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BERRIEN COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

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2018 Friday lunch schedule

1st & 2nd at Super Buffet
3rd, 4th, 5th at Galley Grille
Business meeting – last Friday

Corn & Brat Roast

at Berrien County Sportsman's
Club, Food served at 6:00 pm
July 24 - All are Welcome

We are looking for float riders for our Parades:

May 28 Buchanan – Memorial day
June 9 Hartford
June 17 Three Oaks Flag Day Parade
July 4 South Haven
July 14 Bridgman
July 28 Baroda
August 4 Coloma
August 11 Delton
Sept. 3 Lawrence

Fraternally, Ron Price, President

Low-12 Strawberry Fest
on June at the SW Michigan
Masonic Center: 7:00 PM
Everyone is welcome



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

May 16th: Mock initiation
May 19th: SWDA Meeting in
Schoolcraft

Hello sisters and brothers,

I am looking forward to all that we have planned this summer. I cannot wait to work with you all through these events. I will see you all at our meetings and events. Cannot wait! See you there!

Jessica Green, Worthy Matron
Bryan Green, Worthy Patron

NATIONAL SOJOURNERS' CLUB

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

All Mason veterans are welcome.

The SEPTEMBER 2018

Newsletter deadline is

AUGUST 10, 2018

Please do not be late.

e-mail article to

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

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

Brothers

It was great to see so many brothers at our last meeting. Thanks again for all the Past Masters participation. Also, if you haven't been to lodge in a while, our next meeting will be June 5th. Brother Jerry Sirk has been whipping up some great meals. Fellowship and dinner start at 6:00 PM, meeting at 7:00. We are all going to miss our brother Dennis Harrold, he laid down his working tools on April 10th. Thanks to Brother Stuart Fenton for such a nice Masonic ceremony.

Upcoming events are as follows:

June 5th - Regular Meeting
Guest Jeff Keehn

August 7th - National Night Out, Child
ID program at Riverview Park 5-7

August 28th - Berrien County Health
Department Child ID program 10 -
2:00

Brothers from all lodges are welcome
to help out for such a good cause.

Have a great Summer all.

Rex Hartwig, WM, St Joseph No. 437



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

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Dear Brothers,

Happy almost summer, we will be having our normal first of the month Monday business meeting with fellowship on the remainder of the Mondays this summer. No matter how often you can come, no matter how long it has been, we'd love to have you stop by for a visit. I want to thank Bro. David Parsons for the wonderful meals he provided for the month of May 7 Regular Business Meeting. Please come out August 16 at Riverview Park for the Annual Northern Berrien County Scottish Rite/Lakeshore Lodge #298 Stag Steak Fry at 6:00 pm please call Jeff Keehn at 269-208-8710 for reservations. Please call Anneliese Keehn at 269-605-5444 if your lady would like to have dinner with the ladies in Air Conditions comfort at a local restaurant.

June 4 Regular Business Meeting
July 2 Regular Business Meeting
August 6 Regular Business Meeting
August 16 Northern Berrien County Scottish Rite Steak Fry
Riverview Park 6:00 p.m.

It is great that so many of our brothers have paid their 2018 dues, but we still have a few outstanding. Please let me know if you would like to make payments or if your situation may require a different approach.

Fraternally yours,

Jeffrey A. Keehn, P.M., 33°

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

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May 31 EA Degree, 6:30 p.m.

June 7 Dinner at 6:30, Regular Communication, 7:30 p.m.

July 5 Dinner at 6:30, Regular Communication, 7:30 p.m.

August 2 Dinner at 6:30, Regular Communication, 7:30 p.m.

From the East:

Two things that southwest Michigan Freemasons enjoy are great fellowship and great food! Your brothers at Coloma Lodge invite you to come and enjoy both during our fourth annual Golf Outing.

All brothers and guests are welcome. We will tee off at Lake Cora Hills Golf Course in Paw Paw – a spectacular blend of traditional and modern championship golf. Shotgun start will be at 9:00 a.m. on July 15. Cost is \$65 per player and includes lunch. Brother Dave Baiers will prepare a post-outing meal – that alone is worth the price of admission!

Registration forms are available from our Facebook page; just type "Coloma 162's annual golf outing" into the search bar. You may also call one of our officers noted above, and we'll get you the information. We hope you'll join us for a fantastic day of golf and socializing.

As always, you're welcome to join us for dinner and fellowship on the first Thursday of the month. We're fortunate to have a Lodge full of brothers who really know how to cook!

Until then, we wish you a safe and happy summer and a very happy Independence Day, when we celebrate the birth of our great nation.

Fraternally, Charlie Weeden, WM



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

WM Thomas Oldenburg 269-208-5175
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Sec'y Scott Tavernier 269-277-2009

Brothers,

Thanks everyone at our latest EA degree. We are not going dark this year due to our workload. As you will see in our upcoming events our annual Hog Roast fund raiser, a \$20 donation will get you outstanding BBQ, all you can drink (outside bar) and great entertainment. We will also be presenting our scholarship winners at that time, plus our gun raffle. Now what prizes for the gun raffle you ask? Well let me tell you..... Each ticket is \$5.00 what a deal.

1st prize - Choose ONE Henry Big Boy 44 mag rifle, Savage Mod II Trophy Hunter XP 223 combo, Remington V3 FLD SPT SYN shotgun, \$500 gift card to Bass pro.

2nd prize - \$300 Gift card to Bass Pro,
3rd Prize \$100 Gift card to Bass Pro.

Hurry, contact a Three Oaks Brother and get your tickets now for the Hog Roast and Gun Raffle.

Upcoming Events

May the 19th and July the 14th. Our Open House 11am to 2pm, I will provide refreshments.

June 4 - Regular communication

June 14th we will be participating in a Child ID event at the Haymarket brewery in Bridgman from 6-8:30pm.

June 17 is where we march in the Flag Day Parade, sign up asap.

June 25 - we are having a fellow craft at 6pm, no meal will be served.

June 30 - Our annual Hog Roast, 3-6pm, sell tickets, acquire auction items. The gun raffle winner will be announced during the event as well as presentation of checks to our scholarship winners.

July 2 - Regular communication

Aug 6 - Regular communication

Sept 10 - Regular communication

Sept 22 - 150th celebration

It's a lot of work my brothers, thank you all for your commitment.

Yours Fraternally, Tom Oldenburg