

JANESVILLE MASONIC CENTER TRESTLE BOARD

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OFFICE HOURS: MONDAYS, 9 AM TO 11:00 AM EXCEPT HOLIDAYS CLOSED

JANESVILLE-WESTERN STAR #55
Larry Preston - Sec./Teas. (608-201-2991)

Ben Walker (elect) W.M. (316-288-8142)

FEB 6 7:00PM TRUSTEE MEETING

FEB 13 6:00PM DINNER
7:00PM STATED MEETING -

FEB 27 6:00PM DINNER
7:00PM STATED MEETING -

Hello Brothers,

The Lodge recently held a retreat to work on the activities for Janesville-Western Star for 2023 over the weekend of January 21 in the Soldiers Grove area. This was a great weekend to get together a brain storm and set priorities for the lodge for the 2023 year. This was the second year that this approach has been used. The Lodge's Trestle Board for the 2023 year was established and is posted at the sign-in book area and can be reviewed when entering or leaving a lodge meeting. The Officers and several others have taken on the responsibly for items on the Trestle Board. A list of Maintenance items for the Building and Grounds was presented and duties will be established to keep the appearance and upkeep of the building. Keep an eye out for the upcoming lodge fund raisers for the year.

There will degrees for the new members as they travel on their Masonic Journey. Keep an eye out for when these degrees occur and support these new brothers.

The Lodge has been saddened with the passing of Past Master Lloyd Laskowski. Lloyd served many years as the Worshipful Master of Western Star lodge #14 prior to and during the merger with Janesville lodge #55. Lloyd's humor will be missed by those who knew him.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESSED: If you know of a member that is suffering from an illness or other distress, Please let the Lodge know.

PROJECT 16:49 is one of the current projects of the Lodge. Project 16:49 is an organization supporting homeless youth with houses in Beloit and Janesville. 16:49 represents the time a student is dismissed from school until the next day school begins. Donations of Gift cards: Woodman's, Wal-Mart, Target, Shopko, Walgreens, Staples, Kwik Trip (fuel only cards), Subway, McDonalds, Burger King, Culvers, Taco Bell, Pizza Hut, etc... Personal hygiene items (men's and women's): body wash, shampoo, conditioner, razors, deodorant, facial cleanser, tampons. Cleaning supplies: toilet bowl cleaner, Swiffer-type mop pads (wet or dry), paper towels, trash bags, kitchen sponges, dish soap. Office, school & group activity supplies: copy paper, notepads, ink pens, 3 ring binders, HP 950/951 ink cartridges, easel pads. 18 gallon plastic storage bin. Donations can be dropped off at the Lodge in the Men's Lounge.

Web site list: https://www.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/lr/5J6M9EHN82X8/ref=smi_ext_lnk_lcl_cl

JANESVILLE CHAPTER #69 - O.E.S.
Rosie Fiscus Secretary (608-835-7808)

TAMMY WISKIA W.M. (608-346-8124)
RON RASMUSSEN W.P. (608-774-1613)

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Happy Valentines Day! We will be dark for January and February.

Change of location for our fun, food and fellowship on 2/6/23 at 6:00PM, **Please let Tammy or Rosie know if you will be attending for reservations.**

The Sidelines Sports Pub & Grill is locally owned and located right off
Highway 14 at:
731 S Wuthering Hills
Janesville, WI 53546

Our chain of friendship was broken on the passing of Lloyd Laskowski, Lloyd served as Worthy Patron for many years in our Chapter.

PGM Rosie Fiscus, Secretary
608 835-7808
608 692-0530
oesrosebud@charter.net

Let us know if you know of anyone needing Sunshine.

Remember OES members are "Good People, doing good things for a good reason"

**** Sunshine person for Janesville is: Beth Ratzburg (920-691-6985) ****

**** Sunshine person for Beloit is: Jane Sholes (608-295-2000) ****

Please call them if you know of anyone who needs Sunshine or a "Thinking of You" card.

JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL #21 VALERIE BRINKMAN-KAMPMANN, BETHEL GUARDIAN (608)201-5049
, Guardian Secretary () KELLEY MAROTTA, Guardian (608)931-0322

FEB 5 5:00PM STATED MEETING-BOARD GAME AND PIZZA PARTY

FEB 19 2:00PM STATED MEETING

All Masonic family members are welcome to attend any of our Bethel meetings. If you know young ladies ages 7-19, who would benefit from Job's Daughters, we would love to meet them. The Daughters are planning several fun events for next term and encourage you to invite or bring new faces to join us.

SAVE THE DATE! February 25, 2023. GBHQ Vanna and the Grand Bethel are hosting an All Masonic Chili Cook-off, in Milwaukee, and all family and friends are invited to attend and/or compete.

The daughters of the Bethel would love to help with any event the organizations in the building are having, please reach out!

Vanna, would still love to receive invitations to Masonic or Star or other appendant bodies events and would love to talk to any organization at any Masonic Center or event in WI about Job's Daughters International. Please send requests or invitations to vbrinkman01@gmail.com or contact Bethel Guardian Valerie Brinkman-Kampmann by phone or text at 608-201-5049.



JANESVILLE'S TRESTLE-BOARD DESIGNS

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FEBRUARY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 MASONIC ALL DEGREE'S STUDY GROUP 7:00PM	3	4 MEET, STUDY, FELLOWSHIP, AND BREAKFAST 9:00 AM
5 JOB'S DAUGHTERS 5:00PM STATED MEETING	6 JANESVILLE- WESTERN STAR #55 TRUSTEES 7:00PM MEETING	7	8 CHAPTER 69 OES NO MEETINGS	9 MASONIC ALL DEGREE'S STUDY GROUP 7:00PM	10	11 MEET, STUDY, FELLOWSHIP, AND BREAKFAST 9:00 AM
12	13 JANESVILLE- WESTERN STAR #55 7:00PM MEETING	14 AMERICAN LEGION MEETING 6:00PM	15	16 MASONIC ALL DEGREE'S STUDY GROUP 7:00PM	17	18 MEET, STUDY, FELLOWSHIP, AND BREAKFAST 9:00 AM
19 JOB'S DAUGHTERS 2:00PM STATED MEETING	20 RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 9:30AM- 2:30PM	21	22 CHAPTER 69 OES NO MEETINGS	23 MASONIC ALL DEGREE'S STUDY GROUP 7:00PM	24	25 MEET, STUDY, FELLOWSHIP, AND BREAKFAST 9:00 AM
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AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: The Trustees are providing our building to the American Red Cross as a courtesy to the community and the American Red Cross. The American Red Cross will be holding a monthly Blood Drive every third Monday of the month from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. Please help support them. Walk-ins are welcome but appointments are best. Appointments can be made through the jvlmasons.com website and clicking on the Red Cross icon or by going to redcrossblood.org. The next Blood Drives will be **FEBRUARY 20 AND MARCH 20**. These drives have been well attended with the appointment schedule filled but walk-ins accepted when schedule permits.

NOTES FROM JANESVILLE-WESTERN STAR 55 TRUSTEES CENTER COMMITTEE

A **BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND** has been established for future major repairs and updates. Examples include; roof replacement, update the kitchen fire extinguisher system, Lodge room walls repaired and repainted, and Lodge room carpet replacement. In the future these will be prioritized and ordered such as the Lodge room walls repair and repainted, etc. We want to keep our facility looking and performing at its best, to preserve the building for the future members and maintain the building as good stewards of the craft. The City of Janesville required that a grease trap be installed in the kitchen on the dish washer. This project has been in the works for several years with the city demanding that the work be performed. The total cost for this requirement was \$12,100. The 32-year-old Air Conditioner for the Main Lodge room had developed a leak that could not be found and/or fixed. The refrigerant for this unit was no longer being made and if found would be very costly. The unit was replaced in October and when the air handler is running is very much quieter than the old unit. The cost of the replacement was \$20,000. Donations to help offset the cost of the grease trap AND the replacement of the 32-year-old air conditioner for the main lodge room would be greatly appreciated as the Masonic Center has taken a loan of \$32,000. Your help to pay for these projects would be greatly appreciated.

DON'T FORGET! KITCHEN AND DINING HALL USERS. - A general cleanup of the kitchen and wiping off of the tables (with the disinfectant premix IN THE SPRAY BOTTLES) must be done BEFORE AND AFTER each meeting's refreshments. We all need to police the area after our meetings to insure we are up to the requirements of the Health Department at all times. We are responsible for the cleaning of the Dining and Kitchen Area. Remember there is an individual using the kitchen to make gluten free baked goods. **NOTE! PLEASE TAKE YOUR TRASH OUT WITH YOU AFTER YOUR EVENT. LADIES, PLEASE NO PURSES IN THE KITCHEN OR ON THE COUNTER TOPS OR TABLES WHERE FOOD MAY BE PREPARED OR SERVED. SEE THE KITCHEN RULES BOOK IN THE KITCHEN AND PLEASE OBSERVE.**

Building Usage - The following rental rates for the building usage of the Dining area by individual members, April 1 to November 15 the rate is \$60/day and November 15 to April 1 the rate is \$100/day. Usage of the kitchen will be extra. The rental for outside organizations will remain the same depending on what areas are to be used. Talk it up with your groups that might look at our building for holding meetings or dinners. We work with various caterers dining area. If the meeting only needs coffee and carbs, we can work out an agreement to satisfy those needs. Please contact Trustee Secretary Larry for more information.

SPECIAL NOTE – if your group needs to reserve a special date during the year – the Presiding Officer *must contact Larry Preston (Building Manager) at 608-754-2475 OR 608-201-2991 as soon as possible – for authorization*. The calendar has been moved to the office for better control but I also keep another calendar at home for those calls received and later transferred to the lodge calendar. If Larry is not contacted, the date might be already spoken for resulting in someone else interrupting your event. In addition, the building heating and cooling system is computer controlled and advanced notification is necessary to program in the usage dates so the desired room temperatures can be maintained.