

The 449th Stated Communication of Christiana Lodge No. 35, A.F. & A.M., will be held in the New Castle Masonic Temple, 1406 Old Wilmington Rd., on **Tuesday, November 11, 2008**, beginning at **5:30pm**.

Attest: By Order of:

Glenn F. Davis, Sr. PGM *Edward A. Burke, Jr.,*
Secretary PJGD, PP
Worshipful Master

FROM THE EAST:

First, I would like to congratulate our two newest Master Mason's, Brother Matt Nussel and Brother John Weaver, who were raised on September 30, 2008 by the Shield and Square of Delaware. I was a great evening followed by some real good refreshments.

I know by the time you receive this Trestle Board, we will be well into October. Our speaker in October was Second Assistant Chief of Wilmington Manor Fire Company, Brother James Watson. Brother Watson gave a very informative talk on fire safety and fire prevention, so as a reminder, don't forget to change the batteries in your smoke detectors.

As of this writing, we are very close to having our Annual Great Halloween Train Ride, so I will have a report in next month's Trestle Board.

A reminder to all of our Grand Lodge Members that we will be holding a special meeting on Tuesday, October 28th, beginning at 7:00 PM for the purpose of selecting any nominees that we might have for the 2009 - 2010 Masonic Grand Lodge year.

Our Sated Communication on November 11, 2008 will be our official Grand Master's Visit. M.:W.: James E. Willey, Jr., and his Grand

Staff will be making their Official Visit to Christiana Lodge No. 35. The Grand Master and Grand Staff will be accompanied by their Ladies. Lodge will open at 5:30 PM, and dinner will be served at 6:30 PM. To attend dinner, you must have a ticket; the cost for this only \$20 per person. If you and your lady would like to come, I have tickets. You can call me to make reservations at 302-322-1265 and make checks payable to Christiana Lodge No. 35, A.F. & A.M. I need to have all reservations by November 3rd, so I can give the caterer a solid count. There will be a program for the ladies, and my Lady Erica has come up with a project for the Ladies. If your ladies are coming, please have them bring a 1 cup measure, a 1/2 cup measure, a teaspoon measure, and a tablespoon measure. If you have any questions, please call.

I would like to talk about practice . . . we need to practice, and it is very hard to do this with five or six people. Please plan to come out on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM for practice; all who would like to come are welcome. We have a few candidates in the wings who will soon be ready, so it is important that we practice our degree work.

Have a safe and happy Halloween ☺

Remember: If everyone is thinking alike, the somebody isn't thinking.....

George S. Patton, Jr.

Fraternally,

Edward A. Burke, Jr., PJGD, PP

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BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Just a reminder that our Annual Breakfast With Santa and the "Green Elf" will be held at the New Castle Masonic Temple on Saturday, December 13, 2008, beginning at 9:00 AM.

Brother Allan "JB" Rogers and PM, Bill Joyce, are again planning this year's holiday event. There will be gifts for the children up to age 12, so please call one of our Chairmen or any Lodge Officer if you plan to attend. This event is free, but we truly need to know the number of children and adults attending, along with the ages of the children and whether they are boys or girls . . . we must be able to tell Santa what to bring to the breakfast for his visit.

ATTENTION GRAND LODGE MEMBERS

There will be a meeting of all Grand Lodge Members of Christiana Lodge No. 35 on Tuesday, October 28, 2008 at the New Castle Masonic Temple, beginning at 7:00 PM. The purpose of this meeting will be to determine any nominations that we may have for the elected officers for next year's Grand Lodge, and for the Grand Lodge Award of Honor.

THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE. Govern yourself accordingly.

MASONIC HOME

One of our Masonic Widows (and the mother of our Secretary), Mrs. Martha Davis, will be moving to Highfield, our Masonic Home of Delaware at the end of October.

MILITARY FAMILY UPDATE

Please remember our Brother CS3 Michael J. Kirylik who is now serving active duty with the United States Navy, on the USS Hawes FFG-53, somewhere in Europe

We also send our thoughts and prayers out to LCpl Andrew Cox (Grandson of Past Master Carl H. Cox) of the United States Marine Corps, who is now serving in Iraq, and to all of our service men and women who serve or have served our great country; please remember and support them.

We have also learned of the possible deployment of our Worshipful Master's son and our Senior Warden's sister; we will keep

everyone posted.

If you know of any other Christiana Lodge Masonic Family members who are currently serving in the military, please call our Secretary, PGM Glenn F. Davis, Sr.

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

That's right Brothers, we will again be helping with the Salvation Army Annual Bell Ringing for their annual Kettle Drive. We will be ringing at the entrance by JCPenny's next to Macy's as before, on the following dates: November 28 & 29. We will be ringing from 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM on each day, working in two hour shifts with two persons per shift. If you can help, please contact our Chairman, Brother Ted Stipa, Jr. at 302-738-7446.

NOVEMBER MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

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| B. John Bialecki, Jr. | 1992 |
| Charles R. Bradford, III | 1990 |
| Charles R. Bradford, IV | 1990 |
| Walter F. Brooks | 1972 |
| Edward A. Burke, Jr., PM | 1990 |
| Harlan L. Buss | 1944 |
| Millard M. Davis | 1954 |
| Charles P. Donahue | 1992 |
| Joseph DeBoutez | 1965 |
| Robert H. Furness | 1974 |
| Robert L. Gallion | 1964 |
| William L. Milliken | 1983 |
| Mishler H. Reinhart, PM | 1985 |
| Peter Wienkowitz | 1982 |

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| Oct. 28 | Lodge Grand Lodge Members Nominations Meeting, 7:00 PM Officer Practice, 7:20 PM |
| Nov. 4 | Officer Practice, 7:00 PM |
| Nov. 11 | Grand Master's Official Visit Lodge Opens - 5:30 PM Dinner - 6:30 PM Lodge re-Opens - 7:20 PM |
| Nov. 18 | Officer Practice, 7:00 PM |
| Nov. 25 | Officer Practice, 7:00 PM |
| Dec. 2 | Officer Practice, 7:00 PM |
| Dec. 9 | Stated Communication, 7:30 PM |
| Dec. 13 | Breakfast w/Santa - 9:00 AM |