

Newburgh Lodge #174 **Compass Points Newsletter - April 2024**

2024 Officers:

Worshipful Master Chad Hostetter Senior Warden Junior Warden Treasurer Secretary Senior Deacon Junior Deacon Chaplain Senior Steward Junior Steward Tyler

David Brickey II Brandon Goodall, PM Chadd Huffman Ken Mitz, PM Juan Caraballo, PM Jeff Short **Bob Barnes** Tom Metzger, PM Mike Sibril Tim Putnam

Stated Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of every month, except May, where it is the 3rd Wednesday, and December, where it is the 1st Tuesday

FROM THE EAST

Brethren, thank you for your support of our creation of the Executive Committee meeting. I truly believe that this is a step in the right direction for Freemasonry and our lodge. Our meetings will no longer be filled with keeping the lodge running. Instead, we will be spending our time talking about the brotherhood. Whether you joined the lodge to learn about the history of Freemasonry, wanted to help our support our community, or simply wanted to spend time with other like minded men, we have it at our lodge. The only thing missing is you!

I would also like to ask each an every one of you to please support our fundraisers. Our lodge would not be able to continue to function without them. If you are not interesting in volunteering, please support through either a financial donation or attending/purchasing tickets.

Lastly, I wanted to make sure that everyone is aware that we have officially chartered Boy Scout Troop 315. They were recently in need of a new home and approached us a new landing spot. We look forward to the partnership that will unfold over the next year. They are planning on actively supporting our fundraisers, and I would like to ask each of you to do the same for them. You should see their trailers and other signs of their move around the lodge.

Fraternally,

Chad Hostetter. WM 260-249-7570

FROM THE WEST

Greetings from the West,

We have a lot of events planned for this year and a small group of us have stepped up to run them. Please remember your obligation and cable-tow; your lodge needs your support. We have a lot of ideas for the beautification of the lodge room, dining hall, and kitchen. However, we need help raising funds, raising masons, and raising awareness.

We are increasing our focus with our members and our community. We have brother to brother calls being implemented, we're creating a widow's program, we're chartering a boy scout troop, creating an outreach program for men, we're building a relationship with our OES, and adding masonic education to our stated meetings. We understand that not everyone wants to be an officer, and that is okay. If you would like to get involved/volunteer with any of these programs, please reach out to us. Some can be done from home others only require a visit to the lodge once per month. We are also open to ideas, if there is something you would like to see the lodge do, let us know.

So Mote It Be,

David Brickey II, SW

FROM THE SOUTH

Brethren,

2024 has gotten off to a busy and quick start! We have several large fundraising events fast approaching, and your help and support is essential to the continued growth of our Lodge. Our Lodge is continuing to make substantial strides in activity not only in the Fraternity, but in our community as well. If you've found that you haven't been to lodge in a while, come stop by and join us during these exciting times in being a Mason.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Brandon Goodall, PM

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

How to keep up with what is going on at the Lodge:

- Newburgh Lodge Website: https://www.newburghlodge174.org
- Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/newburghlodge174
- Lodge Email Addresses: newburgh.Lodge.174@gmail.com or wm@newburghlodge174.org
- Lodge Calendar: Email the lodge to get added to the shared Google Calendar
- WhatsApp: https://chat.whatsapp.com/JBlfwiqIKZw9rY1djjMLop

Committees & Chairmen/Co-Chairs:

- Finance Committee David Hart PM
- Family/Membership Rod McDonald and Ken Mitz PM
- Charity/Outreach Chad Hostetter
- Dues Committee David Brickey II
- Long Term Planning Committee David Brickey II
- Visitors/Welcome Committee Brandon Goodall PM and Juan Caraballo PM
- Fundraising Committee Ken Mitz PM and Rod McDonald
- Executive Committee Chad Hostetter
- Masonic Education Committee David Brickey II and David Hart PM
- Boy Scout Committee Tim Putnam

Please reach out to any chair if you are interested in helping, even if it is only on a limited basis. Your support is <u>always</u> appreciated. Feel free to reach out via Facebook or WhatsApp to request committee chair contact information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Stated Meeting on April 16th - We are continuing to emphasize Masonic education. Please let David Brickey or David Hart, PM know if there is a topic that you would like to hear more about.

Lodge Breakfast May 4th - We will be hosting a breakfast on the first Saturday of the month from 7am - 10am. We look forward to seeing you all there to support our lodge <u>and</u> the Newburgh Volunteer Fire Department.

Prime Rib Dinner May 11th - There are tickets included with this Newsletter. Please remember that the lodge can not continue to function or grow without your support and participation. We expect each of you to sell your share of tickets, or make a donation to the lodge. Dinner will be served 4pm - 7pm.

Executive Committee Meeting May 14th - The Executive Committee always meets on the Tuesday before our Stated Meeting. All members are welcome to attend.

Annual Communication May 21st - The Worshipful Master and Senior Warden will be in Indianapolis to attend the installation of the Grand Lodge officers.

Stated Meeting May 22nd - We are continuing to emphasize Masonic education. Please let David Brickey or David Hart, PM know if there is a topic that you would like to hear more about.

Executive Committee Meeting June 11th - The Executive Committee always meets on the Tuesday before our Stated Meeting. All members are welcome to attend.

Stated Meeting June 18th - We are continuing to emphasize Masonic education. Please let David Brickey or David Hart, PM know if there is a topic that you would like to hear more about