

Trestle Board

Stony Creek Lodge #5 F.&A.M.



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Greetings Brethren,

I would be remiss if I did not first congratulate the newest Master Masons and members of Stony Creek #5, Brothers Larry Simms, Dennis Ahlstrom and Brandon Scott who were all raised to the Sublime Degree on the 15th of February. The Lodge was packed with almost 40 Brothers comprising of local Lodges, representatives of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Michigan, and the Grand Lodge of Michigan. There was hardly a single seat available! Seeing all of these Brothers dwell together in unity made me proud to know that the universal principles of Freemasonry are alive and well. So mote it be!

Our Officers performed the degree with sharp professionalism and we received countless compliments from our visitors and our Past Masters on our ritual work. I could not be more proud of the work they have performed, and with a hefty degree load already scheduled for the year I have no doubt we will be a Lodge that others in our State will look to for an example of dedication and commitment to the Candidates experience.

The Work was performed in low light to exemplify the sincere and solemn nature of the various Masonic Degrees and to set a tone for Officers and Brethren. I found that this practice accomplished its goal, and it will continue for at least the remainder of the year.

Looking out on the sidelines reminded me of one of the greatest

Masonic privileges we enjoy, from the Worshipful Master, down to the newest Entered Apprentice, we share in the right of visitation. It is one of the few things one can do in Freemasonry that will revisit your Lodge four fold. Indeed, there have been many degrees over the past years that would have never happened should it not have been for our visiting Brethren and their charitable contribution of their time. The Brothers of our District, Cedar 60, Pontiac 21, Corinthian 241, Orion 46 and Roosevelt 510, like us, have jobs, families, and Lodge responsibilities of their own, yet they still find the time to travel. We owe them the same charity in return.

For the month of March, I charge all of you to visit a Lodge and assist in their work. In this Trestleboard you'll find our calendar and the degree work that is slated to happen in our sister Lodges in District 54. For further details, such as addresses, please check the Lodge website calendar. Travel light and proudly represent Stony Creek #5's brotherly love abroad!

There are two items that I would like to bring to your attention from the calendar.

First we will be initiating three gentleman into the first mysteries of our Craft on March 8th. I am requesting that all Brethren, current Officers, Past Masters, and Grand Lodge Officers attending wear the apron you were presented when you were initiated as a

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symbol reminding us that no matter what station we hold now, we all stood in the same condition as our new Brother... humble, equal, and indistinct.

Secondly we are honored to be the home Lodge of the District Mason
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of the Year, Worshipful Brother Jeff Geske! We will be having a dinner in his honor on Tuesday, March 15th at 7 P.M. Congratulations Worshipful Brother Jeff, it is a much deserved honor! Master Masons and their significant others are cordially invited to attend. Please speak with Junior Warden Eichler as an RSVP for this event is required!

Myself, one of our new E.A.'s and J.W. Will Eichler were at the annual wreath laying for Wor. Brother George Washington at the Old Mariners Church on Jefferson Street in Detroit February 20th. The weather cooperated with us for this public event and we were joined by a press photographer.

Until next time Brothers, all is well in the East.

Christopher Peace WM



**March 2011
 Calendar of Events**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	March 1	2	3	4	5
		Regular Communication Stony Creek Lodge #5 7:30 P.M.			SEMMMA Meeting @ Rochester Masonic Temple 7:00 P.M.	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Corinthian Lodge #241 Regular 6:30 P.M.	E.A. Degree White Apron Night 7:00 P.M.	Rochester Masonic Temple Board Meeting 7:00 P.M.	Cedar #60 E.A. Degree 7:00 P.M.	Pontiac #21 M.M. Degree 5:30 P.M.	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		Mason of the Year Dinner 7:00 P.M. RSVP to J.W.		Cedar #60 F.C. Degree 7:00 P.M.		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Corinthian #241 F.C. Degree 6:30 P.M.	M.M. Degree Practice 7:00 P.M.			Pontiac #21 M.M. Degree 5:30 P.M.	Gibraltar #19 PHA F.C. & M.M. Degree 4:00 P.M. Redeemer #53 PHA M.M. Degree 7:00 P.M.
27	28	29	30	31	April 1	2