

Refreshments and Activities at Your Lodge All refreshments served at 6:30 P.M. except when otherwise noted All meetings are at 7:30 P.M. unless otherwise noted All menu's are subject to change	
August 18, 2018	<u>Morning Meeting 9:00 am</u> Refreshments – Donuts & Bagels Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee, and Water
August 25, 2018	<u>Regular Meeting 7:30 pm</u> Refreshments –Potluck ???????? Soda, Tea, Coffee, and Water
September 1, 2018	<i>Sam's Special</i> <u>Morning Meeting 9:00 am</u> Refreshments – Biscuits and Gravy Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee, and Water
September 8, 2018	<u>Initiatory Degree 7:30pm</u> Refreshments – Fried Chicken, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad Soda, Tea, Coffee and Water
September 15, 2018	<u>Regular Meeting 7:30 pm</u> Refreshments – Chili 3-ways, Potato Chips Crackers, Soda, Tea, Coffee and Water
September 22, 2018	<u>First Degree 7:30pm</u> Refreshments – Open faced Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy and Corn, Soda, Tea, Coffee and Water
September 29, 2018	<i>PIZZA</i> <u>Regular Meeting 7:30pm</u> <i>PIZZA</i> Refreshments – PIZZA, Salad Soda, Tea, Coffee, and Water
October 6, 2018	<u>Second Degree 7:30pm</u> Refreshments – Baked cannelloni with Red & White Sauce Garlic , Soda, Tea, Coffee, and Water



Bob J. Thompson

Bob J. Thompson was born on September 27, 1960 in St. Louis to Jim and Barbara Thompson and was the 1st of four children. His family lived in St. Louis City for a few years and then moved to Arnold, MO where he attended Sherwood Elementary and later went to Fox High School. After obtaining his (GED) he left school and went to work for Shoney's Food Chain as a cook until 1986.

Bob then moved to Florida, the Greater Ft. Lauderdale area and did similar work until being hired at Siemens in Boca Raton. There he wore many hats: forklift operator, truck driver, shipping clerk, mail clerk, switchboard operator. After that he worked for BellSouth and AT&T as Technical Support. Bob has remained single, but has many nieces & nephews, and great nieces & nephews, he loves being the "silly uncle".

He is an avid Cardinal & Diamondbacks Baseball fan, and enjoys cheering for Mizzou, Florida State & Arizona State in college football.

He also enjoys being active in freemasonry (recently he received his 32°), and the Shrine due to his eldest nephew being a patient in the Shriner's hospital for Children.



A Message From Our Noble Grand

Officers and Members

Greetings,

As you read this, St. Louis Lodge #5 will have just completed the third and final of our summer Safety Coffee Breaks. A few weeks ago we had a successful 2018 Annual Banquet. This particular banquet included a couple of presentations which may well become traditions at future banquets. A representative from one of the charities to which our lodge annually contributes was cited.

Frank Cognata of Ronald McDonald House Charities gave a very impressive talk, in conjunction with a supporting video. He described the importance and impact of the quarterly meals prepared by our lodge volunteers for the families temporarily taking up residence at the Ronald McDonald House. Also, the lodge honored our long-time Treasurer Rick Roesch for his many years of service. Two years ago we similarly honored Secretary Bob Mayer, and in fact it was the idea of Bob to annually honor a deserving lodge member at our annual banquet. Brother Craig Skinner designed a beautiful plaque to which the names of the honorees will be annually added.

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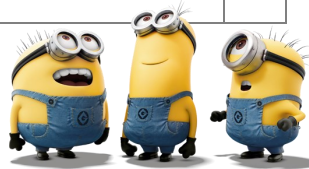
HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROTHERS

SEPTEMBER

John Yount	5
Edward Fesenmeyer	6
Michael Mangiore	6
Gunner Decker	7
Thomas Bergman	8
Bert Enfield	11
Richard Cummings	11
Gerard Giammanco	13
Robert Steinbach	14
Ernst Rodgers	15
Raymond Miles	17
David Pedroley	19
Kevin Smith	19
John Bayer	20
Richard Roesch	23
Charles Huey	24
Ronald Buettner	27
Giovanni Mangiore	30
Peter Maniscalco	30

OCTOBER

David Masterson	3
Ervin Drawing	7
Larry Clark	10
Thomas McCann	10
David Jacobi	12
Michael Singer Jr.	13
Steven Kracht	13
Chester Chatman	16
Lee Rauhut	17
Scott Sweesy	17
Barry Rodgers	22
Richard Dumont	24
Andrew Fox	26
Robert Ruester	26
Charles Pedroley	28
David Wohlstadter	28
Matthew Strolmeyer	28
Patrick Yancey	30
Jonathan Elliot	31



Reminder

For those of you that don't know it. We have some handicap supplies that can be loaned to you. If you are in need of a walker, cane, crutches, potty chair, shower bench or wheel chair, see one of the lodge officers for more information.

MEMBERSHIP ENHANCEMENT DRAWING

7/7/18	Robert Mayer	WINNER
7/14/18	John Eckert	WINNER
7/21/18	Tom Moser	WINNER
7/28/18	Bruce Boeckmann	WINNER
8/4/18	John Eckert	WINNER
8/11/18	Pete Cauchon	WINNER
8/18/18	Richard Aguilar	WINNER
8/25/18	James Schmerold	WINNER

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

Sick and Shut-ins

Erv Drawing.....	314-865-3894
Ken Hetz.....	314-487-3563
William B. Stephenson Jr	314-342-1436
Marion Briggs.....	314-773-4421
Ernest Rodgers.....	636-282-0643
Thomas Moser.....	314-517-9520

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	Lee Rauhut.....314-521-3302
Vice Grand	Michael J. Campbell.....901-606-7128
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

New Members



DON'T FORGET TO MAKE THESE CHANGES IN YOUR ROSTER



NOTICE

We are planning to update the Lodge Membership Roster Booklet soon. In an effort to assist us, please forward any new contact information to include your email address to the Lodge Secretary.

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.
3765 Lindell Blvd.
St. Louis, Mo. 63108-3411



18 Things That St. Louis Stubbornly Insists on Calling By the Wrong Name

St. Louis has its own language. It's very easy for us to tell if you are not from the area if you can't follow our specific cultural clues. In addition to our vowel-twisting accents, you must also learn our words if you want to fit in and not be immediately exposed as an outsider. Once you've studied our ways, this sentence will make complete sense to you: "I left my house in the Grove on the way to Riverport and made a stop in Dogtown near where they had the Checkerdome. But once I got on 40 and realized that I was going to have to put up with all of those hoosiers there, I decided that I'd better grab some food first from the Bread Co. So I got a soda and some fancy version of muskacholi."

- **The Boat** The state of Missouri approved gambling on the water in 1992. (This was also the open window for "boats in moats.") So for a while if you were in St. Louis and you were going gambling, you were "going to the boat." The phrase stuck and is now frequently used whenever we're going to any casino in general.
- **Bread Co.** The business started here and was originally named the St. Louis Bread Company. When Au Bon Pain bought the company in 1997, they renamed it Panera in all locations except for the ones in the metro area. The rest of the world calls it Panera, but we're still over here calling it the St. Louis Bread Company. Well, not really. Locals usually just call it "Bread Co."
- **Trolley** St. Louis has a rapidly evolving meaning for the word "trolley." It started out as a cutesy version of "streetcar," but instead it's become a synonym for *boondoggle*. Why do St. Louisans say "trolley" when they mean something is frustrating or very expensive or bad for business? Darned if we know. But many a St. Louisans has been known to throw their hands up and exclaim "This is such a *trolley* situation!" before walking out of the room. True fact.
- **St. Louis has its own language.** "I left my house in the Grove on the way to Riverport and made a stop in Dogtown near where they had the Checkerdome. But once I got on 40 and realized that I was going to have to put up with all of those hoosiers there, I decided that I'd better grab some food first from the Bread Co. So I got a soda and some fancy version of muskacholi."
- **Riverport**, Our large outdoor amphitheatre hasn't been named "Riverport" in sixteen years. After it changed to the infuriatingly named "UMB Bank Pavillion" (that's "United Missouri Bank Bank Pavillion"), it was Verizon Wireless Ampitheatre before it became Hollywood Casino Ampitheatre. Whatever. *It will always be Riverport to us.*
- **Highway 40**, There is only one acceptable name for this stretch of highway and that is "Highway 40." The number stuck around after the road was absorbed into the Interstate system. The rest of the world might call this road Interstate 64 (hell, they even call it that in Illinois just over the river), but a true St. Louisan only says Highway 40. Say it with the honking, vowel-defying regional accent ("Highway Farty") for bonus points.
- **Dogtown**, The Dogtown neighborhood is famous as the place in St. Louis where the big St. Patrick's Day parade happens every year. Dogtown also doesn't exist. The area that we call Dogtown is actually five separate neighborhoods. (Clayton-Tamm, Franz Park, Hi-Pointe, Cheltenham and part of Ellendale.) You won't find it on any proper map. Weird, huh?
- **The Kiel/Scottrade/Savvis/Enterprise Whatever**, Can just one of our sports areas please keep a static name? This place started as Kiel Center, then became Savvis Center and is now the Scottrade Center. TD Ameritrade recently purchased Scottrade, so we anticipated yet another name change, but TD Ameritrade was smart and said they don't have any current plans to change the name. Good, because we can never remember the first names, anyway.

United States Army Flag



The United States Army flag was dedicated and unfurled for the first time by Vice President Richard Nixon on June 14th, 1956, at Independence Hall, Philadelphia. The occasion marked the 181st anniversary of the establishment of the United States Army by the Continental Congress. The flag background is white and centered on the flag is a blue replica of the original War Office seal, now the seal of the Department of the Army. "United States Army" is inscribed in white letters on a scarlet scroll beneath the seal. 1775 in blue numerals, the year of the Army's inception, is below the scroll. The central element is a Roman cuirass, or coat of armor, a symbol of strength and defense. The United States flag, of a design used in the formative years of the Nation, and the other flag emphasize the role of the Army in the establishment of and the protection of the Nation.

The sword, esponent, which is a type of half-pike formerly used by subordinate officers, musket, bayonet, cannon, cannon balls, mortar and mortar bombs are representative of traditional Army implements of battle. The drum and drumsticks are symbols of public notification of the Army's purpose and intent to serve the Nation and its people. The Phrygian cap, often called the Cap of Liberty, supported on the point of the unsheathed sword and the motto "This We'll Defend" on a scroll held by the rattlesnake, a symbol depicted on some American colonial flags, signify the Army's constant readiness to defend and preserve the United States.

The above information is provided by Pete Cauchon, member of Heroes of '76, Flag Team, National Sojourners Inc.



A man and woman were married for many years. Whenever there was a confrontation, yelling could be heard deep into the night. The old man would shout, "When I die, I will dig my way up and out of the grave and come back and haunt you for the rest of your life!" Neighbors feared him.

The old man liked the fact that he was feared. Then one evening, he died at 98. After the burial, her neighbors, concerned for her, asked, "Aren't you afraid that he may indeed be able to dig his way out of the grave and haunt you for the rest of your life?" She said, "No, Let him dig. I had him buried upside down and I know he won't ask for directions."



Rick was also presented a jacket containing the Odd Fellows logo, embroidered by Bev Moser, spouse of Brother Tom Moser. Rick, continued congratulations from all of the members of St. Louis Lodge #5, and keep up your good work!

Now that the relative relaxation of the summer months has come to an end, the lodge is gearing up to begin a new degree cycle. Additionally, the autumn and winter lodge events have already begun preliminary planning. What some people may not realize is that several annual lodge events require planning to begin for the following year almost immediately after that same event of the current year. For example, some events require advance reservations for their locations. Others require advance commitments of entities which provide necessary services to carry out the events. The lodge Entertainment and Banquet Committees work very hard to attend to all of the details of planning for the annual lodge events. Another activity which has in recent years been conducted twice annually is the lodge Fun Bowling Tournament. The participants at the summer tournament all received bowling towels at the recent annual banquet, and committee chairperson Bob Mayer reminded everyone that these periodic “No Tap” tournaments are one of the best values when compared to other lodge events.

Recently my wife Elaine and I were in Forest Park at the Missouri History Museum. There was an exhibit in progress entitled Panoramic St. Louis. It was comprised of vintage, historical wide-lens photos of our city. One of the photos which caught our attention was from the 1920’s captioned Odd Fellows Band. It was a panoramic picture of perhaps sixty or seventy musicians holding their musical instruments. What we couldn’t help but notice was the fact that all of the subjects in the picture were African-American. Beneath the caption it was explained that during that period of St. Louis history, local Odd Fellows lodges would sponsor refugees, including African refugees. Apparently St. Louis Odd Fellows considered it their commitment to their motto of Friendship, Love, and Truth to extend this to anyone and everyone in need. The Odd Fellows Band of all African-Americans was obviously an expression of gratitude for the courtesies which had been extended to them by our local lodges at that time. I earlier referenced the contributions which St. Louis Lodge #5 annually makes to deserving local charities. This tradition of helping those in need apparently has been an ongoing Odd Fellows attribute.

Lee Rauhut



NEWS FROM THE SECRETARY

VETERANS JEWELS



In the Odd Fellows we have Veterans’ Jewels starting at 25-years. These are provided free of charge to members who have achieved 25 years of membership in lodge, the next recognition comes at 5-year increments and at present go all the way to 70-years. When a member goes to 30-years of membership I have his 25-year button changed to 30 and so on.

It is my policy that I do not automatically send a member a 25-year jewel when they arrive at that point. The reason is that I went to an annual banquet a number of years ago with 40 jewels for 40 members who had been sent notices that they would be presented at the banquet. What then transpired is that only 19 of the 40 showed up to receive their veteran’s jewel. It took years to get rid of the remainder and some were never awarded due to suspensions and deaths.

If a member asks for a jewel and deserves it then I will make sure a jewel is available. The member must come to lodge to receive it. If a member has a jewel and needs the numeral changed, bring it to me and I will see that it is done. Just remember you will get it back in lodge and no other place.

Bob Mayer Sr.
Secretary

Friendship

You gain a new family in the members of your Lodge and a vast network of Brothers and Sisters worldwide. By joining Odd Fellows with your friends it helps to give a deeper purpose and meaning to your friendship. We are a diverse organization and have members of all faiths, races, genders, occupations and abilities with over 600,000 members in over 10,000 Lodges in 30 countries.

Love

The historic command of the Odd Fellow is to “visit the sick, relieve the distressed, bury the dead and educate the orphan.” You get to take an active role in helping your community and the world be a better place. Local Lodges help out their communities in any way they choose and are unified together in larger projects.

Truth

Be a part of the HISTORY and the MYSTERY. As an Odd Fellow you get to be a member of one of the world’s oldest and largest fraternal Orders. Rituals, symbols, and degrees are designed to “elevate and improve the character of mankind.” By taking these lessons to heart you become a better person and in turn make help to make the world around you a better place.



REMINDER TO PAY YOUR DUES

This is a reminder for the members who have not paid their Lodge Dues. **It's important** to remember that your dues must be paid no later than March 30, 2018. Our annual dues are \$40.00 a year. Members who fail to pay their dues **by March 30, 2018** will lose their membership benefits and are not permitted to attend any lodge activities. (such as Picnic, Banquet etc.) By paying dues, you help the lodge immensely; your annual dues contribution helps support the lodge. So remember to **PAY YOUR DUES** If you are having financial problems paying your dues, please contact Charles Whisenhunt for further information at 314-353-3542.



WHAT'S THE DIFF ????

Find six differences between the panels



1. Fingers are higher.
2. Clock is moved.
3. Arm is longer.
4. Foot is moved.
5. Window is not as wide.
6. man is taller.



IMPORTANT DATES



September 3, 2018 Labor Day Safety Coffee Break



RONALD McDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

Once again St. Louis Lodge No. 5 will provide support to the 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. Brother Gio Mangiore who has been tasked with coordinating the dates for St. Louis lodge No. 5 to provide meals. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Brother Gio for further information.



DATES SELECTED FOR 2018

- Friday, March 16, 2018
- Monday, May 21, 2018
- Thursday, July, 20, 2018
- Wednesday, October 19, 2018

St. Louis Lodge No. 5

Annual Banquet Celebration

St. Louis Lodge No.5 held its Annual Banquet Celebration on Saturday, **August 18, 2018** at Genesis Banquet Center. It was once again another great night for Odd Fellows and their guests with great fellowship. Our Guest Speaker, Mr. Frank Cognata, Vice President of Development for the Ronald McDonald House Charities spoke about how Odd Fellows has helped and continues to be there for Ronald McDonald House. The Morton Sisters provided us with great music from the past. The food was great and fun was had by all. **(Thank you for coming)**

