



Golden Ark 595



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Dates To Remember

Regular Meetings

- Mon. October 2, 7:00 PM - Business Meeting, 6:00 Dinner
- Mon. October 9 , 6:30 PM - Fellowship
- Mon. October 16 , 6:30 PM - Widows Dinner
- Mon. October 23, 6:30 PM - Fellowship
- Mon. October 30, 6:30 PM - Fellowship
- Mon. November 6, 7:00 PM - Business Meeting, 6:00 Dinner

Upcoming Events

- Sat. Oct 7, 10:00 AM -2:00 PM - Applefest Child ID
- Mon. Oct 16, 6:30 PM - Widows Dinner
- Thurs. Oct 19, 7:00 PM - School of Instruction, Flat Rock
- Sat. Oct 21, 7:00 PM - Comedy Night
- Sat. Oct 28, 7:00 - 11:00 PM - Masonic Youth Group Party
- Mon. Nov 13, 6:30 PM - Veterans Dinner

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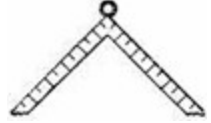
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Mason of the Year

It's not too late to get your nominations in for Mason of the year, contact WB Joe Molner at 313-850-3655 or homo324@aol.com as soon as possible. We will vote on Mason of the Year at the November business meeting and announce it at installation in December.

From The East

WB Rich Pratt - Worshipful Master



Brethren,

Fall is here and the weather is finally catching up with us. Elections are only a month away and the holidays are right around the corner.

We have a busy couple of months coming up a Child ID program, widows and veterans dinners, a comedy night, lots going on.

WB Chuck Owens and I attended a meeting with the Taylor Goodfellows last month. They are trying to get the group going again and we trying to help them out. Hopefully we will have more information next month on what else is going on.

On Saturday, October 28th the lodge will be hosting a Halloween dance for the Masonic Youth Groups, if you have kids, grand kids, nieces, nephews, even just friends who might be interested in the groups, this is a great opportunity for them to learn more. The groups no longer require a Masonic relation, just a Mason willing to sponsor the youth. The youth group ages are 10 to 20, but we will welcome kids of all ages. There will be costume contest, so costumes are encouraged.

I will see you on Monday,

WB Rich Pratt
Worshipful Master

School of Instruction

*Thursday, Oct. 19 - 7:00 PM
Flat Rock Masonic Temple*

The Officers of Golden Ark have been summoned to appear at a Lodge of Instruction on Thursday, October 19th at 7:00PM at the Flat Rock Masonic Temple, 25730 Gibraltar Rd , Flat Rock.

The lodge of instruction will cover all three degrees so bring your ritual. This is open to all members, but is mandatory for officers, if you can not attend please inform the Worshipful Master prior to the event.

Upcoming Child ID Events

*Saturday, Oct. 7 - 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Huron Township Applefest*

On Saturday, October 8th we will be running the Child ID in the Huron Township Police Booth at the Huron Township Applefest. We will be working with the Huron Township Police Explorers. This was a busy event last year and we were definitely short handed, so we can use all the help we can get.



Applefest is in downtown Huron Township, last year we were in a booth right at the corner of Huron River Drive and Waltz road. The Waltz Road bridge is closed for construction, so the recommended route is to take the Sibley road exit off of 275, go West on Sibley to Huron River Drive and South on Huron River Drive to Waltz.

Widows Dinner

Monday, October 16 - 6:30 PM

We will have our annual Widows dinner on Monday, October 16th at 6:30 PM. The menu is pork tenderloin, mashed potatoes and a vegetable prepared by our Junior Warden. The dinner is free for Widows and their guests and \$10 for members. Invitations will be going out from the office, but our records are not the best on spouses and widows, so if you know a lodge widow please reach out and offer a personal invitation. There is no charge for a Brother escorting a widow to dinner.

Please let the Junior Warden know if you will be attending.

Comedy Night

Saturday, October 21 - 7:00 PM

Golden Ark and the Iron Bandog MC are hosting another night of comedy on October 21st. These Doors open at 7:00 and the show begins at 8:00 PM. Tickets are available from the lodge or at the door. This is our first comedy night working with the Bandogs and we are expecting a good turnout from them, it would be great if we could have as good a turn out of Masons.

The cost is \$25 for a great show and refreshments. We are doing a different format this year that should be a lot of fun. Costumes are encouraged but not required, prizes will be given for the best costume.

Masonic Youth Party

Saturday, Oct 28 7:00 - 11:00 PM



On Saturday, October 28th Golden Ark will be hosting a Masonic Youth Group Halloween Party. The dance is being planned and promoted by the Job's Daughters, Rainbow Girls and DeMolay. The youth groups will provide their own chaperones, but it would be nice if we could have some Brothers here to help represent the lodge. If you have a child, grandchild, niece or nephew who might be interested in the Masonic Youth groups, this will be a great invent to introduce them and their parents to the organizations. The youth groups are normally ages 10 - 20, but I will have Ryan and Danny there, so younger kids can come as well.

Veterans Dinner

Monday, November 13

We will have our annual Veterans honoring on Monday, November 13th at 6:30 PM. Bring your stories, artifacts and advice.

Our guest of honor will be our Senior Deacon, Br. Ryan Bies, a seargant with the Army Reserve who's unit is being activated and will be deployed to the Middle East in the spring. We are asking our seasoned veterans to give him some advice for the deployment.

Dinner will be free for veterans and their guest, \$10 for all others. The Worshipful Master will be cooking.

Hurricane Relief

Grand Lodge Communication

As you are aware, much of southeast Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico have experienced heavy hurricane activity and massive flooding recently, resulting in the destruction of many homes and buildings, leaving tens of thousands homeless. The Grand Lodges of Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico have placed appeals through the Masonic Service Association (MSA) for disaster relief. In response, the MSA has established disaster relief funds for Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico, with all donations received to be transferred directly to the respective Grand Lodges for distribution to those in need.

Any Michigan Masonic Lodge or individual member wishing to make a donation to relieve those affected by the disasters should make their checks payable to

"MSA Disaster Relief Fund" and send to:
Grand Lodge of Michigan
1204 Wright Ave.
Alma, MI 48801

The Grand Lodge of Michigan will forward a contributors list and the entire amount in addition to its own contribution to the MSA for distribution.

You may also donate with a credit card directly through the MSA website
<http://www.msana.com/msappeals.asp#texas>

Please note "Texas Disaster Appeal" if sending a check.

The MSA is a tax exempt, 501(c)(3) organization.

Upcoming Flea Markets

Flea Market season is upon us, the lodge has flea markets on the following Sundays for the rest of the year: October 22, November 12 and December 19.

We are looking for volunteers to help work the flea markets, its easy work you are either collecting money at the door or working the concession stand. The flea markets help pay our property taxes and is probably one of the easiest fundraisers we can do. If you are able to spend a couple of hours on a Sunday please contact Br. Rheagan Basabica or WB Brian Campbell.

Lodge Officers for 2017

Worshipful Master	Richard E Pratt
Senior Warden	William Clawson, PM
Junior Warden	William Ball
Treasurer	Charles Owens, PM
Secretary	Ira Slaven, PGM
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Junior Deacon	William Fife
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