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THE MASONIC NEWS

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BERRIEN COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

Pres.	Ron Price	269-756-3969
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2018 Friday lunch schedule

1st & 2nd at Super Buffet If there are 5 Fridays in the month, Iunch on the 3rd at Lydia's in Bridgman Last 2 Fridays at Galley Grille Business meeting – last Friday

Remember September 26 is Ladies and Divan Night at <u>Skip's</u>. Please make your reservation with Jim Cobianco by September 19.

Sealed bids for the float tractor and its trailer must be in St Joseph PO Box 224, by September 21st. Mark the envelope "**Tractor Bid**." We'll open them on the 28th. The money received will go to the Chicago Shrine Hospital.

We are looking for an enclosed trailer to hold our Corn & Brat roast supplies. It will need to be at least 10 feet long to hold the awning poles.

Parades:

Sept. 22 G L S A in Grand Rapids Sept. 29 Niles Apple Festival Parade Regular meetings:

Sept.28 at Galley GrillOct.26 at Galley Grill

Fraternally, Ron Price, President



AMERICA Chapter No. 234 O.E.S. WM Jessica Green 269-369-4371 WP Bryan Green 269-932-8459 Sec'y Sue Romelhardt 269-429-2602

October 3 at the usual 7pm: Regular Meeting (Meal by Fran Zecklin) October 9-11 Grand Chapter

October 13: Country Kitchen Breakfast October 20 at 3pm:

2018-2019 OES installation (Open)

Hey sisters and brothers!

I want to thank everyone for all the help as I served as your worthy matron. I am looking forward to working with Deb Lightner this next year. My husband and I wish Deb the best of luck for a wonderful year. America Chapter installation on October 20th will be an open installation. Let's show Deb all the love and support you showed my husband and me. Thank you everyone again for an amazing year.

Jessica Green, Worthy Matron 2017-2018 Bryan Green, Worthy Patron 2017-2018

> The November 2018 Newsletter deadline is OCTOBER 10, 2018 Please do not be late. e-mail article to Masons@parrett.net



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

WM	Rex Hartwig	269
Sec'y	Stuart Fenton	269-369-7835

Brothers

The Worshipful Master would like to thank everyone who participated and attended our summer picnic. It was a good turn out and everyone had a good time. We participated in the Child ID program and processed 40 children in these events.

Oct Regular will be on **Tues, Oct. 2nd** Hope to see everyone then

Stu Fenton, PM, Secretary St Joseph No. 437

NATIONAL SOJOURNERS' CLUB

Regular Meeting -2^{nd} Friday each month at 11:30 AM at the Super Buffet.

All Mason veterans are welcome.

Low-12 Ladies Night on September 13 at the New Super Buffet: 7:00 PM Everyone is welcome



F. and A.M.

WM	Andy Heier	269-208-5109
SW	Ray Alderdice	269-428-2010
Sec'y	Jeff Keehn, PM	269-208-8710

Dear Brothers,

Wow what a great summer, the brothers of Lakeshore Lodge have been busy this summer with all the picnics and golf outings. BIG thanks to Brother Steve Agens for providing dinner for our summer business meetings. Our summer break is over and we are ready to get back to work with degree work, fun and fellowship. Please join us for dinner every Monday at 6:30.

October 1st Regular Business Meeting-Voting on "Special Assessment" that will affect 2019 dues

October 8th Fellowship

October 15th Fellowship

October 22nd Fellowship

October 29th Fellowship

Fraternally yours,

Jeffrey A. Keehn, P.M., 33° Secretary Lakeshore Lodge No. 298 269.208.8710

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Niles Eastern Star is doing its second Initiatory at 7:00 on Sept. 24.

Niles Installation is OPEN and at 7:00 PM on October 22.

Also, on **October 15 at 7:00**, Niles Eastern Star is having an **open to the public**, informal gathering at which **Noble Dan Winter (Director of Development at** Shriners Hospitals for Children — Chicago) will be available to answer questions anyone may have about the Chicago Shrine Hospital



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

WM	Charlie Weeden	269-214-6870
SW	Travis Schultz	269-861-7738
Sec'y	David Mayne, PM	269-487-6750

September 27	Fellowcraft Degree, 6:30 p.m.
October 4	Dinner at 6:30, Regular Communication, 7:30 p.m.
October 11	Past Masters and Widows Dinner, 6:30 p.m.
November 3	Master Mason Degree, Star of the Lake Lodge, South Haven

From the East:

Coloma Lodge's Annual Past Master and /Widows Dinner is scheduled for October 11. Social time begins 6:00 pm with dinner being served at 6:30 pm.

We expect that some Grand Lodge officers will be in attendance to help us present awards to several long-time Masons.

The lodge will provide the meal for the Past Masters of Coloma Lodge and their spouse. The Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation will pay for our widow's dinners. Others attending pay \$15.00, children 12 and under \$7.00.

Masons and spouses from area lodges are invited and encouraged to attend. Please call or e-mail Don Baugher and let him know if you will attend. His phone number is 269-468-4051 and his e-mail address is wdbaugher@comcast.net.

Reservations are a must and should be made no later than October 5.

An invitation is likewise extended to area Masons to join us in degree work that is scheduled this fall.

See you in Lodge!

Fraternally, Charlie Weeden, WM



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

 WM
 Thomas Oldenburg269-208-5175

 SW
 Ron Price
 269-70-6577

 Sec'y Scott Tavernier
 269-207-2009

Brothers,

Hope all you are well.

As you know our 150th is on Saturday, September 22nd at 2pm. We will be opening lodge at 12 Noon, then going at ease. Grand lodge will be there at 12:30 to give us instruction, please wear suit and tie as you are able. This is a public event, invite family and friends.

Our procession will begin at 1:30 pm, and will cover about 4 blocks, other lodges are encouraged to join us, it begins behind our lodge building by the park.

A picnic will follow at Dewey Cannon Park at 4pm, seating is limited so it is suggested that you bring your own chair.

Thanks to all the brothers who are helping out with this great event, my special thanks.

Fraternally, Tommy Oldenburg

Calendar

Sept 22nd Rededication 2:00pm Sept 27th EA Degree 7:30pm Oct 1 Regular Communication 7:30pm Oct 27th Open House 11am-2pm

