Mason Masonic Temple Association

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January 2010

January 13 7:00PM Annual Meeting & Elections

We've had a busy year and now it's time for our Annual Meeting. Shareholders are entitled to vote and everyone is welcome to attend and express yourselves. Three trustee slots are up for election and possibly a fourth. Remember, this is your building. A thank-you to have who have been donating their used Dell & HP cartridges. We have been able to get enough credit so far this year to pay for the newsletter printing for a month. Thanks and please keep them coming. Remember if anyone needs to rent our dining room for an event you get a discounted rate if you're a member of one of the Masonic bodies in Mason.

Also, a grayish topcoat was left after a Lodge meeting on Dec. 2nd. If it is your coat, contact Ted Hall.

Ted Hall, President, 517/676/1360

Timothy C. Forche, Secretary, 517/676/5157

MASON LODGE #70 FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS

January 6 7:30PM Stated Communication

Greetings Brethren,

December was a busy month with the election of officers for the upcoming year, and also the installation of said officers. I want to thank again all of those who attended to show their support. I also would like to thank Norma Johnston for her playing of the organ. I also appreciated the work of the installing officers for their dedication to the craft, it was inspiring.

The Christmas party with the Stars was fun for all who attended. A special thanks to the Blue Light Players for the entertainment. I would like to congratulate Phil Knapp for being elected Mason of the year, congratulations Brother Phil.

I would like to thank all of my brothers for the opportunity to serve as the W.M. I promise to do my very best.

One last note, don't forget to bring some food or paper goods for the Mason Food Bank, the need is overwhelming.

Nice job Brother Ed.

Fraternally.

Garry VanderVeen, Worshipful Master. 517-676-5868

Bruce Archer, PM Secretary517/676-9370

INGHAM CHAPTER #51 R.A.M. & LESLIE COUNCIL #50 R. & S.M.

January 12 6:30PM Potluck With the Ladies-No meat Furnished 7:30PM Stated Meeting-Council Opening & Closing Mark Master & Past Master Degrees

What a festive December meeting we had for all in attendance. We had a very well attended potluck with plenty to eat. We were however saddened by the loss of three of our Companions: Steve Zamer, Bill Gavin & Lee Talboys. Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families as they will be deeply missed. In Chapter we set degree dates for two new companions. All Companions, please take note and come out and fill the sidelines. Our snowbirds will have run south by then so we'd everyone to make an effort to come out and support our new companions and our degree teams. We are one of the few Chapters in the state that can still confer its own degrees. We should be proud. Don't forget to keep bringing something for the Food Bank as the need is always there. Council officers please take note we will be doing the Opening and Closing work in January. Hope to see everyone there.

Fraternally,

Kenneth D. Chandler, High Priest, 517/676-2172 Timothy C. Forche, PHP, Secretary, 517/676-5157

Paull M. Tarr, Jr., Thrice Illustrious Master, 517/655-4508 Timothy C. Forche, PTIM, Recorder

MASON CHAPTER #150 ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

January 5 12:30PM Potluck

1:30PM Stated Meeting

February & March Dark

Greetings Sisters and Brothers,

We hope you had a blessed Christmas and wish you a Happy New Year. May 2010 bring you good health and happiness.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the families of Lee Talboys and Bernadine McMichael. Our Brother Lee passed away on Dec. 1. Sister Bernadine passed into eternal life on Dec. 8. We also lost out Honorary Member, Arlene Robertson, on Nov.17. Sister Arlene was a member of Dimondale Chapter until they consolidated with Grand Ledge Chapter. They will be missed.

Our regular stated meeting in Jan. will be held on Jan.5. We will have a potluck luncheon at 12:30 pm followed by our meeting at 1:30 pm. Since our weather is so unpredictable and it gets dark so early in Jan, having an afternoon meeting allows our members to attend in daylight hours. Last year we had a good attendance. I hope you can make it this year. We also will have several petitions that will require action by the Chapter. Officers may wear short dresses for this meeting.

Thank you all for attending our Christmas Party on Dec. 16. We were pleased to present Angel House gift certificates in the amount of \$1500, plus donated clothing. Mason Masonic Lodge presented the Mason Food Bank checks in the amount of \$578. In addition, members from both the Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star donated food. The donations for dinner will go to the Food Bank. Representatives from the Angle House and the Food Bank were in attendance and expressed their appreciation for all of the help they have gotten from Mason Lodge and Eastern Stars.

Our Chapter will be dark in Feb. and Mar. However, there is a County Association dinner scheduled for Feb. 5 at Mason, and Mar. 5 at Arbutus. The Apr. meeting will be at Okemos.

Hope to see you at the January meeting.

Fraternally,

Pat Hall, Worthy Matron, 517/676-1360 Ted Hall, Worthy Patron, 517/676-1360 Beatrice McMann, Secretary, 517/663-8636 Barbara Fickies, Sunshine, 517/882-3240

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