:00 @ the FeatherBone Restaurant . Please sell those tickets

Third, on Sept. 12, our Regular @ 7:30 Dinner @ 6:30

Fourth, thanks to all the brothers that turned out for the Flag Day Parade. We had a great time.

Finally, our Family Date was a hit, thanks to brother Scott Tavernier.

I wish to say thank you for all your prayers, may God Bless you and yours

K.E. Breaux, WM

The **October** newsletter deadline is **September 10th**. Please do not be late with your material.

E-mail articles to Masons@parrett.net

September 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Aug. 28 Three Oaks Pancake Breakfast	Aug. 29	Aug. 30	Aug. 31	Sept. 1 Coloma 162 Regular	Sept. 2	Sept. 3
4	5 Labor Day Parade Lawrence	6 St. Joseph 437 Regular	7 America 234 Regular	8 Low 12 Ladies Night	9	10 America 234 Breakfast Masonic News Deadline
11 Parade PawPaw	12 Lakeshore 298 Regular Three Oaks 239 Regular	13	14 Shrine Club Ladies & Divan Dinner	15	16	17
18	19 Lakeshore EA Degree	20	21	22	23	24 America OES Potluck
25	²⁶ 298 Fellowship	27	28	29	30 Shrine Club Regular	Oct. 1 Parade NILES