

UTICA LODGE #47 F. & A.M.

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(2019 – 2020)

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MASTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Brethren,

“The magic in these Masonic rituals is very, very old. And way back in those days, it worked. As time went on, and it started being used for spectacle, to consolidate what were only secular appearances of power, it began to lose its zip. But the words, moves, and machinery have been more or less faithfully carried down over the millennia, through the grim rationalizing of the World, and so the magic is still there, though latent, needing only to touch the right sensitive head to reassert itself.” – Thomas Pynchon, Gravity's Rainbow

Brethren, there are a few dates coming up we should all keep in mind.

January 13, 2019: Trestle board will include conclusion of the 3rd Degree with a presentation from W.: Frank Williams on the 3rd Degree Historical Lecture.

Lodge opens at 6:30 pm. “Welcome Back Dinner” will be after our Lodge meeting..

January 27, 2020: Conferral of the First Degree on lodge opens at 6:00 pm.

From the Officers of Utica Lodge #47 F&AM, we wish you a Very Happy, Prosperous and Healthy New Year.

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W.: William Darman

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, January 13, 2020: “Welcome Back Dinner and Stated Communication – Conclusion of Master Mason Degree

Welcome Back Dinner – (will follow the Lodge meeting)

Lodge opens at 6:30 PM EST.

The agenda for the evening will include:

- Reading and balloting on several new Petitions for membership
- Symbols of Masonry
- Questions & Answers for the 3rd Degree
- 3rd Degree Historical Lecture

Attire – Officers, dark suit and tie; Brothers, jacket and tie.

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Monday, January 27, 2020: Stated Communication – Entered Apprentice Degree

Lodge opens at 6:00 PM EST. Candidates be at 3rd floor of Masonic Hall at 5:30 PM.

Attire for the evening: Officers, Tuxedo or dark suit. Brothers and Candidates, jacket and tie.

Agenda for the evening: Initiation of several brothers to the degree of Entered Apprentice.

We will need several brothers to act as conductors.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

If you are aware of any brother in sickness or distress, please contact the Master or Lodge Secretary to let us know.

OUR ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER & “OUR LODGE PAGE”

Utica Lodge #47 is continuing our evolution to an electronic newsletter versus sending out printed copies. The Newsletter is available to you in two electronic forms. First, the monthly newsletter, and other special announcements, will be posted on **Our Lodge Page**, a special website set up for all Lodges by the Grand Lodge of New York. Look under the “News” tab at the top of the home page.

Secondly, we are sending a PDF copy of the Newsletter to your email address as it is listed in Grand Lodge records (MORI system). This email will be sent through the MORI email system. If you do not receive these emails, please contact us to make sure we have your correct email address.

We will also have printed copies of the newsletter on the table on the 3rd floor outside the Lodge Room.

We need your email address: If you do not have email, we can send the newsletter to someone in your home who does have email. If you have no capability of email, please contact our Lodge Secretary so we can make accommodations for you.

Using the Our Lodge Page and MORI email system will save the Lodge a great deal of money each year.

Dues Notices and Summonses: Certain Lodge communications will still be sent out via US Mail to all Lodge members. This will include the annual Dues Notice, Summons for the Annual Meeting, and other communications as stipulated either in the Lodge By-laws or Grand Lodge of NY.

Dues Notices and New Dues Cards

Printed Dues notices for 2020 have been sent to all members of the Lodge via USPS, using the MORI system to generate the notices. Payments are due in January of each year. If you find an error in your Dues Notice, please contact our Lodge Secretary immediately so we can correct the information in the MORI system.

As of 2020, Grand Lodge of NY is moving to new plastic, permanent Dues Cards. These will replace the paper cards used in the past. The card will contain your Lodge information and be updated through your records in MORI.

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