

LODGE #84 - IOWA'S OLDEST SINCE 1888

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**LODGE MEETINGS THURSDAY 12/1 @ 7:30** 

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#### **New Members**

Last month we have added two more new members. The first is Laurie Anne "LA" Sexton, who is the wife of member Chip Sexton, and Larry Canfield who re-instated his membership. We would like to welcome you both to our membership and look forward to seeing you at club functions.

# **Christmas Raffle & Dinner**

For those members who have not turned in their raffle tickets yet, make sure you get them to the Lodge before December 9<sup>th</sup>. That's the night we will be drawing for two \$50.00 winners. Also on that night we will be having a "FREE" Christmas dinner. This dinner is open to all active members of the Lodge. It's our way of saying "Thank you" for belonging to one of the best Lodges in the state!



# **Veterans Day 11/11/11**

Your Lodge officers did a lot of work to make our Veterans feel welcome on November 11<sup>th</sup>. The Lodge opened up at 8:00 a.m. with the serving of coffee, tea, and pastries. A few area Veterans stopped by to partake in our hospitality along with a visitor from the Fairfield lodge. Later that night was our monthly dinner and we had a tremendous turn-out. Friends from the Keokuk lodge, Joe and Rhonda Downey stopped by to some conversation and the festivities.



The night finished with our own ER Paul Miller reciting the 11 o'clock toast. What was really exciting is that there was an unexpected visitor to your 11 o'clock toast---Thank you Tom White for showing up so-o-o-o late for you but exciting for us to have you join us! Our "Thanks" go out to everyone that helped make this a special day!

# **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

4<sup>th</sup> Jim Dixon 6<sup>th</sup> Judith Scheu 8<sup>th</sup> Olan Richie 15<sup>th</sup> Mary Lou Kitterman 20<sup>th</sup> Jarrod Imler 29<sup>th</sup> Job Keltner



5<sup>th</sup> Chris Moyers 8<sup>th</sup> Larry Alter 13<sup>th</sup> James Wagenbach 18<sup>th</sup> Bob Reid 26<sup>th</sup> Sam Jennison 29<sup>th</sup> Dick Robinson

# DECEMBER 9TH DINNER SOCIAL HOUR 5:00 – DINNER 6:30 – FREE

On Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> we will be serving baked ham. Please plan to attend and bring a prospective new member or friend. We strongly request that if you are planning to attend, please call in a reservation so we can make sure we have plenty of food available. A covered dish is always appreciated.



### **CONVENTION UPDATE**

At the State Convention held in November, ER Paul Miller and Leading Knight Rich Miller competed in the Ritual contest on Saturday afternoon. Paul did an excellent rendition of the 11 o'clock toast with Rich reciting his part from the initiation ritual. The competition was scored on presentation and word accuracy. Rich won the Leading Knight Division. Congratulations to both of you and to the hard work you put in to memorize your parts.

Much was learned at the convention and some new ideas for us to maybe implement into our Lodge activities. Thanks go to all our members that took time out of their weekend to go to convention.

