



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

November 7, 2020	To be Determined
November 14, 2020	To be Determined
November 21, 2020	To be Determined
November 28, 2020	To be Determined



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Effective **January 1, 2021**, the meeting times for St. Louis Lodge No. 5 have changed. The new meeting times will be as follows.

Refreshments at 6:00 pm
Lodge Meeting at 7:00 pm

Remember all meeting times are subject to change.





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VETERANS DAY



We will soon be celebrating Veterans Day which is a U.S. legal holiday dedicated to American veterans of all wars. Veterans Day 2020 will occur on Wednesday,

November 11. But there are also a few misconceptions about it — like how it’s spelled or whom exactly it celebrates. To clear some of that up, here are the important facts you should know.

A lot of people think it’s “Veteran’s Day” or “Veterans’ Day,” but they’re wrong. The holiday is not a day that “belongs” to one veteran or multiple veterans, which is what an apostrophe implies. It’s a day for honoring all Veterans.

Veterans Day is NOT the Same as Memorial Day. A lot of Americans get this confused, and we’ll be honest — it can be a little annoying to all of the living veterans out there.

Memorial Day is a time to remember those who gave their lives for our country, particularly in battle or from wounds they suffered in battle. Veterans Day honors all of those who have served the country in war or peace — dead or alive — although it’s largely intended to thank living veterans for their sacrifices. It was originally called Armistice Day, commemorating the end of World War I.

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A Message From Our Noble Grand Officers and Members


Greetings!

Be sure to check your mail for info about the new lodge building and opening. Yes! You heard me right we will be open for business in November! Its been a while and we look forward to seeing everyone. We will continue to follow any guidelines that will be mandated. Sorry to report that another event has fallen away due to the pandemic as there will be no kids Christmas party this year.

Best wishes to all!

Francis LaVar
Noble grand

TIME TO CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS



Daylight Saving Time ends on November 1, 2020. So remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour.

Party Canceled



We are sorry to announce that because of the on going Coronavirus. St. Louis Lodge No. 5 has had to cancel their annual Children's Christmas Party for December 2020. We hope that Santa will find all our children during this holiday season. Your safety is always in our heart, and we hope to see all of you next year. We hope everyone will have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season.



In Memory of

THOSE WHO WE HAVE LOST IN 2020

BROTHER FRED BAERENZ

BROTHER DAVID CUMMINGS

BROTHER BERT ENFIELD

BROTHER DAVID MASTERSON

BROTHER MICHAEL MORGAN

EDWARD LEROY RAYFIELD

BROTHER ERNEST RODGERS

BROTHER ROBERT RUESTER

BROTHER WILLIAM B. STEPHENSON JR.

BROTHER SAMUEL WILK

BROTHER PATRICK YANCEY



Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us everyday. Unseen, Unheard, but always near, Still loved, Still missed and held so dear.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROTHERS

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

Matthew Coriell	9
Robert Mayer Jr.	9
Robert Mayer Sr.	11
Joe Disper	12
Dennis Fetter	14
William Mathis	18
Louis Monken	18
Ralph Beuc	20
Zachary Rogers	20
Michael Black	22
Brett Lehmann	22
Daren Presley	22
Brian Young	26
Eugene Davidson	29

Michael Barcus	12
Erick Kern	17
Joshua Mayer	31
Eugene Burnett	1
Gerhard Hentschke	2
Michael Herman	6
Richard Aguilar	7
Pete Cauchon	9
Cameron Wicks	10
Stephen Carr Jr.	16
John Dempsey Jr.	19
Bradford Glielorst	24
Raymond Westhouse	26
Chris Jones	28
John Singer	30
Liuther McClellan	31



MEMBERSHIP ENHANCEMENT DRAWING

9-5	Ray White	WINNER
9-12	Michael Campbell	WINNER
9-19	Tom Moser	WINNER
9-26	Ray White	WINNER
10-3	Lee Rauhut	WINNER
10-10	Robert Mayer	WINNER
10-17	Charles Whisenhunt	WINNER
10-24	Michael Campbell	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**
- Walter J. Clifton.....314-701-1726**

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



Telephone Number Correction

Tom Moser
(314)-478-6045

**DON'T FORGET
TO MAKE THESE CHANGES IN YOUR ROSTER**

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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



World War I officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919. However, the fighting ended about seven months before that when the Allies and Germany put into effect an armistice on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.

For that reason, Nov. 11, 1918, was largely considered the end of “the war to end all wars” and dubbed Armistice Day. In 1926, Congress officially recognized it as the end of the war, and in 1938, it became an official holiday, primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I. But then World War II and the Korean War happened, so on June 1, 1954, at the urging of veterans service organizations, Congress amended the commemoration yet again by changing the word “armistice” to “veterans” so the day would honor American veterans of all wars.

For a while, Veterans Day’s date was changed, too, and it confused everybody. Congress signed the Uniform Holiday Bill in 1968 to ensure that a few federal holidays — Veterans Day included — would be celebrated on a Monday. Officials hoped it would spur travel and other family activities over a long weekend, which would stimulate the economy. For some inexplicable reason, the bill set Veterans Day commemorations for the fourth Monday of every October.

On Oct. 25, 1971, the first Veterans Day under this new bill was held. We’re not sure why it took three years to implement, but not surprisingly, there was a lot of confusion about the change, and many states were unhappy, choosing to continue to recognize the day as they previously had — in November. Within a few years, it became pretty apparent that most U.S. citizens wanted to celebrate Veterans Day on Nov. 11, since it was a matter of historic and patriotic significance. So on Sept. 20, 1975, President Gerald Ford signed another law (Public Law 94-97), which returned the annual observance to its original date starting in 1978.

Other countries celebrate it, too, in their own ways.

World War I was a multinational effort, so it makes sense that our allies also wanted to celebrate their veterans on Nov. 11. The name of the day and the types of commemorations differ, however. Canada and Australia both call Nov. 11 “Remembrance Day.” Canada’s observance is pretty similar to our own, except many of its citizens wear red poppy flowers to honor their war dead. In Australia, the day is more akin to our Memorial Day. Great Britain calls it “Remembrance Day,” too, but observes it on the Sunday closest to Nov. 11 with parades, services and two minutes of silence in London to honor those who lost their lives in war.

Story by Katie Lange
U.S. Dept. of Defense



DID YOU KNOW

The Sports Car



A man named Tom posted on Facebook, that the sports car that he had just bought and how a man approached and told him that the money used to buy this car could've fed thousands of less fortunate people.

His response to this man made him famous on the internet. READ his story as stated on Facebook: A guy looked at my Corvette the other day and said, "I wonder how many people could have been fed for the money that sports car cost?" I replied I'm not sure but it must have; fed a lot of families in Bowling Green, Kentucky who built it, fed the people who make the tires, fed the people who made the components that went into it, fed the people in the copper mine who mined the copper for the wires, fed people in at Caterpillar who make the trucks that haul the copper ore. It fed the trucking people who hauled it from the plant to the dealership and it fed the people working at the dealership and their families.

BUT,... I have to admit, I guess I really don't know how many people it fed. That is the difference between capitalism and the welfare mentality. When you buy something, you put money in people's pockets and give them dignity for their skills.

When you give someone something for nothing, you rob them of their dignity and self-worth. Capitalism is freely giving your money in exchange for something of value . Socialism is having the government take your money against your will and give it to someone else for doing nothing.



ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

Dues Increase Notice



Due to an increase mandated by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, Dues for St. Louis Lodge No. 5 will be **increased to \$50.00** per year effective January 1, 2021.



The Financial Secretary has requested that we remind the members, that Lodge Dues are due on January 1, 2020. Our annual dues are now \$50.00 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.



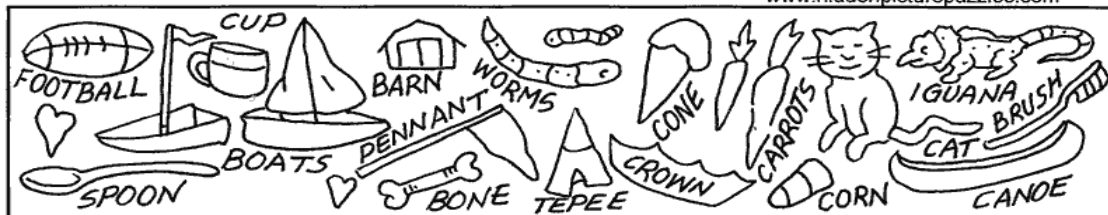
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What We Do

One of the amazing things about being an Odd Fellow is the variety of ways we can help those in need. Every lodge and jurisdiction is given the flexibility to focus on projects that are unique to their communities while participating in larger global projects as a whole unit. Below are some of the projects we all contribute toward.

Organization Activities

- Living Legacy
- Pilgrimage for Youth
- Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
- Visual Research
- SOS Children's Village (Battambang, Cambodia)
- Arthritis Foundation
- Tournament of Roses Parade Rose Float

St. Louis Lodge No. 5 Activities

- Education Scholarships
- Safety Coffee Breaks
- Annual Lodge Picnic
- Annual Lodge Banquet
- Children's Christmas Party
- Adult Christmas Party
- Missouri Child Identification (MoChip) Program
- Ronald McDonald House Charities