

January 23, 2006

TO: Members of Detroit Lodge No. 7

Detroit Lodge No. 7 is pleased to announce the **results of the lodge election** held on Friday, January 6, 2006:

President: L. Luke Clyburn
First Vice President: Theodore A. Cogswell
Second Vice President: Paul G. Gallas
Secretary-Treasurer: Paul M. Jagenow
Convention Delegate: L. Luke Clyburn
Alternate Convention Delegate: Melvin E. Riecher
Board of Governors (three elected for a 3 year term):
Thomas R. McMullen, Bernard M. Ogden, Melvin E. Riecher
(Alternate Governor: Oscar Rosso)

Newly-elected President Luke Clyburn has reappointed the subordinate officers for another year, with the addition of a Co-Chaplain:

Co-Chaplains: Rt. Rev. Richard W. Ingalls & Rev. Richard W. Ingalls, Jr.
Marshal: Ronald L. Nelson
Warden: Oscar Rosso
Sentinel: Bernard M. Ogden
Lodge Surgeon: Dr. Thomas W. Baumgarten.

Congratulations and good luck to our new slate of officers.

This mailing contains a **nomination form for the Lewis Ludington Award**, which is bestowed at Mariners' Church during the annual Blessing of the Fleet service. A nominee must be a licensed mariner, a member of the I.S.M.A. and meet the qualifications listed on the back of the nomination form. Also listed on the back of the nomination form are the previous recipients of the award. The Board of Governors will select candidates for the award at the next Board meeting, Friday, February 10 at 10.00 AM in Dossin Museum. To be eligible for consideration, nominations must be received prior to the Board meeting.

The I.S.M.A. Convention Committee has sent out some additional information on the **Grand Lodge Convention** to be held in Chicago in February. Enclosed is an updated schedule for **Chicago Industry Day**, which will be held on Friday, February 3 as part of the convention activities. The Convention Committee is encouraging all mariners to make a special effort to attend the Industry Day sessions. The Industry Day sessions are free to all I.S.M.A. members. The committee advises that Industry Day will provide a great deal of information from a variety of government agencies, as well as Sea-K's Licensing Service.

Invitations to the lodge's annual dinner dance will be in the mail shortly. Luke Clyburn and his committee are planning a festive evening of entertainment for the lodge. Be sure to mark Saturday, February 25th on your calendar, and make every effort to attend. Guests are always welcome, and are encouraged. The dance will be held at Mac & Ray's, the same site as last year.

Several **lodge members have been under doctors' care** recently. Don Erickson is home from the hospital recovering from surgery to repair a ruptured diverticulitis in his colon. His condition had been quite serious, landing him in intensive care. However, the doctors worked wonders and he is very glad to be home. He sounds good as new on the telephone, but is not yet 100%. Tom Ochs is also home from the hospital following successful back surgery. Bob Kerr's recovery has progressed to the extent that he is able to go home on weekends. He is still undergoing therapy at the rehabilitation center as he recovers from the severe injuries incurred when he was stuck by that drunk driver last summer. Pat Owens has moved into a different assisted-living residence so that he can be closer to friends and relations. His new address is Mallards Landing, 4601 S. River Road, Apt. 317, East China, MI 48054 (phone number 810-326-0158). He is very happy to be back near his old stomping grounds. He continues to undergo treatment and therapy for Parkinson's, and hopes someday to return to his home on the St. Clair River.

It is my sad duty to report the **death of lodge member Fred Biewer**, who died on January 14, 2006. Fred joined the lodge on January 26, 1998 and was issued pennant number A-11652. I have enclosed an obituary that appeared in the January 16, 2006 edition of the Port Huron Times-Herald.

Remember that the **next lodge meeting will be held at the J.W. Westcott Co.** this Saturday, January 28. The luncheon will be at noon with the meeting to follow at 1:00 PM. This is the meeting when the delegate is advised by the lodge on how to vote on proposals or resolutions being presented at the upcoming convention. The Westcott facility is located at the Foot of 24th Street in Detroit (which is inside Riverside Park at the Foot of West Grand Boulevard). The Westcott phone number is 313-496-0555. There is ample and secure parking in the Westcott parking lot. Special thanks are extended to member Jim Hogan, who has granted use of the Westcott building for the lodge meeting.

Fraternally yours,

Paul M. Jagenow
Secretary-Treasurer