

# On the Square



## From the East

Dallas Booth, Worshipful Master

To the members of Evansville Lodge No. 64, I would like to offer this personal invitation: come to Lodge and see what your brothers have been up to this year. We as a Lodge have been very busy. I would like to make the rest of this year as good as I can for the Lodge; but in order to make this happen, I need the help and support of each member. If you have not been to Lodge lately, please come by. If you have not helped with some of our outreach programs, please do so. If you have not talked a worthy friend into joining, please think about it. If you have not been active in ritual work, please try it.

On a parting note, a wise man once told me, "You get out of Masonry what you put into it." Don't just carry a card - get involved!

*~ Dallas*

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The Worshipful  
**DALLAS BOOTH**  
Master of the Lodge

# Secretary's Memo



James Jones, PM

Greetings, Brethren!

A One Day Class is approaching! If you know someone who wishes to take the degrees of Masonry through a One Day Class, NOW is the time to enter his Petition. Petitions for this class will be voted on at the October 11<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting. This means that **petitions must be submitted** with a check for \$160.00 and signed by two members of Evansville Lodge #64 **not later than Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>**. Please have signed petitions in my hand by that date.

Our Outreach Chairman, Ken Roy, passes along a BIG Thank You to the Brothers who helped at the MDA Lockup recently and also to those who pitched in to help park cars at the Frog Follies. We were assisting the Dream Center who parked cars at the Follies as a fund raiser. On the topic of the Dream Center, we will be serving our Monthly meal for the children on Wednesday Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. We recently changed the meal deal to the THIRD Wednesday of the month. Hope you can make it. Come between 4:30 to 5:30 and we're done by 6:30. We will be helping with the MDA Telethon on Labor Day; drop by anytime Monday between 8 AM and noon.

Our Lodge of Instruction was Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>. It went VERY well. Your officer staff made you proud. It's nice to be able to stop the degree to ask questions. If you attend Lodge but rarely, a Lodge of Instruction (LOI) is a good one to make. Watch for it next year.

Day	Date	Time	Event	Additional Info
Monday (Labor Day)	September 6	8 AM – Noon	Labor Day Telethon	St Mary's Hospital across from Emergency Room
Monday	September 13	6 PM - ?	Lodge Stated Meeting	Dinner at 6/ Meeting at 7
Monday	September 20	6:30 PM	25/50 Year Awards at the Temple	Dinner at 6:30/ Ceremony to follow
Monday	September 27	TBA	FC Degree (Daniel Banks)	At the Temple
Monday	October 4	TBA	MM Degree (Jason Dicken)	To be confirmed at 9/13 Stated Meeting
Monday	October 11	6 PM - ?	Lodge Stated Meeting	Dinner at 6/ Meeting at 7
Saturday	October 16	8:30 AM - ?	One Day Class at the Temple	#64 will perform EA Degree

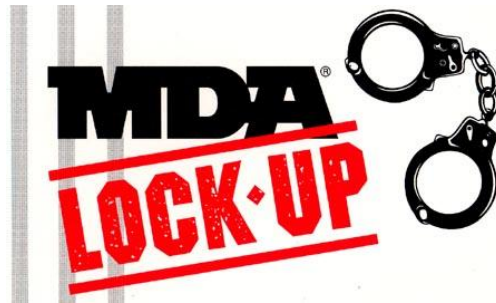
# “64” OUTDOORS...

By Kenneth Roy

On August 17<sup>th</sup>, Evansville #64 displayed its community spirit, once again, by participating in the "MDA Lock-Up" at Blush Lounge at Le Merigot Hotel. Earlier this summer, we again were invited to take part in this worthwhile project. Proudly, we accepted this opportunity, on behalf of all of our members at Evansville #64. Working with the Muscular Dystrophy fund raisers always seems to provide an easy way to do what we can to help "Jerry's Kids."

It was very pleasant...time spent in a cool lounge during the heat of a summer afternoon; good brotherly fellowship; very little work; friendly banter with the public; plenty to eat and drink. WOW! What more could a person ask for on a summer afternoon? Well, I am here to tell you; it could still have been a better day for us all. How?

Next time, we want to see YOU!! Join us and see if you don't agree. Your presence, my brother, is the key to our having better days.



Masonic labor is purely a labor of love. He who seeks to draw Masonic wages in gold and silver will be disappointed. The wages of a Mason are earned and paid in their dealings with one another; sympathy that begets sympathy, kindness begets kindness, helpfulness begets helpfulness, and these are the wages of a Mason.

~ Benjamin Franklin

## ACTIVITIES AND VISITATIONS

BY KENNETH ROY

IT HAS BEEN A VERY BUSY MONTH AT EVANSVILLE #64. IN ADDITION TO PERFORMING EXCELLENT RITUAL WORK, WE ARE GETTING OUT AND MAKING OURSELVES KNOWN TO OUR COMMUNITY. BROTHERS, IF YOU HAVEN'T HEARD, IN ADDITION TO OUR MONDAY NIGHT MEETINGS, WE ARE VISITING OTHER LODGES, HELPING WITH COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND DOING WHAT WE CAN TO SPREAD THE MASONIC TEACHINGS OF BROTHERLY LOVE, RELIEF AND TRUTH.

HERE IS A SHORT LIST OF SOME THINGS WE WERE PART OF IN AUGUST. WHY DON'T YOU PLAN TO JOIN US ON SOME OF OUR FUTURE ENDEAVOR?!

AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup> FUND RAISING BREAKFAST AT STANLEY LODGE IN STANLEY, KENTUCKY.

AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup> DREAM CENTER MEAL-COOKING FOR THE KIDS AT THE CENTER.

AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup> POSEYVILLE LODGE VISITATION IN POSEYVILLE, IN, FOR E.A. DEGREE

AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup> MDA LOCKUP ASSISTANCE AT THE BLUSH RESTAURANT FOR "JERRY'S KIDS."

AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup> LODGE OF INSTRUCTION VISITATION (CONSTELLATION - LESSING - DAY LIGHT LODGES).

AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup> ELNORA LODGE VISITATION IN ELNORA, IN, FOR A M.M. DEGREE.

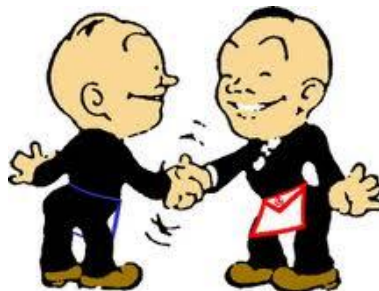
AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup> FISH FRY AT BUELAH LODGE, MT. VERNON, IN.

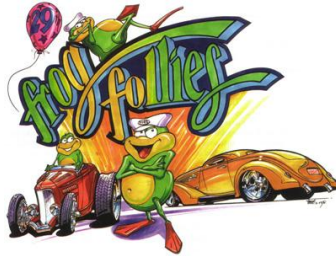
AUGUST 22<sup>ND</sup> MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR BROTHER JERRY BRUNING, 33°, AT GILHAM FUNERAL HOME.

AUGUST 25<sup>TH</sup> CONSTELLATION LODGE VISITATION FOR E.A. DEGREE.

AUGUST 29<sup>TH</sup> FROG FOLLIES AT 4H ASSISTING THE DREAM CENTER BY PARKING CARS TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE KIDS.

**SEE YOU AT LODGE REAL SOON!**





Brothers from Evansville #64 and the Master of Beulah Lodge #578, responded to calls for help from our friends at the Dream Center. The Center is a ministry geared to help children of all ages, and particularly the children of our inner city. Our association with the Center is typically limited in scope to providing meals for the kids that take part in their programs. However, this changed a little when they asked us to help them park cars at the Frog Follies this year. This opportunity was going to help the Dream Center make some extra money to keep their ministry going. As you can guess, your brothers, in true Masonic form, stepped up and said what can we do?

Our goal has always been to "Take good men and make them better." We, as a fraternity, must also remember to do what we can to help our community's children to become good citizens. These children are our future!  
~ Kenneth Roy



**ON AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup>, EVANSVILLE #64 SERVED A FINE MEAL OF ROAST BEEF TO THE CHILDREN AT THE DREAM CENTER. THIS WAS MADE POSSIBLE, IN PART, BECAUSE OF FOOD DONATIONS FROM OUR GOOD FRIENDS AT SMG.**

**AS OUR BROTHERS COOKED AND CLEANED, GOOD FELLOWSHIP AND HUMOR FILLED THE KITCHEN. OUR TIME TOGETHER PASSED QUICKLY AS THE LIGHT-HEARTED ATMOSPHERE IN THE ROOM WORKED ITS MAGIC AND CHANGED US INTO A WELL FUNCTIONING TEAM. FROM THE CHILDREN WHO ENJOYED THE MEAL TO THE PEOPLE WHO PREPARED IT, A DELIGHTFULLY PRODUCTIVE AFTERNOON WAS HAD BY ALL.**

**JOIN US AT THE DREAM CENTER NEXT MONTH AND HAVE A GREAT TIME!**

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# The Masonic Funeral Service

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**F**or those who might have forgotten, the Masonic Funeral Service is one of the most beautiful pieces of literature ever written. Simple, honest and straight-forward, it offers each of us an opportunity to reflect upon our own mortality, and to reaffirm our individual faith in the Supreme Grand Master of Heaven and Earth. It draws forth its inspiration and words of comfort not only from our Volume of Sacred Law, but also from many of the world's greatest literary geniuses. No one can listen to our service and not be impacted by the gentle, yet powerful, words that touch the heart of every person present -- both Mason and non-Mason alike. One day, and we know not when, each one of us will be that Brother who has passed from sight. One day, each one of us will have ended our journey in this life. As your then cold and lifeless body is commended to the grave eternal, will you want your Masonic Brethren to be present and among those that mourn you, and to offer comfort and consolation to your loved ones?

As stated in our funeral service, you can do nothing more of a material nature for the departed Brother. Nevertheless, you can cherish his memory, and offer the tribute of respect and love to the late Brother's memory. Of even greater importance, you can be there to extend our fraternal sympathy to our Brother's deeply afflicted and sorrowing family in their bereavement. We must tell his loved ones, and demonstrate it by our physical presence, that our promises to be true to them are not hollow or empty words. We owe our Brother something, and this may be the very last opportunity we will ever have to repay that debt.

Brethren, if you receive a call from your Lodge or see a Masonic Funeral Notice in your local newspaper, take the twenty or thirty minutes out of your busy lives to make this final act of respect and tribute. No, you may not have personally known the Brother, but he was your Brother and that alone is enough to justify making the effort to attend and to demonstrate to the world that we Freemasons do, in fact, sincerely care about each other -- both in life and in death.

Each of us will one day cross death's threshold. After spending years in the Masonic Fraternity, how would you feel if most of your Lodge Brothers were too occupied with their own self-interests to attend your Masonic Funeral Service? How will your loved ones feel if the organization you belonged to for so many years cannot even muster more than a small handful of members to stand around your casket?

This is one obligation and commitment that each of us should earnestly strive to fulfill even if we cannot always attend Lodge meetings. Let us demonstrate before the world that we are men who practice Brotherly Love -- all the way to the grave's edge.



*"Called from Labour"*

# *The “Golden Fleece” and The Star and Garter*

By H. Meij, PM

In the E.A. ritual, the W.M. gives a lambskin, or white leather apron, to the candidate, saying that it is “more ancient than the Golden Fleece or Roman Eagle, more honorable than the Star and Garter....”

What are the Golden Fleece and Star and Garter?

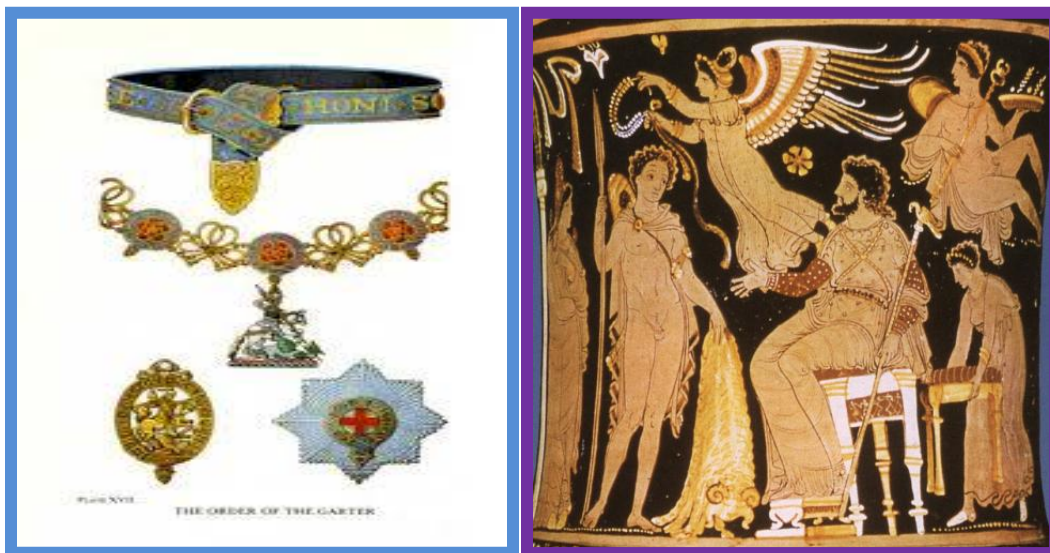
A fleece is a coat of wool covering a wool-bearing animal like a sheep. This would explain the link between a fleece and our apron being white leather. Golden fleece appears in the Greek tradition, where Aries was the winged ram of the Golden Fleece. There was also a fleece placed by the King of Colchis in a dragon-guarded grove and which was recovered by the Argonauts. It is also interesting to note that the Order of the Golden Fleece, introduced by Philip III (a.k.a. Philip the Good), Duke of Burgundy in 1429, was the highest order of knighthood, especially as wool was an important part of his domain at the time.

...There is an order, called the Order of the Garter, which is the most illustrious order of British knighthood. It was instituted by King Edward III in 1348. The order consists of the sovereign, and twenty-five companions, of which the Prince of Wales is always a member. It therefore signifies how important the order is, and also, more interestingly perhaps, the period from which our ritual possibly originated (12<sup>th</sup> century).



*The Roman Eagle*

*SPQR = Senatus Populusque Romanus*



*Insignia of the Most Noble Order of the Garter;  
Jason Handing over the Golden Fleece to King Pelias*

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