

STAR IN THE EAST LODGE NO. 59

EXETER, NH

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MONTHLY TRESTLEBOARD FOR NOVEMBER 2009

Worshipful Master Roger M. Clark

Thursday - November 5, 2009 Special Meeting. A Joint Meeting with Saint James Lodge #102 will be held at the Masonic Temple in Hampton for the purpose of raising qualified candidates to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Supper will be at 6 PM. Both Lodges will open at 7 PM. The first section of the Master Mason Degree will be conferred by the officers of Saint James Lodge, assisted by the officers of Star in the East Lodge. The second section of the Master Mason Degree, to include the History and Charge, will be conferred by a Degree Team from Portsmouth Chapter #386 of the National Sojourners. Each Lodge has at least one candidate and there is the possibility of a second candidate from each Lodge. The officers of Star in the East Lodge should wear their tuxedos. The apron and collar of their office will be available at the Hampton Temple. Lets' have a great turnout for this Joint Meeting and our newly made Master Masons.

Thursday - November 12, 2009 Stated Meeting. Supper at 6:15 PM. Lodge will be opened at 7 PM on the Entered Apprentice Degree. The work of the evening will be the normal business of the Lodge to include reading and balloting on petitions. Wor Bro. Stephen Miller, in his position as District Education Officer, will present a program this evening. Brethren, if you have not heard one of Bro. Millers presentations, this is your opportunity to do so. They are always entertaining as well as educational. Don't miss it.

Friday - November 13, 2009 First Masonic District Lodge of Instruction. Brethren, this year our LOI will be held at the Masonic Temple in Portsmouth, NH. Supper will be at 6:30 PM and the Grand Lodge will open at 7:30 PM. Prior to the supper the Education Committee of the Grand Lodge will hold a sale of many Masonic Books and pamphlets. The officers of each constituent lodge within the District are required to attend the annual LOI. Star in the East Officers who are attending should take their collars and aprons home with them from the Stated Meeting so they will have them at the LOI. Lets have a large turnout from our Lodge. In the 32 years since I've been raised I have never failed to learn something new and interesting at the many LOIs I've attended.

Thursday - November 19, 2009 Special Meeting. Lodge will open at 7 PM for the purpose of conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree on qualified petitioners. My Brothers, please join with the officers of your Lodge in welcoming new Masons into our fraternity. The sight of friendly faces greeting them when they are brought to light helps make them feel welcome and reinforces feelings of brotherhood.

Saturday - November 21, 2009 The 151st SemiAnnual communication of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire will be opened at 9:30 am at the Masonic Temple on Elm Street in Manchester, NH. The officers of all constituent lodges and all Grand Lodge Officers are required to attend. All Master Masons are encouraged to attend.

Brethren, We have had a very busy October with many meetings and much accomplished. At our Stated meeting we greeted the distinguished mathematician Albert Einstein and were regaled and entertained by his many stories. Many thanks to Bro. Al Reynolds for his excellent characterization of this famous scientist. A big thank you to those of you who joined us for the Open House on Saturday the 17th. Although our visitors were no more than 15 or 20, (and some of them were Masons), we did receive a petition and fees from one gentleman and passed out two other petitions that we really expect to be returned to us. It was a profitable day for Freemasonry in New Hampshire and I know we will have more open houses in the future. Our Visitation went well despite the many obstacles that jumped up at the last minute. Both the DDGL and DDGM were well pleased with the ritual work and way it was presented. Many thanks to all who took part in the degree work, especially to those who stepped up at the last moment into positions they had not expected to be in. You all were great. Please join your officers at Saint James Lodge #102 at the Masonic Temple in Hampton on November 5th, it should be a very interesting evening with at least 2 and possible 4 Brothers raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. I hope you all will have a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday this year. Gather your families around and give thanks for them and the many blessings they represent. This year Ann & I will be on the road and will spend Thanksgiving in Savannah, Georgia and then attend her 50th high school reunion. This has been a year of 50th events for us. We'll be gone from the 23rd of November through December 2nd or 3rd, (depending on the weather).

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Roger M. Clark, Worshipful Master