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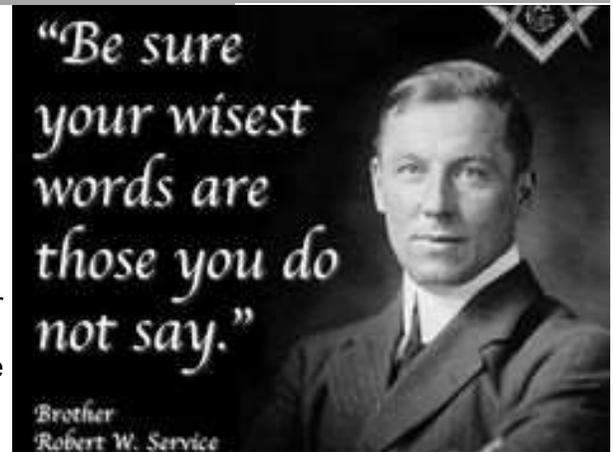
TEMPLE COORDINATOR

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Greetings to all in our Masonic Family

I wish our new officers best wishes as they conduct the Lodge business during 2016. I also want all to be aware of the special efforts WB Patrick Jones, and Brother Shawn Fitzpatrick are making with our Membership Development. We have several new candidates thanks to these brother's efforts. If you've not been to Lodge in a while come attend one of the degrees we have coming up.



An issue I must ask for everyone's assistance with is your contact information that we keep and use in our database. I've noticed we are beginning to accumulate several bad phone numbers and addresses. In this day and age many of us have, or are considering dropping our land line and using only a cell phone for budget reasons. If you have done this, I ask you send me your new phone number or an address change if you've moved. Having accurate contact information is important for yourself, and the Lodge.

Remember our upcoming and most important Fish Fry on June 17th and 18th. This is very important to our fund raising efforts and helping with our Lodge expenses. Anyone who can assist with the work will be appreciated. Please come out for a meal and help us with this fund raiser. It truly is critical for meeting our lodge expenses. More information will be sent on this important event later.

There has been a change in the Kroger Community Rewards. For about a year we no longer have to load money onto the white card we were using. It does require registering your red Kroger Plus card and just simply swiping it when making any purchases. During the Fish Fry we will assist anyone who needs help registering your card so Bridgeport Lodge continues benefit from this proven fund raiser.

<https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow>

The Lodge extends a special "thank you" to those who are using this program, its working with your participation.

Lonnie Hubbard PM
Secretary

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

APRIL 13th
6:00 PM @ BRIDGEPORT



Santa from the Breakfast in December

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From the East

Changing Times



The world we live in is much different than any time in recorded history. The demand for our time seems greater than ever before. Our obligations to work, family, church and lodge, to name a few, make it difficult to 'get it all in' in a days' time. In addition, we find that our masonic obligations to ourselves, our families and our communities are far more

difficult in today's society than ever before. As society continually attempts to impose its will upon us, we find fewer and fewer places to go where we can enjoy those things we as Masons hold dear to our hearts. We have, as the foundation of our fraternity, a history of free thinking and the inherent right to gather under a common goal of improving ourselves, our communities and our country and to strive for a better place to live. To that end, I encourage you to continue your involvement with your lodge or to become re-involved and share those things we are taught as Masons.

In addition to the traditional activities of the lodge, we are planning some new events that are hoped to encourage you to enjoy with us. This spring we will have a cookout with no other purpose than to provide us an opportunity to get together and have a good time. In August, we're planning an evening at Beef N Boards Dinner Theater for an evening of entertainment and fellowship. The tenderloin fry in September will be moved to a Saturday evening to encourage greater opportunity to attend without competing with Friday activities such as football and other community events. Information regarding dates and times are available in the coordinator or at the lodge. We're also trying to improve communication through the web site and social media.

If you need information on any of our activities, please feel free to contact me. See you at lodge.

Fraternally,

Michael A. Hoover
Worshipful Master

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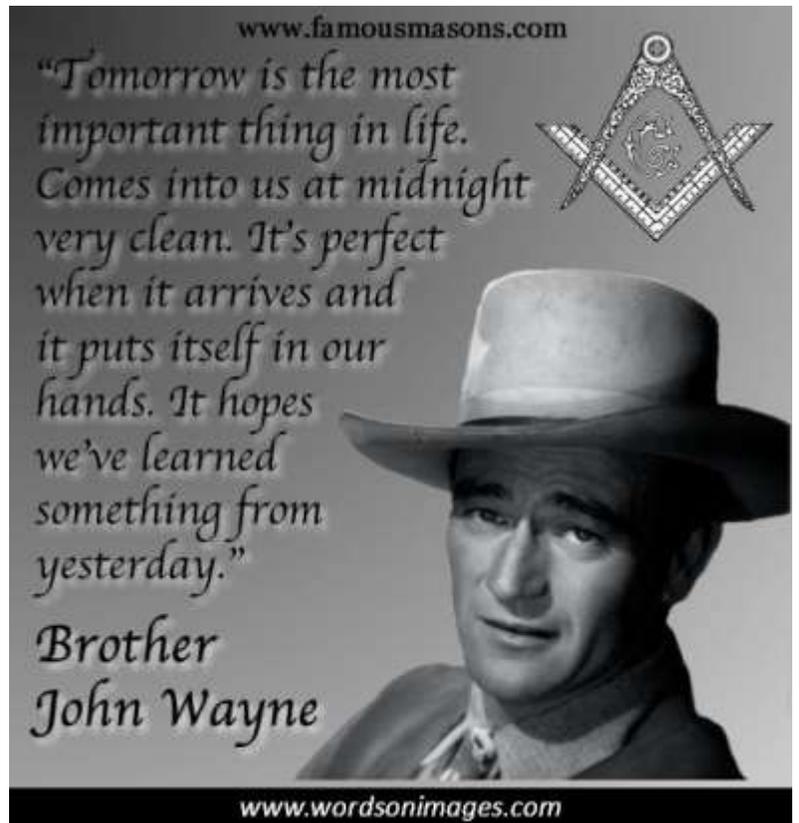
BRIDGEPORT LODGE

No. 162, F. & A. M.

2016 OFFICERS

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Tyler.....Shawn Fitzpatrick (Tiffani)



O.E.S. NEWS



Here we are getting ready for the days to become longer and nights warmer. Although, we have been blessed with nice weather through this winter. We have many things coming up in the next few months. The Chapter will return from being "dark" in March with our return meeting on March 14. Our Chapter Birthday will be a social event on March 28 and we will have a few service awards to present so please come. In April our stated meeting is on April 11 and our Friends Night is April 25! We have some fun things planned and hope that you can join us. We do have a petition to act upon in March, so we will be doing initiation in the near future.

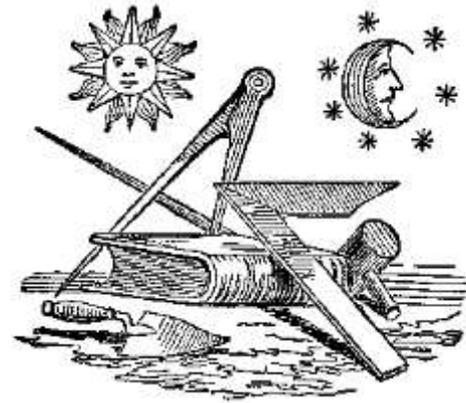
This winter has been hard on the members with many that are ill or have passed away. Please look to the Memoriam Section for a list of our members that have Gone to Glory. We will miss all of them and ask for prayers for their family and friends. Please keep those that are recovering from surgery, treatments or illness in your prayers for a speedy and complete recovery.

As I close this note to you all, I leave this thought, No matter what action or event that occurs in our life, remember that we never walk alone!

In Christ's Hope
Cheryl and Tony Kuritz, Worthy
Matron and Patron

From the Trustees

Even though its winter we have been busy with the lodge. We replaced the fluorescents in the kitchen and have enough tubes to last a couple more years. We are in the process of replacing the urinal valves in the men's restroom. Also a new wireless doorbell was installed for the basement door so you can lock the downstairs door at the start of any meeting and if someone forgets their key code, they can ring the bell to let the person in the Tyler's room know someone wants in.



As many of you know the lodge was recently broken in to. Our insurance will help us replace the items lost. We are also looking at increasing our security so this does not continue in the future.

We are also in the process of replacing the officer chairs in the Lodge room. The old chairs, while ornate and possibly antiques, are unable to be repaired due to the rotting wood.

Look for a Silent Auction to coincide with the Spring Pancake Breakfast where we will be getting rid of excess items such as dishes with the proceeds helping to pay for the new chairs.

Fraternally, Dave Pearson PM

TRUSTEES OF BRIDGEPORT LODGE

Steve Cox, PM
Parke B. Everett, PM.....
Dave Pearson, PM.....



In Memoriam

Lucetta Steinway —Nov 13, 2015

Lonnie Games —Nov 20, 2015

Frances Yeager —Jan 7, 2016

Teresa Franklin —Feb 14, 2016

O.E.S. NO. 513

Worthy Matron.....Cheryl Kuritz,W.M.

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Associate Matron.....Jennifer Smith,P.M

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Judy Rutter, PM.....



Bridgeport Bethel 109 news



Bridgeport Bethel #109 Jobs Daughters is trying to restart

It's been an exciting time at Bethel #109 UD! We've initiated one daughter, we've had another signed petition turned in and we have four prospec-

tive members filling out petitions to join us! As of right now, Bridgeport #109 could have 14 members by the time we Re-Charter!

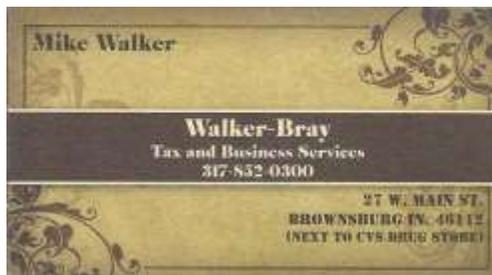
We have some exciting plans and ideas for the upcoming months. A dance fundraiser is being talked about, were also going to be holding different fundraisers to help pay for Grand Session. We are planning on attending Grand Master's Youth Day and the Shrine Dance. We've travelled to Speedway Masonic Lodge for their official visit with Brownsburg, all day School of Instruction and a few dances. We're planning on visiting local Bethels and we are learning our initiation parts and proficiency work.



As of today's date, May 7, 2016 is our tentative date for our Re-Chartering. We will make sure to send Invitations as that time draws closer and plans are set in place.

We welcome you all to come to one of our stated meetings (1st and 3rd Thursdays) because without your support we could never be here. We are so blessed to be supported by a wonderful Chapter and wonderful Lodge. Thank you for all of your fraternal love and support

In Jobie Love, Olivia Tran, Bethel Guardian #109 UD



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Calendar

March

- 2nd— 7:00 PM #162 Stated Mtg.
- 3rd—7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 9th— 7:00 PM #162 Called Mtg.
- 10th—7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 14th— 7:00 PM #513 OES Stated Mtg.
- 16th – 7:00 PM #162 Called Mtg.
- 17th—7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 23rd – 7:00 PM **Area Conference @ Millersville, 4990 Kessler Blvd E Dr**
- 24th—7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 29th - 7:00 PM—Past Masters
- 30th – 7:00 PM #162 Called Mtg.
- 31st—7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109

April

- 6th- 7:00 PM #162 Stated Mtg.
- 7th—7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 9th—8:00 AM **Spring Cleaning/Work Day**
- 11th— 7:00 PM #513 OES Stated
- 13th— 6:00 PM **Lodge of Instruction**
- 14th— 7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 20th— 7:00 PM #162 Called Mtg
- 21st— 7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 25th— 7:00 PM #513 OES Called
- 27th— 7:00 PM #162 Called Mtg
- 28th— 7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 30th—6:00 PM **WM Cookout**

May

- 4th- 7:00 PM #162 Stated Mtg.
- 5th—7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 9th—7:00 PM #513 OES Stated
- 11th— 7:00 PM #162 Called Mtg
- 12th— 7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 14th—7:00 AM **Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction**
- 17th and 18th— **Grand Lodge**
- 19th— 7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 23rd— 7:00 PM #513 OES Called
- 25th— 7:00 PM #162 Called Mtg
- 26th— 7:00 PM Jobs Bethel #109
- 30th— 6:30 PM Past Matrons & Patrons
- 31st— 7:00 PM Past Masters