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Greetings Brothers. July is behind us, and August is quickly slipping by as well. We will start off September with our stated meeting on September 03 at 7:30pm with no dinner before the meeting. Along with our usual business, we will be presenting Bro. Steve Diller with his 50 Year Award of Gold, and WB Patrick Diller with his 25 year pin. In our email from the Grand Master and directives of Gov. Holcomb, you can see that the list of things that we can do contains 11 items and can't do is only 1 item. Let's focus on what we can do and not get wrapped up in the can't do. Be sure to read both pages!

There will be a Lodge of Instruction this year on the Fellowcraft Degree, but the date has not been set or how many lodges will attend. We will be responsible on the first half of the Degree and be heavily pointed by how many of our officers are in attendance. I will keep you posted as soon as we get these bits of information.

Brothers, as I'm now in my later years and a senior citizen, I find myself reflecting back on things. One of them is that Masonary has changed my life. The paths we took, the obligations and pledges we made changed me. Maybe not all at once, but little by little I changed. I firmly believe in them and I'm committed to them. If you don't remember quite as well as you would like, come watch a degree put on and be refreshed in the process. Your Indiana Monitor that you were given has all of the ancient charges written in full and is a good reminder of our duties and obligations. Always remember that I am here and ready to talk with you as a resource as well. Maybe we could just reread a charge or rehearse an obligation and visit.

So, as I ramble and reflect, there are many things I am not, but there is one thing I remain- a committed Mason.

Fraternally, Max Feitz WM.

Dates to Remember:

Thu Sep-3 Stated Meeting - No Dinner

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Message from the Worthy Matron

Our August meeting was brief but it was wonderful to see everyone and catch up even if for a short bit! We did agree to have our current officers remain in place for another year. This will allow our officers to remain in sync with the Grand Officers and the plans they are making to lead us.

While the whole pandemic has been quite challenging for all of us, it also presents us with a gift. Strange as that sounds, I believe that we have a gift in the opportunity to refocus our organization on what is truly important. We will not have inspections or some of the more formal events that we traditionally host. The gift is the time that we will have this year to truly be able to enjoy each other's company and to serve our community. Perhaps the fun we have and the love we show will attract others to join us!

At our September meeting, Brother Fred and I hope to be able to announce some of our plans for the coming year. None of us know what the future will bring so Sister Chris will send out emails to keep us informed. Before our meeting, I want to challenge each of you to reach out to a Sister or Brother that you haven't spoken with or seen recently. So many of us are not able to get out much and a phone call or a card will bring smiles!

Baskets of Blessings!

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Dates to Remember:

Tue Sep-1 Stated Meeting - Refreshments (if any) - TBA

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