



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, October 5, 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

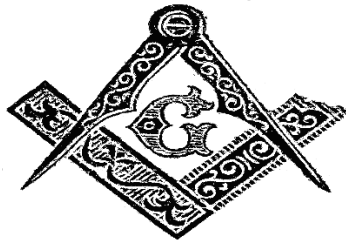
- 10/3** Executive Meeting. 6:00pm, All members are welcome to attend and all Officers should attend.
- 10/5** October Stated Meeting. Meal at 6:30 and Lodge opens at 7:30. Remember this month is the officer's move-up month.
- 10/7** Entered Apprentice Degree. Donuts and Coffee at 8am and Lodge opens at 9am.
- 10/11** Royal Arch. Meal at 6:45 and Lodge opens at 7:30
- 10/14** District 1 Workshop. Lakeville Lodge 353. Donuts and coffee at 8:30am and Workshop to begin at 9:00am. Dress Code is Casual. Entered Apprentices are encouraged to attend.
- 10/16** Widows Sons. Time and Place to be announced.
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10/18 Master Mason Degree at Rochester #79. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Lodge opens at 7:00 p.m.

10/28 Rusty Nail Degree at Rochester #79. Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. Degree at 9:00 a.m. An excellent refresher for brothers who have not visited the Lodge for a while or newly raised Masons. Open to Master Masons only. The dress is casual.

Visit Mike Pettigrew's Calendar

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



FROM THE EAST:

Freemasonry is not a Party, not a Secret, not a Cult. It is a Great Order of Men Selected, Initiated, Sworn, and Trained to make Reason and the Will of God Prevail.

In the Faith,
Worshipful Master Gene Tyler

FROM THE WEST:

The annual dues statements have not yet been distributed by Grand Lodge but we can now pay our 2024 annual dues on-line through the "Member Portal". Our dues have increased to \$145.00 (a \$10 increase) to every "Dues Paying Member".

Though not required, I recommend we pay our annual dues "Online" through the Member Portal. By doing so your dues status is immediately updated and it takes a lot of work and confusion away from our secretary. Follow the link to pay your dues online: [Indiana Freemasons Member Portal](#)

Fraternally,
Mike Perdue
Senior Warden

FROM THE SOUTH:

As you may be aware, our Junior Warden, Larry Snyder, is still out and recovering from his motorcycle accident. We miss him and look forward to his return. Worshipful Master, Gene and Senior Deacon, Cory is putting together a meal that I am confident will be enjoyed by all.

OFFICERS FOR 2023

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

Trustees: David Russell, Steve Troyer, Troy Lawmaster



Most Worshipful Gary E. Brinley Grand Master
Grand Master of Masons in Indiana



October Birthdays

10/07 Gehrke, David Ross
10/12 Hammonds, Jared Kent
10/13 Troyer, Steven Roy
10/14 Wittenhagen, Jeffrey Alan
10/15 Teeter, John Michael
10/17 Pozil, Cody David
10/19 Reese, Allen Edward
10/20 Warren, Christopher Scott
10/22 Holderman, Paul A
10/26 Demont, Edwin George

EXPLORING MASONRY

John Staples

The Lonely American

A RECENT REPORT from the surgeon general warns that American men have become increasingly lonely and isolated. They say they have fewer friends than they had years ago, and that they have no one in whom they can confide.

The nation's top doctor urges the rebuilding of connections with people, as a matter of mental and physical health. During the pandemic, Masons and many others learned that social media is a poor substitute for in-person time with others. Tone of voice, body language, and experiencing the presence of the other person are all important, but all are lost when we rely solely on electronic contact.

When we befriend people, help them, and establish connections, we are not only reaching out to them; we are reminding ourselves of the value that we can contribute to society.

Freemasonry, with its emphasis on friendship, shared values, and mutual respect, can play a key role in building a sense of community, perhaps more now than ever before. Simply put, the world needs what we have to offer. Δ