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TRESTLE BOARD

STATED MEETING – 2nd MONDAY AT 7:30 PM

Timothy Davis, PM, Senior Warden
Darrell Fremont, Junior Warden
Michael B. Aves, Sr., PM, Treasurer

Rodney E. Halverson, PM, Chaplain
Eric Auxier, Senior Deacon
John Trotter, Junior Deacon

William Jacoby, Senior Steward
Scott Nemmers, Junior Steward
Gunnar D. Young, Tyler

Asa Moeckly, Trustee
Tyler Moeckly, PM, Trustee
Gene Jennings, Trustee

MARCH 2008

Greetings Brethren:

Saturday, March 7, 2009 was a special day in the history of Operative Lodge #308. Operative Lodge along with Full Moon Lodge hosted a reception from Right Worshipful Brother Michael Aves, Sr., Junior Grand Warden for the Grand Lodge of Iowa.

The Grand Lodge of Iowa was well represented by many Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers. Most Worshipful Grand Master Jack Butler along with many of the 2009 Grand Lodge Officers was in attendance.



Most Worshipful Grand Master Jack Butler and Right Worshipful Brother Michael Aves, Sr. along with Officers of Operative Lodge #308.

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The evening festivities included a number of presentations to Most Worshipful Grand Master Jack Butler. Worshipful Master Lane Shaver presented the Grand Master with two checks from Operative Lodge #308. One check represents money collected in the Hope Lodge jar. The second check was given to Hope Lodge in honor of Right Worshipful Brother Mike and his Lady, Bev. Along with the checks Worshipful Master Shaver also presented the Grand Master with a king sized bumper sticker that represents a statement that Grand Master Butler made concerning the longevity of Masons in Iowa, that is, they live longer. Grand Master Butler moved throughout the audience and sold all fifty of the bumper stickers at \$5.00 apiece.



Grand Master Jack Butler receiving Hope Lodge donations from Worshipful Master Lane Shaver

MASONIC RE-OBLIGATION CEREMONY

Most Worshipful Brother Jack Butler, Grand Master of Masons in Iowa has designated Monday, March 30, 2009 as a day that Master Mason throughout the State of Iowa will gather to re-obligated themselves to the principles of the Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft and Master Mason Degrees.

Operative Lodge #308 and Star Lodge #115 will celebrate this day jointly at Operative Lodge where the Officers of both Lodges will open and close Operative Lodge in the 3rd Degree. Lodge will open promptly at 7:00pm.

Most Worshipful Brother Butler directs all Masons to dig up that white leather apron and bring it to Lodge for this ceremony.

LET'S MAKE THIS A SPECIAL NIGHT. IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TO LODGE RECENTLY, PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THIS EVENT AND PLAN TO ATTEND.

SPRING 2009 PIZZA SALE

Saturday, April 18, 2009 is fast approaching. Let's all dig out that list of customers and get an early start selling those wonderful hand made pizzas.

This event is our major fund raiser of the year and the success of our scholarship program depends greatly on the number of pizzas that the membership buys and/or sells.

A Pizza Order form is attached to this Trestle Board.

IOWA MASONIC LIBRARY PROJECT

Recently, some of the Brethren of Operative Lodge #308 paid a visit to the Masonic Library and Museum in Cedar Rapids and discovered that there is a need for volunteers to come and assist William Kreuger, Librarian/Curator, with a number of special projects that involve simple duties such as helping move books around the library to make room for new additions or helping to categorize display items in the 2nd floor museum, etc. This could be another opportunity for Operative Lodge to showcase our Lodge and to do something helpful to the Grand Lodge Museum and Library.

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More information about how Operative Lodge Brethren can participate will be discussed at the April 2009 Stated Communication.

OPERATIVE LODGE CLEAN-UP

Plans are being formalized to hold a Lodge clean up and paint day. It has been sometime since the Lodge Building received a thorough cleaning. A few months ago, Brother Scott Nemmers cleaned the carpets throughout the building and that certainly helped the interior appearance, however, there are several other projects in the offing that will need all hands on deck to accomplish, so to speak.

Further plans and details of what needs to be done will be discussed at the April 2009 Stated Communication.

Fraternally,

Lane Shaver,
Worshipful Master
Operative Lodge #308

