

March Calendar

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- **Mar 06:** Dinner and Stated Meeting
- **Mar 09:** OES Yard Sale
- **Mar 13:** Second Degree
- **Mar 16:** Blue Horseshoe BBQ courtesy of Phoenix
- **Mar 20:** First Degree
- **Mar 27:** Officers and Trustees meeting
- **Mar 29:** OES Fish Fry

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From The East



Strength in adversity is the crucible in which character is forged and resilience is tested. In the face of challenges, we have the opportunity to tap into our inner reservoirs of fortitude and determination. Adversity is not just a trial, but a transformative force, revealing the true mettle of those who confront it with courage. It demands an unwavering commitment to one's principles, an ability to adapt in the face of uncertainty, and a resilience that turns setbacks into stepping stones.

It is through adversity that individuals often discover strengths within themselves they might not have known existed, a tenacity that fuels perseverance and a wisdom that emerges from navigating difficulties. In both personal and collective struggles, the capacity to find strength amidst adversity becomes a beacon of inspiration, illuminating the path forward and proving that even in the darkest moments, resilience can lead to triumph.

Fraternally,

Jovan Boskovski, Worshipful Master



“Knowing is not Enough; we must apply. Willing is not enough; we must do.”

Brother Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

From The West



As we head into spring, I am reminded of the change of seasons and the feelings we all experience during this time of year. It's that sense of something fresh and new, and the welcoming of warmer weather which tends to give us renewed energy. This reminds me of how it relates to our craft. We have several new brothers who are springing into the journey of further enlightenment, and just like the anticipation of spring, they are eagerly participating in advancement. They are akin to spring - fresh and new to the craft, bringing forth fresh and innovative ideas.

People often ask me why I enjoy spending time with younger individuals, and this is precisely why. Young people are not weighed down by the stagnation of winter; they possess new ideas and exuberant attitudes, and most importantly, they bring youth. Let us embrace our new brothers; while they have much to learn for their development within the craft, we too can learn from the journey we share with them.

Be True and Just, My Brothers.

Michael Kosatka, Senior Warden

From the South



In an earlier time, before clocks and electricity determined our labors, we looked to the natural seasons for our progress in life. This month, I again call the brethren to observe the time by looking at our celestial, moral, and religious calendars for guidance on where we stand in our Masonic labor.

March is the month of the Vernal Equinox. It is the time in March when the sun passes the equator, moving from the southern to the northern hemisphere. Day and night have approximately the same length, and the date is near 20 March. Historically, our West-

ern Indo-European forefathers called it Aurora, Eostre.

Therefore, metaphorically, the Sun has left the dark abode of its sleep and is now fully arisen. This is the full birth of a new year and corresponds to when an infant is fully awake and christened in baptism. Today, we commonly call it Dawn. The ancient Romans called it Aurora. Their Indo-European relatives, the Anglo-Saxon people, the ancient forefathers of the British and thus the Americans, celebrated it as Eostre, or as we call it today, Easter.

It is no coincidence then that both the resurrection of Christ and His rebirth into eternal life, the old tradition of christening children in the dawn of their early life, and the Anglo-Saxon and Roman celebrations of Eostre and Aurora were celebrated this month. In turn, this is when our happiest and most hopeful time of the year of our life begins.

Thus, for the next few months, the Lodge will be busy preparing its new Gate and Wall. Also, our sisters at the Order of the Eastern Star will be preparing for a garage sale at the lodge. For celebration, we also look forward

to well-met fellowship with our brothers at Phoenicia during their Horseshoe event, which will be filled with the best meats, cuts, and refreshments. Keep a watch on your email for further information on these events.

Brothers, soon the memory of our slumber will fade as we enter the full glory of the year. In our Masonic labors, March represents when we begin to grow into the fullness of our strength. Likewise, the Lodge should look with hope and strength to this period of the year. We are leaving the Dawn of our year at the lodge and looking forward to entering the midday and glory of our year. It is fitting that we will be raising new brothers this month and into the next two months. For our Stated Meeting in the first week of March, we will be honoring one of our country's patron Saints, St. Patrick, with the usual fixings of corned beef and cabbage. We look forward to seeing you all!

Yours fraternally,

Reynold Ramsey, Junior Warden

“From a Masonic perspective, this equinox can be likened to the measuring of our point within a circle. The plumb line achieves a center point in its swing, representing both our vertical and rotational motion around our axis.”

The Masonic Equinox, March 20, 2010 by Masonic Traveler



The 2024 Spring Equinox will Take Place on March 19



Ostarra (1884) by Johannes Gehrts

March Masonic Birthdays

Be sure to wish your Brothers a happy Masonic birthday!



Steven Gill	3/4/2006	Barney Gilley	3/20/2019
Bryan Cooper-Keeble	3/5/1980	Larry Hayes	3/23/1983
Corbin Beu	3/9/2015	Philip Buta	3/23/2002
Steven Berkowitz	3/14/2018	Rodney Kenly	3/24/1976
Adam Crawshaw	3/15/2010	Christopher Bolton	3/24/2001
Ronald Evans	3/16/1983	George Fessler	3/24/2001
James Peterson	3/17/1976	David Silliman	3/24/2001
Peter Lantka	3/17/2001	Dale Borger	3/25/1991
Patrick Mahaffey	3/18/1992	Tory Young	3/25/2015
Jimmie Adams	3/18/1988	Christopher Goyette	3/26/2016
J. Jones	3/20/1993	Burdette Becker	3/27/1974

Check out our Lodge Calendar!

Be sure to check out our new website and make use of the Calendar for all of the most up-to-date Lodge activities!
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CALENDAR

PVST #29

PVST #29 meets every Wednesday

MAR 6 Dinner and Stated Meeting

Brothers please join us for dinner at 6:30PM (just our Stated Meeting, no other business) (please arrive at 7:00 PM. We look forward to seeing you. Doors will close at 8:00 PM if necessary.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS THAT USE OUR BUILDING

OES
Meets every other Thursday

Phoenicia #58
Meets on Tuesdays

AMORC
Meets on select Sundays

If you are interested in using our building, please contact our secretary.

MAR 9 OES Yard Sale

OES Sons of Perseus will be holding a Yard Sale in the Lodge building. Come out and join the fun! The OES in PVST will be hand down donations to sell. Come out and see what interesting items! Please meet with Peter for Sale.

MAR 13 Second Degree

Brothers, please join us for a Second Degree in the Lodge. Check paper at 12:00pm for Materials. The Officers will be present. Please arrive at 12:00pm.

The comedian Richard Pryor (1940-2005) joined a lodge in Peoria, Illinois



Words of Wisdom

“I believe that the ability to think is a blessing. If you can think about a situation, you can deal with it. The big struggle is to keep you head clear enough to think.”

Brother Richard Pryor

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2024 Craft Builders

Support your Lodge and be recognized! For a donation of \$20, you can get your name, or the name of a Brother of your choosing, listed for the 2024 calendar year. This is a great way to honor our beloved deceased Brothers or new Brothers just joining our Craft! Please make your donation to the Secretary if you are interested.

Steven Proctor

Billy Kozuh

Darren Reale



Around the Lodge

Congratulations
Brother Brian on being
Passed to Fellow
Craft!



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Our Past Masters

Dean Graham—Charter Master (2000)*

James Miller, PM (2001)*

William “Skip” Boyer, PM (2002)*

Stafford O Gormley, PM (2003)

William R HEarter, Jr. PM (2004)

David P McArdle, PM (2005)*

Philil J “Jack” Buta, PM (2006)

James E Boniface, PM (2007)

Eric T Carter, PM (2008)

Scot M Baker, PM (2009)

Kirk Lockett, Sr, PM (2010)*

Shane Crabtree, PM (2011)

Tod Truettner, PM (2012)

Leonard Shaprio, PM (2013)

P Bryan Westerman, PM (2014)

Jovan Boskovski, PM (2015)

Mustafa Karamujic, PM (2015)

David McArdle, PM (2017)

Timothy M Dougherty, PM (2018)

Timothy M Dougherty, PM (2019)

William Greenen, PM (2020)

Lukas Siegfried, PM (2021)

Mitchell Robinson (2022)

Mustafa Karamujic (2023)

* Indicates deceased