

NORTHEAST INDIANA MASONIC NEWS

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MASONIC LODGE OFFICERS - 2023

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ANGOLA MASONIC LODGE #236 NEWS

Angola Lodge will have a MM DEGREE on Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 6:30 PM.

Angola will have its' stated meeting on Tuesday, September 5. Its' time for the Lodge to become active again.

ANGOLA LODGE #236 BUILDING 100 YEAR OLD CELEBRATION

Angola Masons celebrated its' buildings 100th Anniversary on June 24. Brant Moore, PM and current Treasurer (who was the main organizer of the event) has gone another step further by putting together a scrapbook of the days event. A MUST SEE. When you visit the Angola Lodge, be sure to look at the pictures and stories.



Angola Lodge has 5 Past Master pictures to find!! We are looking for:

WM in 1858 – Jesse Squire: The first Worshipful Master of Angola Lodge. Born 1-13-1820. Died 1-25-1863 at age 43. Buried in Old Circle Hill Cemetary. My (Paul Friend) grandmother was a Squires and I found out he is my 3rd cousin – four times removed. AMAZING!!

WM in 1874 – Simeon Latson: Born 6-1-1845. Died 12-8-1888 at age 43. Buried in Circle Hill, Angola. Born in Scott Township. Had Latsons' General Merchandise Store in Angola. Started his business in 1866 at age 21. His store was on the east side of the square.

WM in 1897 – Fred Snyder: Born near Metz and was a bachelor. Lived in Steuben County all his life. Was Clerk for Newton Gilbert (also an Angola Past Master) when Newton was Lieutenant Governor. Was Grand Noble of Odd Fellows. Buried in Circle Hill Cemetery.

WM in 1921 –W. Earl Dole: Believe born and raised near Salem Center. Worked at Angola Post Office serving the money order division.

WM in 1927 – Ken Rathbun: Believe born near Nevada Mills. Was the Angola Post Master.

Can you help find their pictures? Please search and tell me any clues or family you find. Thanks.

INDIANA GRAND LODGE ANNOUNCES ONE DAY CLASSES

Grand Master Gary Brinley is encouraging each current member to bring in a new petition this year. To assist with this, he has scheduled one-day class on SATURDAY OCTOBER 28. The event for northeast Indiana will be held at the Ft. Wayne Mizpah Shrine Building.

To make presenting petitions in a timely manner, the petitions must be turned at your September Lodge stated meetings, in order for voting on the petitions to take place in October. Plan accordingly.

NORTHEASTERN LODGE #210 (Fremont) NEWS

Northeastern Lodge will have the Master Mason degree for Brother Todd Johnson on September 27. There will be a chili dinner served at 6:00 PM, with the degree starting at 7:00 PM.

FOREST LODGE #239 (BUTLER) NEWS

Saturday, October 14 is the date for the “Pancakes and Pumpkins” event at Forest Lodge. They will serve a pancake breakfast from 7 AM until 10 AM for a cost of \$5.00 if prebought or \$6.00 at the door. The children will receive a free pumpkin (until they are all gone).

TINCAPS BASEBALL GAME HELD THUR., AUGUST 3

A private concourse was available for several Masons and families to watch the TinCaps play. It was a great relaxing evening for all attending. Here are the Ruselink and Friend families. The Tchinski and Votaw families were also present.





ANGOLA YORK RITE NEWS

Summer Stated Meetings

The next stated meeting will be Thursday, September 7, with the opening on the Commandery – its' time to start practicing the opening and floor work for the upcoming Commandery inspection of October 14.

ANGOLA/APOLLO YORK RITE COMMANDERY

The joint Commandery Inspection of Angola Commandery #45 and Apollo Commandery #19 will be held on the afternoon of Saturday, October 14 at Angola Masonic Lodge.

CURRENT ANGOLA YORK RITE PRESIDING OFFICERS

High Priest of Angola Chapter #58 is John Doehrman.
Illustrious Master of Angola Council #27 is Benton Davis.
Eminent Commander Angola Commandery #45 is Dan Ernsberger.
The Secretary/Recorder of Angola York Rite is Jimmie Milleman.

YEOMEN OF YORK – ANGOLA PRECEPTORY #2



ANGOLA YEOMEN OF YORK PRECEPTORY #2 **ANNUAL MEETING** **(Date has been changed)**

The Annual Meeting of Angola Preceptory #2 will be held on Saturday, October 21 at the Angola Masonic Lodge in Angola, Indiana. It will start at 10:00 AM. It will conclude with a meal at the Lodge.

It previously had been set for Saturday, October 14 to coincide with the Angola/Auburn Commandery Inspection. Due to many conflicts from many current and past Officers and members, it was necessary to keep the third Saturday of October as its' meeting date. It will conclude with a light meal at noon.

**The current Director General is Mike Hicks of Michigan.
The current Preceptory Recorder is Donald Trumbull. If you have inquiries about the Preceptory call Donald at 734-775-4045 or email at trumballdonald@gmail.com.**

OTHER YEOMEN OF YORK PRECEPTORY NEWS

Dates to hold:

**Indianapolis Prec. #4 – Annual Meeting - Nov. 4 – Hancock Lodge 10 AM
Elkhart Prec. #5 – Annual meeting - Nov 11 Kane Lodge Elkhart 10 AM
Evansville Prec. # 14 – Annual meeting - Nov 11 - 10 AM Evansville
New Albany Prec. #7 – Annual meeting - Nov 15 - 10 AM - Corydon**

TRI-STATE FESTIVAL DATES FOR 2024

York Rite bodies in Indiana, Ohio and Michigan should hold the dates for the 2024 Tri-State Festival.

Saturday, February 24: Chapter and Council Degrees in Bryan, Ohio.

Saturday, March 2: Commandery Orders in Angola, Indiana.



SCOTTISH RITE VALLEY – FT WAYNE

NEXT VALLEY EVENTS – STATED MEETINGS

The next Ft. Wayne Scottish Rite stated meeting is on Tuesday, September 12.

ANNUAL BEAN DINNER SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 27

Mark it on your calendar. A free meal for members and guests. This event allows members to invite Masons to learn about Scottish Rite.

FALL REUNION TO BRING IN NEW SCOTTISH RITE MEMBERS

Fall reunion degree day of November 4 to join Scottish Rite:
4th live; 6th video; 10th live; 27th live; and 32nd live.

This is YOUR opportunity to join Scottish Rite on one day. It will be held at the Shrine Building in Ft. Wayne. Petition required!



POKAGON SHRINE CLUB & MIZPAH SHRINE NEWS

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MIZPAH CEREMONIAL

The next class to take in new member is Saturday, November 4, at the Mizpah Shrine Building in Ft. Wayne. If interested, contact a current member or Paul Friend. An advanced petition is required. Inquiries welcome.

POKAGON SHRINE STATED MEETING

The stated meetings of the Pokagon Shrine Club will continue to meet on the third Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be on September 20. You are invited to order your meal around 6:15 PM and enjoy fellowship while you eat, with the meeting starting around 7:00 PM. If you do not wish to eat, come to the meeting at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held at the Glendarin Golf Course Clubhouse.

SPORTSMAN RAFFLE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

You still have a chance to purchase a gun raffle ticket (or two). Below is a list of the 100 guns to be drawn. What a variety!!

MIZPAH SHRINE 2023 SPORTSMAN'S RAFFLE LIST

1. Sig Sauer P320 Com 9mm	21. Taurus G2C 9mm Luger	41. Sav. Arms Axis XP 30-06	61. Trad. Ouffitter 450 Bush	81. Sav. Arms Stevens 410g O/U
2. Stoeger STR-9 OR 9mm	22. Rem 783 Com. 308 Win	42. CZ Woodstock G2 O/U 12g	62. Ben. Nova R/Tree Max5 12g	82. Bond Arms R/Neck 45 ACP
3. Bond Arms Rneck 45 ACP	23. Moss 500 Field/Deer 12ga	43. Trad. Outfitter 450 Bush	63. Walher PDP Com. OR 9mm	83. Sav. Mark II BV N/Wood 22lr
4. Glock 43X 9mm 10+1	24. Sav Arms Axis XP 350 Leg	44. Rem. 870 Exp.Tac.12g	64. Stoeger STR-9 OR 9mm	84. Henry Black Lever Rifle 22lr
5. Rem. 870 Exp. Tac 12g	25. Stoeger STR-9 OR 9mm	45. Spring Armory Hcat Pro OR	65. Kimber LW Arctic 45 Auto	85. Mossberg 590 Tac 7+1 12g
6. Benelli Nova R/Tree 12g	26. CVA Scout 350 Leg	46. Sav. Arms Axis XP 350 Leg	66. Spring. Armory H/Cat Pro OR	86. TriStar Viper G2 Silver 12g
7. Moss. 590 Tac 7+1 12g	27. Rem 870 Exp. Tac. 12g	47. Sloeger STR-9 OR 9mm	67. Rem. 870 Exp. Tactical 12g	87. CZ Woodstock G2 O/U 12g
8. Kel-Tec KS7 6+1 12g	28. Spring. Hellcat Pro. OR	48. Sav. Mark II BV N/Wood 22lr	68. Sav. Arms Axis XP 350 Leg	88. Sav. Arms Slavens 4 10g O/U
9. CZ Bobwhile SXS 20g	29. Sig Sauer P320 Com. 9mm	49. Kel-Tec KS7 6+1 12ga 18.5"	69. Ruger Mule Deer 10/22 22lr	89. Sig Sauer P320 Com. 9mm
10. CZ Woodstock G2 O/U 12g	30. Walther PDP Com. OR 9mm	50. Walther PDP Com. OR 9mm	70. Sig Sauer P320 Com. 9mm	90. Sav. Arms Axis XP 350 Leg
11. TaurusG2C9mmLug 12+1	31. Glock 43X 9mm 10+1	51. Glock 43X 9mm 10+1	71. Sav. Arms 555 410g O/U	91. Kel-Tec KS7 6+1 12g
12. Moss. 500 Field.Veer 12ga	32. Rug. Mule Deer 10/22 22lr	52. Henry Black Lever Rifle 22lr	72. TriStar Viper G2 Silver 12g	92. Rem. 783 Com. 308 Win
13. Ruger MDeer 10/22 22lr	33. Kim. LW Arctic 45 Auto	53. Moss. 590 Tac 7+1 12g	73. Mossberg 590 Tac 7+1 12g	93. Sav. Mark II BV N/Wood 22lr
14. Henry Black Lever Rifle 22lr	34. Bonds Arms Rneck 45 ACP	54. CVA Scout Tdown 350 Leg	74. CZ USA R/Head Prem.12g O/U	94. Bond Arms R/Neck 45 ACP
15. Sig Sauer P320 Com 9mm	35. Henry Black Lever Rifle 22lr	55. Taurus G2C 9mm Luger	75. Taurus G2C 9mm Luger	95. Moss. 500 F/Deer Scoped 12g
16. Sav Nms Axis XP 30-06	36. CVA Scoul Tdown 350 Leg	56. Rem. 783 Compact 308 Win	76. CVA ScoutT / Down 350 Leg	96. Ruger Mule Deer 10/22 22lr
17. Bond Nms Rneck 45 ACP	37. Ben. Nova Rtree Max-5 12g	57. CZ Bobwhile SXS 20g	77. Kel-Tec KS7 6=1 12ga 18.5"	97. Glock 43X 9mm 10+1
18. Stoeger STR-9 OR 9mm	38. Rem. 783 Com. 308 Win	58. Sav. Arms Axis XP 30-06	78. Remington 783 Com. 308 Win	98. Trad. Outfitter B/Action 450 Bush
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20. Sav Mark II BV Wood 22lr	40. Taurus G2C 9mm Luger	60. Mossberg 500 F/Deer 12g	80. Savage Arms Axis XP 30-06	100. CZ USA R/Head Prem. 12g O/U
				101. LWRCIC DI 5.56mm NATO 30+1

SPORTSMAN GUN RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE

The Mizpah Shrine 2023 sportsman gun raffle drawing will be on Saturday, September 9 at the Shrine Horsegrounds in Columbia City. There will be 100 guns drawn and your ticket is good for the drawing of ALL 100 guns. Tickets are \$20 each, and one can buy as many tickets as you wish.

Your ticket is not only good for the raffle drawings - it will also give you admission into the raffle. The Mizpah Shriners will be serving sandwiches, salads, chips, water, soft drinks and other treats all day. Your ticket allows you to eat all you wish at no extra cost. Even the beer is free. You can sit in the shade of a tent to wait for your name to be drawn, or participate in extra fun games and drawings.

If your name is drawn, you do not need to keep that particular gun, but can exchange it for its' value on another gun of your choice. If you desire to purchase a raffle ticket(s), contact Paul Friend at 260-402-6122.

You do not need to be present to win a gun!

POKAGONS SHRINE CLUB \$500 MEAT RAFFLE

The Shriners of Steuben County, known as the “Pokagon Shrine Club”, are holding their own raffle for \$500 worth of credit at Albrights Meat Market in Corunna. The winner receives a gift card to spend on whatever one wishes at their grocery and meat market.

The tickets are available for you to purchase. The tickets have been distributed to our usual local members for selling to the public. If you were missed, please call Paul Friend for tickets (402-6122).

The tickets cost \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. The drawing will be held on September 9, during the Gun Raffle drawings in Columbia City.

One does not need to be present to win. Profits are used to pay for the support of sending the Steuben County 4th graders to the Shrine Circus – which the club has been doing for over 60 years.

POKAGON SHRINE CLUB RAFFLE
“WHERE’S THE BEEF?”
\$500 CREDIT FOR MEAT OF YOUR CHOICE

Drawing: Saturday, September 9, 2023
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

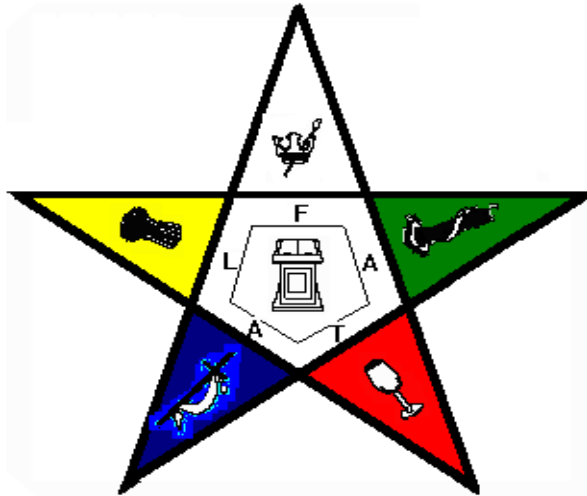
Raffle Information: www.shrine-sportsman.com IN Lic# 001961
Payments are not deductible as a charitable contribution

TICKET PRICE: \$5.00 EACH OR 5 FOR \$20.00

SAMPLE TICKET FOR LOCAL SHRINE CLUB \$500 MEAT RAFFLE

POKAGON SHRINE CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2023 ARE:

Jeff Stanford - President/Treasurer
John Tchinski - Secretary



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

CHECK WITH OFFICERS TO SEE IF THE LODGE HAS GONE DARK

DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS

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.**