

NORTHEAST INDIANA MASONIC NEWS

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NORTHEAST INDIANA 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

Worshipful Master

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

Secretary

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

(Meeting dates and times listed on last page of newsletter)

MASONIC LODGE NEWS

ANGOLA MASONIC LODGE #236

Angola will have its' stated meeting on Tuesday, October 1.

ANGOLA LODGE TO HONOR 50 YEAR MEMBERS

JAMES CROWL

TOM BERRY

CHARLES NEDELE



50 years ago James Crowl, Tom Berry and Charles Nedele joined Angola Masonic Lodge #236. Plans are to present their 50 years of gold pins and certificates at the October 1 Stated meeting. PUBLIC INVITED!

There will be a light meal starting around 6:15 to 6:30, with the presentation to be given at 7:00 PM in the Lodge room. THE CEREMONY WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. After the presentation, the Lodge will then open to conduct its' necessary business (at which time the guests may be excused).

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.

CONCORD LODGE #556 **SPENCERVILLE CHAPTER #386 OES**



After many decades of operation, the donut stand at the DeKalb County Free Fall fair and completed another year. Many hours of volunteer work continues to make this a successful venture.

The picture shows the start of the donut making process, with Denver Laub, Junior Deacon of Concord Lodge and tenured Jim Rosenbury, Past Master and current Secretary, mixing the dough. Looks like they are having a good time.

I am sure they want to thank the many Volunteers for their extra hard work!





Part of the activities of the donut stand at the DeKalb County fair is to have local children and adults compete in a donut staking contest. The following are a couple pictures of the activity on the main stage at the Fair.

Concord Lodge and the Spencerville Order of the Eastern Star are well known for its scrumptious donuts.

Yours truly is a DeKalb County native and I can remember eating these sugar donuts from days gone past.



CONCORD LODGE #556 AND DEKALB LODGE #214

A combined Lodge of Instruction will be held on Thursday, October 17, starting at 7:00 PM at DeKalb Lodge. Officers and members are urged to attend.



ANGOLA YORK RITE NEWS

ANGOLA YORK RITE STATED MEETING/ORDER OF TEMPLE

Thursday, October 3, will be the next Stated meeting at the Angola Masonic Lodge. Meal starts around 6:15 PM, followed by the stated meeting.

This is a very special meeting in that a recently raised Angola Lodge #236 member A. J. Hocker will be receiving his Order of the Temple, starting around 7:00 PM. The Officers have been practicing their ritual, and are ready to proceed. The evening will start with the official Commandery opening with rehearsal of duties followed by the Order of the Temple.

ANGOLA/APOLLO YORK RITE COMMANDERY INSPECTION

The joint Commandery Inspection of Angola Commandery #45 and Apollo Commandery #19 will be held on the afternoon of Saturday, October 19 at Angola Masonic Lodge, starting at 1:00 PM. Alan Rossi will be receiving his Order of the Temple that day.

CURRENT ANGOLA YORK RITE PRESIDING OFFICERS

**High Priest of Angola Chapter #58 is Brant Moore.
Illustrious Master of Angola Council #27 is Michael Anderson.
Eminent Commander Angola Commandery #45 is Jay Minick.
The Secretary/Recorder of Angola York Rite is Jimmie Milleman.**



ANGOLA YEOMEN OF YORK PRECEPTORY #2

The Annual Meeting of Angola Preceptory #2 will be held on Saturday, October 19 at the Angola Masonic Lodge, with Ed Fodrea, Director General presiding. You are to arrive by 9:30 AM for registration and coffee and donuts. The meeting will be conducted in the Angola Lodge room.

Yeomen members are also encouraged to attend the Commandery Inspection of Angola #45 and Apollo #19 York Rite bodies, which will take place the same day at Angola Masonic Lodge, starting at 1:00 PM. A light lunch will be served to those attending both events at the Masonic Lodge.

Be sure to pay your 2025 Yeomen dues, as will be requested by Recorder Companion Don Trumbull. Don should have sent out a communication with other details of the October 19 events.

TRI-STATE FESTIVAL FOR 2025

HOLD THE DATES!!

PUT IN YOUR CALENDAR NOW!!

52nd Consecutive Year for the Festival

Saturday, February 22, 2025

Chapter and Council Degrees in Angola, Indiana

Saturday, March 1, 2025

Commandery Orders in Jackson Center, Michigan

The Grand Officers of the Grand Lodges, Chapters, Councils and Commanderies of all three states are invited to view the work. Introductions will be made of those attending.

Current York Rite members of all three states are invited to return to view the York Rite degrees again and to remember the life lessons portrayed in the rituals of these degrees and orders.

**CURRENT MEMBERS URGED TO SEEK OUT
PETITIONS NOW!!**



SCOTTISH RITE VALLEY – FT WAYNE

NOTES FROM FT. WAYNE SCOTTISH RITE VALLEY NEWSLETTER

The next stated meeting will be on Tuesday, October 8. They will be showing the 11th degree. If you have not witnessed all 32 degrees of the Scottish Rite, you can add the 11th degree to your Scottish Rite passbook – if you are in the process of wanting to view all degrees.

Our fall reunion (in other words to take in new members) is the next big event on the horizon. It will be on November 9th at Mizpah Shrine. We will be presenting the 4th, 7th, 16th, 23rd, 30th and 32nd degrees. Rehearsals have started and casts are set. What we need now are candidates.

Now is the time to talk to those brothers that you feel would enjoy the Rite. As we know from the recent review of the Supreme Council survey - Millennials and Gen x are ready to get involved in organizations like Masonry. But, we have to approach them and get a petition in their hands.



POKAGON SHRINE CLUB & MIZPAH SHRINE NEWS

POKAGON SHRINE STATED MEETING

Pokagon Shrine Club will have a stated meeting on Thursday, October 17, at the Glendarin Golf Course dining room. You can order from the menu, starting around 6:15 PM. Meeting to follow at 7:00 PM.

POKAGON SHRINE CLUB \$500 MEAT RAFFLE SUCCESSFUL

Pictured below are Shrine Nobles and wives that worked the meat raffle on September 7, during the Sportsman's Raffle near Columbia City. Working were (l to r): Paul Friend, John and Carol Tchinski, Mary and Mike Anderson and Ed Tutwiler. The Pokagon Shrine Club profits will used to support the expenses associated with taking the Steuben County 4th graders to the Shrine Circus.

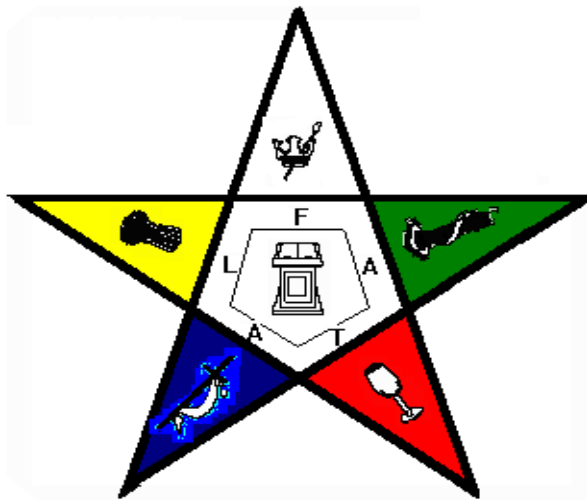
A second booth was manned by Don Shively and Jeff Stanford, which sold shirts and beer mugs.

We had great cooperation of several Shriners selling meat raffle ticket for two months prior to the drawing. All the work was appreciated in helping to sell tickets. The 4th grade Shrine Circus project was started in the 1950's and continues to this date.



Below is the display used at the raffle to draw in ticket buyers. This years raffle winner was Gary Minton of Huntington.





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	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.**