



Bridgeport Temple

CO-ORDINATOR



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

Volume MMXIV

January, February, & March 2014

NUMBER 1

January

1st – Happy New Year!
8th – 7:00pm: #162 – Stated Meeting
15th – Dark
18th – 9:00am – Founders Day @ Scottish Rite Cathedral
22nd – Dark
29th – Dark

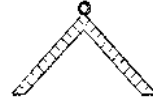
February

5th – 7:00pm: #162 – Stated Meeting
12th – 7:00pm: #162 – Craft Practice
19th – 7:00pm: #162 – Craft Practice
21st – 6:30pm: Washington Dinner Setup
22nd – 6:30pm: George Washington Dinner
26th – Dark

March

5th – 7:00pm: #162 – Stated Meeting
10th – 7:00pm: #513 – OES Stated Meeting
12th – 7:00pm: #162 – Called Meeting
18th – 7:00pm: #513 – Craft Practice
19th – 7:00pm: #162 – Lodge of Instruction @
Bridgeport Lodge No. 162 (8400 W. Morris St., Indianapolis, IN 46231)
24th – 7:00pm: #513 – OES Friends Night
26th – 7:00pm: #162 – Called Meeting or Craft Practice
31st – 7:00pm: #162 – Past Matron & Past Patron Mtg.

Greetings from the East!



I would like to thank all the Brethren for entrusting me in serving the Lodge this year as Worshipful Master. It is an honor I do not take lightly. Bridgeport has a great reputation and a lot of traditions I plan on upholding and start a few new ones. I love the history of Bridgeport Lodge 162 and what it brings to the community, as I know a lot of Brethren live close to the Lodge and it would be great to see you, most Wednesdays we have something going on so come on down the door is always open.

I would like to thank all who came out for the Oyster Dinner and Installation of 2014 Officers. It was a fun night filled with family and friends although it is serious business -- we shared a lot laughs and brotherly love. We installed a great line of Officers with lots of wisdom and Masonic knowledge. A special THANK YOU to the Order of the Eastern Star #513, for providing us with the Dinner for my Past Master's Degree, the Green Beans Were the Best I Ever Had. It's a night I will never forget, also thank you to all the Past Masters, I couldn't have done it without you.



We are dark most of January and February. There are a couple dates in February: the 19 EA Degree workshop and George Washington Dinner on February 21.

I would like to thank the 2014 Officers for taking on the duty of their stations, I look forward to working with all of you this coming year.

I would like to mention the Children Christmas Party at Lodge on Saturday December 14, Santa Clause looked very familiar to me and all had great time. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents for bring the kids on a snowy day.

In closing I have a philosophy that I believe in-- that someone did it for me I should try to do it for someone else.

Fraternally,

Steven B. Cox, Worshipful Master

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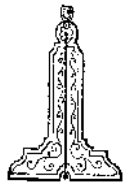
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Tidings from the West,

Thank you Brethren for electing me as your Senior Warden. I will strive to uphold the high standards of my predecessors.

A big thank you to WB Justin Lees for his service to our Lodge this past year. The improvements and upgrades you spearheaded will long be remembered.

“The grand object of Masoury is to promote the happiness of the human race.”
 George Washington
 Founding Father, President, and Freemason
Famous Quotes

Heartiest congratulations to WM Steve Cox! Your tireless work and dedication to our Lodge have rightly pointed you out as a Brother worthy to preside in the East.

I am in the West to assist you in all your efforts for the good of the Order.

From time immemorial good men have come to Freemasonry of their own volition. To meet and be united with Brothers “On the Level” whose faith in God was unquestionable, whose station in life was immaterial and who strived to live a moral, virtuous life was our only goal. We endeavor to assist our distressed Brethren, to impart Masonic knowledge to our less-informed Brethren and to leave the world a better place. As we begin a new year, let us reflect on the Tenets of the Order and continue to set an example in our daily lives that encourages good men to join us in seeking Light and thereby reinvigorate our Fraternity.

Fraternally,
 Jesse Martinez, Senior Warden



Greetings from the South,

So begins the New Year.

A heartfelt thank you and congratulations to Worshipful Brother Justin Lees on all he has accomplished over the past year.

A great year has passed and a new year unfolds before us.

As the new Junior Warden I look forward to setting the craft. The vast amount of knowledge our lodge holds will make for an exciting year. The

chance to see our new members grow in the coming light and to see our senior members share in the arts, fills me with pride.

Fraternally yours,
 John Stewart, Junior Warden

Did you know...

Paul Revere, made his immortal ride, when he was the Junior Warden of his Lodge?



* All Area Codes (317) unless otherwise stated.



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 Steve Cox and his officer's well. Know I'm available to assist each of you as requested. I also want to express my appreciation to W.B. Justin Lees for his year as Worshipful Master of Bridgeport Lodge in 2013 and for the efforts/changes he has made.

I want to be sure everyone knows about the 2014 Dues cards. Again Grand Lodge mailed the dues notices to each of us; I think this is working well. Note that our 2014 dues cards are a permanent card and will not be replaced annually like in the past, be sure to retain it going forward.

By the time you receive this article, your 2014 Lodge Dues are due, to all you Brothers who have already paid them and were able to make a donation, your Lodge appreciates it very much! The approach of asking for a donation by those who can give extra, instead of raising our dues worked very well over the last 6 years, and we have tried this approach again in 2014 in hopes of the same results. To the Brethren who have not paid your 2014 dues, you are delinquent. Your dues are due by 12-31-2013 for 2014. 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 \$3,800.00 that we have used to offset some of our inflationary costs. We have been working the program for about 5 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 2014 is the Masonic License Plate Forms. You will receive a renewal form directly from Indiana 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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Dave Pearson
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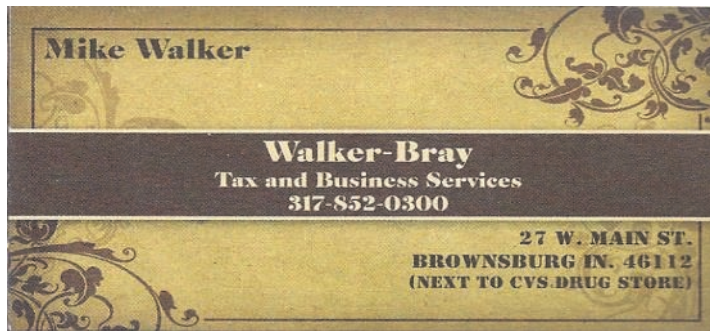
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O.E.S. NEWS

The O.E.S. will be dark January and February we hope all our members had a great holiday season. March 10 is our next stated meeting and March 24th will be our friends night. March 31 is Past Matrons and Past Patrons.



O.E.S. NO. 513

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Bridgeport Lodge Christmas Party with Santa

Santa came to visit the kids at Bridgeport Lodge on December 14th. All the kids in attendance enjoyed cookies & punch, games, crafts and a visit with Santa himself! Thanks to everyone who came out to this festive event.



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