

Tidings from the East Brethren,

The month of May proved to be another incredibly busy and productive month for Highland Lodge.

Our stated meeting was held on May 1st and we just kept moving forward at a blazing pace from there. Bro. Tim Herald served us up some absolutely original and gourmet Calico Chili with cheese infused grits and special corn bread. The meal was absolutely amazing. Thank you Brother Herald! Our stated meeting was opened in form on the Fellow Craft degree. The minutes were read and approved.

A petition for membership was read and an investigating committee of WBro. James Bishop, Art Percy III and Andy Holman was assigned.

Committee reports were given on the: Masonic Home, Charity, Family and Degree Cast Director.

Masonic Education was regarding facts and proper etiquette of a Masonic ballot for membership. And with that established, we again were lucky enough to spread a ballot and elect a new member to Highland Lodge. His EA degree will be on Thursday, May 16, dinner at 6:30pm and degree at 7:30pm.

Under new business, we sadly draped the Charter for Brother Daniel J. Grant who passed to his eternal reward on April 21, 2013.

The meeting was closed, with peace and harmony prevailing.

The family committee was very busy planning events for the members. We had a trip to Splash Universe in Shipshewana, IN on May 4th and also a visit to the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo on May 5th.

On May 11, Wayne Lodge #25 hosted the annual Old Fort Master Mason degree. Not enough can be said to thank the officers and members of Wayne for the hospitality and excellent degree work. Highland was fortunate to have three candidates receiving their MM degree that day, and they received an excellent one. Special thanks go out to Bro. Dave Trindel, WM of Wayne, and WBros. Larry Davis and Nathan Baggett for their help and coordination of the event.

On May 16, we initiated a new Brother into Highland Lodge with an EA degree. His FC degree is scheduled for June 15 at the Schofield House in Madison, IN.

Highland Lodge was well represented this year at Grand Lodge Annual Communication. Many officers and several members attended one or both of the days.

Brothers again as a reminder, Highland Lodge does not go dark anymore. We will be conducting Table Lodges in the Ballroom of the Masonic Temple for our July and

August stated meetings. So if you would like join with us and partake in this very unique experience, please RSVP and let us know you will be attending.

Here are the events that are currently planned on the calendar, check the website calendar for updates:

June 5 - Stated Meeting

June 9 - Shrek the Musical at the Wagon Wheel Theatre - Warsaw, IN

June 15 - FC degree at Schofield House

June 23 - St. John the Baptist Observance at Trinity Episcopal - 10:00am

Be Great! Lux ex Tenebris!
Respectfully and Fraternally,

Kurt A. Begue PM
Worshipful Master