



**Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge, No. 149**  
**Free and Accepted Masons**  
*Chartered 1853*

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### **A Fraternal Invitation**

Brethren,

You are cordially invited to join us as we honor the wives and widows who give so much of themselves so that we may labor in the service of the Craft.

#### **Wives & Widows Masonic Ball**

A special evening dedicated to honoring the wives and widows whose support and patience allow the work of Freemasonry to flourish.

The evening will be one of fellowship, appreciation, dinner, music, and dancing as we celebrate those who stand beside us and make our Masonic labor possible.

#### **Details**

Wives & Widows Masonic Ball  
Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 6:00pm  
Seasoned Banquet Center  
830 Lincoln Hwy East  
Plymouth, Indiana 46563  
Semi-Formal Attire Requested  
Dinner – Dancing – Music – Photos

Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge No. 149 will graciously provide the venue and cost of the bartender.

Dinner: \$32 per person

Members will be responsible for their meal and beverages as well as their Spouse/Guest.

*Steak Tips • Garlic Mashed Potatoes • White Cheddar Mac & Cheese • Broccoli • Green Beans • Cobbler*

I am asking that all members RSVP prior to May 1, 2026. We are accepting Cash and Check. Please make checks out to Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge No. 149. If any questions, please reach out to me, Corey Johnson (574-248-1897), via the [pk149wivesandwidowsball@gmail.com](mailto:pk149wivesandwidowsball@gmail.com) email or any of the PK149 officers to coordinate getting the funds to us.

Fraternally and respectfully,  
Corey M. Johnson, WM



## COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 31	Executive Meeting	6:30pm
Thursday, April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Stated Meeting	Dinner 6:30, Meeting 7:30
Wednesday, April 8 <sup>th</sup>	Royal Arch Masons	6:00pm
Thursday, April 16 <sup>th</sup>	Rite on the Road	6:00pm
Saturday, April 18 <sup>th</sup>	Master Mason Degree	9:00am
Tuesday, April 21 <sup>st</sup>	Widows Sons Brothers of the East	7:00pm
Tuesday, April 21 <sup>st</sup>	Zanzibar Grotto	6:30pm
Saturday, May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lodge Work Day	8:00am
Tuesday, May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Executive Meeting	NEW TIME: 7pm
Thursday, May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Stated Meeting	Dinner 6:30, Meeting 7:30
Saturday, May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Wives and Widows Ball	6:00pm
Tuesday, May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Communication	8:30am
Wednesday, May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Communication	8:30am

## **From the East**

I apologize for the late release of the Trestleboard. As we enter the month of April, we find ourselves in a season of growth, both in nature and within our Lodge. This is a time to reflect on the progress we have made and recommit ourselves to the work still before us.

Our Lodge continues to move forward through the dedication of its members. From degree work to the ongoing improvements within the building, it is clear that Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge thrives when its brothers are engaged and willing to contribute. I encourage each of you to find your place in that work, whether it be attending meetings, assisting with the Lodge, or mentoring a newer Brother.

This month, we also prepare for one of the most meaningful events of our year: the Wives & Widows Ball. Freemasonry does not exist in isolation, it is supported by the patience, understanding, and love of those who stand beside us. Let us take this opportunity to properly honor them and show our gratitude for all they do.

Additionally, as we approach our upcoming Master Mason Degree, let us remember the importance of performing our ritual with excellence. The impression we leave on a candidate is lasting, and it is our duty to ensure it reflects the very best of our Craft.

Brethren, the strength of this Lodge lies not in numbers, but in the character and commitment of its members. Let us continue to build something we can all be proud of, together.

Fraternally,  
Corey M. Johnson, WM

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## **From the West**

I would like to take a moment to recognize the steady progress our Lodge continues to make. It is through the strength and reliability of our Brothers that we can carry our work forward and maintain the high standards expected of us.

With upcoming degree work and events ahead, I encourage each Brother to be present, attentive, and willing to step in where needed. Our success depends on our collective effort.

The continued improvements to our Lodge building reflect our pride in this institution. I ask that those who are able lend a hand during upcoming work opportunities. Even small contributions of time go a long way in strengthening what we are building together.

Let us also remain mindful of some of the lessons we are taught: self-discipline and brotherhood and apply them not only within the Lodge, but in our daily lives.

I look forward to continuing this journey with each of you and to the work we will accomplish in the months ahead.

Fraternally,  
Travis J. Oneal, SW

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### **From the South**

As Junior Warden of Plymouth Kilwinning Lodge No. 149, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to all the brothers for their continued dedication and fellowship. Our lodge thrives because of the commitment each of you brings—whether through attendance, participation in our degree work, or simply lending a helping hand where it's needed. As we move forward, let us remain focused on strengthening our bonds, supporting our community, and upholding the principles of our craft. I encourage all members to stay engaged, attend upcoming meetings, and contribute to the positive momentum we are building together. Additionally, the remodel of the downstairs is moving along, with new lights up and the ceilings painted. We still need to remove wallpaper, flooring, and the old radiators and would appreciate anyone willing to help. I look forward to what we will accomplish in the months ahead.

Fraternally,  
Cody Pozil, JW

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### **Most Worshipful Randolph L. Seipel Grand Master** *Grand Master of Masons in Indiana*



#### A Message from the Grand Master

In the last waning weeks in my term as your Grand Master with Annual Communication in sight, I feel greatly honored to have been allowed to serve as your Grand Master. Freemasonry is a life changing fraternity and each of you has made an indelible impression upon my life as a man and as a Mason.

Wherever I go in the State of Indiana, large lodges, small lodges and the many in between I have been left with no doubt the Indiana Freemasonry is alive and well. While there is much work still to be done, as there always will be, I believe Indiana Freemasonry is in a good position to see real growth in our brotherhood. Not growth based on recruiting members and filling lodges with faceless names on a roster but with real growth with quality men searching Freemasonry with the desire to be better men and to build their lives upon the beautiful tenets of Freemasonry, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

It is my belief and has been my message that good men will attract good men to Freemasonry. The whole premise of Follow Me to Freemasonry was derived on that theme of being the type of man other men want to be and being the type of Mason other Masons want to be.

As many times as I have seen our When is a Man a Mason film, I am continually stuck by its inspiring message of who we are, how we should act and live our lives and relate to others. It is a message that should ring loud and clear to those men seeking further light. It is my hope that this film will be shown repeatedly by brothers hoping to educate and inspire those men around them that they believe would be good and faithful brothers.

Brothers, because that is what we are, more than friends or acquaintances or buddies, but Brothers. Men who love and support you despite their differences, men who teach and mentor, help, aid and assist each and our families. The bond of brotherhood is strong and Freemasonry's charge to each of you, and me, is to make it stronger each day.

At our recent one-day Grand Master's Class while outside taking a break, a brother I have known for years came up to me and said, "Hi Brother Randy". He stopped in his tracks and apologized and said "sorry, Grand Master." I chuckled and said you could not give me any greater honor than calling me Brother Randy.

My Brothers thank you for all you do for our beloved Fraternity and for the examples of Brotherly Love you have shown. Thank you also for sharing the many lessons each of you have taught me and all the hard work you do for Freemasonry. Of course, I must thank you for the Diet Dr. Peppers and the green beans. Brothers, in closing may your ringing challenge be to all those good men that cross your path be, **Follow Me To Freemasonry!**

Sincerely and fraternally,

Randolph L. Siepel  
Grand Master 2025-2026

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### Visit Mike Pettigrew's Calendar

at <https://masoniccalendar.blogspot.com/> for more scheduled Masonic events around the state.

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### April Birthdays

4/7 – Michael Casey

4/10 – Jeremy Enyart

4/12 – J.B. Gough

4/12 – Kenneth Bendimere

4/14 – Michael Goebel

4/21 – Raymond Humphrey

4/22 – Doug Feece

4/25 – Jay Shively

4/27 – Michel Wolff

4/27 – Troy Kiefer

4/28 – Thomas Fujimura

4/28 – Mark Hancock

4/28 – Jose Feliciano

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## EXPLORING MASONRY

April 2026

John Staples

### A Crisis of Belonging

CHARLES VOGL, author of the best-seller, *The Art of Community* (Barrett-Koehler, 2025), argues that we are living in the loneliest era in the history of man.

He writes that modern culture has given us “a crisis of belonging.”

When Freemasons look at declining membership and involvement, we can well understand Vogl’s claim that modern culture fails to promote the building of relationships of mutual support. In this environment, it becomes even more important that we reach out to candidates, and to current members, to remind them that the Craft is something great and that their presence is important to us.

Let that be our promise to all men who yearn for a sense of connection and community in this fractured world.



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