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COLUMBUS, INDIANA

TRESTLE BOARD FOR MAY 2008

## SCHEDULED MEETINGS

01	High Point Lodge #755 Stated	9:30 AM
01	Rainbow Stated	7:00
02	Amaranth Stated	7:30
03	St. Johns Fish Fry (see inside)	11:00AM
05	Order of Eastern Star	7:30
06	DeMolay Stated	7:30
07	York Rite Royal Arch Degree	7:00
07	York Rite Activity Night	7:30
14	York Rite Chapter Stated	7:30
14	York Rite Council Stated	8:15
20	DeMolay Stated	7:30
27	St. Johns Lodge #20 Stated	7:30
28	Commandery Stated	7:30
28	Beauceant Stated	7:30

### A LOOK AHEAD TO THE JUNE SCHEDULED MEETINGS

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*Note: All times are P.M. unless stated otherwise.*

*Please watch the newspaper and our Website for any meetings not scheduled above*

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### OFFICERS FOR 2008

Worshipful Master - Matthew B. Simmons	350-3620
Senior Warden - J.R. "Bobby" Tekulve	375-0249
Junior Warden - Brian J. Simmons	526-2232
Treasurer - Russell R. Henney, P.M.	372-2913
Secretary - Dennis J. Anness, P.M.	378-0673
Senior Deacon - Shannon D. Unsworth	447-4124
Junior Deacon - Jason Tekulve	552-3496
Chaplain - Don Abernathy, PM	526-2830
Senior Steward - Jeffrey D. Erdman	350-4021
Junior Steward -	
Tyler - Edward C. Thifault	378-9164
Trustee (3) - Wendel W. Hauck, PM	342-1887
Trustee (2) - Wm. Dirk Rader, PM	350-7313
Trustee (1) - Jay G. Heath, PM	342-4478

**ST. JOHNS LODGE ANNUAL FISH FRY:** St. Johns lodge will be holding their annual fish fry on Saturday, May 3rd. Members should have received tickets in the mail and tickets will be sold at the door as well. Anybody wishing to help is more than welcome to and may contact Wendel Hauck, PM, at 342-1887. The proceeds from the Fish Fry this year will go towards an AED+ unit for the lodge. Invite friends and family and let's use this annual event as a good way to spread brotherly love and friendship and to raise the money to purchase this life saving device for the Lodge!

**ST. JOHNS LODGE MEETINGS:** There will be refreshments available before and after meetings as well as access to the recreation room before meetings for fellowship. Doors will open an hour and a half prior to the beginning of the meetings.

**PLEASE REMEMBER:** To notify the Secretary of any family illness or death, and of any change of address.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES:** Are extended to all Members and Brothers celebrating either their physical or Masonic Birthday during the month of May.

**GETTING INFO IN THE TRESTLE BOARD:** If you would like to have information put into the Trestle Board, please contact Matt Simmons at: mbsk.simmons@comcast.net or 350-3620. If you are interested in contributing information, please send me an email or call me for my mailing address if you do not have internet access. The Trestle Board is also available as a PDF attachment via email if you wish to receive an electronic copy.

*~Masonic Education~*

The Alter is a symbol of worship; of faith; of the Sanctum Sanctorum, or Holy of Holies of Solomon's Temple. The focus of Masonic life in Lodge, its support of the Great Lights is itself a symbol that faith supports life.

The Anchor and Ark are Symbols of Hope. The story of the deluge and the ark is world wide in extent and hoary with antiquity in the history of hundreds of primitive societies. Eskimos, Mandans, Minnetarrees, Delawares, Fiji Islanders,

Aborigines of Australia, to mention but a few, all have traditions and myths of a great deluge at some early time. The story of Atlantis, the lost continent, is but an inversion of the tale; whether the waters rise and cover the earth or the earth sinks beneath the waters, the result is the same. Written history covers more than one instance in which an island has sunk beneath the sea - doubtless the descendants of any survivors will also tell the tale of a flood which engulfed their world and their ancestors!

Ancient peoples were convinced that some boat, ship, canoe, ark, or raft, carried the souls of dead men across a mythical body of water to another land; the story of Charon, ferryman on the River Styx, beyond which were the Elysian fields, is familiar to all. Hence, the ark as a means of safety from storm and stress in Masonic symbolism is but a continuation of a mythology hoary with age.

The anchor seems to have become a symbol in early Christian times; Epictetus, stoic philosopher, born about 50 B.C., "We ought neither to fasten our ship to one small anchor nor our life to a single hope." In Paul's journey to Rome "they cast four anchors out of the stern and wished for the day." In Hebrews is "which hope we have as an anchor of the soul."

Both the anchor and the ark are ancient symbols of safety and a passage from this life to another. Freemasonry but adapts to its purposes what has been common to many beliefs in many ages.

The Mystic Art

The world may rail at Masonry  
And scoff at Square and Line  
We'll follow with complacency

The Master's great Design.

A king may make a gartered knight  
And breathe away another;  
But he, with all his skill and might,  
Can never make a Brother.

This power alone, thou Mystic Art,  
Freemasonry, is thine;  
With Brotherly-Love divine!

-Edward Bulwer-Lyton