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From the East

By Ken Murray, P.M., W.M.

We put on a FC degree in March . . . an excellent job was done by Brother Lawrence McGowen, P.M. We now have two brothers waiting for their MM degree, and are scheduling it as soon as possible.

This is the month of the Caravan Circus in Lansing . . . several Brothers have signed up to donate time for their Lodge. Remember, these monies go into the discretionary funds of the Lodge for donation, et cetera, as we see fit. Our next event is the Prime Rib Dinner on May 16th . . . we still need help!

We are doing better than in years past, and hope to be able to make even a bigger difference in our community this year.

See you in Lodge,

Ken

The <u>deadline</u> for the May Trestleboard is Wednesday, April 16th, 2008.

Anyone who would like to provide information for the Trestleboard, may do so by the following means:

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What Makes a Mason

By Robert M. Wolfarth, 32°

Examples of Masonic acts that make a man a Mason.

7 - Smile at people.

8 - Fix the sink before your wife asks. Then bring her flowers for no reason at all. Be more industrious than people expect of you. Never give anyone reason to consider you lazy.



The Secretary's Minute

By Ken Strobel

I would like to thank all of our Life Members for their generous donations to the Lodge. We're much better off due to that generosity.

A third 'dues notice' went out February 7th . . . there are still a few of you that haven't paid. Remember, we must take action in June on anyone who hasn't paid their dues. So, if you're one of these Brothers, please contact me as soon as you possibly can.

April Birthdays

April Birthdays include Phillip Dawson (4/21); Robert Faber (4/12); Arthur (Bud) Holzworth (4/4); George Kass, P.M. & Fred Walters, Jr. (both 4/13); Gail Kingsley (4/14) & James Lemler (4/24). If you know any of these Brothers, wish them a "Happy Birthday".

Masonic Compact

The Masonic Compact was developed by the Grand Lodge of New York and distributed by Grand Master Neal I. Bidnick.

"Because I am a Freemason . . . I know that the rich tradition of Freemasonry and its framework of Ritual are important platforms for growth and learning; therefore, I vow to stand upon these platforms to improve myself as a human being, and I vow to help in the mission of the Craft to provide tools, atmosphere, challenges and motivation to help each Brother do the same. . . these values and aspirations are guideposts for my progress through life."



Dinner

Dinner will be served prior to each Regular Communication for the entire year. Cost: Donation. From 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.

Special Events

The Jackson Scottish Rite & Master Mason Club is growing, remember, it's open to all Master Masons, and specializes in Ritual Work. Club members will travel anywhere in our area to help area Lodges with Degree work. "I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do . . . and I understand." - Confucius Join us.

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Our Masonic Family

Masonic Lodge, Jackson Lodge No 17. Bill Kesterson, Worshipful Master. (563-8762)

Masonic Lodge, Michigan Lodge No 50. Ken Murray, P.M., Worshipful Master. (787-2980)

Masonic Lodge, St. Nicholas No 12, PHA. Maurice Anderson, Worshipful Master. (513-309-6792)

Royal Arch Masons, Jackson Chapter No 3. Ronald Spees, High Priest. (788-0141)

Royal & Select Masons, Jackson Council No 32. Doug Cunningham, T. I. M. (782-1017)

Knights Templar, Jackson Commandery No 9. Lloyd Darling, Commander. (569-3650)

York Rite College, Jackson College No 3. Gerald Williams, Governor. (750-3231)

Order of Eastern Star, Fernleaf Chapter No 66. Teddy Koerkel, Worthy Matron. (784-0247)

Rainbow for Girls, Jackson Assembly No 7. Brandy Kuhl, Mother Advisor. (522 -4349)

Jackson Scottish Rite & Master Mason Club. Charles Walker, President. (531-3461)

Jackson Shrine Club. Richard Clark, President. (734-433-1030)

Jackson High-Twelve Club. Gerald Williams, President. (750-3231)

2008 Officers

Michigan Lodge #50

Worshipful Master: Ken Murray, P.M.787-2980

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Bernard Lane 531-3597

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Tiler:

Ray Cross531-3962

Organist:

Justin Krasnoff......734-665-2236

April Meetings & Events

First Monday @ 7:30 pm

Jackson Shrine Club meeting @ the

Jackson Masonic Temple - members

First Wednesday @ 6:30 pm Michigan No 50

& visitors alike are welcome!

Dinner followed by Regular Communication @ 7:30 pm

First Saturday @ 5:00 pm St. Nicholas No 12, PHA Regular Communication

Second Tuesday @ **7:30 pm**Jackson Masonic Temple Association *(Temple Board)* meeting. Take part in your Temple - everyone is welcome!

Second Wednesday @ 7:30 pm Council & Chapter

Second Thursday @ 7:30 pmJackson No 17 Regular Communication

Second Saturday @ 8:30 am

Jackson Scottish Rite & Master Mason
Club Breakfast Meeting @ the Jackson
Masonic Temple. Followed by Degree
Team Practice. Everyone's welcome!

Third Wednesday @ 7:00 pm Michigan No 50 Special Communication

Fourth Wednesday @ 7:00 pm Michigan No 50 - Officers Meeting



High-Twelve Club is open to any Master Mason, and meets every Monday at Noon at the Cascades Manor House.

Buffet Lunch, only \$10.00. Come visit!!

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Ritual Instruction is available to anyone who requests help.

Need a ride?



Call any officer, they'll see that you get to Lodge!