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THE WORD FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

It has been a very busy spring at Dover Lodge. When I took the East I had no idea what to expect, but I did want to reach and communicate with the Brethren and the community. It has paid off in spades! In the past few months, we have raised four new Master Masons and have received three new Petitions for membership. To say that I am pleased would be an understatement. Two Past Masters, James Sadler and Donald Price, have seen their grandsons, James Quinones and Nicholas Price, become Master Masons this year. Our other two newest Master Masons, Savas Altuntas and Mike Roberts, were introduced to Dover Lodge by our website. We also have a "Legacy," Brian Gillard (grandson of George Jindra), currently awaiting his Fellow Craft Degree.

In April we had our Annual Inspection in the Entered Apprentice Degree with Brother Brian Gillard as our Candidate. I am extremely pleased with the showing we presented to our District Deputy Grand Master, Robert Behner. I could not be prouder of my Line Officers and all the practice we put into our Degree work. It was a memorable night for Dover Lodge as there were nearly 50 Masons in attendance and, to top it off, we had a special guest all the way from the Grand Lodge of Israel. Our pre-Inspection also went smoothly thanks to the hard work of our Secretary, Edgar Phelps, and our Treasurer, Paul Barenok.

One of the major changes at Dover Lodge is planning more social gatherings. Our next event will be a Clambake on Saturday, September 19 at Dover Lodge



Post-Inspection (L to R): Robert Behner, District Deputy Grand Master, Brother Brian Gillard, Our Inspection Candidate, and David Kumler, Worshipful Master

starting at 5PM. This event is open to all members and their spouses. This is an RSVP event (see other side for form) with a required deposit to cover the cost of the Brethren's meal only, as the Lodge will cover the price of the spouse's meal. We need to have a head count by late August/early September, so please be prompt in your reply.

Also, a heartfelt "thank you" to the 14 Brothers who showed up to spruce up the look of our Lodge building at our annual "Outdoor Work Party." The day started gloomy, but spirits were high and the donuts and coffee were plenty, so all pumped up on sugar and caffeine, we set forth on cutting, mulching, trimming around the Lodge. We had new faces and those more familiar in attendance and everyone came ready to work. Special thanks goes to Brother Brian

Gillard and his friend Jim for arranging the CAT skid-steers. These machines did the work of 20 men and made short work of taking out all of the overgrowth along the building. Without these, we would still be digging and cutting today. You will notice some big differences in the look of the building next time you visit.

If you want to join the fun, come out to the Lodge and help us at our

"Indoor Work Party" on Saturday July 18 at 9AM. We ask that you bring brushes, rollers, tape, and drop cloths – we'll supply the paint! We plan on painting the kitchen, the Brotherhood and Preparation Rooms, and the entryway hall in hopes of brightening the Masonic experience at Dover Lodge. As you can see, our Lodge is growing and there are many exciting things happening at Dover Lodge every month. You owe it to yourself to come to Lodge and experience these changes yourself.

Finally, many thanks to all the Brethren for making my time in the East a pleasurable one.

David Kumler, Worshipful Master.

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The Officers' hard work and the patience and instruction of our learned Brethren, including the Lecture work of Richard Pavelka, was rewarded on June 30 at Elyria Lodge when Worshipful Master David Kumler was presented with the First Place Ritual Award for the Entered Apprentice Degree at the 22nd Masonic District Awards Night. Another reason for us to be proud to be members of Dover Lodge.



Our May 2009 Master Masons (L to R): Nicholas Price, Savas Altuntas and Mike Roberts with Worshipful Master, David Kumler proudly standing in the background.

SECRETARY'S CORNER

Brethren, I hate to keep harping on our Annual Dues, but we still have about 12 members of Dover Lodge that have yet to send in their dues payment. As of December 31,2008, anyone who has not paid their dues is **INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED**. For any suspended Brother to be reinstated, I will need a check for the 2008-2009 dues. If anyone is having trouble meeting this obligation, please contact me immediately at 440-777-5869 and we can discuss your situation. Brethren, Dover Lodge would hate to loose anyone over non-payment of dues. Thank you for your attention.

My Brothers, I would like to end by saying that many good things are happening at Dover: improved Ritual work, work parties that are "sprucing up" the old place, new members, and good fellowship. I urge you to come out and see these exciting changes firsthand on September 3, 2009 at our next Business Meeting. I hope everyone has a good Summer. See you in the Fall.

Fraternally, Edgar Phelps, Secretary

Dover Lodge Clambake

\$25.00 includes dinner for Dover Lodge Member and his Lady.

\$10.00 for each additional dozen clams.

Check Payable To Dover Lodge Deadline: September 4, 2009

Name:

Address:

Phone:

E-mail:

Amount Enclosed:

Mail Form & Check to: Edgar Phelps 24178 Smith Ave.

Westlake, Ohio 44145

Attendees are asked to bring a side dish or dessert, please contact Diana Phelps at 440-777-5869 to see what is needed.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Saturday, July 18, 2009 - 9:00 AM Dover Masonic Lodge Indoor Work Party

Thursday, September 3, 2009 – 7:30 PMDover Masonic Lodge
Business Meeting

Thursday, September 10, 2009 – 7:30 PMDover Masonic Lodge
Cuyahoga County Blue Lodge Association Meeting
Dover Lodge Officers **not** responsible for opening Lodge

Thursday, September 17, 2009 – 7:30 PMDover Masonic Lodge
Ritual Meeting

Saturday, September 19, 2009 – 5:00 PMDover Masonic Lodge
1st Annual Dover Lodge Clambake

Thursday, October 1, 2009 - 7:30 PM
Dover Masonic Lodge
Business Meeting

Thursday, October 15, 2009 - 7:30 PMDover Masonic Lodge
Ritual Meeting

Friday, October 16, 2009 - Saturday, October 17, 2009 Toledo, Ohio Grand Lodge of Ohio, F. & A. M. Annual Communication

Thursday, November 5, 2009 - 7:30 PMDover Masonic Lodge
Annual Business Meeting

Schedule And Events May Change, Please Check Our Website www.Dover489.org -For The Most Up To Date Information

