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From the East

Brethren:

You are cordially and fraternally invited to join us at our next two Stated Communications:

***Our Next Stated
Communication
will be our
Annual Service Awards
on
Tuesday
April 12th, 2011
Dinner
6:30 PM
Meeting
7:30 PM
Please RSVP
Officers-Tuxedos
Members - Business
Suits***

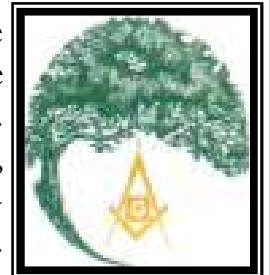
***Tuesday April 26, 2011
At 7:30 PM
Stated Communication
(Business Meeting)***

***All meetings are at
American Legion Post
214
located at
71 Forester Avenue in
Warwick, NY.***



My Brothers,

As we approach the end of the Masonic Year, I ask that you consider making a gift to the Masonic Brotherhood Fund. Whether you choose for your contribution to go towards any of the nine giving options, or just the Grand Master's Allocation, you're helping at a time when it is most needed. The state of the economy has taken its toll, and last year was the first year in almost a decade where the Fund didn't make it to a million dollars in contributions. I've spent the past seven months, as part of the District Deputy Grand Master's Staff, visiting Lodges throughout the District, carrying the message about the Masonic Brotherhood Fund and the good it does. You've received mailings from W. Bro. William Oldick, our Lodge MBF Chairman, and now you're getting one from me. Your contribution makes a difference. This year the M. W. Vincent Libone has designated the Masonic Home for The Grand Master's Allocation. Give what you can.



Blood Drive

***We will be conducting
another blood drive at the Lodge on
Saturday, June 18th From 11am to 5pm
To schedule a time for donation, or to
volunteer to help, please contact:
Bro. Steve Carrobis
Steven_c@verizon.net
(917) 744-9084***

A Masonic Safety ID Program

***will be held at
Greenwood Lake Middle
School on Friday, April 8th,
from 6 to 9 pm.
We will be doing IDs for a
large group of Cub Scouts
that evening.
If you can help,
please contact
W.: Luke Gordon.***

Warwick Lodge No. 544 Slate of Officers 2010-2011

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W.: Edward Schradin, III
W.: Paul Karas

Coming Attractions!

**April 12th Service Awards & W.: A. E. Higgs Apron
 Presentation Night* ++**

April 14th Grand Lecturer's Convention at Pearl River +

April 15th Road Trip to Callicoon NY for Brotherhood Night +

April 26th Stated Communication +

May 2nd & 3rd Grand Lodge, New York City

May 10th Summoned Communication, Election of Officers +

May 24th Stated Communication +

June 12th Lobster Bake

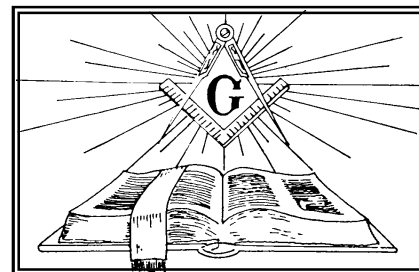
June 14th Installation of Officers and Strawberry Festival ++

June 18th Blood Drive

**- Dinner precedes Meeting at
 6:15pm.**

+ - Business Suit.

**++ - Officers Formal
 Members Business Suit**



In Memoriam



Right Worshipful Robert Morlang, Jr., Past District Deputy Grand Master for the Orange/Rockland District unexpectedly passed away on February 12th, 2011 at the age of 50 years old. In addition to his extensive work with The Craft, RW Bob was a leader with the Boy Scouts, and was conducting a snow shoe winter camping expedition at the time of his passing.

RW Bro. Bob worked for Con Edison, and was also a part time Police Officer in Stony Point, NY, as well as a member of the Volunteer Fire Department there. He was also active with Eastern Star and Big Brothers, amongst others. He is survived by his parents, Bro. Robert Sr. and Dolores, sister Beverly, and dear friend Vicky Mara(OES). He was a good friend to Warwick Lodge, and a truly selfless gentleman and Brother who will be greatly missed by all who know him.

A personal message from the Master



Brethren;

I was just coming out of the grocery store on Saturday, February 12th, when my cell phone rang. It was Ed Higgs, informing me that Bob Morlang had passed away that day. I was stunned by the news.

Bob and I were both about the same age, he had just turned 50 in December. His passing is a terrible loss, not just for his family, his friends, and his Lodge but also for the community as a whole. Bob never lost sight of the importance of giving back to the community, and public service.

He and his dad came to Warwick Lodge one night, shortly after Bob Jr. was named DDGM, while we were still on Main Street. We were conferring the Second Degree that night, and a terrific storm came up, and blew the window out of the door in the side room. Bob spent an hour taping up the door and cleaning up all the broken glass so we could finish the degree.

A number of Brothers accompanied me to his wake in Stony Point, and I have never seen such a turnout. Masons, Eastern Star, Boy Scouts, Fire Fighters, Police, co-workers and friends all turned out to say farewell to Bro. Bob. He was the kind of person who was always willing and eager to help friend or stranger alike. Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers.

District Educational Opportunities

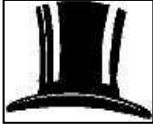
On April 9th and 23rd, the District Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.: W.: Bruce Wiegand will be conducting the Masonic Development Course at our Lodge. This course is essential for our newly raised Brothers, as well as anyone else who would like more light about Freemasonry, what it means, why we do what we do, etc. The class runs from 7pm to 10 pm, and you must attend both sessions. The cost of the class is \$20, and includes the book, a certificate and pin.

Also in April will be The Road To The East, which is for those who are interested in taking on Leadership responsibilities within the Lodge, eventually becoming Worshipful Master. This will be at West Point Lodge on April 16th and 30th, from 8am to 2pm and you must attend both sessions. The cost of the class is \$10, and there are certain required texts which the Lodge can provide.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Lodge Secretary Bill Howell Jr., by April 6th so that the necessary arrangements can be made, or you can contact our District Grand Director of Ceremonies R.: W.: Bruce Wiegand directly, by April 7th at bwiegand@hvc.rr.com



Recent Lodge News



Last month, we raised two Brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason, in a degree performed jointly with the Brothers of Athelstane Lodge. Brothers Christian Perron and Peter Troxell were raised along with two new Master Masons from Athelstane. Taking part in the Degree from Warwick Lodge were W.: Luke Gordon, W: Bill Howell, W.: Pete Goydich, Bro. Randy Faurot, Bro. Anthony Luhs and Bro. Steve Carobis.

Brother Ray Rivera has moved on to warmer climes. Bro. Ray recently retired from the NYPD, and has relocated to Cary, North Carolina. Word has it that Brother Rivera has already signed on with the local Police Department to work down there.

A number of local Boy Scout and Girl Scouts troops have approached the Lodge regarding Eagle Scout and Gold Award ceremonies. We strongly support Scouting, and like to help recognize the hard work of these scouts, but please bear in mind it does take some time to get these Awards and Certificates processed by Grand Lodge, usually 6-8 weeks.

Are you on Facebook? If so, take a look at the Lodge page. Just enter Warwick Lodge in the Search box at the top of the screen and it will take you there. If you click on "Like", you will receive notices about coming events.

A number of Warwick Brothers recently took part in a Masonic Safety ID program that was held in conjunction with the Home Show at Rockland Community College. Over 250 IDs were done for people of all ages over the course of the three day show, with brothers from the Orange – Rockland, Westchester and Manhattan districts taking part, as well as members of the Demolay organization for young men.



Please, if you are coming to the Service Awards Dinner and Meeting, let us know! The menu is Pork Cutlets with Applesauce, Bowtie Pasta with Broccoli, Garlic & Oil, Bread and Salad, along with beverages and dessert. We want to make sure there's enough! Your RSVP will be quite appreciated.

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To: