

# NORTHEAST INDIANA MASONIC NEWS

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### MASONIC LODGE OFFICERS - 2024

#### Lodge

Angola #236  
Star #225  
Northeastern #210  
Forest #239  
DeKalb #214  
Ashley #614  
Concord #556  
Kendallville #276  
Meridian Sun #76  
Leo #224

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Chris Sanders  
Eric Tracey  
Stacey Roth  
Dean Shipe  
Blake Myers  
Parker Terry  
Jerry Glenn  
Mark W. Reese

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Jay Minick  
Dave Hardiek  
Tim VanZant  
Bob Tracey  
Quentin Young  
Jim Carper  
Jim Rosenbury  
Aaron Wade  
Lee Ray Owen  
David Roose

## MASONIC LODGE NEWS

### **JULY 4 PARADE!!**



**Masons from Steuben County participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade in Angola. A banner used in recent years lists the main Masonic units of the county. Pictured (l to r) are Jay Minick, Benton Davis, Ronald Ross, Jim Davis, Ian Mountfield, Jimmie Milleman, Paul Friend, Glen Rogers and Mike Anderson.**

**Also pictured with the Shrine pontoon, "Princess" which carried several Shrine members; (l to r): Mike Anderson, John Tchiniski, Don Shively, Ed Tutwiler, Paul Friend, Jeff Stanford and Glen Rogers.**



**A cheerful crowd on the parade route, cheers on the Masons as they passed the street.**



**ANGOLA LODGE SOCIAL NIGHT CONTINUES**  
**TUESDAY, AUGUST 13**

**STARTS 6:30 PM (ISH)**  
**MONUMENT PIZZA PUB - NORTHEAST CORNER SQUARE**

**Angola Lodge will be holding its' social night for its members and guests. Anyone is invited – keep that evening open and join the festive event.**

**Come when you can – leave when you want!**

**Bring a guest, especially a man who might be interested in Masonry or a friend that can tell a story or two. There is a wide offering of food and drinks.**



**ATTENTION TO ANY MASON – TINCAPS GAME**

**WE NEED MORE TO SIGN UP SO WE CAN  
CONTINUE TO HAVE A YEARLY RESERVED  
SPACE – CONTACT PAUL FRIEND NOW AT  
260-402-6122.**

**WE HAVE NOT YET FILLED OUR MINIMUM  
QUOTA!!! NEED TO KNOW NOW!**

Each year the Pokagon Shrine Club reserves a private area at the TinCaps stadium for a game – this year it is on Thursday, August 15. The cost per person is \$32 which includes admission, all the sandwiches, peanuts, salads, water and soft drinks you care to consume, ending with fireworks.

Interested Lodge members, ladies, children, grandchildren, friends can attend. We fill the area on a first-come first served plan. Call Paul Friend if you wish to join. IT'S A GREAT RELAXING AREA AT THE PARK.

**NORTHEASTERN LODGE #210 (FREMONT) NEWS**

Northeastern #210 continues to have Monday morning coffee and donuts at their Lodge. The group assembles around 8:00 AM and dismisses after the last joke or story is told, usually around 9:00 AM. Newcomers welcome to attend – there is great fellowship and you will learn what is going on in Masonry from the various Lodges that attend.

## **STAR LODGE (ORLAND) #225**

**Thanks to Star Lodge #225 of Orland, for participating in the Settlement Parade last Saturday on Main Street in Orland.**



**The Orland Parade on July 27 had several of Star Lodge members carry a banner during their festive weekend. Attending were (l to r) Jeremiah Yoder, Jimmie Milleman, Ray Tracey and Dan Ernsberger. Not pictured is Dave Hardiek.**

**Due to other Masonic events, many of the usual attendees could not make the parade. The Shrine Units that were to attend did not have enough sign up so their portion was cancelled.**

**Editorial: We are missing an opportunity to show Masonry to residents of Steuben County. We need more willing participants in the future.**

## **STAR LODGE (ORLAND) #225 RAFFLE DRAWING**

**The Orland Star #225 raffle winners were: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Connie Bystry; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Chris Bateman and 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Tim Barker. Congratulations to the winners. The proceeds will go to many worthwhile community projects.**

## CONCORD LODGE #556

### CONCORD VETERANS COURT DATE APPROACHING THIS THURSDAY!! - TOMORROW

The next Veterans' Court graduation is Thursday, August 1 at 2:00 pm at the courthouse in downtown Auburn. Concord Lodge and Spencerville Order of the Eastern Star will again be hosting with cake and refreshments. They would like as many Brothers to attend as possible. Please consider attending. No cell phones allowed in the Court House.

You can attend as a spectator and witness a GREAT program that Concord has put on for several years. Dress is casual.

The purpose of the program is to take Veterans who have been charged with a wrong to have that charge lifted if they complete a series of programs. It has been a very successful program for DeKalb County.

Watch as Judge (and brother) Grimm discusses the required activities for each person and the way he encourages them to turn away from their wrongdoings in the past.

These Veteran Courts can be set up in other counties, but arrangements need to be made with the Judicial System in the county. Judge Grimm and Concord Lodge would be a source in how to set them up.



Sample of a cake used in a recent Veterans Court. The Court system has appreciated what the Lodge does to help support our Veterans.



## **ANGOLA YORK RITE NEWS**

### **NO York Rite Stated Meeting in August**

Thursday, September 5, will be the next Stated.



### **ANGOLA YEOMEN OF YORK PRECEPTORY #2 SUMMER MEETING**

The summer meeting was held July 20 in Ft. Wayne. A good crowd of members and ladies had an enjoyable day with a noon meal, fellowship and meeting.

Below is a catch-up photo of a \$1000 donation made to a representative of Shepard's House, a facility for displaced Veterans. Shown is Ed Fodrea, Director General of Angola Preceptory. The money was raised during the Tri-State Festival in Angola on March 2, 2024.





## **SCOTTISH RITE VALLEY – FT WAYNE**

### **NEXT VALLEY EVENTS – STATED MEETINGS**

**Regular stated meetings will be on August 13.**

**On Saturday, July 27 the Valley hosted the Annual Scholarship Banquet. This year there was \$72,000 worth of scholarships to 27 young adults. Ill. Greg Jordan 33\*, was the guest speaker. Greg is the Active for the State and is also the chairman of the Indiana Grand Lodge Scholarship**



**Committee. One of the recipients was Brody Friend, who is in the engineering school at Purdue University, grandson of Paul Friend of Angola Masonic Lodge #236 (pictured) along with Larry Chapple of Ft. Wayne Scottish Rite.**

**Saturday, August 17 will be the Tenure Award Dinner. The Valley will be presenting awards to our 70-year, 65 year, 60 year and 50 year recipients. It is always an enjoyable night when members are recognized who have given so much to the craft. Invitations were mailed out in early July.**





## **POKAGON SHRINE CLUB & MIZPAH SHRINE NEWS**

### **POKAGON SHRINE STATED MEETING**

**Pokagon Shrine Club will have s stated meeting on Thursday, August 15, at the Glendarin Golf Course dining room. Order from the menu, starting around 6:15 PM. Meeting to follow at 7:00 PM.**

### **POKAGON MEAT RAFFLE TO CONTINUE IN 2024**

**The local Shrine Club will again be having a \$500 meat raffle as its money maker this year. Albrights of Corunna will assist with a \$500 gift card. Profits made are used to support the Shrine Circus expenses. Tickets are now printed and ready for members to sell.**

**The sample ticket explains the particulars on the raffle. There are about 20 Shriners with tickets to sell. Contact one of them. If not, call Paul Friend at 260-402-6122. He always has a ticket or two to sell.**

**POKAGON SHRINE CLUB RAFFLE  
"WHERE'S THE BEEF?"  
\$500 CREDIT FOR MEAT OF YOUR CHOICE  
Drawing: Saturday, September 7 2024  
Shrine Horse Show Grounds at 5:00 p.m.  
985 N. State Road 9, Columbia City, IN  
Meat from Albright's One Stop Grocery  
110 N Bridge St., Corunna, IN  
Need not be present to win - winner will be notified  
All proceeds to benefit Mizpah Shrine Temple  
Raffle Information: [www.shrine-sportsman.com](http://www.shrine-sportsman.com) IN LIC#001961  
Payments are not deductible as a charitable contribution  
TICKET PRICE: \$5.00 EACH OR 5 FOR \$20.00**

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## SPORTSMAN RAFFLE CONTINUES

# 100 GUNS TO BE RAFFLED OFF IN A 5 HOUR PERIOD HAVE YOU PURCHASED A TICKET?

What a deal for gun enthusiasts!! Tickets on sale by several local Shriners. If you don't know who are Shriners, call Paul Friend at 260-402-6122. Raffle ticket costs are only \$20. You can buy in multiples.

Not only are the tickets good for the raffle, it gives one admission to the Shrine Patrol Grounds where the raffle will be held on September 7.

Once on the grounds you can eat all the hotdogs, hamburgers, chips, water, soft drinks and beer for no extra cost. They will have a PA system in place so you can hear the next gun that will be drawn for and announce the name was drawn. **THIS MAY BE YOUR YEAR TO WIN!**

**MIZPAH SHRINERS**  
**"12th Annual Sportsman's Raffle"**

**Saturday, September 7, 2024 • Shrine Horse Patrol Grounds**  
985 N. State Road 9, Columbia City, IN • 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**A GUN GIVEN AWAY EVERY 3 MINUTES!**  
This ticket eligible for all guns on back PLUS any additional add-ons

**FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED**

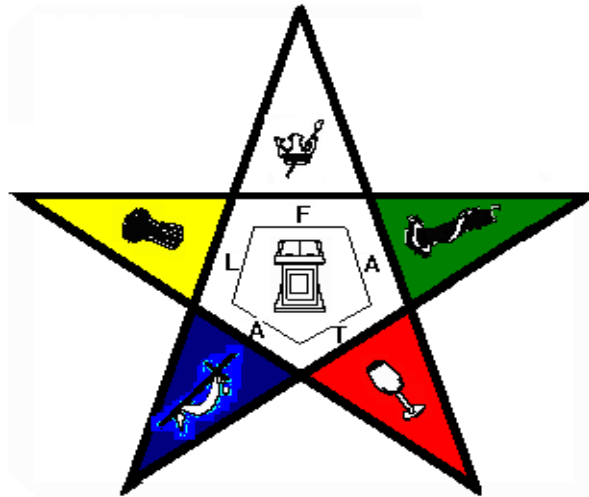
1. All local, State and Federal Laws will be adhered.
2. Must be 18 years old to purchase ticket.
3. Must be 16 years of age to be admitted.
4. "Sportsman Raffle reserves the right to substitute any gun at equal or greater value".
5. You must present ticket to enter or receive food.
6. Need not be present to WIN.
7. All firearms will be issued from *Rural King* 8801 US-24, Ft. Wayne, IN 46804.

*All proceeds benefit MIZPAH Shrine Temple General Fund • All winners will be notified by mail  
Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions*

Shrine Information • [www.Mizpahshrine.com](http://www.Mizpahshrine.com)

Price: \$20.00 (\$25.00 at the door)

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### **ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**

**Ashley Chapter #229 meets at the Ashley Lodge.**

**Spencerville Chapter #386 meets on the 1st Thursday in Spencerville.  
Dinner at 6:30 PM with meeting at 7:00 PM.**

**Sylvan Chapter #251 meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday at LaGrange Lodge  
Dinner at 6:00 PM with meeting at 7:00 PM.**

**Masonic members and your ladies should inquire with Phyllis Gaff  
(Ashley) if you wish to join one of these Chapters.**

**BLUE LODGE STATED MEETING NIGHTS FOR NORTHEAST INDIANA**

BE SURE TO CHECK IF YOUR LODGE IS GOING DARK IN THE MONTHS OF JULY AND AUGUST. SOME WILL CONTINUE MEETINGS DURING THE SUMMER.

<b>Angola #236</b>	<b>1st Tuesday Dark July/August</b>	<b>6:15 Meal 7:00 Meeting</b>
<b>Northeastern #210 (Fremont)</b>	<b>1st Wednesday</b>	<b>7:00 Meeting Refreshments follow</b>
<b>Star #225 (Orland)</b>	<b>2nd Wednesday</b>	<b>6:15 Meal at Lodge 7:00 Meeting</b>
<b>Ashley #614</b>	<b>1st Thursday</b>	<b>7:00 Meeting Refreshments follow</b>
<b>DeKalb #214</b>	<b>1st Tuesday</b>	<b>7:00 Meeting</b>
<b>Forest #239 (Butler)</b>	<b>2nd Thursday</b>	<b>6:30 Meal 7:00 Meeting</b>
<b>Concord #556</b>	<b>2nd Tuesday</b>	<b>7:30 Meeting</b>
<b>Meridian Sun #76 (LaGrange)</b>	<b>1st Wednesday Exc Jan &amp; Feb</b>	<b>6:00 Meal 7:00 Meeting</b>
<b>Kendallville #276</b>	<b>1st Monday</b>	<b>6:30 Meal 7:30 Meeting</b>
<b>Leo #224</b>	<b>1st Thursday</b>	<b>6:00 Meal 7:00 Meeting</b>

**\*\* Please inform Paul Friend if any of the dates or times for meetings and meals have changed.**