Lodge Officers for 2020

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Senior Steward - Brent Epley

Junior Steward - Bill Montgomery

Tyler - Howard Heerdt, PM

Stated Meetings

3rd Tuesday of each month except the December meeting will be the 1st Tuesday. Dinners at 6pm and the Lodge opens at 7pm for all meetings.

Greetings From the East

First of all I would like to thank all the new lodge officers for stepping up and filling all the positions for this year. Second I would like to thank the worshipful grand master and the other grand officers for installing all the officers and last but not least worshipful brothers Ron Markham and Paul Railey for taking care of lodge business (secretary and treasures jobs) for the last part of the year. You were a big help in keeping the books up.

Now it's time to have another great year. April the 4th we will have a chicken cook. We will be selling whole smoked chickens at a cost of \$12.00 each. Tickets will be mailed to each member. We also will have a yard sale again in April so I would appreciate your help on these fund raisers. A Calendar of events will be on our web site. We will also try to have a valentine dinner (pay on your own) in February. A card will be sent along with tickets for the chickens.

You are all welcome to come join us at lodge the third Tuesday of each month for dinner and fellowship. I know the new guys would like to meet you. This goes for you two Don Meyers. Come visit your lodge and cuz.

Hope this fines you well and god bless

Worshipful master
Ken "MITZO" Mitz

Greetings from the West

Brethren, I want to thank you for the opportunity to be in the West and be a part of the lodge leadership of Worshipful Master Kenneth A. Mitz and Junior Warden J. C. Warren . Last Year the lodge, being led by Worshipful Master Ronnie Markham, continued our growth in membership with degree work and transfers. This year is already starting to look like the lodge will continue in that direction. You older retired or semi-retired members who haven't been to lodge recently, check the lodge calendar and reserve those dates and come to lodge and help us in our joyful toils. Bring a friend with you. I am looking forward to meeting both of you.

Jack Jones Senior Warden

Greetings from the South

I want to start by saying how much I appreciate the confidence you have put in me to sit in the south this year. I look forward to this responsibility and know we will do great things. I would also like to encourage you to get a hold of some brothers who haven't been to lodge in a while and get them to come and fellowship with us. It's falls on all of us to keep the craft alive so let's invest in our brethren and look forward to a great year in freemasonry.

Fraternally,
JC Warren

From the Secretary

- 1) Dues are now past due! If you haven't paid, do so immediately. Per Grand Lodge, late dues are to be assessed a \$5 late fee plus the additional follow up mailing costs. I try to be lenient on charging the late fee, but if I haven't received your dues by January 31st, the late fees will be assessed. Also, if you know of a distressed worthy brother who may need his dues remitted by the Lodge, please let WM Ken Mitz or me know...our phone numbers are at the front of this letter.
- 2) If you're receiving this newsletter via USPS Mail, it means we don't yet have a current e-mail address for you. Postage and printing costs continue to increase, and e-mailing the newsletter and other communications is one way we can help control expenses and make sure communications are made on a timely basis. If you haven't already, please send me your e-mail address at jeff.merrick@twc.com

- 3) Don't forget to check out the Lodge's website at www.newburghlodge174.org. WB Howard Heerdt has done a great job setting up the Lodge page and keeping it up to date. It's a great place to find out more about your Lodge, and to keep up to date on what's going on. Another resource is the Lodge Facebook page... check it out and be sure to "like" us!
- 4) The Masonic Scholarship applications are not available yet. These must be completed and back in the Secretary's hands by the end of February. For more information see the Grand Lodge website...<u>https://indianafreemasons.com/</u> under the "Charity" tab. If you're going to apply for a scholarship and need an application, you can either print one from the website, or call me at (812) 204-5018.

Jeff Merrick Secretary

For the Good of the Order.....

Thanks to all of the 2019 Officers for a job well done under the direction of WB Ronnie Markham PM.

Thanks in advance for everyones help this year. We have four big fund raisers and our great 1st saturday breakfast that will start May 2nd at the lodge from 7am-10am. Half the proseeds will go to the Newburgh Volunteer fire Department as it did last year. For \$10.00 you get all you can eat eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes and biscuitsand gravy. Along with coffee, milk and orange juice. WHAT A DEAL. We will also be having a yard sale again this year April 17 & 18 rain or shine so start saving things for us. It takes all of us to keep this lodge going and keep up so please keep this in mind. On Sunday February the 16th at 5:30 pm we will be getting together at western ribeye at 1401 N Boeke Rd for Valentine's dinner. Pay on you own. Please RSVP me at 812-457-8891 and let me know if your coming so I can let them know how many will be there. Hope to see you