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One Day Blue Lodge

October 15, 2005

Scottish Rite Masonic Center

Shiloh is Host Lodge

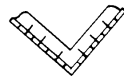
WE NEED YOUR HELP

As Host Lodge, Shiloh has a number of responsibilities. Please call Todd Simpson or Paul Rutherford if you can help with:

- Degree work
- Snacks & Meals
- Candidate Processing
- And more

Further:

If you have a prospect who would be interested in a One Day Degree, get started now and please let the Secretary know.



Schedule of Events

September 2005

<u>Date</u>		<u>Time</u>
7	Builder's Club	8:30am
	Business Meeting	7:30pm
10	CHIP Sponsored by Shiloh Living Faith Methodist Church 187 th & Q (Volunteers Needed)	9:00am
14	EA Degree	7:00pm
21	Builder's Club	8:30am
	FC Degree	7:00pm
28	MM Degree	7:00pm

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22	Spaghetti Feed Fund Raiser	
29	Ladies at the Table Meeting	

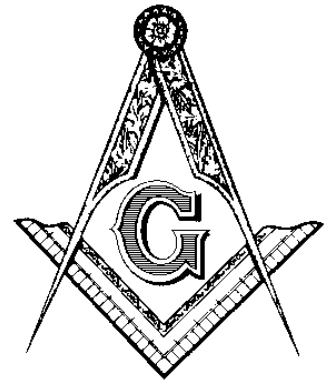
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Please immediately inform any of your lodge officers of such information regarding yourself or a brother.

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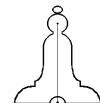
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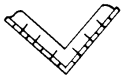
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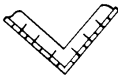
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From the East



What a GREAT Summer! Shiloh stayed very busy with degree work, picnics and Lodge repair.

Since the beginning of June the Lodge has raised four new Master Masons. That's outstanding!

The Builders Club ... or Wrecking Crew as they're sometimes known ... meets in the mornings of the first and third Wednesdays of the month to clean, do repair and tell lies to each other!

But just because we have had a busy summer, that's no reason to let down! We still have a few new members to go to meet our goal of 18. The Lodge has a couple men in the wings to get started, and Shiloh is hosting a one day Blue Lodge Ceremony at the Scottish Rite on October 15th. So if you have potential candidates, get the paperwork started now!

Be sure to mark your calendars for the Grand Master's Breakfast on October 21st at The Omaha Home for Boys. Grand Master Ivan Vrtiska, an honored member of Shiloh, will preside over the discussion of the state of Masonry in Nebraska. On October 22nd Shiloh will hold our annual Spaghetti Feed Fund Raiser at the Lodge. And on October 29th a wonderful tradition returns to our Lodge ... Ladies at the Table. If you have not attended a Ladies at the Table you will want to make a special effort to be at Lodge on the 29th!

Yes, there is still plenty to do before the holidays at Shiloh Lodge. I want to thank the officers and committee chairs for

all their hard work. And I want to thank you for continuing Shiloh's legacy of leadership among Nebraska Masons.

R. Todd Simpson
Worshipful Master-2005

Shiloh Hosting CHIP Event!

Did you know that over 5000 children were reported missing in Nebraska in 2000?

On Saturday September 10, Shiloh Lodge will host a CHIP Event at the Living Faith Methodist Church at 187th & Q Streets. CHIP – the Child Identification Program – provides parents with five types of crucial identification to protect their children:

Finger Prints
Photo – front & side
Video with 20 questions
Mouth Swab for DNA (will last 20 years!)
Dental Imprint

Volunteers are needed to help out. Be sure to wear a Masonic shirt and show up at the Church before 9:00 am on Saturday! Please contact John Maxell (402/740-6302) for more information.

On behalf of the children ... thank you!

A Special Evening

Shiloh Lodge had a special Master's Degree on August 31st this year. Brother Nate Bjorklund, a Fellowcraft member of our Lodge, was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason.

A raising by itself is an honored event. But what made Nate's degree even more special was the presence of both his grandfathers. Mike "Art" Bjorklund from Fremont and a member of Chain Link Lodge # 64 in Minnesota and Al Fronsdaahl - who came all the way from Oregon – of Star Lodge #115 in Iowa were both present while their grandson received more light in Masonry. The grandfathers even helped with the raising of Nate. Nate was also honored to have the current Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Ivan Vrtiska, and two past Grand Masters, Most Worshipful Brother Phil Lorenzen and Most Worshipful Brother Charlie Amidon, assist with his degree work.

When your Father, or your Son, is a Mason

In our fast-paced world, where pressures on time become greater and greater, there are too-few times when fathers can share quality time with their sons. You probably have memories of those moments of sharing when the pace of living was a bit slower. Perhaps your father taught you to drive, or hunt, or fish. Maybe you have a memory of a spring afternoon when the two of you went out into the yard and threw a baseball back and forth or a little league game where you were on a team he helped to coach.

As boys grow into men, unfortunately the sharing opportunities grow even more rare.

As a young adult, you move out of the family home, establish a life and family of your own. There are fewer and fewer

chances to share things with your father. Differences in age and changing times mean communication sometimes grow even more difficult.

But there's one thing you can always share with your father, no matter how much time or how many miles may separate you.

Freemasonry. Is your son a Mason? What about your dad? If not, Shiloh urges you to use this forgotten benefit of Masonry as a conduit to strengthen your relationship with your loved-one.

Where did Freemasonry begin?

Although hundreds of theories have been put forth by learned scholars, both Masons and non-Masons, the question of origin has never been definitively answered. However, all agree it is of antiquity, hence the claim to being the oldest fraternal organization in the world.

Modern Masonry is well documented from 1717 when four Lodges in London, England, met to organize the first Grand Lodge. Obviously, Masonic Lodges were in existence before that. In fact, an entry in a diary owned by one Elias Ashmole stated he was made a Mason on October 16, 1646, in a Lodge in Warrington with 7 members present. Yet the first lodge in Warrington of which we have a record is 1775.

One is probably safe to say that Masonry has been around in one form or another for at least 600 years.