

Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge, No. 149 Free and Accepted Masons

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DEAR BROTHER:

A STATED MEETING of Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge, No, 149, F&AM, will be held at the Masonic Hall, 109 Water St., Plymouth, Indiana, on:

Thursday, May 4, 2023.

A dinner will be served at 6:30 PM.

The Lodge will open at 7:30 PM, in the Master Mason Degree, or as appropriate if Entered Apprentices or Fellowcrafts are present, for the transaction of such business as shall regularly come before it.

Your presence is earnestly requested and your Masonic friends are cordially invited to attend.

Fraternally,

Wor. Gene Tyler Master Attest:

Bro. Trevor Pletcher Secretary

COMING EVENTS

May1:	Master Mason Degree	Pizza at 6:15 & Lodge opens at 7:00
May 2:	Executive Meeting	6:00
May 2:	175 Year Rededication	Hanna Lodge #61 (Wabash) 7:30pm
May 4:	Stated Meeting	Dinner at 6:30 & Lodge opens at 7:30
May 7:	Grand Master's Pilgrimage	Schofield House (Madison). 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
		This event is free and open to all Indiana Masons, affiliated bodies, and family members.
May 10:	Royal Arch Stated Meeting	Meal at 6:45 & Lodge opens at 7:30

May 15:	Widows Sons	Time and Place to be announced.
May 16:	Groto	Time and Place to be announced.
May 16:	Grand Lodge Annual Comm	unication
May 27:	Larry Benner Golf Outing	9:00 Registration w/10:00 Shotgun Start
		Woodbury Golf Course (Go to PK149 Facebook Page for more information and pre-registration).

FROM THE EAST:

Thinking Spring! Our annual golf outing will be held on Saturday, May 27.

A thought for the good of the Lodge: "Freemasonry embraces the highest moral laws, and will bear the test of any system of ethics and philosophy ever promulgated for the uplift of man." -- Bro. Douglas MacArthur

In the Faith, *Wor. Gene Tyler* Master

FROM THE WEST:

If you were able to attend our Area Conference on March 29th you already heard some of the programs and changes from our upcoming Grand Master, Gary E Brinley.

- There will not be a "Lodge of Instruction" for 2023. It is unknown if this is a permanent change or not. In its place a District 1 officer will be assigned to our lodge who will make scheduled visits to our lodge. I have been informed that Todd Whitenberry is the district 1 Grand Lodge Liaison assigned to PK 149. Let's welcome him.
- Another change includes "District Work Shops". The first Grand Lodge District 1 Workshop was conducted on April 8th at Acme Lodge #83. Assistant Grand Ritual Instructor Jim Marion and Assistant Grand Lecturer Denny Davis offered more details on some of the upcoming changes being made by our Grand Lodge. We (especially the lodge officers) should make an attempt to attend these workshops as they become available. I understand Grand Lodge is planning on 3 more this year.

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Most Wor. Richard L. Lentz

Grand Master of Masons in Indiana

EXPLORING MASONRY

John Staples

May 2023

Honoring a 50-year Mason

The following is a hypothetical letter from a Grand Master to a 50-year member:

My Dear Brother,

On behalf of your many friends and brothers throughout this Grand Jurisdiction, congratulations on attaining your fiftieth year as a Master Mason. This is a significant milestone and one that deserves particular mention.

To reach a half-century of involvement in any endeavor is a remarkable achievement in today's world. Social trends come and go, and events move at a very rapid pace, but our Ancient Craft is forever dedicated to brotherly love, relief, and truth. I commend you and extend my thanks for your steadfast loyalty to these principles.

When I think of our fifty-year members, I am reminded of these words from the Book of Job: "In age is there wisdom, and in length of days, understanding." May you enjoy many years ahead of good health and happiness, always knowing that you have the esteem and admiration of your brethren.

With every good wish from the Grand East, Yours sincerely and fraternally, *Willis Hancock* Grand Master

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