

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, May 2, 2024.

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, Mike Perdue

Attest: Brother Trevor Pletcher, Secretary

COMING EVENTS

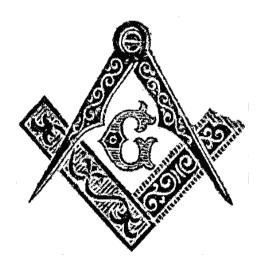
| 4/30 | Executive Meeting PK149 | 6:00pm. All brothers are welcome to attend. Officers should attend. |
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| 5/02 | Stated Meeting PK149 | 6:30pm meal, Lodge opens at 7:30 |
| 5/04 | PK149 Fellow Craft Degree | 8:30am donuts and coffee with degree to follow |
| 5/06 | Warsaw Lodge #73 Stated Meeting | 6:00 Meal. Lodge opens at 7:00. Opportunity for a lodge visit. |
| 5/08 | Royal Arch Stated Meeting | Meal at 6:45. Lodge open at 7:30 |
| 5/14 | Rochester Lodge #79 Stated Meeting 6:30 Meal & Lodge opens at 7:30. Opportunity for a lodge visit. | |
| 5/16 | PK149 Master Mason Degree | 6:30pm meal with degree to follow |
| 5/20 | Widows Son Stated Meeting | Time & Place to be determined |

5/21 Annual Communication Scottish Rite Building, Indianapolis.
5/21 Groto Time & Place to be determined
5/21 Knox Lodge Stated Meeting 6:30 meal & Lodge opens at 7:30 (Central Time).
5/23 Ritual Workshop PK149 6:30pm Working on the Rusty Nail Degree so Master Masons Only

There are several opportunities for lodge visits this month. Text our Worshipful Master @ 574 292-1889 if you are able to attend one.

Visit Mike Pettigrew's Calendar

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



FROM THE EAST:

We have scheduled some degree work this month:

May 4th (Saturday) Fellowcraft degree. Come join us for some donuts and coffee at 8:30am. The degree will follow. This degree should have multiple EAs so our Senior Deacon will need assistance in conducting the brothers through this degree during the first session.

May 16th (Thursday) Master Mason degree. We will have a meal at 6:30pm and the degree will follow.

If you are interested in being in the cast, please text me at 574 292-1889 or let our Junior and Senior know.

We had a great turn-out at our April 20th Tenderloin Fry and sold 149 tenderloins. A special thanks to WB Ralph Smith and crew for making this possible.

Mike Perdue Worshipful Master

FROM THE WEST:

We are about to come into the spring and summer, and I want to thank all those whom have helped with various workings of our Lodge. I want to continue to have a strong presence in our communities and show the public what Masons are all about.

Please reach out to me with your ideas on how we can make our Fraternity grow. I would also like new ideas on ways to raise funds. We need to fill the void caused by the loss of our Blueberry Parking areas. We have a few ideas in the works but could use many more.

Reminder of a Master Mason degree for brother Tony Faucett on May 16, 2024 @ 6:30pm.

Thank you again my brother's.

Fraternally, Larry Snyder Senior Warden

OFFICERS FOR 2024

| Worshipful Master: | Mike Perdue |
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| Senior Warden: | Larry Snyder |
| Junior Warden: | Corey Johnson |
| Secretary: | Trevor Pletcher |
| Treasurer: | Paul Holderman |
| Senior Deacon: | Travis Oneal |
| Junior Deacon: | Cody Pozil |
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Senior Steward:Dennis ManuwalJunior Steward:Gary PotterChaplain:Ryan GrayTylerMike WolfingtonMarshal:Scott WilhelmOrganist:Brent Kaufman

Trustees: David Russell, Steve Troyer, Troy Lawmaster

(Officer contact information is provided at the end of this newsletter.)



Most Worshipful Gary E. Brinley Grand Master

Grand Master of Masons in Indiana



May Birthdays

EXPLORING MASONRY

May 2024

John Staples

NYC is home to "Explorers Lodge"

AMONG SPECIAL INTEREST lodges in the United States, the most distinctive may be Kane Lodge, No. 454, which meets at the New York Masonic Hall in Manhattan. It was chartered in 1858 and named for Dr. Elisha Kent Kane (1820-1857), a Navy surgeon and Freemason who sailed on Arctic discovery voyages. Throughout its history, the lodge has attracted men of science, especially those interested in exploration.

A painting of Kane's ship, *Advance*, icebound in Greenland, was given to the lodge in 1899 by the artist and fellow Mason, Albert Operti. It shows the vessel, crew, and frozen landscape, with a Square and Compass in the foreground. It hangs in the lodge room with a print on display at the American Museum of Natural History.

True lovers of the arts and sciences, members of Kane Lodge have included Admiral Richard Byrd, leader of the first crew to fly over the South Pole; Bernt Balchen, chief pilot on the 1928 Arctic expedition; and Rear Adm. Robert Peary, believed to be the first man to reach the North Pole.

Another brother was Donald MacMillan, skipper of the schooner *Bowdoin*, a veteran of numerous trips to the Far North. That vessel is now owned and operated by the Maine Maritime Academy, where the Kane Lodge awards an annual scholarship. Δ

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