Euclid Lodge No. 65 A.F. & A.M.



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From The East - Joseph A. Ingraffia - Worshipful Master

Mv Brethren:

Can it be - Summer is already "in the tail lights"?

First, on the membership front – Prior to "going dark" Brother **Thomas Martin Hoffman** was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason at the special meeting on June 20^{th} , 2017. If everything falls into place, Brother **Martin Steven McClellan** will be raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason at the special meeting on September 19^{th} , 2017.

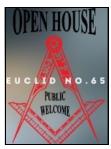
On a negative note as of August 31, 2017 we still have 25+ members who have not paid their 2017 dues. If you are having any financial difficulties in making your annual dues payment – PLEASE let us know your situation.

June's *Masons in Social Media* consisted of two short videos. The first was an expose entitled "*The truth about the Nazi persecution of Freemasons* "and the second was a rather interesting news feature from CNN entitled

"ENN Creepy Freemason Dis-Info Propaganda"

While the lodge went dark after the June "special meeting", Lodge activities continued.

Happenings around the Lodge in June/July/August



- On Saturday, June 24th,
 Masons around the world will
 joined together to recognize and
 celebrate the 300th Anniversary
 of Freemasonry. We opened the
 lodge to visitors, and with the help
 of the Medinah Motor Corps were
 able to attract some interested
 folks to visit/tour the lodge.
- On Sunday June 25th, a handful of Brethren joined together for the Masonic observance of St. John the

Baptist day, at Knox Presbyterian Church in Naperville, ILL.

- Brother Sam Derr has invited the Brethren of Euclid and their spouses/significant others to watch the World Champion Chicago Cubs battle the Baltimore Orioles at his Naperville home on Friday evening July 14th. All had a great time, as Sam, his family and his crew took great care of all of us, and the Cubs beat the Orioles by a final tally of 9-8.
- The annual Euclid lodge summer picnic was held July 15th (1:30 – 4:30) at Spring Lake Park. A very nice crowd attended, the weather was great, and a Corn Hole "Bags" tournament took place in the afternoon.
- August 19th, was what I referred to as Masonic Pride day, and all Masons in Illinois were encouraged to break out their Masonic Attire and bling and wear it proudly throughout their days activities.
- The lodge underwent yet another "face-lift" in its' continual improvement program, and I am very proud to be the first Master to sit in the East and open lodge in the now completely revamped lodge room.

Coming Up

- The Lodge is planning on holding a IL*CHIP event on Sunday, September 10, 2017 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Knox Presbyterian Church, 1105 Catalpa Lane, Naperville, IL 60540 – Brother Sam Derr, will be our point man, and is looking for a couple volunteers - 630-776-3430 - samderri@aol.com
- Also Get the evening of October 18th reserved on your calendar for the Annual Past Master's meeting.
 This year it looks like we will joined by Mary Todd and Abe Lincoln!

For now, welcome back, that's all from EAST - Fraternally – WM Joe Ingraffia



Joseph A. Ingraffia Worshipful Master

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From The Secretaries Table

DUES

We have eleven members who are delinquent on their 2016 dues and twenty-seven members who have not yet paid their 2017 dues.

Brothers, if you are having financial difficulties, please let us know so that we can take the appropriate steps to assist you.

LODGE POOL TABLE

The Naperville Masonic Temple Board Association will be selling the pool table that is in the "Library".

The table has not seen any use for some time now and the board would like to finish converting the room into a proper library. If you are interested in purchasing the table, please let one of the officers of the Temple Board know.

TEMPLE BOARD

Now that the recent renovations to the Lodge meeting room are complete, the Temple Board is busy planning the next project. An architect has been hired to provide us with ideas on renovating the kitchen, bathrooms and closet space. We are considering converting the current men's bathroom into a women's bathroom; converting the current women's bathroom into a men's bathroom and enlarging it by expanding into the kitchen area; downsizing the kitchen and converting it into a warming kitchen; rearranging the closet spaces to make more efficient use of the space.

Birthdays

The following members celebrate their birthday on the day indicated.

Douglass E. Seitried	2eb	3
Christopher D. Tabb	Sep	4
Brandon J. Temesvary	Sep	5

Timothy J. Ory Secretary

Kyle K. Baker	Sep	6
Gerald W. Bussell	Sep	7
Tracy L. Oliver	Sep	9
David A. Oakes	Sep	11
Keith A. Hubert	Sep	11
Timothy G. Leadbetter	Sep	15
Lucas H. Park	Sep	15
Gary J. Mannon	Sep	19
Apurva Saxena	Sep	19
Brett L. Nordmeyer	Sep	24
Robert W. Jackson	Sep	25
Patrick G. Lehrman	Sep	28
Michael D. Wells	Sep	28

Master Mason Anniversary
The following members observe
the anniversary of their Master
Mason Degree on the date indicated. The number in the () is the
number of years.

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Mark H. Schmidt	Sep	3	(49)
Michael J. Molloy	Sep	4	(26)
Rager W. Webb	Sep	7	(63)
Lloyd G. Van Bergen	Sep	11	(60)
Robert J. Falta	Sep	11	(38)
Richard W. Sale	Sep	16	(42)
Norwood A. McDaniel Jr.	Sep	17	(47)
Robert W. Jackson	Sep	19	(50)
Vaneet K. Kapoor	Sep	19	(11)
Brett L. Nordmeyer	Sep	19	(11)
Gary W. Theis	Sep	21	(13)
Mason C. Wright Sr.	Sep	22	(10)
Fred A. Randazzo II	Sep	22	(10)
Leon H. Namtzu	Sep	24	(40)
Richard M. Miller Jr.	Sep	25	(5)
Harold J. Reed	Sep	29	(8)
James G. Simpson III	Sep	29	(8)
Gene E. Darfler	Sep	30	(65)
Joey Rodriguez-Styles	Sep	30	(3)
Jayson D. Roque	Sep	30	(3)

So Brethren, until next month, "There is nothing on the Secretary's table Worshipful".

HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF

Brethren,

The Illinois Masonic Outreach Service (IMOS) has already sent letters to the Illinois Masons living in the flooded area's of Texas and Louisiana asking if we may be of assistance. Donations may be made for Illinois Masons by sending your donation to:

IMOS - Texas Flooding Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Illinois 2866 Via Verde Street Springfield, IL 62703

Or donations may be made to the MSA for the general public at the address listed in the news release below.

Fraternally,
Frank Cline, Grand Secretary
Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of
Illinois
2866 Via Verde Street
Springfield, IL 62703
(217) 529-8900

September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4 LABOR DAY	5 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Stated Meeting	6	7	1/8	2/9
10 ILCHIP Event at Knox Presbyterian Church	11 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice	12 Euclid Chapter No. 13 Adoniram Coun. No. 95	13 Trinity Commandery No. 80	14	15	16
17	18 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice	19 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting	20	21	22	23
24	25 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice	26 Naperville Masonic Temple Assoc. Meeting	27 Trinity Commandery No. 80	28	29	30
1 OCTOBER	2 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice	3 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Stated Meeting	4 ·	5	6	7

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Sep 4 Labor Day
- Sep 5 Euclid Lodge 65 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
 Dinner at 6:30 p.m.
- Sep 10 ILCHIP Event, Knox Presbyterian Church, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Sep 11 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Sep 12 Euclid Chapter 13 & Adoniram Council 95 Stated Meetings 7:30 p.m.
- Sep 13 Trinity Commandery 80 meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Sep 18 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Sep 19** Euclid Lodge 65 Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- Sep 25 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice
- Sep 26 Naperville Masonic Temple Association Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Sept 27 Trinity Commandery 80 meeting 7:30 p.m.

- Oct 2 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Oct 3 Euclid Lodge 65 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
 Dinner at 6:30 p.m.
- Oct 9 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Oct 10 Euclid Chapter 13 & Adoniram Council 95 Stated Meetings 7:30 p.m.
- Oct 11 Trinity Commandery 80 meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Oct 16 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Oct 17 Euclid Lodge 65 Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- Oct 18 Past Masters Dinner Meson Sabika
- Oct 23 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Oct 24 Naperville Masonic Temple Association Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Oct 25 Trinity Commandery 80 meeting 7:30 n.m.
- Oct 30 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.

- Nov 6 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Nov 7 Euclid Lodge 65 Annual Meeting and Election of Officers Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- Nov 13 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Nov 14 Euclid Chapter 13 & Adoniram Council 95 Stated Meetings 7:30 p.m.
- Nov 15 Trinity Commandery 80 meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Nov 20 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Nov 21 Euclid Lodge 65 Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- Nov 22 Trinity Commandery 80 meeting 7:30
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- Nov 23 THANKSGIVING
- Nov 27 Euclid Lodge 65 Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Nov 28 Naperville Masonic Temple Association Meeting 7:30 p.m.

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Committees & Activities

Finance

Joseph Ingraffia, Ross Decent, Mark Hoof

Sickness & Distress

Ross Decent

Refreshments

Mark Hopf, Paul Felstrup, Bryan Newson

By-Laws

Don Cowart

Communication

Timothy Ory

Equipment & Regalia

Mark Hopf

Membership/Retention

George Murray, Walter Hemphill Jr., David Moore

Lodge Visitation

Brandon Zears

Entertainment

John Will

ILCHIP

Steven Rosensweia

Academic Bowl

George Murray, Mike Lochtefeld

Education/Further Light

Don Cowart, David Moore

Library

Brandon Zears, James Simpson Jr.

Table Lodge

Michael Ault

Community & Lodge Builders

John Will

Award of Excellence

Paul Felstrup

Past Masters Dinner

Don Cowart

Blood Drive

Monty Jackson

Naper Blvd. Cleanup

Scott Schmied

Loaves & Fishes

Ross Decent

Community Days

Paul Felstrup

ILCHIP

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PAST MASTERS DINNER

This years Past Masters Dinner will be held on Wednesday, October 18 at Meson Sabika in Naperville. Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln will be the evenings guests and entertainment. Details to follow in next months newsletter.

50 YEAR MEMBERS

Euclid Lodge is honoring these three 50 year members.

Robert E. Morris - Raised May 16, 1967

Gerald E. Yingling - Raised August 1, 1967

Robert W. Jackson - Raised September 19, 1967



Robert E. Morris PM 1981



Jerry E. Yingling PM 1997



Robert W. Jackson

Grand Lodge of III. sent me this certificate and Lapel Pin which I am very proud to display before installing on my man cave wall. Please express my sincere thanks to our Euclid brothers and the Lodge for this honor.

Yours in Masonry, Brother Bob Jackson Mt. Dora, Florida

Past High Priest Highlight Olney Arthur Waterman 1921

WATERMAN, Diney Arthur was born April 19, 1870 in Hudson, Lenawee County, Michigan the son of William Waterman and Emiline Hunt. He married Nettie M. Atherton December 1894 in Hudson and they were the parents of three children, Frederick Atherton, Lewis Olney and Edna L. He was a teacher and served as Superintendent of the Naperville Schools for 18 years from 1909 to 1927 during which time he was the Secretary of the Illinois State Teachers Association. He also served on the Nichols Library Board. He affiliated with Euclid Lodge March 7, 1911 from Portland Lodge No. 31, Portland,



Michigan. He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason September 27, 1915 and served as High Priest of Euclid Chapter No. 13 in 1921. He died June 20, 1929 in Aurora, Kane County, Illinois and was buried in the Naperville Cemetery.

RAGS OF HONOR

Earlier this year, the Naperville Masonic Temple Association selected Rags of Honor as one of the new beneficiaries of the funds distributed to charitable organizations by the Temple Board.

What/who is Rags of Honor – "Rags of Honor is a topquality screen printing organization that has the mission of providing employment and services to homeless veterans. The proceeds go directly to employ the veterans who are producing the garments at the Rags of Honor facility.

We set out to make a difference for those who have served our country by building a company that honors their service. At Rags of Honor, we pay a living wage, offer continuing education and training and help our veterans with life skills that they need to continue their life's journey with dignity.

Rags of Honor was created with the mission that all homeless veterans can regain their lives if given the stability and dignity of a good-paying job as a starting point. Mark Doyle, the founder and CEO of the company saw firsthand the sacrifice of servicemen and women in Afghanistan. He was sickened by the injustice of homeless veterans in Chicago and chose to make a difference. In response, Doyle created Rags of Honor as the only silkscreen shop that is 100% operated by homeless and unemployed veterans with the mission to provide them with an opportunity to rebuild their lives after serving in the U.S. military. The main office of Rags of Honor is in Chicago, Illinois where they also operate their manufacturing facility and warehouse."

The following are excerpts from a series of emails received from Rags of Honor:

"This is Mark Doyle, the founder at Rags of Honor. Erica just forwarded me your email and I am really humbled by

it. We have tried our best to keep the mission alive and is always the case in life, "no man is an island" so thank you for thinking of us."

"You may or may not know that I also founded Rags of Honor I, two years ago which is a charitable 501c3. I did it because when my veterans get back on their feet after being with us for a few months we move to get them their own apartment. They do not have enough money for the security deposit, or do not even have a bed so I use the Nonprofit to help with what I call "phase 2" of their reintegration."

"I am sort of speechless to be honest. We are a little slow and I have a few veterans in need so this is truly like one of those miracles in life that come just when you need it most."

"Joe - Cannot thank you enough for the amazing donation! I had two veterans in need and it was literally like divine intervention when that check showed up"

"A thousand thanks"

"Any money raised can be put directly into the Rags 1 account and will be fully tax deductible. So you know, as with Rags 1 do not take a penny for myself. Any money that comes in to Rags 1 goes to a veteran in need."

Therefore, as you can see – we can/are making a difference!

WM Joe Ingraffia



Title: Faith, Hope and Charity - Artist: Marianne Lisson Kuhn - Creation/Installation Date: 2011

It looks like our mural will be looking for a new home later this year – For those uninstructed - Here's the history of the mural

Description: The mural includes the names of 12 famous American masons on one side, and 12 well-known Naperville masons on the other including city founder Joe Naper. Two large portraits dominate the mural -- on one side stands George Washington, one of 14 U.S Presidents who were Masons, and on the other side, Joe Naper. An 18" border painted to simulate wood and rope shows how masons are tied together around the world.

Installation Story: The mural was unveiled as Freemasons from Euclid Lodge No. 65 revealed a few of their secrets to the public. Guests at the ceremony included Medinah Shriners and representatives of the Grand Chapter of Illinois and the Illinois Grand Council of Cryptic Masons. After the ceremony the public was invited to tour the lodge.

Title: Faith, Hope and Charity - In progress





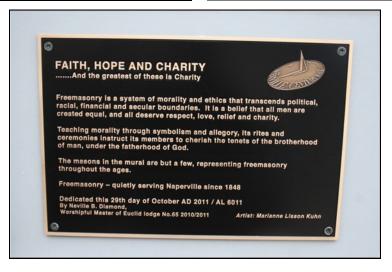






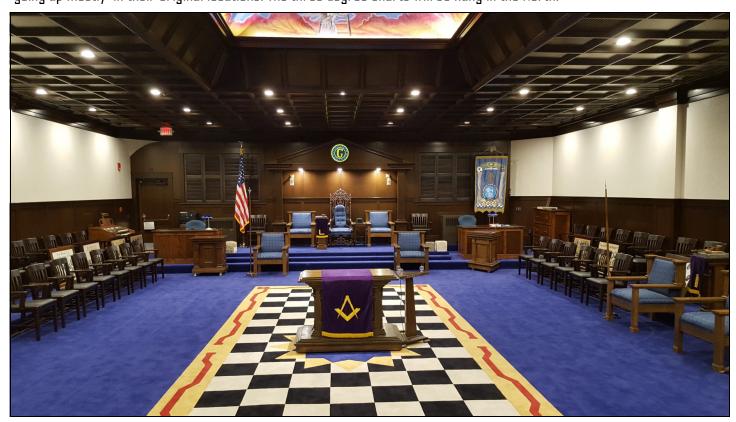






Lodge Room Renovations

The Naperville Masonic Temple Board Association is happy to report that the final renovations to the lodge meeting room are now complete. The "G" in the East and East dais are now well lit. The Past Masters and High Priests photos will be going up mostly in their original locations. The three degree charts will be hung in the North.





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WHAT DOES MASONRY TEACH?

Masonry teaches some important principles. There's nothing very surprising in the list. Masonry teaches that:

Since God is the Creator, all men and women are the children of God. Because of that, all men and women are brothers and sisters, entitled to dignity, respect for their opinions, and consideration of their feelings.

Each person must take responsibility for his/her own life and actions. Neither wealth nor poverty, education nor ignorance, health nor sickness excuses any person from doing the best he or she can do or being the best person possible under the circumstances.

No one has the right to tell another person what he or she must think or believe. Each man and woman has an absolute right to intellectual, spiritual, economic, and political freedom. This is a right given by God, not by man. All tyranny, in every form, is illegitimate. Each person must learn and practice self control. Each person must make sure his spiritual nature triumphs over his animal nature. Another way to say the same thing is that even when we are tempted to anger, we must not be violent. Even when we are tempted to self-ishness, we must be charitable. Even when we want to "write someone off", we must remember that he or she is a human and entitled

to our respect. Even when we want to give up, we must go on. Even when we are hated, we must return love, or, at a minimum, we must not hate back. It isn't easy!

Faith must be in the center of our lives. We find that faith in our houses of worship, not in Freemasonry, but Masonry constantly teaches that a person's faith, whatever it may be, is central to a good life.

Each person has a responsibility to be a good citizen, obeying the law. That doesn't mean we can't try to change things, but change must take place in legal ways.

It is important to work to make this world better for all who live in it. Masonry teaches the importance of doing good, not because it assures a person's entrance into heaven - that's a question for a religion, not a fraternity - but because we have a duty to all other men and women to make their lives as fulfilling as they can be.

Honor and integrity are essential to life. Life without honor and integrity is without meaning.

From the Masonic Information Center pamphlet, "What's A Mason."