

# Trestleboard

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"may it live, grow, and flourish!"

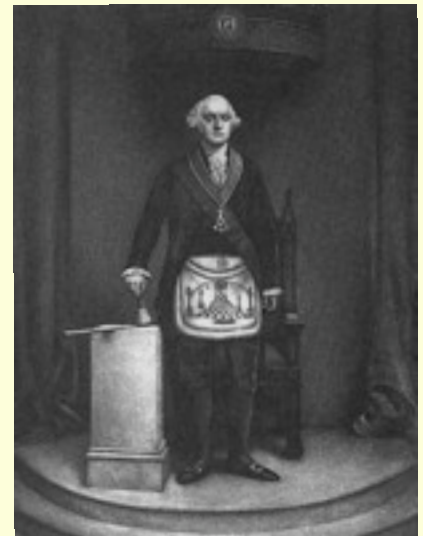


Brethren, This is the first Trestleboard in quite a while, it will not be the last. We at the Lodge are dedicating ourselves to reestablishing a line of communication with all of our members. Our first line of business for the upcoming masonic year will be taking care of old business. There are several

candidates in waiting for degrees and the degree dates will be posted on the monthly calendars enclosed in the Trestleboard mailings. The calendar is also posted on the Lodge WebSite: Hyperlink "<http://www.wheatonlodge269.org>"

"A slender acquaintance with the world must convince every man that actions, not words, are the true criterion of the attachment of friends."

**George Washington**



QUARTA DECIMA ET QUINTA DECIMA EODEM MODO TYPI

*Faith, Hope, and Charity but the greatest of these is Charity.* There are many opportunities for abled-bodied men to volunteer and there is no greater organization on this planet for men of good report to work together for a common purpose and make a difference in our community. The monthly calendars will have the volunteer opportunities posted.



Also, there will be opportunities for charitable donations. If compelled and able to participate please do so.



MASONIC TEDDY BEAR

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Brethren, the Lodge was contacted by Central DuPage Hospital in regards to the Masonic teddy bear program. The bears are given to children who are staying in the Hospital. These bears are distributed by hospital personnel, police officers, and fireman to children who have been involved in traumatic events. These teddy bears help comfort and sooth the children. I am asking for donations to buy 100 teddy bears. The teddy bears average about three dollars each. Please send all donations to the Wheaton Lodge and specify the teddy bear program in the memo portion of the check.



TIE BLANKET

Hospice is in need of lap blankets as the weather becomes colder. Hospice has asked for a simple donation of fleece tie lap blankets and my wife Bridget would enjoy leading the women in making and donating these blankets. If your wife or friend would like to volunteer for this project, please contact Bridget Sanders at (630)907-9957. The event is scheduled for Tuesday November 17th at 7:00PM.



**Food Pantry Donations**

Please bring nonperishable items to the Lodge on the 2nd meeting each month. The donated food will be delivered after the second meeting. Members of the Lodge will also be volunteering at the food pantry in December. The duties performed will be stacking and sorting food. All help would be greatly appreciated. If you are able and available to volunteer, please contact Jeremy Sanders at (630)973-6717.

Calendar

**October 17th, 2009**

Officer Installation at 2:00PM

**October 20th, 2009**

Fellow Craft Degree (3 candidates)

**November 3rd, 2009**

Lodge Practice - Game night

**November 10th, 2009**

Stated Meeting

**November 17th, 2009**

Practice- Women will make Hospice Blankets at the Lodge.

**November 24th, 2009**

Stated Meeting- Bring a box of cereal

Newly elected Lodge Officers

- Worshipful Master: Jeremy Sanders
- Senior Warden: Eric Walsh
- Junior Warden: Patrick Shields
- Treasurer: Ron Mckenzie
- Secretary: Wo Bro Adam Jakupi
- Senior Deacon: Max Flores
- Junior Deacon: Phil Nelson
- Senior Steward: Wayne Miklautsch
- Junior Steward: Robert Press
- Chaplain: Wo Bro Tom Eagan
- Marshall: Paul Lisi
- Organist: Dave Palm
- Tyler: Wo Bro Jeff Armstrong





## 269 Book Club

Brother Sanders and I concocted the idea of starting a book club this fall. First I will give you the specifics of the club and secondly, our first book! We are going to meet beginning in November after the first stated meeting of the month, which is Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. We will meet every two months thereafter to ensure everyone interested has enough time to find and read the selected material. If you know of someone else who would be interested in attending the club who is not a member of our lodge please extend an invite to them. My goal is to have a vigorous discussion of topics that we seldom address. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at HYPERLINK "<mailto:philipnelson@gmail.com>" [philipnelson@gmail.com](mailto:philipnelson@gmail.com) or 773.988.2147.

Our first book is entitled, [Brothers: 26 Stories of Love and Rivalry](#) edited by Andrew Blauner (ISBN:0470391294). The book is a compendium of various authors who discuss their impressions of what it means to be a brother. Here is an excerpt from the front flap:

“In this book, some of our finest authors take an unvarnished look at how brothers admire and admonish, revere and revile, connect and compete, love and war with each other. With hearts and minds wide open, and, in some cases, with laugh-out-loud humor, the writers tackle a topic that is as old as the Bible and yet has been, heretofore, overlooked.”

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions and I look forward to seeing you at our discussion!

Philip Nelson