

NORTHEAST INDIANA MASONIC NEWS

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MASONIC LODGE OFFICERS - 2024

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Join Masons for the Parade



MASONIC LODGE NEWS

YOU!! BE PART OF THE JULY 4 PARADE!!

Angola Masonic Lodge, Angola York Rite and the Steuben County Shriners will be hosting an entry in the Angola July 4th parade next week. ANY MASON WHO IS READING THIS MESSAGE CAN JOIN US. MASONS NEED TO BE PARADING BEFORE THE PUBLIC.

The Angola Lodge has a banner which says “Northeast Indiana Masons” with the emblems of the Blue Lodge, York Rite, Scottish Rite, Shrine and Eastern Star which will be in the front of the group. The York Rite will have an honor guard carrying the United States Flag and the Shriners will be pulling their “Princess” pontoon. For those who wish to sit on the pontoon, you are welcome. Please bring a lawn chair so you can sit comfortably on the pontoon.

You should be there by 10:30 AM (or earlier so you don't need to walk a long distance). The group participating should go to the area just south of the Furth Center. Look for the pontoon or Masonic shirts.

ORLAND PARADE: The Orland Settlement Parade will be on Saturday, July 27. Again, any Mason can be part of the parade. We meet near the elevators on the south side of Orland by 10:30 AM – Parade starts at 11:00 AM. After the parade there will be an oasis (complimentary food) at the Orland Legion if you participate in the parade. Lots of good food available. Wear a Masonic shirt and cap (fez) with shorts recommended. Bring a lawn chair if you wish to ride on the Shrine pontoon. Also bring a bottle of water.

ATTENTION TO ANY MASON – TINCAPS GAME

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 and 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

It's time for the annual raffle by Star Lodge #225 (Orland IN). This year there are 3 winners to be drawn. The poster shows the prizes.

Tickets may be purchased from a local Orland masonic member, who I'm sure will be carrying them around to Masonic events.

The drawing will be on July 28. Their Lodge continues to support many community events with its proceedings.

ORLAND MASONIC STAR LODGE #225 RAFFLE

1ST PRIZE:

GLOCK 43X 9MM 10-SHOT PISTOL
MSRP: \$599.99 or \$400 CASH



2ND PRIZE:

MR. BRATZ \$250 GIFT CERTIFICATE



3RD PRIZE:

BLACKSTONE 28" GRIDDLE
MSRP: \$200



TICKETS: \$5 EACH OR 5 FOR \$20

DRAWING 7/28/2024



ANGOLA YORK RITE NEWS

NO York Rite Stated Meetings in July and August

Thursday, September 5, will be the next Stated.

Angola York Rite hosted Chapter Instructional on June 8

Several Grand Chapter Officers attended the Instructional at Angola Lodge. A new educational degree that is being developed was presented, which helps summarize the main parts of each of the four Chapter Degrees. A meal was held and monies were collected for their Philanthropy. Below see Grand High Priest Joe Villareal presenting an appreciation award to Brant Moore, High Priest of Angola Chapter #58. Several other Chapter members in northeast Indiana attended.



Allied Masonic Degrees



Indiana had a large turnout for the Indiana Ingathering on June 1, 2024 at Calvin Prather Masonic Lodge. It was a great educational degree day for those in attendance. It is good to see the various degrees used in the earlier times of Masonry. Several representatives from Indiana Councils were in attendance. Thanks go to the organizers and presenters.

James Davis Most Illustrious Grand Master Cryptic Masons of Indiana

Companion James Davis of the Angola and Auburn York Rite Councils, continues to travel the state with his duties as the Most Illustrious Grand Master. The events he is attending is extensive. This is a picture of him attending an event with Salem York Rite. Companion Davis is pictured on the right side, front row.



INDIANA GRAND YEOMEN OF YORK GRAND MEETING HELD JUNE 22

The Annual Meeting was held on June 22 with representatives present from all 7 Preceptories in Indiana, which includes: Northwest #1; Angola #2; Indianapolis #4; Elkhart #5; New Albany #7; Evansville #14; and Frankfort #15.

Mike Anderson, Grand Director General, conducted the meeting. A business meeting was conducted with several reports, updates and announcements.

Below are the new officers of the Indiana Grand Yeomen Preceptory for 2024-25. Due to another Masonic event, the new Grand Director General, Phil Whisner was excused so could not be in the picture.

The remaining Officers present includes (l to r): Paul Friend of Angola Preceptory #2 - Grand Recorder; Lloyd Atterson, Sr. - Grand Adjutant General; Gary Steinhardt - Grand Master of Ceremonies; Roy Wiseman - Chaplain; David Miller - Deputy Grand Director General and Arthur Tuesburg - Grand Secretary/Treasurer.



The Yeomen of York was started as a result of a traveling group of Masons in northwest Indiana who would travel to Blue Lodges to assist with degree work. The group became well known for their assistance and decided to call themselves Yeomen for their dedication and assistance offered. They decided to call themselves Yeomen of York, as they were all York Rite members. The Yeomen in northwest Indiana organized officially on November 19, 1989 with a charter. They were known as Merrillville Priory #1.

Several York Rite members from all over northern Indiana joined and soon it was decided to branch out to other parts of Indiana. Angola Preceptory #2 was chartered on November 20, 1994. Today there are 14 different Preceptories

With the large number of Preceptories, a Grand Preceptory of Yeomen of York was chartered on September 29, 2003, and have had 20 different Grand Director Generals. Those who attended the 2024 meeting pictured below include (l to r): Paul W. Friend (2004-2006); Lloyd Atterson, Sr. (2012-2014); Mike Anderson (2023-2024); Archie Smallwood (2020-2021); Terry Kehrer (2018-2019) and David Willoughby (2018-2019).





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

**The summer meeting for Angola Preceptory #2
SATURDAY, JULY 20
VENUE: SUN RISE CAFÉ, FT WAYNE
(10230 COLDWATER ROAD)
MEAL STARTS AT 12 NOON – OVER AROUND 1:30 PM
LADIES INVITED
RESERVATIONS DUE JULY 13 TO DIRECTOR GENERAL
ED FODREA AT hfa.phd@gmail.com**



SCOTTISH RITE VALLEY – FT WAYNE

NEXT VALLEY EVENTS – STATED MEETINGS

Regular stated meetings will be on July 9 and August 13.

On Saturday, July 27 the Valley will host the Annual Scholarship Banquet. The Valley will be presenting and talking to our Nursing and Abbott scholarship recipients for 2024. They have some interesting stories to tell. This year there will be \$72,000 worth of scholarships to 27 young adults. Ill. Greg Jordan 33*, will be the guest speaker. Greg is an Active for the State and is also the chairman of the Indiana Grand Lodge Scholarship Committee.

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 will be 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, July 18, 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 below 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 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

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 whos' 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

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

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THE POKAGON SHRINE CLUB HAS PURCHASED NEW SHIRTS FOR EACH MEMBER (BUT YOU MUST REQUEST ONE).



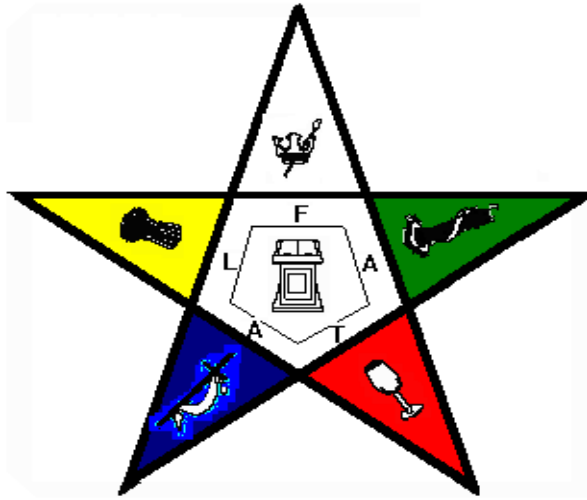
(Excuse the person modeling as he was the only person I could find today)

The local Pokagon Shrine Club has had a special shirt made to be worn by local members. It is a comfortable polyester shirt with sewn embroidery that says “Pokagon Shrine Club” with an Indiana head on one side and “Mizpah Shrine” and the Shrine emblem on the other side. Your personal name will also be sewn on.

If interested in ordering one of these shirts, please contact Paul Friend or Jeff Stanford to indicate your interest – also give the size shirt you wear.

The Club appreciates members’ support in selling meat raffle tickets. This shirt is a “thank you” for supporting our money making project(s). We also sell beer mugs and shirts at the event.

The shirt will also be worn in the Angola July 4 parade and the Orland parade on July 27. For those who are going to be in the parade, make sure to call Paul or text him so the shirt is brought to the parade!! THIS IS A MUST! THANKS!



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 1st 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.

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

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