



# Fond du Lac Lodge No. 26, F. & A. M.

November – December and Early January



## Special Notices:

On January 5<sup>th</sup> -- Brother Dave Olson has invited us to enjoy his Special Chilly after our Communication.

January 13 – 14, 2017 are a scheduled work day!!! We will be cleaning out the back storage room and erecting a shelving unit and generally cleaning up that room. Again Bro. Dave Olson will demonstrate his cooking abilities. We will have a Panacake Breakfast at 8:30 in the morning for all who show up to work!! With enough help, we can be done by 1 in the afternoon.

Brethren -- Ladies: we have about 12 card tables and about 18 metal folding chairs. These have not been used for many years and are available -- **FREE – NO COST** . Otherwise they will be donated. All will be in the coat room.

## Master's Message

Brethren, Ladies

November -- This is the month where we gave thanks for that of which we have been blessed with; Our health, our Families and our extended Masonic Families. December we celebrate the birth of our Savior. This is the time of the year when FreeMasonry displays its most precious Tenents; Friendship, Morality and but, most importantly -- Brotherly Love.

As I reflected back upon this first year of my first term as the Master of this Lodge, I was quietly reminded of Psalm 133 which starts “Behold how good and how pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in Unity.” Our Lodge, Fond du Lac Lodge No. 26, may be small in numbers, but it’s heart is so big!!! To have a dedicated core of members, who contribute as much as they can, when they can, makes everything else so much easier.

I would now like to thank this Lodge for allowing me to represent both you and this Lodge this past year. It was a pleasure to serve. I should also thank this Lodge for its confidence; that it would ask me to serve another year as the Master. With everybody contributing as was done this past year, we will move forward.

This past year was most pleasant -- we did 3 Entered Apprentice Degrees; worked at Road America ( a fun two days which really was a family affair ); Opened our Masonic Center to the general public four times and tried a Bake Sale a few times.

We must remember, though, our three Brothers who laid down their working tools this past year and who were called and entered the Supreme Lodge:

Brother Allan G. Bond – April 7, 2016

Brother Gordon Worm – August 6, 2016

Brother John C. Stepp – September 19, 2016.

This past year, our building was used as a Polling Station for Wards 1 and 2 of the City of Fond du Lac. From the last report I heard, on the November Elections, our Masonic Center had many guests ( voters ) during the day. I again would like to Thank all who worked on the light housekeeping we did during the year. It made your Masonic Center look inviting.

As we close out the year of 2016, we are already preparing for activities for 2017. Fond du Lac Lodge No. 26 will be conferring Degrees again during the year, including, hopefully a Master Mason Degree.

With that, On behalf of my Lady, Jackie and myself -- we would like to wish each and all a most joyous Christmas and a prosperous New Year – 2017.

Dues Notices have been sent out shortly. To bring all up-to-date from our last Grand Lodge Annual Communication - 2016, the Grand Lodge increased the per capita to \$39.00. My Brothers, this should cause one to consider purchasing a P M P. Ladies, What a great Christmas gift for that special Member of this Lodge. This P M P is perpetual, meaning it will keep contributing for many, many years.

One last item, if you have access to e-mail or already have an e-mail account – please send that e-mail address to: [Fonddulac26@gmail.com](mailto:Fonddulac26@gmail.com) as soon as possible. This will allow for faster communications between our members and allow some savings in mailing costs.

The next Trestleboard is scheduled for a Mid- January delivery. If you have items you wish to submit, please get them to me at [pinafore@prodigy.net](mailto:pinafore@prodigy.net) or the Lodge's e-mail address: [Fonddulac26@gmail.com](mailto:Fonddulac26@gmail.com)

Fraternally;

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## Masonic Center Schedule of Events

### **December, 2016**

December 25th -- Merry Christmas

December 27th -- Feast day of St. John the Evangelist

### **January, 2017**

January 5 -- Stated Communication

January 13 and 14 -- Lodge Work Day -- Clean out back Storage Room  
Panacake Breakfast for all who chip in and work

January 19 -- Stated Communication  
Board Meeting at 6:00 pm

### **February, 2017**

February 2 -- Stated Communication

February 12 -- Lodge Clean – Up ( 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm )

February 14 -- Primary Elections – polling station at the Masonic Center  
Building open from 6:00 am to 9:00 pm

February 18 -- Stated Communication  
Board Meeting at 6:00 pm



## Fond du Lac Lodge No. 26, F. & A. M.

<p>November</p> <p>James M. Gilmore George N. Riffin Matthew C. Russell</p>	<p>Christian Birthdays</p> <p>November 22<sup>nd</sup> November 20<sup>th</sup> November 27<sup>th</sup></p>	<p>November</p> <p>John D. Dempsey Stephen O. Stepp James O. Myrhum James S. McCallum George L. Weigel Gerald W. Schrankler Ronald E. Keller</p>	<p>November 2, 1978 November 7, 1987 November 9, 1972 November 12, 2004 November 18, 1987 November 19, 1975 November 29, 1979</p>
<p>December</p> <p>Scott R. Bond Gerald W. Schrankler Robert L. Merrill James O. Myrhum</p>	<p>Christian Birthdays</p> <p>December 5<sup>th</sup> December 6<sup>th</sup> December 7<sup>th</sup> December 16<sup>th</sup></p>	<p>December</p> <p>David D. Olson* Richard L. Mortensen* Gilbert H. Lepien*</p>	<p>Masonic Birthdays</p> <p>December 4, 1959 December 16, 1965 December 30, 1948</p>

\* = 50 year members

### Masonic Birthdays

As we close out this first year recognizing both the Christian and Masonic Birthdays of the Brethren of this Lodge, there are a few of whom we have no birth dates on record. We wish to wish them a most happiest of Birthdays as well. That list would include: Jon B. Gilliland; Jack Howley; Craig L. Komplin; Jay T. Oestreich; and Stephen O. Stepp. If these five distinguished Brethren would contact our Secretary ( via e-mail ) and inform him of your particular birth dates, we can update the Records. Either way -- Happy birthday my Brothers.

To those of our Brethren whose Christian Birthdays fall during the Months of November, December and those other Brethren, on behalf of the rest of the members of this Lodge -- Happy Birthday!!!

To those of our Brethren whose Masonic Birthdays fall during those same months, and it should be noted that, again, three of these members have 50 plus years of service to the Masonic Fraternity. Congratulations, my Brothers, and keep up the good work.

Brethren – Ladies,

To save on costs, and an earlier delivery of this “New” Trestleboard, please send an e-mail to our Secretary, Brother Leroy Kifer at either: [Kiferleroy@gmail.com](mailto:Kiferleroy@gmail.com); [Ldkifer@charter.net](mailto:Ldkifer@charter.net)  
Or to the Lodge at: [Fonddulac26@gmail.com](mailto:Fonddulac26@gmail.com)

This will also aid in faster contact with the membership should the necessity arise.

**Meetings Of Masonic affiliated Bodies meeting at the  
Fond du Lac Masonic Center**

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays -- Fond du Lac Lodge No.26 Stated Communication 7:00 PM  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday -- FDLMC Board of Trustees Meeting 6:00 PM  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday -- Job's Daughters Meal / Meeting -- 5:00 / 6:00 PM  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday -- Fond du Lac OES Meeting 7:00 PM  
Every Friday -- Fond du Lac Shrine Lunch 12:00 PM  
2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday -- Amaranth Meal/Meeting 6:00/7:00 PM

Also visit our website at: [WWW.LODGE26.ORG](http://WWW.LODGE26.ORG)

Or go to the Facebook page at: [Fond du Lac Lodge #26 F&AM](https://www.facebook.com/FdlLodge26/)

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These websites are updated regularly

**Again, item of importance that all should be aware of:**

First and foremost – we **NO** longer have garbage dumpsters!!!! I would hope that all Organizations who meet in the Fond du Lac Masonic Center, will chip in and take garbage bags, when full, home and add them to your regular garbage to be pick up there until further notice. Also, there are No garbage cans, etc. in the corral, so **NO** garbage will get stored or left outside!!!