

The 454th 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, April 14, 2009**, beginning at 7:30pm.

Attest: By Order of:

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

FROM THE EAST:

I would like to say, those of you who did not make the spaghetti dinner last month, missed a good meal. The meal was prepared by the Job's Daughter's of Bethel No. 8, and they did an outstanding job. After dinner, we returned to the Lodge Room to receive Ills. Sir D. Edward Wright, Potentate of our NUR Shrine, and his Divan, and we had a very good talk on Shriner's Hospitals presented by Ills. Sir Edward G. Roth, P.P. who is on the Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Shriner's Hospital. It was a great night because we could spend the evening with our Ladies. I would like to thank Tia Gordon, Bethel Guardian of Bethel No. 8 for all of her help and input for the dinner.

An update on the Bakeless Bake Sale; we had a number of members participate in this fund raiser for our lodge, and I would say that we had about 16% participation. I would like to thank all of you for your help with this fundraiser.

We are now working on the Ham and Oyster Dinner for the month of April. We had to change the date to give us more time to prepare for this event. We, as members of Christiana Lodge No. 35, have to work together to make this a successful event. The date for this Ham & Oyster Dinner is now April 18th at the New Castle Masonic

Hall, located at 1406 Wilmington Road (Rt. 9), in New Castle, home of St. John's Lodge No. 2 and Christiana Lodge No. 35. Dinner cost is \$20 per person - All You Can Eat - and take outs are available. There will be seating times every hour starting at 2:00PM. Tickets are available from any Lodge Officer or through the Lodge website at www.christiana35.org.

We are planning to confer a Fellowcraft Degree on Tuesday, March 31, 2009 and a Master Mason Degree on Tuesday, April 7, 2009; both Degrees will start at 7:30PM. Please mark your calendars and try to come out and support your officers and the candidates. As you know, everyone works hard to be proficient, from our competent instructors, to our officers, so let's come out and support them and your lodge. We have been very busy this year with degree work and thanks to Past Master Carl Cox for our officer instruction, in trying to keep us proficient in our work.

Are you aware that all of our practices are open to any Master Mason who would like to continue to learn any phase of degree work or to become an officer in your lodge. It would be nice to see some new faces; we need any help we can get. If you have any question, please don't hesitate to give me a call. The speaker for our April Stated Communication will be Brother G. Thomas Taylor, III, PM, PJGD from St. John's Lodge No. 2.

Remember: "Believe in yourself, and there will come a day when others will have no choice but to believe with you."....Cynthia Kersey

Fraternally,

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MILITARY FAMILY UPDATE

Please remember those who serve . . .

Brother CS3 Michael J. Kirylik who continues his service with the United States Navy, on the USS Hawes FFG-53, somewhere in Europe

A Big Welcome Home . . .

LCpl Andrew Cox (Grandson of Past Master Carl H. Cox) of the United States Marine Corps, has safely returned home from his deployment in Iraq.



Maj. Katherine A. Sahm, of the US Army, (sister of our SW William J. Sahm, Jr., and daughter of Brother William J. Sahm, Sr.) has also returned safely from her deployment in Iraq.

To all of you we say . . . Thank You.

To those who serve or have served our great country; please remember and support them.

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.

MASONIC HOME ANNUAL APPEAL

The annual appeal for our Masonic Home is well underway, and to those 16% of our lodge members who have contributed so far, we say THANK YOU for your generous support. That still leaves 64% of our Brothers in Christiana Lodge who have forgotten about our Brothers and Sisters in Highfield, our Masonic Home. My Brothers, we all knelt at the alter of Freemasonry, and took the same oath. Now, more than ever, our Brothers and Sisters at your Masonic Home, need your help. Please send in your donation now, and be sure to note that you are from Christiana Lodge No. 35. Send your generous donation to the Masonic Home of Delaware, 4800 Lancaster Pike, Wilmington, DE 19807, Attn: Brother Troy Nuss, Director of Development. Thank you Brothers.

APRIL MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

Edwin S. Barlow	2001
David S. Cauffman, Jr.	1961
John P. DeFilippis	1994
Guy T. DeBonaventura, Sr.	PM1978
Billy Ray Foster	1996
Edward L. Kozlowski, Sr.	1978
Harry R. Land	1981
Alfonso F. Mattera	1966
Robert A. Moore, Jr.	1999
Peter M. Pena, PM	1959
William J. Sahm, Sr.	1960
Richard P. Schueler	1982
Arthur H. Sutton, III	1982
Gary L. Walker	1999

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mar. 17	NO OFFICER PRACTICE
Mar. 20	30 th Annual Brotherhood Night NUR Shrine Center
Mar. 21	Miss Job's Daughter of Delaware Pageant - NUR Shrine, 7:00PM
Mar. 24	Officer Practice, 7:00PM
Mar. 28	Grand Lodge of Delaware Semi-Annual Communication Newport Masonic Temple 9:30AM
Mar. 31	Fellowcraft Degree, 7:30PM
Apr. 7	Master Mason Degree, 7:30PM
Apr. 14	Stated Communication, 7:30PM
Apr. 18	HAM & OYSTER DINNER
Apr. 21	Officer Practice, 7:00PM
Apr. 28	Officer Practice, 7:00PM
May 5	Officer Practice, 7:00PM
May 12	Stated Communication, 7:30PM

On a special note . . . Diamond State Teocalli No. 777 is doing "Dining to Donate". All you have to do is take your Lady to lunch or dinner at Applebee's on Tuesday, April 28th. Present a flyer to your server and 10% of your bill will be donated to the NUR Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund. The Christiana Applebee's is located at 900 Churchman's Road.

As I neglected to arrange for a Ladies Night this year, maybe we could all get together at Applebee's for a Dinner Date on April 28th. I have the flyers that you will need for this event. . . . WM Burke