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NEXT STATED MEETING: April 01, 2025, 7:00 PM MEAL AT 6:15 PM

1. The Stated Meeting meal was provided by Rick Holland, Rusty Hughes & Garrett Lyons.
2. We need a volunteer to provide the meal for the next Stated Meeting on April 01, 2025, which will also be the first official visit of the DDGM.
3. Please remember your sick brothers and their families and pray for them.
4. The next **LEO Training** will be held on **March 17, 2025, at 6:30 pm**. The training will be as follows:

Schedule of training as follows.

- **Avouchment**
 - **Balloting**
 - **DDGM Reception—Each member’s place and duties**
 - **Duties of JW, SW & WM.**
5. The TXMCF Matching Funds requests were approved for two scholarships, an Honorarium, and a Community Grant.

6. The Community Builder Award Committee will make their nomination for the award and plan the program at the next meeting.
7. The Scholarship, Lamar Medal & Honorarium Committee will make their recommendations to the Lodge in the April 01, 2025, Stated Meeting.
8. The final Fundraiser of this Masonic year will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2025, from 8:00 am until 11:00 am.

LEO TRAINING

Organizations need rules and regulations because they guide decision-making, ensure consistency, maintain legal compliance, and promote transparency and accountability. At the heart of regulations and rules is the idea of accountability and compliance. They set clear expectations for behavior and provide a framework for resolving disputes and enforcing consequences when necessary. Having rules and regulations is important for an organization because it guides employees, reduces the risk of liability, promotes consistency, and helps the organization operate efficiently and achieve its goals. In the intricate web of existence, guidelines function as the threads that intricately connect the very fabric of our society. These intangible principles delineate our conduct, shape our relationships, and illuminate our comprehension of the surrounding world.

Why are rules important?

Rules give a feeling of request and construction in our lives.

They assist us with separating between what is good and bad, adequate and unsatisfactory ways of behaving, and set our assumptions for how we ought to cooperate with one another.

In a general sense, rules function as durable establishment whereupon any organized society is fabricated.

They establish a framework that upholds order and fosters tranquility.

In the absence of rules, a state of chaos would prevail.

Rules transcend mere importance; they assume an indispensable role. These guidelines establish a sense of structure and order, guaranteeing the seamless and effective operation of an organization.

What are some of the benefits of having rules? Having rules in place also has a number of practical benefits. These include:

Promotes safety.

The purpose of the rules is to prioritize safety across various aspects of the organization.

Encourages respect. Rules play a crucial role in cultivating respect among individuals within the society.

By adhering to a shared set of regulations, a climate of mutual understanding and admiration is fostered. This, in turn, nurtures an environment characterized by civility and courtesy, enabling harmonious coexistence.

Moreover, the practice of following rules reinforces the notion that the rights and freedoms of every individual deserve unwavering respect.

Promotes fairness.

The presence of rules contributes to the establishment of equity and justice.

By implementing a uniform set of standards, rules prevent favoritism or discrimination, ensuring equal treatment for all.

Encourages Responsibility.

Rules inspire individuals to embrace accountability for their actions.

When people comprehend the potential repercussions of violating a rule, they tend to exercise greater mindfulness and act responsibly.

Moreover, by recognizing that their conduct influences others, individuals develop a heightened awareness of the broader societal implications of their choices.

Fosters Discipline

Rules contribute to the cultivation of discipline within the organization. By abiding by societal regulations, individuals cultivate self-discipline and mastery over their actions. This self-discipline becomes instrumental in attaining personal goals and realizing success in various endeavors. Furthermore, rules serve as guiding principles that keep individuals focused and motivated, steering them toward the achievement of their objectives.

Facilitates Efficiency

Rules play a significant part in smoothing out our day-to-day existences and cultivating proficiency. Complying with laid-out rules enables people to dodge inefficient undertakings, monitoring both time and assets. This empowers individuals to expand their efficiency and take advantage of it every day. Besides, rules add to the foundation of coordinated and proficient frameworks, working with consistent activities and improving in general viability.

Conclusion

Rules function as the overlooked overseers, protecting balance in our organization.

They stand as the bedrock that supports our public, maintaining upsides of well-being, reasonableness, obligation, discipline, and effectiveness.

Rules, at their center, enlighten the way toward a more deliberate, just, and secure organization, directing us toward a more promising outcome.

**SUPPORT THE SHRINERS CHILDREN HOSPITAL
SYSTEM, THE SCOTTISH RITE HOSPITAL AND THE
ST. JUDGE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL SYSTEM WITH A
CONSISTENT MONTHLY DONATION.**

These organizations have provided assistance to many of our families. Their value to the Masonic family as well as your friends and neighbors is invaluable. If you need assistance or information regarding how you can help support these worthwhile organizations, please let me know.