

# **The 142 Express**

March 2011

## **Upcoming Events in 2011**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
March 7	Lodge Practice	Newton Lodge	7:00 PM
March 14	Lodge Practice	Newton Lodge	7:00 PM
March 9	Carry in Dinner	Newton Lodge	6:30 PM
March 9	Stated Meeting	Newton Lodge	7:30 PM
March 18-20	Grand Lodge Session	Salina	
March 28	Lodge Practice	Newton Lodge	7:00 PM
April 4	Lodge Practice	Newton Lodge	7:00 PM
April 11	Lodge Practice	Newton Lodge	7:00 PM
April 13	Carry in Dinner	Newton Lodge	6:30 PM
April 13	Stated Meeting	Newton Lodge	7:30 PM
April 23	Highway Clean Up	Newton Lodge	8:00 AM
April 25	Lodge Practice	Newton Lodge	7:00 PM

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## **From the Chaplain's Desk**

By Cory Llamas

We are living in times of turmoil and war, with nations whose citizens are demanding radical changes to governmental systems that have been in place for ages. Amid these dire and disturbing times it is easy to lose sight of the hopes of peace and national unity. Fortunately the Grand Architect has seen fit to offer us some words of encouragement in times like this.

*For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:*

*a time to be born, and a time to die;*

*a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;*

*a time to kill, and a time to heal;*

*a time to break down, and a time to build up;*

*a time to weep, and a time to laugh;*

*a time to mourn, and a time to dance;*

*a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together;*

*a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;*

*a time to seek, and a time to lose;*

*a time to keep, and a time to cast away;*

*a time to tear, and a time to sew;*

*a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;*

*a time to love, and a time to hate;*

*a time for war, and a time for peace.*

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

It is in the spirit of this scripture that the wisest of men mentioned in the Book of the Law ask, not that their will be done, but that "Thy" will be done. For as surely as the Grand Architect has seen fit to fulfill a season for everything under heaven, God also correctly governs those seasons in order that the world would remain an orderly realm and not fall into the darkness of chaos and decay. If we trust in God and have a well founded faith, then we will always see the light in times of despair, and uncertainty. This light of hope does not always beam like a spot light and sometimes may be hard to find at all. But as long as there are men called Masons who are willing to donate their time and efforts to helping those who are less fortunate, there will always be a ray of hope. Through faith, brotherly love, and charity; Masons serve their country, their families, and their creator. May they continue to do so for many centuries to come.