



# Bridgeport Temple

## CO-ORDINATOR



*"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" Psalms 133*

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### January

1st – **Happy New Year!**

7th – 7:00pm: #162 – Stated Meeting

10th – 9:00am – Founders Day @ Scottish Rite Cathedral

14th – 7:00pm: #162 – Called Meeting or Craft Practice

15th – 7:00pm: #513 – Marion County Matrons & Patrons  
Dinner @ Bridgeport

21st – 7:00pm: #162 – Called Meeting or Craft Practice

27st – 6:30pm: Audit Committee Meeting

28th – 7:00pm: #162 – Called Meeting or Craft Practice

### February

4th – 7:00pm: #162 – Stated Meeting

11th – 7:00pm: #162 – Called Meeting or Craft Practice

18th – 7:00pm: #162 – Called Meeting or Craft Practice

25th – 7:00pm: #162 – Called Meeting or Craft Practice

### March

4th – 7:00pm: #162 – Stated Meeting

9th – 7:00pm: #513 – OES Stated Meeting

11th – 7:00pm: #162 – Called Meeting or Craft Practice

18th – 7:00pm: #162 – Called Meeting or Craft Practice

21st – 6:00pm: Chili Cook-Off (Rescheduled)

24th – 7:00pm: #513 – Called Mtg. (Birthday Night)  
Honor 25 & 50 year members

25th – 7:00pm: #162 – Called Meeting or Craft Practice

31st – 7:00pm: #513 – Past Matron & Past Patron Dinner

### Did you know...

While serving in the United States House of Representatives, Davy Crockett became a Freemason. He entrusted his masonic apron to the Weakly Lodge in Tennessee before leaving for Texas, and it still survives today.



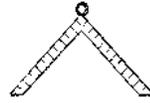
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### Greetings from the East!

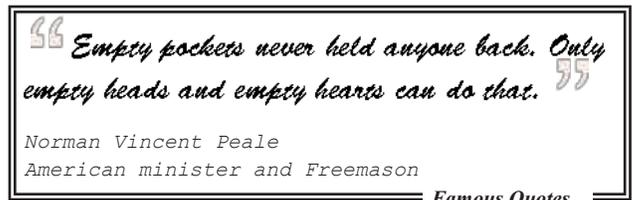
Let me start with a thank you to the installing officers. Your dedication and commitment are bar none. I want to thank our officer line. Your service to your lodge is greatly appreciated. To our brothers who think “maybe next month” or “lodge does not need me there” let me tell you your lodge needs you now. We are entering a new era and you are needed. Be a part of it.

### Remember the Beehive.

Please take time to visit the lodge website at

<http://www.bridgeportlodge162.org>

You suggestions and comments are welcome. Please keep yourself updated. There will be a lot of new activities and fund raisers this year so don't miss out!



To our brothers that need to finish your degrees; now is the time. Do you need a new mentor? Do you need extra help? Let us know. We are here for you.

And lastly I want to thank you! The O.E.S sister assisting about the lodge, the brother who helps set up the chairs, the past master who takes a chair year after year. The brother that cuts the grass, changes the light bulbs, trims the trees or balances the books. Ask yourself “why do I do this?”

We all know the answer. And I thank you.

John W. Stewart, Worshipful Master

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**Santa Comes to Town!**

Thanks to everyone who came out to the Christmas party at the lodge on December 13th, 2014. The day included arts & crafts, snacks, fellowship, and of course...a visit from Santa himself!

Everyone had a grand time watching the little ones tell Old Saint Nick what they really wanted for Christmas. The kids then got to pick a toy from Santa's bag of goodies.

This is a yearly event, so plan on coming out next year and enjoying the festivities!



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**In Memoriam**

James A. Baxter  
July 17, 1923—December 22, 2014

**Sick and Indisposed**

Mel Elliott, PM  
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*Bridgeport Lodge wishes all our brethren a speedy recovery.*

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## Greetings to all in our Masonic Family,

By now the Holiday Season has come to a close and I trust there were memories made and precious family time was enjoyed by all.

As we start another year at the Lodge, our new officers have been installed. I wish our new Worshipful Master John Stewart and his officers well. Know I'm available to assist each of you as requested. I also want to express my appreciation to W.B. Steve Cox for his year as Worshipful Master of Bridgeport Lodge in 2014 and for all his efforts.

I want to be sure everyone knows about the 2015 Dues cards. Again, Grand Lodge mailed the dues notices to each of us and I think this is working well. Note that our dues cards are now a permanent card and will not be replaced annually like in the past. Be sure to retain the permanent card going forward.

By the time you receive this newsletter, your 2015 Lodge Dues are due. To all you Brothers who have already paid and were able to make a donation your Lodge, please know that it is much appreciated! The approach of asking for a donation by those who can give extra, instead of raising our dues worked very well over the last 7 years, and we have tried this approach again in 2015 in hopes of the same results. To the Brethren who have not paid your 2015 dues, you are delinquent. Your dues are due by 12-31-2014 for 2015. As the Lodge Secretary, and knowing the process and extra work required in collecting the late dues, I ask you to promptly pay them. If by chance you did not receive or have lost your dues notice contact me and I'll assist you.

*Have you used your Kroger card lately? It will help support your lodge. If you don't have one contact the Lodge secretary.*

I want to remind our entire Masonic Family about the Kroger Care Program and the success we have experienced to date. We have received several checks from Kroger totaling over \$4,600.00 that we have used to offset some of our inflationary costs. We have been working the program for about 6 years now and are seeing success with it. I also want to point out we have reached this goal with a very limited number of members participating in the program. Once again I strongly encourage you to look into this program. It's very easy to use and everything sold at a Kroger, Owens, Hilander and Pay Less Stores counts towards the total we all spend. This can be a very effective source of revenue for the Lodge. Contact me with any questions you may have or to get involved in the program. It's easy for me to get you a card allowing you to help with raising funds for our Lodge.

Another change in 2015 is the Masonic License Plate Forms. You will receive a renewal form directly from IN Grand Lodge. This form will have instructions on how to renew online, or you can take the form to the BMV and renew. You will no longer need to get a validated form from the lodge secretary. These forms will be mailed out according to you renewal month.

We continue to labor on improving our communications with each of you by using the Lodge Database. I ask you to please take time to provide any changes to your address, home and cell phone numbers, and your e-mail address for those of you who use e-mail. Having accurate and current information in the database enables us to ensure that we can communicate with you regarding important issues relating to your Lodge, and also saves us funds when preparing and sending mailings.

Fraternally,

Lonnie Hubbard PM, Secretary

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## O.E.S. NEWS

I hope everyone had a happy and joyous Christmas and New Year. I want to thank everyone who worked hard and helped with the Past Masters, Installation and Feast of St John's dinners in December.

You should have received your dues notice and chapter book in our December mailing. Dues are due for 2015. If you have questions, please contact Jennifer Smith, our secretary.

Even though the Star is Dark for Stated Meetings in January and February, we still have something going on. Please see the schedule on the front page. Have a safe winter and stay warm... see you all soon.

Sincerely,

Judy Rutter, Worthy Matron

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