



Refreshments and Activities at Your Lodge

Because of Special Circumstances the lodge meetings times have been changed. Until further notice all morning meetings will be at 10:00am. Refreshments served at 9:30 A.M. unless otherwise noted All menus are subject to change

June 27, 2020	<u>Morning Meeting 10:00 am</u> Refreshments: Donuts Milk, Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee and Water
July 4, 2020	<u>Morning Meeting 10:00 am</u> Refreshments: Donuts Milk, Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee and Water
July 11, 2020	<u>Morning Meeting 10:00 am</u> Refreshments: Donuts Milk, Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee and Water
July 18, 2020	<u>Morning Meeting 10:00 am</u> Refreshments: Donuts Milk, Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee and Water
July 25, 2020	<u>Morning Meeting 10:00 am</u> Refreshments: Donuts Milk, Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee and Water
August 1, 2020	<u>Morning Meeting 10:00 am</u> Refreshments: Donuts Milk, Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee and Water
August 8, 2020	<u>Morning Meeting 10:00 am</u> Refreshments: Donuts Milk, Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee and Water
August 15, 2020	<u>Morning Meeting 10:00 am</u> Refreshments: Donuts Milk, Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee and Water



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JULY- AUGUST 2020



NEIL ARMSTRONG

On July 20, 1969, as Commander of the Apollo 11 lunar module, Neil Armstrong was the first person to set foot on the moon.

His first words after stepping on the moon, "THAT'S ONE SMALL STEP FOR MAN, ONE GIANT LEAP FOR MANKIND," were televised to earth and heard by millions. But, just before he re-entered the lander, he made the enigmatic remark "Good Luck, Mr. Gorsky."

Many people at NASA thought it was a casual remark concerning some rival Soviet Cosmonaut. However, upon checking, there was no Gorsky in either the Russian or American Space Programs. Over the years, many people questioned Armstrong as to what the 'good luck, Mr. Gorsky' statement meant, but Armstrong always just smiled.

On July 5, 1995, in Tampa Bay, Florida, while answering questions following a speech, a reporter brought up the 26-year-old question about Mr. Gorsky and this time he finally responded because his Mr. Gorsky had just died,

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A Message From Our Noble Grand

Officers and Members

Greetings!

As always I hope this message finds you well. We hope to have regular meetings again in July. As soon as we can, a message will be posted on the website and emails sent as to when and where.

There we be **NO "Coffee Break" for the 4th of July weekend.** We are planning to have it on labor day weekend if there are no further delays. Also we are still planning to have our picnic on august 23rd. Updates will follow Work is proceeding on the new lodge, yay! Hang in there! We are all looking forward to getting back together

Peace and harmony prevailing

Francis lavar
Noble grand



DID YOU KNOW

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so Neil Armstrong felt he could now answer the question. Here is the answer to "who was Mr. Gorsky?":

In 1938, when he was a kid in a small mid-western town, he was playing baseball with a friend in the backyard. His friend hit the ball, which landed in his neighbor's yard by their bedroom window. His neighbors were Mr. and Mrs. Gorsky. As he leaned down to pick up the ball, young Armstrong heard Mrs gorsky shouting at Mr. Gorsky,

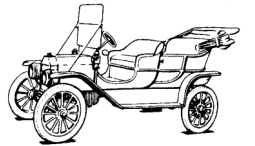
"Sex! You want Sex?! You'll get Sex when the kid next door walks on the moon!"

It broke the place up. Neil Armstrong's family confirmed that this is a true story.



100 years ago everybody owned the horse and only the rich had cars. Today everyone has cars and only the rich own horses.

If you replace **W** with **T** in What, Where, and When you get the answers to each of them.



QUIZ

MR DUCKS

MR NOT

OSAR

CM WINGS

LIB

MR DRUCKS

MR MICE

MR NOT

OSAR

CM IDEBDE FEET

LIB

MR MICE

MR SNAKES

MR NOT

OSAR

CM BDI'S

LIB

MR SNAKES

MR FARMERS

MR NOT

OSAR

CM MT POCKETS

LIB

MR FRAMERS

When you are bored just think about a few things that don't make sense.....like

1. If poison expires, is it more poisonous or is it no longer poisonous?
2. Which letter is silent in the word "Scent," the S or the C?
3. Do twins ever realize that one of them is unplanned.
4. Why is the letter W, in English, called double U? shouldn't it be called double V?
5. Maybe oxygen is slowly killing you and it just takes 75-1000 years to fully work.
6. Every time you clean something, you make something else dirty. The word "swims" upside down is still "swims".

Four great confusions still unresolved

- At a movie theater, which armrest is yours?
- If people evolved from monkeys, why are monkeys still around?
- Why is there a "D" in fridge but not in refrigerator?
- Who knew what the time was when the first clock was made.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROTHERS

JULY

Adam Schroeder	18
Robert Atwell	24
Charles Benson	30
Philip Cole	30
Darrel Curtis	13
Kenneth David	4
Craig Gissy	30
Vernon Goede	5
Arthur Goede Sr.	5
Thomas Kreyling	26
Jeffery McCoy	22
Michael Morgan	8
Jeffery Parrotte	7
Jeffery Pedroley	16
Harold Pratt	31
Matthew Puhse	16
Craig Rasnic	4
Glen Robinson	3
Mark Schultheis	20

AUGUST

Charles Alexander	29
Fred Baerenz	3
Rick Bayer	3
Michael Campbell	31
Stephen Marquard	31
Michael Moran	16
Charles Petersen	3
J.T. Taylor	27
Terry Throm	12



The Financial Secretary has requested that we remind the members, that Lodge Dues was due on January 1, 2020. Our annual dues are \$40.00 a year. Members who fail to pay their dues will lose their membership benefits and will not be permitted to attend any lodge activities. (such as Picnic, Banquet etc. :) If you are having financial problems paying your dues, please contact Charles Whisenhunt for further information at 314-353-3542.

PLEASE NOTE: It is also requested that if at any time you have any bills, or other financial transactions with the lodge. Please contact the Financial Secretary at approximately 9:00 am on Saturday so that he can give you the attention needed. (until further notice)

MEMBERSHIP ENHANCEMENT DRAWING

4/18	Charlie Whisenhunt	WINNER
4/25	Tom Moser	WINNER
5/2	Michael Campbell	WINNER
5/9	Casey Liotta	WINNER
5/16	Casey Liotta	WINNER
5/23	John Siscel	WINNER
5/30	Michael Campbell	WINNER
6/6	Francis LaVar	WINNER
6/13	Norm Schultheis	WINNER
6/20	Robert Mayer	WINNER

Come to a meeting and your name could be on this list.

Sick and Shut-ins

Marion Briggs.....314-773-4421
Ervin Drowing.....314-865-3894
Charles Iselin.....314-664-3462

These are your brothers that are not able to get out because of injury or illness. Give them a call to let them know we are thinking about them.

LODGE OFFICERS

Noble Grand
 Frances X. LaVar.....314-607-6380
Vice Grand.
 Thomas Moser.....314-478-6045
Secretary
 Robert J. Mayer Sr.....314-771-2652
Financial Secretary
 Charles Whisenhunt.....314-353-3542
Treasurer
 Richard A. Roesch.....636-931-4829

Special Relief Committee

Richard Aguilar.....314-644-1126
 Craig A. Skinner.....314-839-3081
 Lee T. Rauhut.....314-521-3302



MEMBERSHIP ADDRESS

TELEPHONE CHANGES



DON'T FORGET TO MAKE THESE CHANGES IN YOUR ROSTER

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER () _____

IF YOU HAVE MOVED, CLIP THIS FORM AND MAIL TO;

Robert J. Mayer Sr. - Secretary
 St. Louis Lodge No.5, I.O.O.F.
 3952 Tholozan Ave.
 St. Louis, Mo. 63116



MEMORIALS

ST. LOUIS LODGE NO. 5 UPDATE



BROTHER ERNEST LEE RODGERS was born on September 15, 1922 in St. Louis, Missouri. He departed this life on April 30, 2020, also in St. Louis, Missouri, at the age of 97-years.

BROTHER BERT ENFIELD was born on September 11, 1927 in St. Louis, Missouri. He departed this life on April 29, 2020 also in St. Louis, Missouri at the age of 92-years.

St. Louis Lodge No. 5, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, initiated Brother Rodgers into our Order on November 13, 1993. He received his First Degree on December 18, 1993, his Second Degree on January 8, 1994 and his Third Degree on January 22, 1994. He was a 26-year member of our Lodge and will be missed by many of his brothers.

St. Louis Lodge No. 5, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, initiated Brother Enfield in to our Order on May 18, 1957. He received his First Degree on May 25, 1957, his Second Degree on May 25, 1957 and his Third Degree on June 1, 1957. He was a 62-year member of our Order.

Alice Thorpe Rodgers, his wife, preceded him in death. He is survived by his children, Chris Steen, David Rodgers and Barry Rodgers. He was a grandfather, great-grandfather, cousin, uncle and friend to many. He was also a veteran of WWII,

Hilda Enfield, his wife, preceded him in death. He is survived by his children, Sarah Enfield and Toni Buzan. He was a grandfather, uncle cousin and friend to many. He was a veteran of WWII and an Ambassador for the Honor Flight.

Private family services were held at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery due to the coronavirus outbreak.

Private services were held at Colliers Funeral Home, 3400 North Lindbergh Boulevard due to the coronavirus outbreak. No Odd Fellow Services were requested.

Donations can be made to Friends of Kids with Cancer in his memory.

The officers continue to meet on Saturday mornings at the Five Star Senior Center. Attendance is limited to Lodge Officers. Meetings will continue through the month of July as no official date has been set for the opening of the new building in Fenton. The banquet and picnic are still on track at this date provided the present coronavirus restrictions are eased. Letters will be sent out in the near future covering this. All members will be notified if the Safety Coffee Break will be held in September.

ASSOCIATION UPDATE ON NEW BUILDING

Remodeling the inside of the new building has started. Due to the present coronavirus restrictions the remodeling was delayed waiting on Jefferson County permits.

A new chain link fence has been erected around the north and south perimeters to deny parking to unauthorized vehicles. A new side gate was added to allow access to air conditioning units.

A contract has been let to erect what the fence company refers to as "bollards." These are those yellow posts you seen on various parking lots. They will be put in along the front of the building as we have had large trucks parked in the front parking lot. It is planned to have a cable strung between two entrance bollards to limit access to the parking lot when no one is there.

A contract has been let to replace and monitor the present fire alarm system.

The present security camera system has been updated covering all of the building inside and outside. We also have an intrusion alarm system that is monitored by an outside firm.

Trash and phone service have been established along with television service.

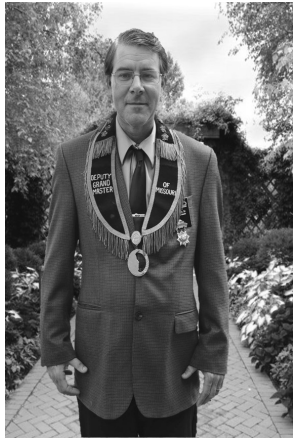
A post office mail box has been rented for Lodge No. 5 and the Association. The new address is P.O. Box 1467, Fenton, Missouri 63026-1467.

As you can see, we are making progress and when the new building is ready, we will send out notices to all members.

Please, for the sake of safety and security, do not visit the new building until it is ready.



One person can make a difference



CONGRATULATIONS

To Brother Stephen Carr Sr. member of St. Louis Lodge No. 5 for being elected as the New Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri, Independent Order of Odd Fellows for 2020 - 2021.



RONALD McDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES



NEW DATES for 2020

Suspended because of
Coronavirus



Ronald McDonald House Charities for the Family Dinner Program! This program is a way of being able to provide a hot meal or a quick snack is one of the most important ways we can help those we serve, feel they are truly staying at their home-away-from-home. Having one less worry (a decision on where to eat dinner) is a valuable benefit to families who are focusing all of their energies on their sick child.

Because of the Coronavirus and for the safety of the children and their families we have decided to suspend going to Ronald McDonald House until it is safe to resume. We will still provide Assistance, but with the help of their staff.



THE VALUE OF FAMILY

If you're wondering why families are important to individuals, there are a number of reasons. The definition of family is one that seems to change with the times, but it usually includes a group of people related to each other and living together. Like many social relationships, strong bonds with family members can have great benefits for society and individuals.

Why Are Families Important to Individuals? Family support is important to individuals for a variety of reasons, most of which are related to your personal well-being. Family is important to individuals because it provides benefits to your physical, emotional, and mental health that can't be found anywhere else.

Family Improves Overall Well-Being for Individuals. Over many years, research consistently shows kids who grow up living with their biological, married parents Have better overall well-being than kids who are living in a different scenario. In these kinds of families, kids and parents get plenty of time together, there is often more economic security, and there is less emotional distress. Families Provide Personal Stress Relief Family ties have been shown to provide stress relief by Boosting Self-esteem and lessening anxiety, especially for young people who have been exposed to violence. This strong bond can act as a sort of protective shield and offers a sense of belonging in troubling times. Family Meals Contribute to Healthy Diets Across all ages, families who Eat Meals together have healthier diets that include eating breakfast, ample fruits and vegetables, and fewer processed foods. These healthy food choices create a foundation that lasts up to five years later for teens. Grandparents who eat alone are more likely to skip meals and eat foods with decreased nutritional values, so family meal-time is important in every generation. Early Family Bonds Help Regulate Personal Emotions Children who experience healthy family relationships at a young age show more control and regulation of their emotions when they're older reports Sage Journals. People who have more control over regulating their emotions are self-aware and able to deal with feelings of any kind in appropriate and healthy ways. Family Closeness Helps People Live Longer.

In a recent long-term study, researchers found adults with no close relationships to family members other than a spouse were about twice as likely to die as adults with close family relationships. Results from the study also showed a lot of strong family ties were more beneficial than a few strong family relationships, and family bonds lengthened life more than friendship bonds. It seems there's something special about family members that makes people feel supported and happy in a way no other person can.

Article by Michele Meleen



New Lodge Pin

Visit Our Website

A copy of this issue of Link-n-Lines can be found on our website. You can also find additional information about lodge activities and copies of pictures of recent events. Check it out, our website is at www.ioof-stl.org



FREE FOOD, FUN & GAMES

ST. LOUIS LODGE NO. 5

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LEMAY FERRY PARK

AUGUST 23, 2020,
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Bring your picnic chairs and join us for a fun relaxing time. We will be playing bingo and there will attendance prize drawings. Don't forget to bring the children. There will be entertainment and prizes for children as well. We will be serving Pork Steaks and Hotdogs. Bring your side dishes and drinks, water and coffee will be provided. **No Alcoholic beverages will be allowed.**

Watch for the upcoming picnic letter for information about getting tickets to attend.



SATURDAY, August 15, 2020

Doors open at 6:00pm, Dinner at 7:00pm

St. Louis Lodge No. 5
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Location:

Genesis Banquet Center & Catering

2651 Telegraph Road

St. Louis, Missouri 63125



Watch for Banquet Letter about

7 Ticket requests