



Refreshments and Activities at Your Lodge Refreshments served in the evening will be at 6:00 P.M. and the Refreshments in the morning and will be served at 9:00 A.M. except when otherwise noted.	
August 26, 2023	<u>Regular Meeting 7:00pm</u> Refreshments – Roast Beef, Green Beans, Salad, Bread, Soda, Coffee and Water
September 2, 2023	<u>Morning Meeting 10:00 am</u> Refreshments – Donuts & Bagels Milk, Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee and Water
September 9, 2023	<u>First Degree 7:00pm</u> Refreshments – Beef Tips, Mixed Vegetables, Salad, Rolls, Soda, Coffee and Water
September 16, 2023	<u>Regular Meeting 7:00pm</u> Refreshments – Spaghetti and Meatballs, Salad, Rolls, Soda, Coffee and Water
September 23, 2023	<u>Second Degree 7:00pm</u> Refreshments – Meatloaf, Mash Potatoes, Green Beans, Gravy, Salad, Rolls, Soda, Coffee and Water
September 30, 2023	<u>Regular Meeting 7:00pm</u> Refreshments – Cannelloni with Red & White Sauce, Salad, Rolls, Soda, Coffee and Water
October 7, 2023	<u>Third Degree 7:00pm</u> Refreshments – Pizza & Salad Rolls, Soda, Coffee and Water
October 14, 2023	<u>Morning Meeting 10:00 am</u> Refreshments – Breakfast Sandwiches Milk, Orange Juice, Soda, Coffee and Water





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NOVEMBER—DECEMBER 2023



FOURTH OF JULY IS SUCH A SPECIAL DAY

Holidays seem to have become less about the celebration and more about the preparation. For weeks before these big days, our parents and grandparents slave away to prepare the big feast or relentlessly try to clean the kitchen that never seems to be clean enough.

I find it so funny that so much stress goes into holidays that are meant to be celebrations of family and good tidings. But there is one holiday in the year that never seems to be stressful.

Tensions never seem to rise in the family household. A day of celebration for the country that made us who we are today, a celebration for the colors we are proud to wear and a celebration for the three letters we love to chant on The Fourth of July.

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Jose Hernandez

A Message From Our Noble Grand Officers and Members
Greetings everyone!

Hello there! I sincerely hope this message reaches you in good spirits, feeling happy, refreshed, and in good health. The recent heat wave has been on my mind, considering the impact it's had on people. It appears to be lingering longer than usual this year. My heartfelt thoughts and prayers go out to all those affected by it.

Now that summer has finally arrived, it seems like everyone is bustling with activity. Some of us find ourselves occupied with a plethora of tasks both at home and at work. Our Lodge is no exception to the summer rush. We have scheduled safety coffee breaks, an upcoming annual picnic, a annual banquet, fun bowling tournament, and even a momentous celebration for our 9500th consecutive meeting.

Alongside these events, there are numerous regular meetings to attend. Additionally, it's vacation season, and upon returning, it often feels like there's even more to catch up on than before we left. Amidst the busyness, let's take the time to cherish the moments we spend together and strive to avoid excessive stress.

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Silence is golden. But when you have kids, silence is suspicious



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 us out, website is at www.ioof-stl.org

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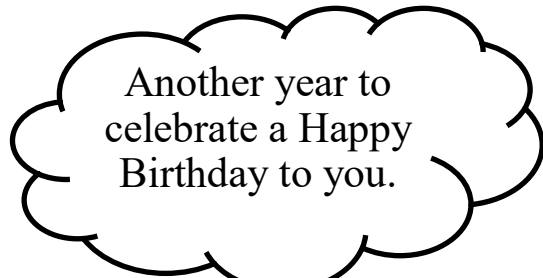
HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROTHERS

NOVEMBER

Matt Coriell	9
Robert Mayer Jr.	9
Robert Mayer Sr.	11
Joe Disper	12
Dennis Fetter	14
Louis Monken	18
Zachary Rogers	20
Michael Black	22
Brian Young	26
Eugene Davidson	29

DECEMBER

Eugene Burnett	1
Richard Aguilar	7
James Cauchon	9
Cameron Wicks	10
Stephen Carr Jr.	16
Bradford Gliedorst	24
Raymond Westhouse	26
Chris Jones	28
Jhn Singer	30
Joshua Mayer	31
Luther McClellan	31



MEMBERSHIP ENHANCEMENT DRAWING

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

Sick and Shut-ins

Marion Briggs.....314-773-4421

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**
Jose M. Hernandez.....314-753-3880
- Vice Grand**
Rodney Kleine.....314-952-7941
- Secretary**
Robert J. Mayer Sr.....314-278-6065
- Financial Secretary**
Francis LaVar.....314-607-6380
- Treasurer**
Jeffrey Parrotte.....314-751-3138

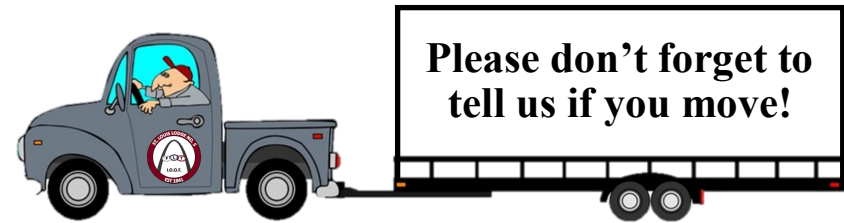
Special Relief Committee

- Richard Aguilar314-644-1126
- Craig A. Skinner.....314-839-3081
- Larry Endicott314-452-8989



MEMBERSHIP ADDRESS

ADDRESS 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.
337 Rauhut Ave.
Lemay Mo. 63125



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A STORY ABOUT A BUNDLE OF STICKS



REMEMBER TO PAY YOUR DUES

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S CORNER

The Financial Secretary wishes to remind the members, that Lodge Dues are due on January 1, 2023. 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 Francis LaVar for further information at **314-607-6380**.

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 approximately 30 minutes prior to refreshments on Saturday so that he can give you the attention needed.

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