



DAMASCUS LODGE No. 290 F. & A.M.

THE TRESTLEBOARD

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INSTALLATION

What a night we had with our installation! I would like to thank the entire installation team as it was our honor to have them install all out officers. I would also like to thank the Job's Daughters Bethel 6 for the Forming of the Living Cross and bringing in the bible. I would also like to thank Doric Chapter of DeMolay for the Ceremony of Light and the presentation of the American Flag. Our youth are our future, and we are very lucky to have such great leadership for these youth groups. I have great confidence in all of our Officers that have been elected and look forward to working with them as a team. We have a lot to do, but we have good hands to do it with. What a great time to be a part of this Lodge.

LODGE AUDIT

We will be doing our yearly Lodge Audit in February of the 2015 year. These audits are not intended to be a witch hunt, but constitute a "best practices" policy. As we have new officers in place every year we need to make sure we start with and from a clean slate. If ever a problem does arise we can fix and take care of the issue in a timely fashion. This process also is one that helps us check our processes to make sure we are running smooth and helps us develop better ways of keeping our budgets and finances in check. Our audit committee will report when the info is completed.

MUSIC IN LODGE





We have a new Lodge Organist this year! It has been many years since we have heard music in our Lodge. Brother Jason Williams is learning to play our organ and I couldn't be prouder of Jason for taking on this new adventure. Our roots in Damascus are filled with many musicians including a fun comedy band. I look forward in hearing our Brother on the organ and I have some plans for some other musicians to take on a part of this year.

Music is the universal language of mankind. ~Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Outre-Mer

LODGE OFFICER TRAINING

We are again having a Lodge Training Session on the 24th of February. This session will have some food at 6pm and the session starting at 7pm. This is not just for officers; it is for all those who want to know more about leadership and the Officer structure of the Lodge. We will be giving assignments and forming committees during this important training night. All officers are required to attend but call me (414-698-8874) if you are interested in attending so we can properly set up and order food.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

-  *DL290 Racing*
-  *Master's Meesage*
-  *Installation*
-  *DeMolay*
-  *Lodge Officer Training*
-  *Installation Photos*
-  *Jobies*

DAMASCUS 290 SLOT CAR RACING

It's back by popular demand: Boys with toys at its finest! I have very disturbing news that our Brother Dale's big win last year has gone to his extremely large head. He now thinks he is a movie star and has done many commercial spots, and infomercials. Well, this March 31st we need to bring our Brother "twinkle toes" down to earth. Join us for a minimal cost of \$10:00 and enjoy racing at Lucky Bob's Raceway. We also are going out for pizza afterwards! We have a limited amount of space, so get your tickets soon or be left in the pit. Help a Brother realize that you can't actually fit inside slot cars.

"Be There and Be Square"

See flyer for more info

No Masons were hurt in this advertisement

DEMOLAY AND JOBIES AT INSTALLATION



LIKE US !

Just a reminder for all you techies on facebook....so are we!! DL290 has our very own facebook page. Check in to find out the latest Lodge news, see what's for dinner, or just see some pics of our latest escapades. Whatever you need to know about Damascus Lodge, you'll find it on our page. Just search for our group page, Damascus Lodge #290 F&AM and request to join. One of our administrators will grant you access, and you're in! Simply knock, and it shall be opened unto you. Just don't break your monitor screen....

Also, if you are not receiving the TrestleBoard via Email and would like to, contact Bro. Secretary, and have him update your lodge contact information, including your new email address! Then you will receive the TrestleBoard via email!!

UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2015

February 2015

Feb. 8th - Sweethearts Brunch

Feb 10th - Stated Meeting

Feb. 24th - Officer Training

March 2015

Mar. 10th - Stated Meeting

Mar. 31 - DL290 Slot Car Racing

Stay tuned for more upcoming events!!



Well, here I am again writing from the East. Yes I have had the pleasure of serving this Lodge as Worshipful Master twice before, but I have been asked by all of you to serve one more time in this momentous position for our 110th year of existence. The Lodge and the craft have taught me so many things and I have so much more to learn. The Lodge has given me direction in life and relationships in my personal and professional life. The Lodge has taught me the important duty of helping others, and at how to try and make this world a better place for our youth. The Lodge has helped in raising my children through amazing Masonic youth groups, family friendly Lodge events, and the examples you all show by being good men. The Lodge sociability has led to my family and I finding lifelong friendships that have become family to us

Speaking of relationships, one of my joys is that of sitting in Lodge straight across from one of my closes friends our outgoing Worship Master Brother Mick Olson who has served this Lodge in an outstanding year. The Lodge continues to bestow upon me gifts in life, and it amazes me how its teachings continue to shape my life in all that I do. I will do my best for this Lodge and recognize the spectacular group of Officers we have. My theme this year is focus on our Masonic family and its importance in not only our Masonic lives but also in our everyday lives. Masonry is a lifelong relationship between all who join the Lodge.

So powerful is the light of unity that it can illuminate the whole earth. ~Bahá'u'lláh

Curt A. Campagna, P.M
Worshipful Master 2015



INSTALLATION PHOTOS





Tuesday, Tuesday, Tuesday!
Meet all your favorite drivers at the
“Damascus 290”



Our meeting on March 31 will be held at:

Lucky BOBs 
RACEWAY

5822 West Forest Home Ave.

Join us for a night of Racing and Fellowship!

Exciting racing from 6-8 p.m.!!

Enjoy PIZZA after the Main Event!!

Entry fee is only \$10.00!!

**Call Bro. Mike Fairbanks, 414.397.0330 or
mfairbanks@wi.rr.com**

to reserve your car! Bring a prospective member!!

BE THERE AND BE SQUARE





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MASTER'S BOARD

Keep those petitions coming in. The Master's Board Chairman and Master's Board Secretary would like to remind you to keep an eye out for new candidates for the Lodge.

Remember to carry a petition with you in your travels because you never know who you will meet.

If you do not have a petition or you need more, please contact any lodge officer and they will make sure you receive a couple.

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