



On The Level

At Old Town Lodge

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July 2024

Stated Meeting Present were 26-Masons 1-visitor.
50 Year-1 25 Year-11 Past Master-11
Veteran & First Responders-8
Endowed Members-10

Open House Family Fun Day

July 27 10am—4pm

Our annual Open House/Family Fun Day will be held on Saturday, July 27, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We will have hot dogs, homemade ice cream, family games, inflatable rides for children, and other activities. All members should bring the family and are encouraged to invite friends and neighbors, and their families, especially those who might be good candidate prospects.



If you wish to volunteer or have more questions, contact our WM Kenneth "Chad" Leinbach, (919) 260-7301, chad.leinbach@gmail.com.

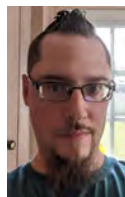
50 Year Award!

Announced at the July Stated Meeting: The WM paused our deliberations for the purpose of paying a tribute of respect to Brethren who have served in the ranks of the Masonic Fraternity for a period of two score and ten years and ordered the SD to conduct WB Tom Hauser to the altar for formal presentation of his 50-Year Veteran's Award. Bro. Hauser was raised on May 18, 1974, in Old Town Lodge, and is the first Mason raised in OTL to receive the 50-Year award.



Elected!

Announced at the July Stated Meeting: Bro. Eric James Mahon of Seneca Lodge #55 in Torrington, Connecticut, was duly elected as a plural member.



Sick and bereaved

- Carey Mock
- Mrs. Bill Moon
- Glenn Oaks (& Mrs)
- Bill Sheets (loss of wife)
- Randy Shore
- Ray Shore
- Tom Shore
- Winburn Shore
- Billy Walters
- Bruce Montgomery
- Chad Leinbach

| June Birthdays | |
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| Don Anderson | 7 |
| Wayne Smitherman | 8 |
| Tim Disher | 16 |
| Waller Howard | 24 |

| July Birthdays | |
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| Todd Leinback | 8 |
| Gerald Whitlock | 9 |
| Paul Richard James Rudledge | 15 |
| Bill Moon | 25 |
| Joseph Bowman | 26 |
| Rickey Spencer | 29 |
| Tom Hauser, Jr | 30 |
| Eric Mahon | 31 |

Announced at the May Stated Meeting: Letter received from GM Don Kehler announcing the Grand Lodge would begin charging an additional fee of \$100 to all new petitioners for the degrees to cover the costs of a new Master Mason Membership Packet which will be distributed to all newly raised MM's in accordance with a 2021 amendment to The Code. This fee, plus the \$25 background check cost, will be paid to the Grand Lodge with each new petition.



Announced at the June Stated Meeting: Letter received from GS Jonathan Underwood explaining the new process for completing, receiving, and submitting petitions for the degrees electronically. While the process will take some getting used to, the hope is that it will provide an easier and more accurate method of bringing candidates into the Lodge.



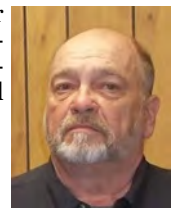
Cheer!!

Announced at the July Stated Meeting: Bro. Brantley Cummings is a new proud father of a baby boy, James Cummings.



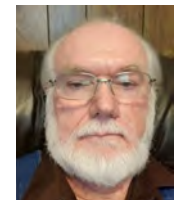
Masonic Education

Announced at the May Stated Meeting: For our Masonic education, Bro. James Dunn led a discussion on how dignified and reverential Masonic funerals are conducted and how our ritual work should be conducted in the same manner.



If you have more questions, contact Bro James William Dunn at (919) 235-5565 or jwdunn13@protonmail.com .

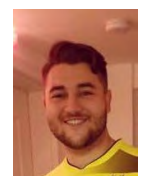
Announced at the June Stated Meeting: For our Masonic education, Bro. Rickey Spencer told the Lodge about some of the differences in the ritual work and other lodge traditions he had experienced during his time in Texas, and visiting Bro. Eric Mahon spoke about some of the differences we might experience in Connecticut lodges.



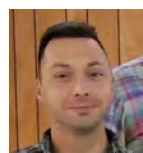
If you have more questions, contact Bro Rickey Lewis Spencer at (336) 699-6107 or rspencer6@triad.rr.com.

Lion and Pillar Award

Announced at the June Stated Meeting: The SW also reported that we had met all of the requirements to qualify for the Lion & Pillar Platinum Award for the 2nd consecutive year.



Bro. Bryan Dirscherl reported on the visitation earlier this month by several members to the VA Hospital in Salisbury.



Golf Tournament A Success

Pictures provided by WB Ron Dellinger

Golf Tournament—June 15th Presented by: Kasper & Payne, P.A.

Senior Warden Andrew Leinbach announced during the May Stated Meeting: The Annual Lodge Golf Tournament had secured a \$2,500.00 event sponsor to cover the entire amount of our high school scholarships.



Announced at the June Stated Meeting: The SW reported that 10 teams registered and played in our charity golf tournament on June 15, and that the preliminary net proceeds from the event were estimated to be \$4,750.00. A final report will be provided at our next stated.

The Lodge Golf Tournament is one of our Annual fundraising activities. The tournament will help raise funds for the lodge to do charitable good in many places like the scholarship fund at Reagan high, bikes for books, and support our Masonic charities.

If you have suggestions, want to volunteer, or have more questions, contact SW Andrew Leinbach at (336) 416-7594 or agleinbach@gmail.com. TEXT "GOLF" to 336-416-7594

Old Town Lodge #751
3rd Annual Fundraiser Golf tournament

K&P

Presented By
Kasper & Payne, P.A.

Sat. June 15th 1:00 PM
AT WILSHIRE GOLF CLUB
1570 BRIDGTON RD.
WINSTON SALEM, NC 27127

FOUR PLAYER TEAMS - CAPTAIN'S CHOICE - SHOTGUN START
ENTRY FEE \$75 PER PLAYER INCLUDES LUNCH + 2 MULLIGANS

DOOR PRIZES, LONG DRIVE, CLOSEST TO THE PIN
PLUS A CHANCE AT A \$10,000 HOLE IN ONE!

TO SIGN UP OR SPONSOR TEXT "GOLF" TO 336-416-7594





Lodge Clean Up Day a Success!

Pictures provided by JW Shawn Summerfield



Breakfast was served at 0830. Work started at 0900. Attendees today are/were:

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| Tom Hauser, Jr. |
| Chad Leinbach |
| Andrew Leinbach |
| James Dunn |
| Ron Delinger |
| Todd Leinbach |
| Mike Grubbs |
| Kenneth - Hired help of Mike Grubbs |
| Matthew Winfrey |
| Clay Tatum |
| Jamie Minton |
| Daniele Summerfield |
| Shawn Summerfield |





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

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Regular practice on Tuesdays 6:00, if no meeting is scheduled; special practice on Sunday before degrees.

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- **OTL Family Fun Day July 27th** WM Chad Leinbach, is leading that charge. He will need volunteers for all phases,—Set up through cleaning up.
- **OTL Stated Meeting Aug 20 @ 7:00pm ;Coffee @ 5:00 PM Dinner @ 6:00 PM** **Chicken Alfredo, Chicken Soup, Apple Crisp**
- **OTL Stated Meeting Sept 17 @ 7:00pm ;Coffee @ 5:00 PM Dinner @ 6:00 PM** **Chicken Wing or Thigh Packs Celery, Carrots, House Salad, Various dips Blackberry Crisp**
- **OTL Stated Meeting Oct 15 @ 7:00pm ;Coffee @ 5:00 PM Dinner @ 6:00 PM** **Chili (Beef, or Venison) Fixing Station, Salad Station Pie, cookies**

Who to Contact:

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Old Town Lodge Brothers Membership Web Page: <https://lodgelocator.com/old-town-751>