



## **Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge, No. 149**

### **Free and Accepted Masons**

*Chartered 1853*

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#### **DEAR BROTHER:**

A STATED MEETING of Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge, No, 149, F&AM, will be held at the Masonic Hall, 109 Water St., Plymouth, Indiana, on:

**Thursday, August 3, 2023.**

The Lodge will open at 7:30 PM, in the Master Mason Degree, or as appropriate if Entered Apprentices or Fellowcrafts are present, for the transaction of such business as shall regularly come before it.

Your presence is earnestly requested and your Masonic friends are cordially invited to attend.

Fraternally,

Worshipful Master, Gene Tyler

Attest:

Brother Trevor Pletcher, Secretary

#### **COMING EVENTS**

**8/1** Executive Meeting. 6:00pm at the lodge.

**8/3** Stated Meeting. Meal at 6:30pm and lodge opens at 7:30.

**8/7** Steak Dinner/Masonic Education. Council Oak Lodge 745 (19780 Brick Rd, South Bend, IN 46637) Brother John Nagy will be providing the education on Masonry. Potential Candidates are welcome to attend. \$20 per person RSVP Tony Meller at [ameller31@yahoo.com](mailto:ameller31@yahoo.com). Dinner is scheduled for 6:30pm.

**8/9** Royal Arch Stated Meeting. Meal at 6:45pm, Lodge opens at 7:30pm

**8/15** Groto Stated Meeting. At Yalonda's Bar & Grille, order food at 6:30 and meeting to follow.

**8/21** Widows Sons Stated Meeting. Time and place: (to be announced)

**9/1-9/4 Blueberry Festival** Don't forget to sign up to help park cars. For more information text message or call our lodge secretary, Trevor Pletcher at 574-341-0818. Brothers, this is a very important fund raiser for our lodge. **Your assistance is EXTREMELY IMPORTANT!!**

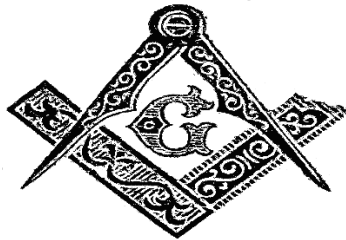
**9/10** Annual Masonic Home Festival at Compass Park (Franklin). Everyone is welcome. The food and fun starts at 11:00 a.m. Contact Elizabeth Dillman at [edillman@compasspark.org](mailto:edillman@compasspark.org) or 317-346-1457 for details.

**9/16** Walk for Autism/Car Show. Meet at the Hoosier Old Wheel pavilion at 9:00am. We need your help to make this another successful year.

**9/30** Tenderloin Fry with WB Ralph Smith. As a lodge fundraiser, Past Master Ralph Smith will be cooking and selling Tenderloin and French Fry meals from 11:00am-2:00pm at the Centier Bank parking lot on the corner of Oak Road and Jefferson Street.

## **Visit Mike Pettigrew's Calendar**

at <https://masoniccalendar.blogspot.com/> for more scheduled Masonic events around the state.



### **FROM THE EAST:**

You do your bit of good wherever you are. It's those little bits of good that when put all together is the beauty that overwhelms the world.

In the Faith,  
Worshipful Master Gene Tyler

### **FROM THE WEST:**

“Coming out of your own freewill and accord” is a fundamental principle of Freemasonry that reflects the fraternity's values of personal liberty and individual responsibility.

It ensures that each member has made a conscious and informed decision to join the fraternity, and that they are committed to the principles and values of the fraternity.

This principle is essential to the fraternity's commitment to ethical and moral behavior and helps to create a strong sense of community and brotherhood among its members.

Fraternally,  
Mike Perdue  
Senior Warden

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As you may be aware, our Junior Warden Larry Snyder was involved in a motorcycle accident and is currently being treated at South Bend Memorial Hospital for injuries sustained in the accident. Worshipful Master, Gene, is working on appointing an interim Junior Warden and planning a meal for our August Stated Meeting. Keep Brother Larry in your thoughts and prayers.

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### **OFFICERS FOR 2023**

<b>Worshipful Master:</b>	Gene Tyler	<b>Senior Steward:</b>	Cody Pozil
<b>Senior Warden:</b>	Michael Perdue	<b>Junior Steward:</b>	Dennis Manuwal
<b>Junior Warden:</b>	Larry Snyder	<b>Chaplain:</b>	Mike Woolfington
<b>Secretary:</b>	Trevor Pletcher	<b>Marshal:</b>	Scott Wilhelm
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Paul Holderman	<b>Organist:</b>	Brent Kaufman
<b>Senior Deacon:</b>	Cory Johnson	<b>Tyler</b>	Gary Potter
<b>Junior Deacon:</b>	Travis O'Neal		

**Trustees:** David Russell, Steve Troyer, Troy Lawmaster



**Most Worshipful Gary E. Brinley Grand Master**

*Grand Master of Masons in Indiana*



## August Birthdays

8/1/2023	Faucett, Tony Allen
8/7/2023	Shafer, Kennen Keith
8/7/2023	Sullivan, Arthur James
8/8/2023	Groves, Brandon Pau
8/8/2023	Jessup, Fred William
8/13/2023	Benner, Lawrence Lane
8/13/2023	Caswell, David Eugene
8/13/2023	Lattimer, David Charles
8/17/2023	Butler, James Albert
8/18/2023	Payton, Matthew Ryan
8/19/2023	Denlinger, Timothy David
8/20/2023	Arce, Carlos Jacob
8/20/2023	Staples, John A
8/21/2023	Hartley, Casey Andrew
8/24/2023	Cleavenger, William Covert
8/25/2023	Barnett-Day, Anthony William
8/27/2023	Gerard, Allen Lamar
8/31/2023	Easterday, Thomas Lee

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## EXPLORING MASONRY

*August 2023*

*John Staples*

## **World-renowned Lodges**

IN THE MASONIC WORLD, certain lodges are known far and wide, due to their antiquity, notable members, or locations.

The UK offers examples such as The Lodge of Edinburgh (also called St. Mary's Chapel), in continuous existence since 1599. Scotland also claims Mother Kilwinning Lodge, founded in 1642. In England, Apollo University Lodge at Oxford began in 1819 and Isaac Newton University Lodge at Cambridge in 1861, setting the stage for today's academic lodges in more than a hundred universities.

The Lodge of the Nine Sisters in Paris (1776) organized support for the American Revolution, with input from Most Wor. Benjamin Franklin, then serving as US Ambassador to France. John Paul Jones, the American naval commander, was a Lodge member, along with the French philosopher Voltaire, the scientist Jacque Montgolfier, and, curiously, several Roman Catholic priests.

In the US, many lodges can trace their origins to colonial times, such as St. John's in Philadelphia (1730) and St. John's in Boston (1732). Solomon's Lodge in Savannah, Ga., and Solomon's' Lodge in Charlotte, NC, both received their charters in 1734, as did St. John's in Portsmouth, NH.     Δ