

**Light thoughts...**

*A poetry thought from one mason to another*

**The Brethren**

*By Edgar A. Guest*

The world is needing you and me,  
In places where we ought to be;  
Somewhere today it's needing you  
To stand for what you know is true.  
And needing me somewhere today.  
To keep the faith, let come what may.

The world needs honest men today  
To lead its youth along the way,  
Men who will write in all their deeds  
The beauty of their spoken creeds,  
And spurn advantage here and gain,  
On which deceit must leave its stain.

The world needs men who will not brag,  
Men who will honor Freedom's Flag,  
Men, who although the way is hard,  
Against the lure of shame will guard,  
The world needs gentle men and true  
And calls aloud to me and you.

The world needs men of lofty aim,  
Not merely men of skill and fame,  
Not merely leaders wise and grave,  
Or learned men or soldiers brave,  
But men whose lives are fair to see,  
Such men as you and I can be.



**Have a joke, poem, or thought to share?**

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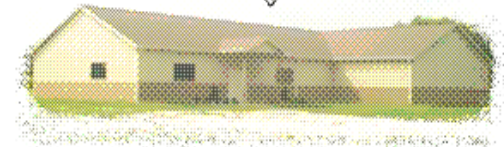
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## Tidings from the East



Greetings Brethren, I hope this letter finds you well. We have lots of things coming up this fall and winter, as you

can see in the content of the newsletter and there have been a few changes made since the last mailing.

First I want to extend a big thank you for all of the support at the Glass Festival this year. Even though the weather was not on our side we still did well financially.

Second, it is that time of year again when dues notices will be sent out. If you remember in a previous newsletter it was mentioned that dues would be raised if there was a unanimous vote. We did in fact have a unanimous vote and you will see this change reflected on your 2005 dues notice.

Last, we have a rather busy schedule this fall/winter, here are a few highlights: 2 MM degrees coming up soon...keep watching, Actual PM degree around election time, and don't forget our meetings in which your attendance is always welcome.

If you have internet access go to [www.quincylodge.org](http://www.quincylodge.org) and check out the calendar to see what is happening at our lodge and also the lodges in the surrounding areas! See ya soon!

Fraternally,

Josh Deckard, WM



### Road Construction

The road to the lodge is finally accessible and everything is really starting to come together. Although some minor details are being wrapped up, the lodge is finally easily accessible.



### The Quincy Calendar of Events

Here are few items posted to our calendar

**Oct 19th:** Stated meeting with 50 Year awards. On October 19th, the members of Quincy Lodge will have their stated meeting along with the presentation of 3—50 year awards to our distinguished brethren. We will have a dinner at 6:00 with the meeting to begin at 7:00 PM. We hope to see everyone there!

**Nov 4th:** Dan's Fish Fry. Yes brethren, it's that time again. With the access road to the lodge finally open, we hope to draw in a large crowd for the fish fry fundraiser. Plans are being organized and we will again need your assistance for this event! We plan to be in touch soon.

**Dec 8th:** Lodge of Instruction. This year, Lodge of Instruction will be held at Frankton Lodge #607. The officers of Quincy Lodge will be inspected on the FC degree. It is mandatory attendance for all officers of Quincy Lodge. Any and all brethren are welcome to attend. Lodge to open at 6:00 PM with dinner to be served.

### Honorary Membership

In September 2004, PM Michael Pettigrew of Lapel Lodge #625 was awarded Honorary Membership into Quincy Lodge #230. Brother Mike is always ready to come to the aid of Quincy Lodge with degree work, and such. We also thank him immensely for his proficiency in the First Craftsman. The members of Quincy Lodge would like to offer a round of thanks and congratulations for everything he's done. Congratulations brother Mike!

### Glass Festival Recap

Thank you to all the brethren who help out with the Glass Festival In August. Although we had to fight some weather elements, Quincy Lodge was able to raise much needed funds during this event. Also, the Walking Taco mentioned in the last newsletter was a success and contributed to the funds raised during the Glass Festival. Hats off to Dick Reynolds for offering much of his time to assist with the Festival booth.

### Quincy Craft News and Email

Don't forget brethren, sign up for the Quincy Craft News email at our web site: <http://www.Quincylodge.org> to keep up with the latest in events from our lodge and others in the area. It's free, informative, and a great reason to get email! Tell a friend to subscribe. We would enjoy seeing visiting faces at lodge.

### Lodge Smoking Policy Changed

Brethren, at the first stated meeting in June, 2004, the members of Quincy Lodge voted to instate a No Smoking policy during Lodge events. These events include Stated Meetings, degree work, dinners and rental of the dinner hall. We hope that with this change, those members who could not be in a smoking environment will be able to attend lodge with this new smoking policy in place. Come out to the lodge and breathe a new sigh of relief!

### Monthly Breakfast to Resume

Brethren, With the access road to the lodge nearing the final stages of completion, we hope to resume our monthly breakfasts on the last Saturday of the month during the winter season. Several members of the public and members of the Lodge inquired about the resuming the breakfasts. We hope to offer an improved menu to accommodate everyone's taste. We will provide notification in the local newspaper 1 week before the date of the breakfast. We encourage everyone to come out and enjoy fellowship and breakfast on the house.

### Quincy Lodge Picnic Postponed

Brethren, due to come recent scheduling conflicts between the Lodge dining hall rentals and other events, the annual lodge picnic has been postponed to a later date which is TBA. Stay tuned!

### New Lodge Keys to be Issued

Brethren, with some recent activity that have transpired at the lodge in addition to a missing back door key, a discussion has been started on changing the lock to the front and rear access doors of the lodge. As such, once these new locks are in place, those members who currently carry keys to the lodge will be issued a new key. There is no final date as to when this change will be taking place, however, we hope to have this situation rectified by the end of the 2004 year.

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