

Papillion Masonic Family Trestleboard

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Words from the Editor

As I begin to put together the November edition of the Trestleboard, I find that the submissions this month have been lighter than normal.

I wanted to provide something relevant to serve as the first article for this month's edition, so I thought that I'd try to find some words of wisdom relative to the upcoming elections.

I found this article from an **1834 edition of *The Freemason's Quarterly Review***. Being almost 200 years old, some of the content is a bit dated. However, I found it interesting and still mostly relevant today. I hope you enjoy it as well.

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"All preferment among Masons is grounded upon real worth and personal merit only."-Constitutions, p. 6.

One of the most important franchises which the Masonic character offers is THE ELECTION OF MASTER FOR THE ENSUING TWELVE MONTHS. - "The qualifications necessary are, that the candidate should be true and trusty, of good repute, held in high estimation amongst the fraternity, skilled in Masonic knowledge, and moreover a lover of the Craft; he ought to be exemplary in his conduct, courteous in his manner, but, above all, steady and firm in principle."

Unless the Brother who aspires to the Chair of a Freemason's Lodge can conscientiously feel himself so qualified, he should pause ere he assumes or rather morally usurps it, and by tarrying somewhat, profit by the example of another, by whose conduct lie may improve his own unskilfulness, or amend in himself what his observations may have perceived to be defective in his Brother.

The fulfilment of the duties of a Mastership requires much personal inconvenience, and some sacrifice of time. The interests of a lodge, alike with its immediate welfare and ultimate prosperity, depend upon the skill and sagacity of the Master; while the general peace and harmony of its members take their tone from his conciliating courtesy, or suffer from his want of so vital an attribute.

The Master is called upon to attend (with the Past-Masters and Wardens of his Lodge) at the quarterly communications, and by his careful observation of the current questions to sanction or prevent what may support or injure the sacred and glorious institution he is bound to

protect. It is to be remembered, that upon the ACTIVITY or SUPINENESS of the actual Masters that the order itself will be SUPPORTED or DEGRADED.

The Master is directed to attend the monthly boards of benevolence, that the wants of his deserving brethren may be generously and immediately relieved, or the application of the unworthy summarily rejected; there the cry of the widow and the orphan is heard, and there should the Master be to administer the funds which a confiding Lodge has entrusted to his vigilance; let him remember that he has bound himself to observe the ancient charges in which the foregoing obligations form some of the clauses; let him not hope to excuse his own neglect by that of others; rather let him be foremost in the ranks of emulation, and shame such who, while they assume the profession of a Master of a Lodge, withhold the practice it enjoins. Let his actions during the year be such, that when it terminates, the brethren will feel thankful for his services, and reward him by their approbation.

How different is the effect produced upon Freemasonry by those who merely falter through their official duties, who never show themselves where a personal service is demanded, and, in fact, who, if the charges have ever been read to them, disregard their importance by a coldness which is alike insulting to decency as to common sense.

Another important duty of a Master is the selection of his Wardens - the members of a Lodge may exercise their franchise in the election of a Master with a view to please a

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Odd Jobs Team

The Odd Jobs Team is a group of Brothers who have volunteered to assist Masons and their spouses with simple Odd Jobs or tasks around the house that they cannot do on their own.

Unfortunately at this time we cannot offer assistance with reoccurring tasks, such as mowing or snow removal.

If you have a request, please contact the team at OddJobsTeam@outlook.com or call the Lodge.

A member of the team will contact you to discuss the task and once we are sure that it's something that we can safely and properly do for you, we'll schedule a time to get things started!

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friend or to self-gratification, but the Master in his selection of officers ought always to have in view the interests of the Lodge. He should avoid appointing to the office of Wardens any brethren who may not be enabled to qualify for the superior dignity of Master, in order that when the period of election for that office shall approach, the Wardens, by attending carefully to their duties in Lodge and at the public meetings of the Craft, may become so experienced, that the brethren will not feel themselves placed in the difficulty of either wounding the feelings of an otherwise respectable individual by passing him over, or by electing him to an office he is incompetent to sustain - either of these possible cases the Master may prevent by timely discretion.

Finally, let him as well as the brethren of the Lodge diligently read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest the constitutions of the fraternity, remembering that "ALL PREFERMENT AMONG MASONS IS GROUNDED UPON REAL WORTH AND PERSONAL MERIT ONLY"

From an 1834 edition of *The Freemason's Quarterly Review*

Submitted by



Daniel Marr
Trestleboard editor

From the Desk of the Secretary

The secretary has been extremely busy this month, and subsequently this is one of those rare occurrences where I've not received a Trestleboard submission from him. So, I'll try to give you a close approximation of what his article might have looked like this month...

The 2016 dues should have been paid by now. If you haven't paid them, you're on the naughty list. Some words about suspensions, and get your stuff paid.

The 2017 dues are being accepted. Please support your lodge and pay your stuff.

Grand Lodge will probably be late getting dues cards. Don't know why, it's just how it works.



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Articles

Your article could be here. You don't have to be one of the pillars of the Lodge or your appendant body. If you have something wise or interesting to say, I'd like to see it. Articles should be submitted by the 19th of the month, to papiro39.trestleboard@gmail.com.

You may have noticed that the newsletter is more interesting when people submit articles. As the editor, I can write an article or two each month, but I'm not really all that interesting and surely the readers would like to hear things from people much more knowledgeable and interesting than me. That's where you come in! :)

I do want to take a minute to thank the leaders of the various appendant bodies that meet at Papillion Masonic Center. Kori with Job's Daughters has written some amazing articles, and everyone looks forward to those articles and the great pictures each month. Carol and Phillis have given us some great articles for Papillion Chapter of OES throughout the year. Anita can always be counted on to give us a nice article about what's going on in SOOB. And we wouldn't want to forget to thank Dennis Newman who has been very consistent with articles about Commandery! No thank you would be complete without thanking the Secretary who is always the hardest working guy in the Lodge. Thank you! Without your support the Trestleboard wouldn't be nearly as enjoyable as it is.



PAPILLION CHAPTER NO. 114 OES

Years ago, when I was Bethel Guardian for Job's Daughters in Chula Vista, CA, I switched my membership to the Chula Vista Chapter OES. After affiliating with Chula Vista, the Chapter Secretary was starting treatment for cancer and the Worthy Matron asked me to Pro-tem as Secretary during this time. Her words were "when you want something done, ask a busy person because you know it will get done."

This leads me to featuring our Chapter Sweetheart, Erin Marr, in this issue. Erin was born in Council Bluffs, IA and lived there until 2005. She then moved to Missouri Valley, IA for five years, after which she moved to Bellevue, NE. For the past five years, she has lived in La Vista, NE. In 2012, Erin graduated from UNO with a bachelor's degree in general studies with a focus on biology, history and business. She says that her love is history.

Erin didn't come from a family with Masonic ties, but became involved through her husband, Dan Marr. Besides her own activities, she stays busy with all of Dan's activities. Erin and Dan were married in 2012. When they married, she became instant step mother to Danielle, Curtis and Caitlin.

Erin joined Adah Chapter No. 52 August 9, 2013. Being in one Eastern Star Chapter was not enough, as in February 2015, she became a plural member of Papillion Chapter. She held the office of Adah in both Chapters and currently is Conductress for Adah and Electa for Papillion. She fills in as Conductress for Papillion when we need her to. Erin is very busy with both Chapters' activities, but her dedication doesn't stop there.

Caitlin was initiated into Job's Daughters Bethel No. 18 in 2014. At that time, Erin became a volunteer for the Bethel. She joined the Council for the Bethel in 2015. This year, Erin became Bethel Guardian to Bethel No. 18.

Her activities do not stop there. She joined the Social Order of the Beauceant in 2014 and was elected to the line this year and serves as Preceptress. She was initiated in Sat-ra Temple No. 59, Daughter of the Nile in October 2015. From January to July 2016, she served as co-chair of the Sat-ra Social Club.

She is also a member of the Last of the Red Hat Mamas Chapter of the Red Hat Society. With this group, it's a lot of fun, as the get together once a month for dinner.

In her spare time (I don't know how she finds any), Erin and Dan enjoy taking road trips on back highways to see the country and its funky small towns. They love going to museums, especially obscure, small ones. She says the best ones always seem to be the ones you didn't know they were there. They love digging through junk at the antique stores in Walnut, Iowa. (Not the ones with the fancy polished up stuff, but the dusty, dirty ones.)

Another hobby of Erin's is genealogy. Some of their trips have included visits to cemeteries, courthouses and libraries of places where their ancestor lived to learn more of their stories.

With these activities and trips, Erin still finds time to work. I don't know how she does it. I am in awe of how she does it all. We all love Erin and are so glad that she is our Chapter Sweetheart this year.

Star love,



Carol LeRoy
Worthy Matron



Job's Daughters Bethel #1

Bethel #1 is keeping busy, as always!

We had a great time at our Amazing Race party at Mahoney State Park. We found ourselves racing all around the park, looking for clues. It was a great time, and we got to know some prospective members a little better.



Our Bethel continues to grow -- we welcomed a new member to our Bethel in October. Jocelyn is going to be a great addition to our group. We also welcomed her sister Addy to our Jobie 2 Bees.



The Job's Daughters philanthropy HIKE has been a big focus of our Bethel this term. We held our annual Halloween HIKE Party on Oct. 15, where we raised \$240. We have represented Job's Daughters at The Rose Theater on two occasions where we got to have a lobby display about HIKE and do curtain speeches in front of their 900 person audience. We are looking forward to a fun event on Nov. 11 -- the HIKE on Ice skating carnival -- that will hopefully earn a lot of money for children who are deaf or hard of hearing.



Job's Daughters Bethel #1 (continued)



We had a great time at our Go To Church Sunday, which we spent at St. Andrews Methodist Church's production of "Goliath," a musical production set to the music of "Oklahoma." Following the service, we did a mock Majority Ceremony, something we haven't done for a long time. The girls did a great job and we were proud of their accomplishment.



We have revitalized an old tradition: the Marshal's Dinner. This activity found us skating at Grover Ice, followed

by cupcakes at Jones Bros. We had a great time, and even got Grand Guardian Elizabeth out on the ice.



As always, we enjoy serving our Masonic Family. We have had several nights of babysitting at the Scottish Rite, served the AkSarBen German Dinner, and worked at a CHIP event. We so enjoy spending time with all our Masonic friends!

Again, we encourage you to participate in our HIKE on Ice event on Nov. 11. All ages are welcome, and there will be activities both on and off the ice. The cost of admission is \$10 and includes pizza, a drink and a cookie, as well as ice time and games. We already have several wonderful prizes that have been donated -- a quilt, tickets to The Rose, movie theater tickets, a hotel stay and more! But we could still use more, if you have something you would like to contribute! We hope to see you there!



Social Order of the Beauceant

A lot has happened since my last article in the Trestleboard. First, seven members (Sisters Isobel Taylor, Bev Pickering, Tami Stites, Anne Phillips, Erin Marr, Jeanne Karnegis, and I) attended Supreme Assembly in Topeka, Kansas. Sister Tami Stites was installed as Supreme Standard Bearer and we learned later that Sister Anne Phillips was named Advisory Chairman of Knights Templar. This is an honor to our Assembly; be sure to congratulate them when you see them.

The Monday after returning from Supreme Assembly, the Supreme Worthy President, (Mrs. Joseph L.) Barbara Bongiovi visited our Assembly. Accompanying Mrs. Bongiovi were her husband, Mr. Joseph L. Bongiovi, (Mrs. William F.) Dolores Reinhold, Supreme Director of Music, and (Mrs. Edwin R.) Sharon Carpenter, Chairman of Credentials Committee, and their husbands. Our officers and protems did a wonderful job of opening the meeting, initiation, examining a visitor, introductions, balloting and closing. We

enjoyed lunch before the meeting and many joined us for dinner after the meeting. My sincere thanks go out to all those in attendance to make this a special day.

Our card party was held on a beautiful day in October. We had 68 card players and a total of 80 people who were served lunch. My sincere thanks to all those who attended and those who worked this fundraiser.

The Worthy President's Appreciation Party will be on Friday, November 18th, at Oak Hills Country Club, 12325 Golfing Green Drive, Omaha. The luncheon at 11:30 a.m. is open to everyone, including Sir Knights. Reservations are essential. If you must cancel, please do so by November 15th or you will be charged for the meal. For reservations and cancellations, please call me at 402 291-1746.



Fraternally,
Anita Sohm
Worthy President

Coffee on the Square

Oct. 1 – Opened with prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, Thirteen in attendance. Surly hoped for a lot more. We had two promising young men who showed interest in petitioning Papillion Lodge for membership. I do hope that we made a favorable impression on them. What an asset to our Masonic Family if that would occur. Thank you Worshipful Brother Paz for an interesting and informative dissertation on Masonic emblems and symbols. We do hope that when we display these emblems on our lapels and elsewhere about our person that we also display the pride and dignity that they represent. Brother Paz emphasized the significance of the All Seeing Eye and how it should guide our thoughts and actions. As usual we were served a delicious breakfast and enjoyed a hearty visit. Brethren, please continue to attend and bring friends and family with you.

I'll be racin' the motor until we meet in November.



C. Fredrik Pihlkjaer, otherwise known as
Cullen F Pilker.

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Papillion Community Blood Drive
Papillion Masonic Center

November 9th 11:30 am-5:30 pm

Call 800-RedCross or go to www.redcrossblood.org
to schedule your appointment

Walk-ins are welcome!

Mt. Calvary Commandery #1 KT

Cooler weather has arrived and the leaves are falling. Our November conclave will be on Friday, November 4th. Dinner will be at 6:30 with the meeting at 7:30. Reminder that there will be the election of officers for 2017. As always, we would like to see every one of you at our meetings.

Our December conclave will be on Friday, December 2nd with dinner at 6:30 and the meeting at 7:30. The installation of the 2017 officers will be on Saturday, December 3rd.

I want to thank everyone who helped at the festival on Saturday, October 15th. Nebraska York Rite College No. 138, members of Mt. Calvary No. 1 and others did a GREAT job when we Knighted 13 new Knights. I would like to thank Bill Stone for organizing the degree team. Steve Barchus, Dave Shaw and Ed Nolte did a great job conferring the orders. Thanks to AJ Johnson for picking up the food.



Dennis Newman
Commander



Florence Chapter #61 RAM

October is coming to an end as I sit down to write this article, and by the time you read it November will already be here. The weather thus far this fall has been fantastic and I'd love to see it remain like this for a few months. It won't, but a guy can dream.

I've been talking about the York Rite Fall Festival for a few months, and that has now come and gone. On Saturday October 15th we enjoyed the Council Degrees and Commandery Orders. It was a fun day of York Rite ritual and good fellowship.

As we welcome several new York Rite Masons, it is my earnest hope that several of these new companions will become active and valuable members of the Rite. Recent festivals have yielded several new and active companions, so I'm hopeful to continue that trend.

While most of the rest of Masonry is preparing for elections in November, Royal Arch and Council are barely halfway into our masonic year. After a couple of months of relative darkness, we're really just getting started.

The next major event for Florence Chapter will be our

Soup Supper & super cool other things Event that will be held on Saturday February 25th. More details will be given as we get closer to this wildly awesome upcoming event. Try to contain your excitement, it'll be here before you know it! No, you can't get your tickets yet, but they'll be available soon! :)



Daniel Marr
High Priest

Ride to work

Do you want to be with your fellow Papillion Lodge brothers but have not been able to because you cannot drive at night? Contact Secretary Carl Highman at 402-339-3205 or papio39@gmail.com



and he will try to arrange to have one of the brothers pick you up at your residence and return you there after the meeting.

FRIDAY, NOV. 11 • 7:30-11 pm



An ice skating carnival to benefit the
Hearing Impaired Kids Endowment (HIKE) Fund

The HIKE Fund is a 501(c)3 charity that provides assistive hearing devices for children who are deaf or hard of hearing. For information, visit www.thehikefund.org.

**Glow-in-the-Dark Cosmic Ice Skating,
On & Off Ice Games, Prizes,
Snacks & More! ALL AGES WELCOME!**

Professional skating coaches will be present to assist new skaters. Skate rental available for \$2.

\$10 per person
Admission includes:
Ice time, Pizza, Drink
& Dessert, Off-Ice Games
and more!
SKATE RENTAL \$2

Sponsored by Job's Daughters Bethel #1

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November 2016 Calendar

| Day | Date | Time | Event | |
|--|-----------|---------|--|-----------------------|
|  Tuesday | Nov 1st | 7:00 PM | Papillion Lodge #39 - PPD (Practice, Proficiency, or Degree) | |
|  Friday | Nov 4th | Noon | Beauceant Luncheon | |
|  Friday | Nov 4th | 1:00 PM | Beauceant Meeting | |
|  Friday | Nov 4th | 6:30 PM | Mt. Calvary Commandery #1 - Dinner | |
|  Friday | Nov 4th | 7:30 PM | Mt. Calvary Commandery #1 - Business Meeting | |
| PMF | Saturday | Nov 5th | COTS | |
|  Monday | Nov 7th | 7:00 PM | DeMolay | |
| PMF | Monday | Nov 7th | 7:00 PM | Templecraft |
|  Tuesday | Nov 8th | 7:00 PM | Papillion Lodge #39 - Business Meeting (Elections) | |
| PMF | Wednesday | Nov 9th | 11:00 AM | Red Cross Blood Drive |
|  Wednesday | Nov 9th | 6:45 PM | Florence Chapter #61 RAM - Pot Luck Dinner | |
|  Wednesday | Nov 9th | 7:30 PM | Florence Chapter #61 RAM - Business Meeting | |
|  Thursday | Nov 10th | 7:30 PM | Papillion Chapter #114 OES Meeting | |
|  Friday | Nov 11th | 7:30 PM | Adah Chapter #52 OES Meeting | |
|  Friday | Nov 11th | 7:30 PM | HIKE on Ice Fundraiser at Grover Ice | |
|  Sunday | Nov 13th | 2:00 PM | Job's Daughters | |
|  Monday | Nov 14th | 7:00 PM | DeMolay | |
|  Tuesday | Nov 15th | 7:00 PM | Papillion Lodge #39 - PPD (Practice, Proficiency, or Degree) | |
|  Sunday | Nov 20th | 2:00 PM | Bethel Meeting & Jobie 2 Bee Meeting | |
|  Monday | Nov 21st | 7:00 PM | DeMolay | |
|  Tuesday | Nov 22nd | 7:00 PM | Papillion Lodge #39 - Social Activity | |
|  Monday | Nov 28th | 7:00 PM | DeMolay | |
|  Tuesday | Nov 29th | 7:00 PM | Papillion Lodge #39 - Educational Activity | |

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