

The Lion's Paw -- a Symbol of the Mystic Tie - a Bond between Masons

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MYSTIC TIE LODGE #398

Quarterly 'Fifth Monday' Dinners Offer Fellowship

by Brad Keen, Senior Deacon

The call went out to the Brethren of Mystic Tie Lodge for a gathering at Thai Spice Restaurant on January 30, 2012, for our quarterly 5th Monday dinner. The turnout was great and the meal was fantastic (and seemingly never ending).

Dinner was served family style and there was plenty of variety to chose from as they provided us with at least seven different entrees.

At the last minute they gave us all FREE desert. Previous dinners have been at Santorini Greek Kitchen and Iozzo's Garden of Italy. Our thanks to them for the great times had there.

These events have become more and more successful

over the last year and we hope to see you at the next one. Attendance is important as we usually work out a special price based on the number of people attending.

As always, these events are open to Mystic Tie brethren, their spouses, families and special guests. If you have someone who is interested in Masonry, these are a great chance to give them a taste (pun intended) of the fellowship of Mystic Tie.

If you haven't attended lodge for awhile, this is a great opportunity to see what the Officers have planned and meet the active brethren.

Our next dinner will be Monday April 30. Please watch your e-mail for details.



Mystic Tie brethren and spouses (l to r): Bruce Ryan, WM Ronnie Jones, Dan & Angela Ritenour, PM, Kate and Brad Keen, Jack and Erin Razumich, Dave and Janet Mobley.

The Mystic Tie "LION'S PAW"

New 5th Floor Tenant

On January 14, 2012 The Grand Lodge of Indiana had the opening and dedication of the Grand Lodge Library and Museum, which is now located in our previous social room. In conjunction with this relocation, Mystic Tie received new carpeting in our reception area and the whole fifth floor lobby has been spruced up. The Library has many books there that can be reviewed and/or checked out while the Museum has many pieces of Masonic Regalia from the past that has been archived and on public display for all to enjoy.



On January 23, 2012, Mystic Tie Lodge had the privilege of presenting a 50-year Past Master Award to Joseph H Clark, PM. Joe was Worshipful Master in 1962 and the award was presented to him at our Master Mason Degree Banquet in January.



In January, Mystic Tie Lodge had the privilege of presenting a 50-year Past Masters Award to Richard D Muir, PM, who was Worshipful Master in 1961. We presented him the award at his residence. Honoring Dick above are (l to r): Tom Everman, PM, Ronnie Jones WM, Pete Mohr, PM.

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THE DESIGNS ON THE MASTER'S TRESTLEBOARD

April

Mon Apr 2	Called Meeting - FC Degree	6:30 pm
Mon Apr 9	Stated Meeting	7 pm
Mon Apr 16	Called Meeting - EA Degree	6:30 pm
Mon Apr 23	MM Degree	4 pm
	Dinner & Award of Gold	6:30 pm
Mon Apr 30	5th Monday Lodge Dinner Out	TBA

May

Mon May 7	Called Meeting - FC Degree	6:30 pm
Mon May 14	Stated Meeting	7 pm
Mon May 21	Called Meeting - MM Degree	6:30 pm
Wed May 23	Called Meeting - EA Degree	6:30 pm
Mon May 28	Dark - Memorial Day	

June

Mon Jun 4	Called Meeting - FC Degree	6:30 pm
Mon Jun 11	Stated Meeting	7 pm
Mon Jun 18	Called Meeting - EA Degree	6:30 pm
Mon Jun 25	Called Meeting - MM Degree	4 pm
	Dinner & Award of Gold	6:30 pm

July & August

Dark

2012 COMMITTEES

AUDITING: Chris Cox, PM, Tom Scamahorn, PM,
Tom Everman, PM, Chad Wining

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Tidings from the East

Brethren,

I hope that everyone is having a good year so far. I will be glad to see Spring arrive. I have had the honor and privilege of presenting two (2) Fifty Year Past Masters Awards this year. The two people that received this award were Richard D. Muir PM and Joseph H. Clark PM. Dick Muir was Worshipful Master in 1961 and we presented him the award at his residence on January 16, 2012. The people present that day were myself, Tom Everman, Pete and Barb Mohr. A nice visit was had by all with him. The other recipient of the award is Joseph H. Clark. Joe Clark was Worshipful Master in 1962. His award was presented to him at our Master Mason Dinner on January 23, 2012. We had just raised his grandson, Rob Hoyer last Fall.



I realize that we are not very busy at this time with degree work, but our House Committee is busy working on events for us to attend. We just had an outing at Thai Spice on the Southside as one of our "Fifth Monday" gatherings. A good time and fellowship was had by all. Our House Committee is working on taking a tour of the Sun King Brewery Downtown in March. Our House Chairman Brad Keen is always looking for ideas for activities for us to do. If you do not like Degree Work and want to socialize with your fellow brethren, this would be the perfect opportunity. This would also be an opportunity to meet your fellow Lodge Officers and have a good time. We are starting Lodge Visits this year and our Senior Steward Jody Fedor is coordinating our visits. If there is a Lodge you would like to visit, just let Jody or one of the Lodge Officers know and we will try to accommodate.

As time moves on and we start doing more Degree work, come out and support your fellow Lodge Officers. It makes us feel good and it also gives a good impression to the candidate. If you have any ideas or suggestions on things we can do or improve, just let us know. Just remember, as Lodge Officers we are here to serve you.

~~Ronnie Jones - Worshipful Master

Tidings from the West Charities & Brotherhood

Brethren,

Our gentle Craft reaches out to those who want to give back to society and enhances the bonds of Brotherly love. Many of us may never be great ritualists or even have the desire to try but that doesn't mean you can't contribute to your Fraternity and partake in our labors. One way of contributing is to come to lodge for degree nights.

Do you remember being brought to Masonic Light for the first time and seeing your new brethren there to welcome you as your hoodwink was removed? Or was your first thought; who are these guys (other than your sponsor)? After your Entered Apprentice degree did "these guys" come up to and offer their hand, a friendly smile and barrage of questions to include what's your occupation, marital status and education? That's what I remember! I remember, after answering what seemed to be about 99 questions, saying to myself WOW these guys went out of their way to make me feel welcome.

I also remember thinking what a big room for only 15 guys; 10 officers, my sponsor; 2 of our friends and myself. More brethren came to my Fellow Craft (FC) and Master Masons (MM) degrees, but I do not remember how many. Why? Because The E. A. it is that first impression; that lasting impression we give our new brothers. Are we giving our new brethren the impression that we are too busy to come to lodge on their Entered Apprentice degree to welcome them with a firm handshake and inviting smile?

Our EA degrees are usually scheduled for the 3rd Monday of the month starting at 6:30 pm. I ask that as many of the craft that can attend come to Lodge and give a warm and LASTING impression that will remain with a new brother for life.

I cannot promise you that every 3rd Monday is a degree night; but I can promise if you call me I can give you the information of the next EA night and/or the subsequent FC and MM nights. My cell number is 317.698.1215; it's usually on my hip!

~~Robb Spears, Senior Warden

IN MEMORIAM

HE RESTS FROM HIS LABORS



David Calvin Sakrison - 12/29/11
William Lawrence Fisher, Jr - 1/24/12
Dan Malcolm Elliott - 2/16/12
August Max Metzler - 3/11/12
Paul James Sandin, PM - 4/6/12

MYSTIC TIE LIVING PAST MASTERS

Richard D Muir	1961	James P Mohr	1994
Joseph H Clark	1962	George R Shepherd	1996
Bloor Redding	1966	Marvin C Maguire	1997
John M Leslie	1968	Charles D Swift	1998
Russell A Murphy	1972	Scott A Schuster	1999
Odus A Landreth	1973	Robert T Scamahorn	2000
Phillip S Kappes	1975	Curtis E Shirley	2000
Alexander L Rogers	1980	Anthony W Edwards	2001
Robert M Danielson	1983	Christopher L Cox	2002
Jerry M Burton	1984	James E Pickett	2003
John A Miller	1985	Jon M Porter	2004
Cecil A Taylor II	1986	Douglas D Fick	2005
Michael R St Pierre	1988	Charles L Mong IV	2006
Thomas D Everman	1989	Robert G James	2007
Robert L Barnett	1990	Brian R Goldman	2008
Richard W Cheesman	1992	Patrick D Harmon	2009
Larry L Maxey	1993	Daniel J Ritenour	2010

Tidings from the SD Charity to School 114

Over the course of last fall, under the leadership of then Worshipful Master, Paul Sandin, Mystic Tie Lodge has undertaken the task of supporting IPS School #114.

School #114, located at 2251 Sloan Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46203, is the third poorest school in the IPS system and has a poverty rate of 94%. As a result of this high poverty rate, the children at school #114 have difficulty in obtaining school supplies. This is a huge need at the beginning of the school year, but also a continuous need. The parents at this school move frequently and children often arrive partway through the school year, without the tools necessary to succeed.

We, the brethren of Mystic Tie have donated over 1000 school supplies to this worthy cause. In addition, the Lodge, as an entity and the brethren individually, have made cash donations to purchase additional school supplies, along with much needed gloves, coats, and school uniform clothing.

If you are interested in providing additional support for this worthy cause, please feel free to drop off donations of school supplies at the Lodge. If you have specific questions please feel free to contact me at bkkeen@aol.com.

Thank you, brothers, for your support of Mystic Tie Lodge. Your line item contributions to our programming fund enable us to support and contribute to this and our other community giving projects. Thank you for your support for the Lodge and these good works!

~~Brad Keen, Senior Deacon