

December 2016 TRESTLEBOARD

Kootenai Lodge #24 AF & AM

Officers Dress: Officers Uniform

(Donation Meal at 6:30 p.m.)

12 - 6, 7:30 p.m. Stated Meeting
12 - 13, DARK
12 - 16, Closed Installation of Officers
12 - 20, DARK
12 - 27, DARK

MASTERS MESSAGE

Brethren,

The month of December is again not too active, but we do have candidates working on their proficiencies. No others are ready to move up for the month of December.

Our chow wagon this month is being created by Bro. Bob Balser. I have no idea what's in the pot, but I know it will be good. Please come join us.

LODGE ELECTION RESULTS

Worshipful Master..... Tom Melbourn
Sr. Warden..... Charlie Ford
Jr. Warden..... Dustin Hatfield
Treasurer..... Phil Morgan
Secretary..... Jay Lilleflore
Sr. Deacon..... Holtan Guyton
Jr. Deacon..... Matt Griffin
Sr. Steward..... Butch McGee
Jr. Steward..... Calvin Boyd

Marshal..... Rich Kellogg
Chaplin..... Bryan Ross
Tyler..... Dave Garnett

After five straight years the lodge has elected a new Worshipful Master. Brethren, my opinion only, the most a Master should hold the office is, 1-2 years. Your lodge had no one electable, or who was qualified under the Grand Lodge Requirements to be elected, (Worshipful Masters Certificate). This problem is going on in lodges all over the state. I sincerely hope that the future holds a solution to this problem!

RAFFLE RESULTS

1st Prize..... Phil Morgan, AR-15
2^{ed} “Tom Melbourn, .45 Cal. Piston
3rd “Gary Cuff, 12 Ga. Shot Gun
4th “Cy Franks, Fishing Trip
5th “Bill Bryant, \$150.00 Of Beef
6th “John Tomlinson, \$150.00 Beef
7th “Jay Lilleflore, Buck Knife Set
8th “Megan Bjork, Buck Knife

Brethren, this is our fourth year hosting a Raffle and has kept your lodge from going into the RED barely. I have invested in all four years and won absolutely nothing. I tried complaining, but can't find a sympathetic ear :o}. The numbers are, Gross Ticket sales: \$3,659.00, Net: \$2,379.00 for our finance accounts. The net was not as much in the past but every bit helps.

THANK YOU BRETHREN !!

This will probably be my last Trestleboard Brethren. I will hand it off to your Secretary, Jay Lilleflore. He will do an outstanding job and the transition will go smoothly. It has been a privilege and an Honor to be your Master

over the last five years. I leave with a full heart and I thank you very much for putting up with me..I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Fantastic New Year. !!!!

kootenai24.weebly.com and
scottishritecda.weebly.com to see what is going on. Please give it a try.

Respectfully & Fraternally,

Paul A. Telebar, Worshipful Master

Treasurer's Note:

My Brothers I want to thank you all who participated in our Raffle, every bit that you support the Lodge really helps our financial situation. At this time of year the Lodge's dues notices go out and for those that have paid early thank you. But for those of you who will wait until next year sometime to pay or not pay at all, this does not help. We don't have a huge amount of reserves to fall back on if we don't have a timely response of paying dues. I know some of you now are getting tired of reading we need money but that is the truth, we always need money! To give you an idea of where we are in terms of membership participation in paying dues: We have 172 active members, out of that 172 we have 44 members who are paid up for life or are 50 year members. They aren't required to pay dues and we thank them for their support and loyalty to the Lodge over the years. However out of the 172 members we also have presently 22 members who are over a year out in not paying their dues. So if you take the 44 who aren't required to pay and the 22 that are in the arrears, then you have almost 40% who aren't paying anything. That is a sizable amount of dues money at \$40 per member or \$2,640 that we don't collect for the year. To add insult to injury we have to pay the Grand Lodge their annual assessment of \$60 for each one of these members or \$3,960. Together that is a \$6,600 hit the Lodge has to absorb. So you can see from these boring figures we don't have a lot room to move when the Brothers aren't paying their dues on time. We aren't broke by any means but we have to keep vigil on our finances today for it will be less than a desirable situation for the Lodge in the future.

Phil Morgan....Treasurer

Lodge Officers 2016

(Wife)

Worshipful Master

Paul A. Telebar

765-0961

telebarp@yahoo.com

Senior Warden

Tomas Everson (Staci)

818-8046

Junior Warden

Charlie Ford (Ginger)

340-0202

charles.k.ford@gmail.com

Secretary

Jay Lilleflore (Diana)

304-5184

Treasurer

Phil Morgan (Sonja)

676-1420

Senior Deacon

Holton Guyton

(864) 812-7225

Junior Deacon

Dustin Hatfield (Elle)

819-3580

Marshal

Richard Kellogg (Pamela)

(925) 708-0191

Chaplain

Tom Darzes (Savina)

Senior Steward

Butch McGee (Connie)

667-8299

Junior Steward

Matt Griffin (Christina)

277-5577

Tyler

Dave Garnett (Sue)

699-7953

KOOTENAI MASONIC LODGE #24

kootenai24@gmail.com

PO Box 545

515 N 4th St

666-0303

KOOTENAI LODGE #24 A.F. & A.M.
P.O. Box 545
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83816-0545

SPOKANE WA 990

01 DEC 2016 PM 1 L

Grand Lodge of Idaho

219 N 17th St

Boise, ID 83702

89702-514519