

Iowa Research Lodge No. 2 NEWSLETTER

Fall 2025

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Fall Meeting of IRL2

The Officers of IRL2 have scheduled our **Fall 2025 Meeting** for **Monday 10 November at 6PM**. It will be held in the Library at the Des Moines Scottish Rite Consistory and will include a complimentary dinner for our subscriber members.

Following the meeting and the meal, we will welcome our distinguished speaker, [Dr. Robert Collis](#), Assistant Professor of History at Drake University, and co-editor from 2009-2012 of the *Journal for Research into Freemasonry and Fraternalism*.

Dinner will be provided to all dues current members! Please [RSVP here](#) to let us know if you can attend.



Prof. Robert Collis (Bio) teaches History at Drake University and specializes in the History of Esotericism. His topic will be on ***Count Cagliostro and the Adoptive Rite***, as based on his previously published paper [available](#) online. The Adoptive Rite is the European female rite of Masonry. Count Cagliostro was a notorious French Freemason and all-around charlatan.

Monday, 10 November, 6 PM

Des Moines Scottish Rite Consistory, Library

A complimentary meal will be provided to IRL2 members.

- 6:00 PM Business Meeting
- 6:30 PM Provided Meal for Dues Current Members
- 7:00 PM Speaker - **Prof. Robert Collis, Drake University**

Member Benefits

- Special publication pricing for subscribing dues members.
- Two meetings per year, when the Lodge will provide a complimentary meal to members and invite a noted Masonic scholar to speak.

Our May 2025 meeting was an excellent success, featuring noted Masonic Author, Mark Tabbert.

Dues and Contributions:

- If you would like to pay your annual dues via subscription (\$40), [you may do so here](#).
- If you would like to make a free will donation to support our efforts, please do so [here](#).
- If you need to check your membership status: iowaresearchlodge@gmail.com

IRL2 Publications

IRL2 has a new book publication process. We are utilizing an online, on-demand publishing company to make publications available as desired and as they are released. As a member, you are receiving a link below to these publications at a **deeply discounted member discounted price**.

- [How to Kick a Sacred Cow](#) by Jerry Marsengill, a founding member of IRL2. You can now order a printed copy of it for \$9.99 by clicking [here](#).
- [History and Transactions of Iowa Research Lodge Number 1](#), the premier research lodge in Iowa. If you ever wanted to know more about "Number 1" you can order it [here](#).

More IRL2 publications will become available as we work through the manuscript selection and finishing process. We also have plenty of copies of previously printed IRL2 publications, including the six volumes of ***The Study Club***, which will be available for immediate purchase at the Annual Meetings.

Thank you for supporting IRL2 and helping to advance Masonic knowledge!

Fraternally, Tim Whipple - WM of IRL2

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