

On The Level At Old Town Lodge

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April 2022

At the **Stated Meeting this month** in attendance were: 34 Masons, including: 1 past Grand Master, 2 60 year masons; 1-50 year mason; 1-charter member of OTL; _14-25 year masons 15-Past Masters; 10- US Veterans; 1 -visitor. 10 - Friends

The April stated was designated as bring a friend nite. Ten friend guests attended and seemed to be impressed with our facility and program .

Past Grand Master Shaun Bradshaw, a founder and Vice-President of Zenergy Technologies, a software testing and OA consulting firm, and is an internationally recognized speaker in the Software Testing industry. Shaun's official Masonic journey began with his initiation into Stokesdale Lodge No. 428 where he was raised a Master Mason in 1997. He served as Master of the Lodge in 2003 and was later appointed DDGM of the 23rd Masonic District from 2005 to 2007. Shaun is also an active member of the Greensboro Valley of the Scottish Rite and Greensboro York Rite Bodies, having served in several leadership roles in both organizations. Shaun's other Masonic affiliations include membership in NC Piedmont York Rite College No. 124, the Royal Order of Scotland, St. Patrick's Council No. 1, Knight Masons, and Oasis Shrine Temple in Charlotte. Shaun is a member of the Wilkerson College faculty where he leads "The Master's Toolbox" workshop.

He spoke to the lodge assembled at the April stated. His topic was "Making Good Men Better".

Some of his points were.

- . Pasion-Understanding Controlling Directing.,
- . Charity-Love with action
- . Reverence _For creator
- . Masonic Labor _Charity. Social contemplative
- . Moral vs Social virtues

Our brother **Giles McCelland** passed to the celestial Lodge Above April 11, 2022.

Sick and bereaved

Paul Manual Marvin Hanks Bill Moon (wife ill) Tim Disher

Please help by notifying us of any needing to be listed here

Donald	Frost	Jr	3
Timothy	LaCroix		6
Bruce	Montgomery		9
Carey	Mock		11
Dwaine	Hutchens		12
Charles	McAlexander		14
Mark	Howell		14
Thomas	Shore		17
William	Schatzman		22
Harold	Fearrington	Jr	24
Jamie	Kimbrell		29

May Birthdays

OTL Dues for 2022 were due and payable as of January 1, 2022. They continue at \$126. Brothers, please try to get those payments in. Expenses go on. If you can't come to a meeting you can mail payments to Secretary, Box 14 Bethania 27010

Past Masters desiring **keys** to the lodge see Tom Hauser, jr.

Bro **Jamie Kimbrell** demonstrated his proficiency in the Master mason catechism at the April stated.

Fellowcraft brother **Paul Tutherow**, **jr.** is scheduled to be raised to the sublime degree April 26th at 7:00

A roster cleanup meeting is set for May 18th at 5:30 pm.

The OTL Fund Raiser **Golf Tournament** is on tap for May 14 at the Wilshire Club 1570 Bridgton Rd, Winston Salem, NC 27127. Great prizes. Non-playing volunteers are needed to service the competitors in many functions. Contact Bro **Andrew Leinbach** ((336) 416-7594 *AgLeinbach@gmail.com* for Information or to volunteer

The **MHCO Home Coming** is on for this year having been affected by COVID19 considerations for several years. The dates are October 7-9

It has been the practice of OTL to formally remember "our widows" each year at Christmas time with fruit baskets. Recently some have raised the following issues. First: Christmas might not be the best time of year for this (weather/ rush). Second: fruit baskets might not be the best form of remembrance (Dietary restrictions.). Obviously, we need to remember our widows more often than annually. One alternative that has been mentioned is that of offering each widow the option of a contribution made in her name, to one of our charities. And six or so have indicated they would like that. (I might ask, why not to one of her own charities). Another possibility might be gathering the widows together for a meal. Or visiting them during the more pleasant months. And finally, that ever present option of "if it ain't really broke why try to fix it?". After all, current practice recognizes things high on our list of treasured loyalties: Christmas, widows, Freemasonry and OTL tradition.

Just some food for thought. The officers would love to have your opinion. Brother **Norman Noah** is collecting the data. .

The **Regan scholarship program** is moving along and the winners will be announced any day now.

OLD TOWN CHAPTER NO. 355 OES April 2022

On Monday, April 4, 2022, Old Town Chapter held the first stated meeting of the New Year with 21 members present. Last year, eight new members were initiated and several of these new members have taken stations for the first time. So, our focus for the coming year will be on reviewing our floor work and ceremonies.

Members who would be serving on the Standing and Special Committees were read with a brief explanation of the duties of each committee. There is a lot of work to do to catch up from the chapter being dark for so long.

Our chapter has been honored with the appointment of Sister Vickie and Brother Bob Gunn to serve as the 8th District Deputies for the Grand Chapter year 2022-2023. Congratulations!!

The members were wished a happy Easter and presented with a "Carrot" filled with candy.

After the meeting, everyone enjoyed Banana Splits in the dining room.

Our second meeting was held on Monday, April 18, 2022. Regular business was conducted and several things were review to refresh our memory on how to preform the floor work. The Resolutions to be presented at Grand Chapter will be sent to everyone's email that is listed in our year book. If you do not have an email and want a copy please let me know and a copy will be sent to you.

An Installation-out-of- time with Sue Frye, WM, Installing Grand Officer, Amy-Jo Fischer, AGC, Installing Grand Marshal, Bob Gunn, PP, Installing Grand Chaplain, and Judy Sigmon, PM, Installing Grand Organist was conducted to install Sister Sheila Coleman as Marshal. Congratulations to Sister Shelia! Now, the Chapter has a full slate of officers for this Chapter Year. This is a very good way to start a new year. Thanks to all the members for participating.

After the meeting, everyone enjoyed the delicious refreshments provided by Sister Amy-Jo Fischer.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on May 2nd at 7:30pm.

Star Love,

Friday May 20, 2022 OES grand officers will be at Old Town at 6pm for a visit. On Sat May 21, 2022 the grand officers will be at Old Town at 10 am At 12 they will hold a school of Instruction for District Deputies. All who want to may attend.

Winston Salem Assembly #37 IORG April 2022

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

GRAND WORTHY ADVISOR'S HOMECOMING AND CHURCH SERVICE

On June 6th 1922, Rev. W. Mark Sexon OES initiated 173 young ladies into our beautiful order. We are very proud of our heritage. Our Grand Worthy Advisor, Stephanie Vargas had her Homecoming Meeting in Winston Salem on April 2, 2022 and we celebrated BIG TIME with over 70 Rainbow Girls and their counselors in attendance. We overcame several obstacles like strep throat, a sprained ankle, a flat tire, etc, but our NC Rainbow Girls came together and filled in our missing stations with Love and Grace just like Rainbow Sisters Always do!!!! We owe many thanks to Raleigh Assembly and Greensboro Assembly for stepping right in! Merci Bursell protemmed Hope at the last minute, as well. I think Stephanie was pleased, especially with her gift of a Rubber Chicken from Bonnie Bell, Grand Immortality from New Mexico, and after our formal meeting -- the FUN began! There was a delicious meal of BBQ, slaw, hushpuppies and potatoes prepared and served by our Masons. There were Chocolate chip cookie cakes and Chocolate cup cakes, as well. I saw many go back for seconds! Then the games began like "Name That Tune", Simon Says, Rainbow Trivia, Musical Chairs and more. Lots of laughter and giggles were heard throughout the room. Most Assemblies had to return to their homes Saturday evening, but Ms Kay Letterman, Supreme Deputy, Supreme Worthy Associate Advisor and Ms Anna Popilock, our new Supreme Deputy now stayed overnight so they could attend Stephanie's Church Service at New Philadelphia Moravian Church. The Service was phenomenal in message and music. We were all blessed to attend it.

We are also selling delicious meat sticks. All our WS Rainbow Girls have them and would be more than happy to sell them to you. They're \$1.75 each. The ladies are also preparing for Grand Assembly to make it very special for Stephanie by making Rainbow colored book marks and gold and silver colored stars for Honorariums and Memorials being sold for \$1 each. We are moving ever forward.

Thank you for all your support, whether collecting aluminum cans, old pocketbooks, pill bottles, or purchasing our items, we thoroughly appreciate every thing you do.

Send your young ladies our way and make them and us better!!!!

In Rainbow Love and Service.

Ms Judy

To be one...ask one.....

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Golf Tournament May 14. at the Wilshire Club

OTL Stated Meeting May 17 @ 7:30pm Dinner @ 6:30 PM

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