

A message from the East...



And Just like that... The year is over. What a ride it has been. I was recently reflecting with my officers about this journey up to the East. In retrospect I picked a difficult time in my life to be Master of the Lodge, however with the support of a great group of officers and the aid of so many dedicated brothers we made the year a success.

There were definitely bumps along the way. No doubt it is well into the first week in December and you're just now reading this month's tresselboard. A good leader can identify where his weaknesses are and mine were clearly in the "older" methods of communication. Perhaps its part a product of the generation I belong to and part stubbornness. This year we have on boarded several new and improved communication tools that many have not warmed to or accepted, I would implore the next regime to stick close to this line of thinking though and not give in and revert back to practices that take us out of the 21st century...rant over, in any case I know that the communication was lacking from time to time. I vow to hold counsel with the



Next administration to continue to improve it.

In terms of events I thought this year's slate was second to none. We tried a few new things, eliminated some old outdated ones, and revamped some of the classics to create a calendar full of fun and fellowship. New events this year like our Halloween Trunk or Treat and the Alternative Thanksgiving, look to be staples of the masonic calendar moving forward.

The classic events did not disappoint headlined by the second iteration of the Sporting Clays Event and the Golf Tournament both of which continue to evolve and improve.

Charity as always remains a constant charge of the lodge and 2017 was no different. In addition to raising close to \$20,000 from our various events and initiatives, we fed close to, in my estimation 500 local people in the community through our Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway. Throw in the money raised for the local high school through the Project Graduation Chicken Dinner a

And you would be hard pressed to find an organization that did more for its local community in just a single year.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- December 9: JTAA PARADE FLOAT BUILDING, 1:30pm @ Lodge
- December 10: JTAA HOLIDAY PARADE, 1:00pm (Meet @ Lodge @ 11:00am)
- December 12th: Stated Communication, Dinner 6:30pm, Meeting 7:30pm
- December 14th: Edna Runner Senior Citizens Tour, 6:00pm @ Lodge
- December 26th: NO STATED COMMUNICATION
- January 6, 2018: Installation of Officers 4:00pm

There is so much more that I could write but this publication is already a week late and I might crash my computer, but I want to thank my Wife, for her patience and courage, and perhaps most importantly her understanding. This has been a wonderful albeit stressful year with the birth of our second son Milo. She has endured a difficult recovery and adjustment back to being the mother of an infant, and has been nothing short of amazing in how she has handled this year. I love you Ashley...and Jackson and Milo 😊

To My officers, this year would not have been possible, much less a smashing success without your support. And to my brothers, even those I may have upset during the course of the year, thank you for allowing me to be your Master. I look forward to attending as a past master and watching the next line of officers push this Lodge to new levels of excellence.

Alas my brothers...I'm Out!

Fraternally,

Jason Silvers, Junior Past Master

December 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5 <i>Officers Meeting 6:30pm</i>	6 <i>Boy Scout Troop 711 Meeting @</i>	7 <i>Eastern Star 7:30pm</i>	8	9 <i>Float Building Party</i>
10 <i>JTAA Holiday Parade</i>	11 <i>Nile Meeting 6pm</i>	12 <i>Stated Meeting - Business @7:30pm</i>	13 <i>Boy Scout Troop 711 Meeting @</i>	14 <i>DeMolay 7:30pm</i>	15 FUN FRIDAY	16
17	18 <i>Boy Scout Leadership</i>	19	20 <i>Boy Scout Troop 711 Meeting @</i>	21 <i>Eastern Star 7:30pm</i>	22	23
24	25 <i>Christmas Day</i>	26 <i>No Stated Meeting</i>	27	28	29 <i>NO</i>	30
31 <i>New Year's Eve</i>	<i>New Year's Day</i>					

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