



March Trestleboard

Eagle Rock Lodge #19 AF&AM

From the East: There were two Masonic funerals in our area this last month, which is sad, but the response of the Brethren was heartening. Dozens of Masons appeared row on row, to offer support and remembrance for the fallen and their families. This "Final Tribute of Affection" is so

much more meaningful when there is a mass of caring Masons backing up the Master delivering the message. Thanks to all who could participate.

Lodge Cleanup was completed on schedule, even if a few of us were late arriving. This duty is a necessary one, as, while each organization cleans up after itself, there is always an accumulation of things missed or forgotten by those hurrying to depart. Each organization takes a turn at a more thorough cleaning each month, and our Temple always appears clean and inviting for our meetings and events.

Our DeMolay Men (they are YOUNG men, but time will cure that) are active and initiating members. They are also raising money for their activities. There is a raffle coming to a close, a fund-raising dinner and silent auction March 27th, and many other activities. They are also selling advertising spots for the Idaho DeMolay Conclave Advertising fundraiser. They sell advertisements to local businesses and organizations which will appear in the 62nd Annual Conclave. What makes this fundraiser so special is that this one directly helps Idaho DeMolay, and supports activities state-wide. If you know an organization or business that might benefit from this, let the Chapter know.

Degree work progresses, as our candidates complete proficiencies and more petitions arrive. We completed a Fellowcraft degree in February, and will have at least one degree conferral in March.

Dinner at our February "Second Stated" was well received, and we will hope to draw an even more appreciative crowd in March, as our meeting is on St. Patrick's day and we will have, not corned beef, but a real lamb stew, in the true Irish tradition. Anyone wishing to assist in the kitchen or contribute a special side dish should contact Bro. Scott Auvil or Bro. Albert Brett.

Our DeMolay are holding a Squires of the Round Table Initiation on March 12, and this bodes well for the future of our Lodge and our DeMolay Chapter, as the younger men thus enlisted are our future as well as theirs.

Are you free on Tuesday or Thursday afternoon? Drop by the Lodge and share a cup of coffee with the Fellowcraft Club. It is a great way to relax and hear what is happening among the Brethren.

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