



Free & Accepted Masons of Indiana

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Greetings Brothers:

As February comes to a close, I hope Mother Nature decides which season we will have. Snow and negative temperatures, and then 48 hours later, 65 and sunny. The poor flowers in front of my house don't know what to do.

As the weather turns to the nice side, I would like us to start thinking about Activities we can do together as a Lodge. We will discuss a Family Picnic organized by Worshipful Brother Dean Shinneman at the March meeting, but if you have an idea or suggestion for an event, please let us know. As I have previously stated, Lodges need one event for each member, not one for all members.

Our next Stated Meeting is Thursday, March 7th, 2024.

Dinner will be at 6:30 pm.

Masonic Education at 7:00 pm in the Dining Room.

EA Opening and Closing Practice at 7:15 pm in the Lodge Room.

The **Stated Meeting** is at 7:30 pm in the Lodge Room.

Dinner will be Cornbeef & Cabbage, provided by Worshipful Brother Max Feitz. *Please RSVP at either 574-784-8488 or janeandmaxf@embarqmail.com.*

Junior Warden Dean Shinneman, PM, will provide the Masonic Education and refreshments after the meeting.

Fellowship Night

Our second Fellowship Night was much more successful than the first. I want to thank Worshipful Brothers Ron, Max, Dean, and Brother Colton for joining me for a good night of Fellowship and Food. I want to continue to meet at Leo's in Lakeville, but I am open to suggestions on a new place, date and time.

Stated Meeting Agenda Items

- Update on the Golf Outing (Date/ Time - \$50 per person)
- Extra Shift at St. Joseph County 4H Fair (Lion's Club Booth)

Monthly Calendar

7 th	Stated Meeting	7:30 pm
16 th	Breakfast at the Lodge	8:00 am – 10:00 am
21 st	Degree Practice (EA)	6:30 pm
24 th	Trestle Board Deadline	
29 th	Fellowship Night	6:30 pm / Leo's Family Restaurant

Masonic Birthday & Anniversary

	Birthday		Anniversary
Keith Lineback	8 th		53 Aaron White
Alan Amick	9 th		52 Larry Ross
Ernest Turnage	17 th		47 Larry Fuchs
Scott Ashton	23 rd		47 Steve Mann
Ryan Ort	28 th		43 Dean Lowe
			35 Paul Stover
			21 James Slutz
			20 Scott Ashton
			15 Paul Szabo

The Grand Lodge Scholarship application portal is now *open*.

Students who wish to apply for a Grand Lodge scholarship can go to the Scholarship page on the Indiana Freemason website (<https://www.indianafreemasons.com/scholarship>) and click on the Apply (When Open) button.

Applicants will need three items from their sponsors: 1) their sponsor's last name, 2) their sponsor's birthdate, and 3) their sponsor's Lodge ID as it appears on his dues statement. This is done to validate that the sponsor is a member in good standing, meaning his dues are current. The applicant must also enter her/his cell phone number or email address to receive a validation code to proceed with the application.

The application portal will remain open until March 31, 2024.

Lodge Dues

The Dues Committee will contact those Brothers who have not yet paid their 2024 Dues. If you have not paid your dues by March 16, 2024, you will be charged for Non-Payment of Dues. The trial for those still unpaid will be at the April Stated Meeting.

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Fraternally Your,
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