

Eel River Empire #147

Our Lodge had the honor of having an extra middle chamber stair case display which we received from Garberville Lodge when they merged with us, and we donated it to the Ferndale Lodge as theirs was worn out.

At the annual trap shoot Eel River Empire regained the trophy this year, thanks to Phil Grunert and others for their sharp eyes and fast trigger fingers.

Our Lodge is going to donate a covering for the high school baseball field for use during inclement weather. The donation is on hold due to the lack of adequate drainage of the field.

A second degree was put on this month, with a beautiful staircase lecture from brother Tyler Harris.

Thanks to Bro. Mike Flockhart for filling in for me as I couldn't get to Lodge due to the closing of highway 36 from the slide.

Bro. Simon Rios, a teacher at the high school, shot some scenes at the Lodge with the students who enacted a drama of their own making and he shared it with the Bretheren at the July stated meeting.

Our annual B.B. Q., to be held again at the Fortuna park, will be held on August 3rd. All Masons and their guests as well as members of the community are invited.

Enough for now, come to Lodge

Theodore B. Lichti W.M.

EEL RIVER EMPIRE LODGE No.

147 – June 2025

We have some members that are seriously behind in their dues. Attempts have been made to get in touch with each member with varying success. When a member gets behind over two years it becomes necessary to drop their membership from the rolls. Regretfully if no contact is possible, or if the member, after getting notice of delinquency, makes no effort to become current, he will be dropped from membership.

We have a second degree scheduled for May 28th for brother John Prangley. The second degree is, in my opinion, very impressive when presented by a senior Deacon who is very well prepared. We are fortunate to have such a Senior Deacon in the person of Tyler Harris.

We still have a couple stations open and could use brothers to fill these positions. If you are interested in progressing through the line to become Master of this Lodge a good place to start is in taking an open station when it is available.

A reminder that it has become necessary to increase the cost of our stated meeting dinners to \$ 15.00 dollars due to the increased cost of food and preparation.

Enough for now, come to Lodge

Theodore Lichti, WM

Eel River Empire Lodge No. 147

The first order of business since the untimely passing of our Worshipful Master, Dan Mc Clelland, was to install our new Master for the balance of the year. Bro Ted Lichti has taken on the responsibility, and was elected and installed in due and ancient form. Our Lodge has been busy this year beginning with the recognition of Bro. Richard Sweet for 50 years as a member of the Eastern Star. Congratulations Rich.

Also we have had another 50 year member of the Masonic Lodge, Bro. Phil Grunert, who joined the 50 year club on January 18th. Congratulations to you also Phil. Brother Johnny Johnson gave an excellent proficiency in the third degree, congratulations to you also on completeing your proficiencies. Several brothers traveled to Ferndale Lodge on the 13th of January to support and enjoy their brotherhood. One of the privileges of Masonry is to be able to visit any Masonic Lodge in the world and enjoy the friendship extended to you. The Trestleboard is again available on line as well as printed. Our inspector, Dan Sarver, conducted a school on instruction on the first degree, and had his official visit to our Lodge on the fifth of March. Our Lodge continues to be benevolent to our community by making a donation of \$300.00 to San Demos Lodge to assist in feeding military heros, and a donation of \$2,000 was approved as a scholerhsip to Bro. Johnny Johnson Jr, who will be receiveing his second degree next month.

Enough for now, come to Lodge.

Ted Lichti WM.

Eel River Empire #147 – April 2025

Bretheren, it is with heavy heart that I address you with this month. With the passing of brother Dan McClelland, one of our most active Masons, and presently our Worshipful Master. We have many adjustments to make to fill the several positions he filled so effectively. Needless to say, the Lodge badly needs officers to fill some stations. If you have any desire to further your Masonic career by a more active participation in our privileges you would be welcomed with opened arms. I have found in the past that setting aside an evening each week for your participation in Masonry has been one of the most rewarding things a person can do.

Effective as of the February stated meeting I have the honor of being asked to fill the officer of Master of Eel Valley Empire Lodge for the balance of the year, and until otherwise notified I will also act as the Officers Coach.

Please consider attending Lodge, we meet each Wednesday at 7:00 for practice, and at 6:00 for dinner prior to our stated meeting at 7:30 on the first Wednesday of each month.

Fraternally

Ted Lichti W.M.

Eel River Empire #147 – Installation of Officers

To whom it may concern,

We are planning on having our Installation of Officers for the ensuing Masonic year on Saturday, December 7th, 2024 at Eel River Empire Lodge #147, at 2 pm. It will be an open event and all are welcome. Refreshers will be served after the installation. Could you please put this on your Masonic calendar.

Thank you,

Mike Flockhart, WM

Eel River Empire #147 – Upcoming 3rd Degree

All,

We will be conferring a 3rd degree upon brother Johnny Johnson Sr. on Wednesday, September 25th at Eel River Empire Lodge #147. We plan to open at 7 and beginning the degree at 7:30. All Master Masons are welcome.

Fraternally,

Mike Flockhart, WM

Eel River Empire #147 – 2nd Degree

We will be conferring a second degree at Eel River Empire #147 in Fortuna on Wednesday, April 17, at 7 pm.

Thanks,

WM Mike Flockhart