

# On the Square



## From the East

*Dallas Booth, Worshipful Master*

Greetings from the EAST! These past six months have just flown by, and yet, we have accomplished much. Our membership is involved in much more than we report but we do, from time to time, report extraordinary situations: Evansville #64 held a quasi-One Day Class for a soldier from Afghanistan, home on leave. This brother received his EA and FC on Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, and was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason on Monday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, with assistance from Dennis T. Herrell, PGM, an old friend of this young man's family. This is what Masonry is all about!

I take quite seriously my responsibility to maintain the patrimony of the Lodge. Therefore, it is my duty as Master, to inform you that, after grave deliberation, excellent counsel from our Treasurer, Jay West, PM, and a useful stated meeting, Evansville #64 formally has increased the dues of the Lodge for the purposes of maintaining viability in the present building and our own financial liquidity. Although the vote was unanimous, this decision was not arrived at casually. We pray that this step will win us more time to analyze more thoroughly future options.

I hope that Evansville #64 will be able to continue its good work in and out of the Lodge with some of the outreach programs and the fine ritual work that the officers and brethren perform. It is an honor to be part of #64 and I hope you demonstrate this same belief by attending some of our stated meetings, participating in degree work and lending a hand with our charitable programs!

Fraternally,

*~ Dallas*

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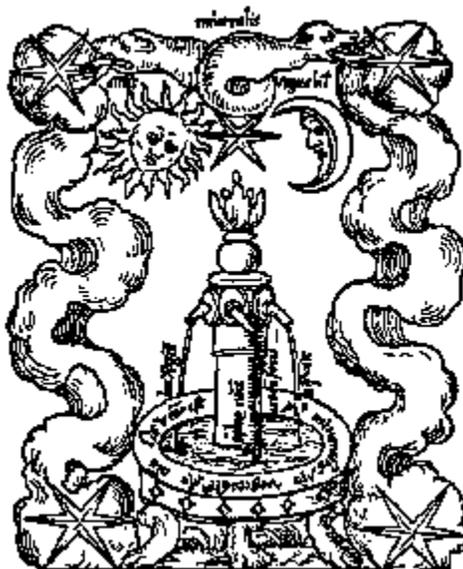
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**DALLAS BOOTH**  
Master of the Lodge

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Brothers,

You know with this economic downturn, everyone's feeling the pinch, but prices and expenses keep going up. One of the ways to fight this lopsided financial situation is to discover newer and better ways to raise money for our lodge. Brother Ken Roy has taken it upon himself to negotiate an opportunity for #64 to work one of the concession stands at stadium events. We must have a pool of masonic lodge volunteers who are willing to take a little training and then to take turns working rotations at some of the events. These brothers would serve as hands-on supervisors. The pool of workers will come from another source, so we don't have to worry about completely manning the booth, but we would be responsible for the professional operation of the enterprise. The Master has already written about this in the last article "From the East" dated June 2010. In this article, WM Dallas Booth wrote that this would be a golden opportunity for us to raise some money and possibly put some away for "a rainy day." For those of us whose schedules might not accommodate volunteering at other lodge functions, this might be a perfect way to demonstrate and reinforce our commitment to the success of our lodge. Depending on the number of men we get to sign up for this work, we might be able to earn a significant amount of cash to alleviate some of the expenses we now incur and reserve some money for future planned or unplanned expenditures. Brother Roy has offered further details for our review and discussion; if approved, this might be a great way to raise some money and strengthen our brotherly bond. Give it some thought and let the Worshipful Master know if you can lend a hand!



# Secretary's Memo



James Jones, PM

## OFFICIAL NOTICE of VOTING ON BY-LAWS CHANGE

Brethren of Evansville Lodge #64: At the Stated Meeting on July 12<sup>th</sup>, an amendment to the by-laws concerning the first paragraph of Article #8, section 1, will be considered and a vote taken. Here is the current reading:

### ARTICLE 8 FEES

(Reg. 29.010)

**Sec. 1.** Every petition for initiation must be accompanied with a fee of \$150.00 which shall be payment in full for the three degrees.

In addition to the fee for the degrees as specified in the Lodge by-laws, the Secretary of the Lodge shall collect from each petitioner a contribution of ten dollars (\$10.00) to be sent to the Grand Secretary and be, by him, forwarded to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial for its maintenance. Note: The ten dollar fee will be shown on the annual recapitulation and will be included in your Grand Lodge dues which are payable on or before March 15<sup>th</sup>.

Fraternally,  
James F. Jones, PM, Secretary

## CHECK YOUR DUES CARD!

If it is not dated 2010 you may be in arrears in paying your dues. This is important because, in the very near future, letters will be sent detailing **Suspension for Non-Payment of Dues**. We do hope that you are in good health and have financial peace of mind. If this is not the case, we need to hear from you or your family so we can fulfill our Masonic obligations to lend assistance. If for some other reason the dues notice was misplaced, forgotten or never received, we appreciate your taking the time to remit the amount. As you know, we rely on the payment of dues to carry on the work of the Fraternity in our community, including caring for our elderly Masonic family at the Indiana Masonic Home in Franklin, IN. If for some reason you wish to discontinue your membership in our Lodge, rather than not pay, please consider paying current dues of \$100.00 and requesting a demit. Then, in the future, if you have a change of heart, it will be a simple process for you to restore your membership. We hope this is not the case, as having you as a Brother is important to us.

Contact Jim Jones (Secretary)  
**491 3667**

# 64 OUTDOORS...

**O**n May 29<sup>th</sup>, Evansville Lodge #64 had the privilege of being present at Cynthiana Lodge #710 for the presentation of 50 Year Award of Gold pins to two of its members.

Brothers Louis Brandenstein and Bill Phelps both joined this Masonic fraternity in 1960. For fifty years, these men tirelessly supported Freemasonry by giving their time, their service and their financial support. These brothers know the benefits of staying the course and claiming their rightful places within this world wide fraternity. These men serve as are our reminders, that **we are all brothers**, and sons of the Grand Master of the Universe.

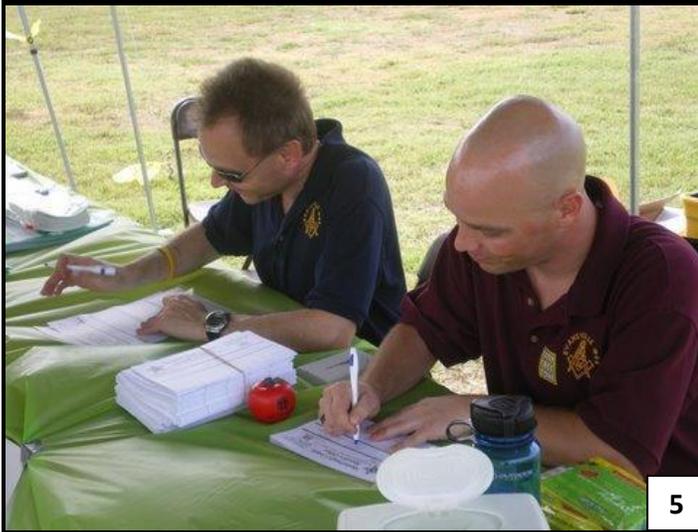
In addition to receiving their pins and certificates, Louis and Bill were treated to a delightful dinner, furnished by those who came along to help celebrate this wonderful occasion. Evansville #64 was able to join the festivities by providing a large chocolate sheet cake which was enjoyed by all after the festivities.

We at Evansville Lodge #64 congratulate these men for this milestone of achievement in Masonic service!

## Discovery Dash 2010



Saturday morning, June 5, Evansville 64 participated in the Discovery Dash sponsored by the Children's Museum of Evansville. The brothers provided our IdentiKids information to grateful parents. The weather was warm and beautiful and we were glad to have a great awning from Jim Jones, PM. Volunteers that day were 1. Van "Jasper" Haas, entertaining the crowds and 2. (l-r) Mark Wilson, Tim Kuykendall, Jay West, PM, and Ken Roy (organizer). Lots of fun and lots of runnin' around...everyone was a winner that day!



The IdentiKids kits help parents collect vital information that might aid in identifying children in the case of an emergency. 3. A great opportunity for the kids to socialize and check out the different booths and displays 4. Kids get ready for the big race 5. (l-r) Mark Wilson and Tim Kuykendall fill out identification cards 6. “Jasper” and “Rooster” with a clown fan 7. (l-r) Jay West, PM, unidentified, Ken Roy and Tim Kuykendall assisting in the booth 8. Mark Wilson and Jay West, PM, lending a hand with identification information



While serving in Iraq with Evansville's 163rd Field Artillery, Corporal (and Brother) Dean Bruce, far right, posed with two other members of his Humvee crew, Staff Sergeant Mat Lakes of Indianapolis, center, and Specialist Jake Kirsch of Evansville. Brother Bruce, now home from Iraq, is involved in Evansville's mock D-Day Battle and a member of #64. 2009 photo of the reenactment at Marina Point in Evansville, IN.

One of these days," said Dean Bruce, "we'll get up and there won't be any more World War II veterans." Which is a main reason the 43-year-old veteran of the Iraq War and other reenactors band together every June on Evansville's Riverfront to simulate the D-Day invasion with bunkers, blank rifle and machine gun fire, smoke grenades, flash effects, a baby tank and sometimes buzzing aircraft. "It's not just for military buffs, the bleacher brigade or kids who collect spent cartridges afterward. It's for the old guys who served from 1941-45."

"It's a way to honor them," Bruce added. This year's battle, which always unfolds at Marina Pointe near the LST 325 on the weekend closest to the actual anniversary (June 6, 1944), was June 5-6. A new twist saw Saturday's landing at 1 p.m. (involving the LST's Higbee boats) come ashore near a lift station downriver from Marina Pointe. Lending authenticity is the LST 325, which saw action during the real D-Day. Brother Bruce, a pipefitter and a brother in Evansville Lodge #64, took part in Evansville's first mock invasion in 2006, playing a German soldier. He missed the event in 2008 while serving with Evansville's 163rd Field Artillery in Iraq. This year he'll be in street clothes, handling registrations. Not only was he grazed in the helmet by a sniper in Iraq, but he also developed an infection as a gunner on a Humvee — an infection so serious, he was flown to Walter Reed Army Medical Center for numerous surgeries.

Brother Bruce comes by his World War II interest naturally. His grandfather built LSTs at the Evansville Shipyard before going to war with his four brothers. "We can't duplicate the horrors of D-Day, the mass of men on the beach, but I would hope that people take away the true meaning from our small rendition," he reflected.

~ Evansville Courier

## Brothers, come join us!

July 10th, from 7:00 am to 2:00 pm, Evansville #64 will be in Cynthiana, Indiana.

Cynthiana Lodge #710 is hosting a town-wide rummage sale to help raise money to put a new roof on their lodge building. Our brothers will be there helping out with the sale and offering local parents a chance to take advantage of our Identi-Kit program.

You, too, can help with this project. Even if you can't be in Cynthiana, you might have items around your house or garage that you no longer need or want. Why not donate those reusable items to this worthwhile cause? Allow them to be sold at the Cynthiana rummage sale! **Helping a brother is what being a Mason is all about!**

~ Ken Roy

Contact me at [kekaroy@att.net](mailto:kekaroy@att.net) and I will pick up your donated items.

Evansville #64 Congratulates Our 160<sup>th</sup> Grand Master

❖ *Kenneth E. Willis, Jr., 33°* ❖



&

Our New Junior Grand Deacon

❖ *William A. Reiners, 33°* ❖



**Vivant in æternum!**

The Worshipful Dallas Booth invites you to join him in congratulating two brothers: Worshipful Brother Jim Jones, PM, received the Order of Service to Masonry Award for his outstanding contribution to the state-wide Ritualist Pin Program; and Brother William Crowell who received the Grand Master's Award of Excellence for converting and enhancing the slide lecture pictures to digital format. Brother Crowell burned, labeled and dispatched discs for lodges throughout Indiana and several foreign countries. He maintained that program until this year when Grand Lodge adopted the Disc Program and added the script to the slides, a herculean task that he and Brother Jones accomplished. Bill also raised and maintained the SIMconn.net website which supports the Ritualist Pin Program and the Disc Program.

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