

JANESVILLE MASONIC CENTER TRESTLE BOARD

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OFFICE HOURS: MONDAYS, 9 AM TO 11:00 AM

JANESVILLE-WESTERN STAR #55
Larry Preston - Sec. /Teas. (608-754-2475)

Derek Henze, W.M. (262-473-9585)

MAR 1 7:00PM TRUSTEE & BUDGET MEETING – NO MEETING
MAR 8 7:00PM STATED MEETING - MASKS ARE REQUIRED AND SOCIAL DISTANCE MAINTAINED.
MAR 13 12:00PM FELLOWCRAFT DEGREES
MAR 22 7:00PM STATED MEETING - MASKS ARE REQUIRED AND SOCIAL DISTANCE MAINTAINED.

Hello Brothers,

I hope you are staying warm and well. We are off to the start of the year and are working hard. Bro. Larry is doing a great job leading the charge with the improvements in the basement and we are finalizing our yearly Lodge Action Plan soon.

I am excited to update you on our pipeline of new Brothers. We had our first degree this last month with our new brother, Bro. Bruce Wilson. We also have a stacked Fellow Craft Degree on March 13th for several of our EAs. We will have lunch at Noon, EA Postings at 1pm, and FC degree there following.

Hopefully we will be able to start Master Mason Degrees soon enough to get these good men squared away. This is the year of membership growth at our Lodge. I look forward to working hard and bringing in many good men around the Janesville area.

Please feel free to reach out to me anytime if you need anything or have any questions. Cheers, WM DEREK

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DUES NOTICES – Dues notices have been mailed to all. Thanks to those who have paid. The notices include any assessments of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin included in your due's notices. The letter explains why and how much was included with the dues. Also, a notice for updating your contact information was included and should be returned if there are any changes. **NEW THIS YEAR, YOU CAN PAY BY CREDIT CARD ONLINE AT "55-wi.ourlodgepage.com"**. Use your Grand Lodge number on your dues notice or card to setup your account. **NO DEBIT CARDS PLEASE, IF DEBIT CARD IS USED PLEASE INCLUDE ADDITIONAL 2.9% PLUS \$0.30 PLUS \$0.99 TO COVER FEES CHARGED TO THE LODGE FOR THE USE OF DEBIT CARDS.**

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

BARBARA ENGLUND W.M. (608-201-5554)
JEFF LICHTFUSS W.P. (608-359-5117)

NO MEETINGS The WGM has suspended all OES meetings and events through the end of the year and the first part of 2021. Our safety is our biggest concern and she feels that the conditions have not improved enough for Wisconsin chapters to open.

Thanks to the individuals who have paid their dues already, there are 12 members yet to send me their dues. If you are one of these 12 please forward your dues to me. PGM Rosie Fiscus, Secretary.

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**** Sunshine person for Janesville is: Ruth Burns (608-752-4938) ****

**** Sunshine person for Beloit is: Lois Maxted (608-362-2417) ****

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

JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL #21
, Guardian Secretary ()

MOM VALERIE BRINKMAN-KAMPFMAN, BETHEL GUARDIAN (608)201-5049
MOM KELLEY MAROTTA, Guardian (608)931-0322

MAR 7 5:00PM STATED MEETING – VIRTUAL
MAR 21 2:00PM STATED MEETING – VIRTUAL

SHRINE CLUB

DUANE HARVEY (608-754-1377)

MAR 15 7:00PM STATED MEETING



JANESVILLE'S TRESTLE-BOARD DESIGNS

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 JANESVILLE- WESTERN STAR TRUSTEES & FINANCE COMMITTEE NO MEETING	2	3	4	5 KITCHEN IN USE	6
7 BETHEL 21 STATED MEETING 5:00 PM VERTUAL	8 JANESVILLE- WESTERN STAR #55 7:00PM MEETING	9 AMERICAN LEGION MEETING 6:00PM	10 CHAPTER 69 OES NO MEETING	11	12 KITCHEN IN USE	13 JANESVILLE- WESTERN STAR #55 FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE NOON
14	15 BLOOD DRIVE 9:30AM- 2:30PM ZOR SHRINE CLUB 7:00PM	16	17	18	19 KITCHEN IN USE	20
21 BETHEL 21 STATED MEETING 2:00 PM VERTUAL	22 JANESVILLE- WESTERN STAR #55 7:00PM MEETING	23	24 CHAPTER 69 OES NO MEETING	25	26 KITCHEN IN USE	27
28	29	30	31			

Mondays: - have coffee and conversation HAS BEEN PUT ON HOLD along with the Saturday Practice and Breakfasts.

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 **MARCH 15 AND APRIL 19..**

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, Lodge room carpet replacement, and Lodge room furnace 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.

HELP! – Help is needed on occasion to setup and takedown for special events in the dining hall and lower level. This consists of setting up tables and chairs, wiping table tops with disinfectant, taking down tables and chairs, dry and wet mopping the floor and occasionally buffing the floor, stripping the wax and applying new wax to the game room, break room and dining hall. In addition, a special person with computer abilities to help work with the automated heating and cooling system to set special occasions. Minor training will be required. If you are interested, please contact Larry Preston 754-2475 OR 608-201-2991 for more information as there is a need for more than one individual.

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 \$90/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 the 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 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.

TRESTLE BOARD NOTE! Information for the APRIL Trestle Board is *due at the Masonic Center by MARCH 22, 2020*. We appreciate the use of the special form available in the secretary's office in the red file folder on the top of the desk. We can also use my e-mail address lp_masonic@charter.net to send this information.

KITCHEN UPDATE: 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. Lloyd's Plumbing has been studying the requirements of the grease trap to handle the water consumption of the dishwasher. The work started on February 1 with the removal of the dishwasher and sinks. The floor had to be x-rayed for the floor drain and electrical conduit locations. On the second, Rock Cut Co. came in to cut and remove the floor in the area of the dish washer. The grease trap fitted below the floor level and it was found that the electrical conduits had to be replaced for drain clearance. After this work was done, the floor was cemented and new floor tiles installed. The Dish washer and sinks were reinstalled everything returned to the kitchen. Other than some minor items that need to be completed the kitchen and dishwasher are back in order as of February 26. The total cost for this requirement of the City will be about \$12,000.



