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From the East

By Lawrence C. Sanford, Jr., P.M., W.M.



Well, believe it or not, it's May already!!

Grand Lodge will be held June 2nd & 3rd in Grand Rapids.

Amendments and resolutions that will be considered at Grand Lodge this year will be discussed at our May Regular Communication. The two most controversial are an increase in per capita of **\$50.00** . . . and you can only make as many Life Members in a calendar year as newly made Master Masons in your Lodge. We'll talk about them.

Every year there is an amendment attacking the Life Time Memberships in Michigan Lodges . . . so far, nothing has been voted on that will eliminate LTM in Michigan.

See you in Lodge,

Larry

The Secretary's Minute

By Ken Murray, P.M.



May Birthdays include Michael S. Brown and Charles J. Stewart, Jr. both (5/5); Gary R. Cattell (5/18); Kevin L. Brown (5/20); Lawrence G. McGowen, P.M. from 2007, (5/22); Leonard J. Dryer, P.M. from 1965, (5/23); Thomas C. Evanson (5/26); Terrance K. Tuttle (5/28) & Walter W. Sanford (who *should* be a P.M.) (5/30). If you know any of these Brothers, wish them a "**Happy Birthday**". (Additionally, if any of your Birthdays are listed incorrectly, **LET US KNOW!**)

Amendments (and Resolutions) for this year's Grand Lodge will be discussed at our May Regular Communication . . . come to the meeting and let us know what you think. Here's one . . . an increase in per capita of \$50 would raise your dues by that much!

Again, we would like to thank all of our Lifetime Members for their generous donations.

Plus . . . we would be genuinely interested in getting your e-mail address AND your cell phone number, if you have either one. (Many people are discontinuing their phone service in favor of Cell phones only!)

See you in Lodge,

Ken

Dinner



Dinner at our May Regular Communication will be from 6:30 until 7:15 p.m.

As always, anyone & everyone is welcome, and your dinner only costs what you feel it's worth. In other words, a donation. Lodge will open @ 7:30 sharp!

Jackson Lodge 17 Moving to Michigan Center?

That's right . . . that is their intent! In 1845 there was but one Lodge in Jackson . . . and that was St. John's Lodge No 3. As reported by the Masonic News (Centennial Edition) printed by the Grand Lodge of Michigan F. & A. M. in 1926 . . . "Serious discord having crept into the membership" the Lodge surrendered its charter in 1847.

Shortly thereafter, two factions applied to the Grand Lodge for a charter. One became Jackson Lodge No 17, and the other Michigan Lodge No 50.

For 156 years, Jackson Lodge No 17 & Michigan Lodge No 50 have shared a Temple in Jackson. They agreed to share a Temple in 1853, and have shared one ever since. But now, Jackson No 17 wishes to move.

If they do . . . they will be the only ones with a vote on their new Temple Board. Renters should be aware. We are not moving!

The **deadline** for the June - July - August Trestleboard is Wednesday, May 20th, 2009.

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

Telephone: (517) 787-2980,
(Leave information on the machine if necessary.)

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Jackson, MI 49203-1624,

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Our Masonic Family

Masonic Lodge, Jackson Lodge No 17. Gerald Williams, II, Worshipful Master. (750-1853)

Masonic Lodge, Michigan Lodge No 50. Lawrence C. Sanford, Jr., P.M., Worshipful Master. (783-3505)

Masonic Lodge, St. Nicholas No 12, PHA. Charles Pitts, Worshipful Master. (787-5931)

Royal Arch Masons, Jackson Chapter No 3. Dale D. Brown, High Priest. (783-6868)

Royal & Select Masons, Jackson Council No 32. Dale D. Brown, T. I. M. (783-6868)

Knights Templar, Jackson Commandery No 9. James H. Blauvelt, Commander. (675-5766)

York Rite College, Jackson College No 3. Theodore V. Hall, Governor. (676-1360)

Order of Eastern Star, Fernleaf Chapter No 66. ?????, Worthy Matron. (?????)

Rainbow for Girls, Jackson Assembly No 7. ?????, Mother Advisor. (?????)

Jackson Scottish Rite & Master Mason Club. Larry Sanford, President. (783-3505)

Jackson Shrine Club. ?????, President. (?????)

Jackson High-Twelve Club. ?????, President. (?????)

(As information comes in . . . it will be added to the above list. If information doesn't come in . . . the list will be eliminated!)

2009 Officers Michigan Lodge #50

Worshipful Master:

Larry Sanford, P.M. ...783-3505

Senior Warden:

Doug Cunningham, P.M. ...782-1017

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Ray Cross531-3962

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

May Meetings & Events

**First Wednesday @ 6:30 pm
Michigan No 50**

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 pm

Jackson No 17
Regular Communication

Second Sunday @ 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 @ 7:30 pm

Michigan No 50

Special Communication
Degree Work (or practice)

Fourth Wednesday @ 7:30 pm

Michigan No 50

DARK



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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Need a ride?



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