

FROM THE EAST



Brethren,
As the Holidays approach and the year is coming to an end, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for letting me have the honor of serving as Worshipful Master of our lodge. Many of you have helped me immensely this year in many different ways and to you I am eternally grateful. The officers worked as a team to keep things running smoothly, the ladies of the lodge helped with the meals and many of the officers did double duty when we were short handed and they all did it willingly. That to me is very special. We may have a small lodge, but we are not short of dedicated people.

This year, as it was last year, has been challenging as far as the budget is concerned. We made many cuts to the budget and cuts are being made to next year's budget as well. As everyone knows, the economy is not what is. Our income is also not what it was. In our last stated meeting, the craft voted unanimously to raise our yearly dues from \$40 to \$60. This will help us, but it will not be a complete remedy and it will not take effect until 2013, subject to Grand Lodge approval.

At this time of the year, families grow closer together. We as a Masonic family are fortunate to have each other, in addition to our regular families, to enhance our celebration of the Holidays.

My wish for you this Holiday season is that you enjoy your families and consider coming back to lodge and taking an active part in its mission. I hope to see you all in lodge soon.

Upon the Square,
Ronald B. Watson
Worshipful Master

FROM THE WEST



Brethren,
I would like to congratulate all the Officers past and present that received their purple proficiency cards in Masonic Education. As the year comes to a close, I would like to thank all those that supported me and ask for your support, for the coming year. Have a safe and blessed holiday season.

On the Level,
Fred Kalkbrenner, Jr.
Senior Warden



FROM THE SOUTH

Brethren,
As you are well aware the end of the year is fast approaching us. Which means the Holidays and the Lodge elections for the coming year. The election of Officers for 2012 will be December 10, 2011. So mark your calendars and plan to attend.
Since this will be the last trestleboard for this year, I would like to thank each and everyone of you who have supported the officers of your Lodge for 2011. Remember this is your Lodge.
Hope everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas.

By the Plumb,
Ed Street, Zone 6 Chairman Committee on Work,
P.D.D.G.M., P.D.I., & P.M.
Junior Warden

FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK



Friends and Brothers:
As the holidays are here once again, I wish to extend to you from my home to yours a blessed holiday season. Look forward seeing you in 2012! I wish to share this recipe which should be in everyone's recipe book.

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| 1 cup of good thoughts | 1 cup of kind deeds |
| 2 cups of sacrifice | 1 cup of consideration |
| 3 cups of forgiveness for others | |
| 2 cups of thoughts, well beaten | |

Mix thoroughly, add tears of joy, sorrow and sympathy.
Flavor with love and kind service. Fold in 4 cups of prayers, faith, and enthusiasm. Blend well with human kindness. Spread all into your daily life. Serve with a smile at all times and it will satisfy the hunger of many people less fortunate than us.

Respectfully submitted,
William B. Garrett, Jr., P.M.
Treasurer

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK



Brethren,
We will be electing new officers at our stated meeting on 10 December 2011. This will serve as notice to the membership of the Lodge elections. It is very important that you attend Lodge and vote for your choice of officers to lead the lodge in the coming year. Don't let just a few members decide the direction and fate of our lodge. A friendly reminder: Dues cards are here. I have 18 brothers that haven't paid their 2011 dues. Brethren this is the money your lodge operates on. Please send them in as soon as possible.

Now is the time to become a perpetual member before the dues are increased and they are going to be increased in 2013. Perpetual membership is twenty times the normal annual dues, and there is also a payment plan, come in or call and talk to me about it. Thanks again.

L. Kelly Dougherty, Sr., P.M.
Secretary

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Brethren,
The fall and Holiday Season is almost upon us and we should be thankful for all that we have. There are others not as fortunate and are suffering with the present economic times. It is also mid-election time and we should be very careful how we cast our ballots. We still have a long way to go before we see any appreciable improvement in our economy. There has been very few reports of sickness and distress. Thank God for that! Remember, keep the Lodge informed of any sick or distressed you hear about and let us know who it is. Now; thanks to: Vera B. Parker!

"Help Me"

Help me to find someone today Who needs what I have to share-- A kindly word, a thoughtful deed, A bit of loving care. Help me to take the time to be An understanding friend To someone who needs a helping hand On which they can depend. Help me to love as Jesus loves--- That same unselfish way. Help me to be like Jesus In all I do and say!

Charlie Cheshire, P.M.
Chaplain

Sickness & Distress

None Reported by Press Time.



To All our Brothers thoughts and prayers; know others Love and Care.



LODGE CALENDAR DATES

November 5th – Widow's Luncheon 11:30 am – 1:30 pm
November 12th – Lodge Business Meeting @ 10:00 am
November 26th – Lodge Dark
December 10th – Lodge Business Meeting @ 10:00 am
Election of Lodge Officers – 2012
December 24th – Lodge Dark
January 7, 2012 - Installation of Lodge Officers @ 10:00 am
January 14th – Lodge Business Meeting @ 10:00 am

MASONIC BIRTHDAY'S



November/December

| <u>50 Years</u> | <u>Raised</u> |
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| None | |
| <u>40 Years</u> | |
| Robert G. Kirkpatrick | 12/14/1971 |
| John H. Rapp | 12/02/1971 |
| <u>25 Years</u> | |
| None | |
| <u>Other</u> | |
| Richard L. Allen | 12/14/1976 |
| James J. Burrows | 12/02/2006 |
| Jerry W. Carter | 12/22/2001 |
| Patrick N. Cheshire | 12/06/1997 |
| Earl F. Crockett | 11/26/1994 |
| Norris E. Davis | 12/08/1989 |
| Walter Gilmer | 12/02/2006 |
| Ronald A. Greene | 11/13/1993 |
| John E. Grim | 12/14/1965 |
| Reginald J. Guier | 12/02/2000 |
| James G. Harrison | 11/25/1975 |
| Richard L. Hayes | 12/26/1972 |
| John T. Holmes | 12/06/1997 |
| Riad I. Kantar | 12/06/1997 |
| William B. Loft | 11/24/1964 |
| Robert M. McKendree | 12/06/1997 |
| Louis F. Nelson, Jr. | 12/02/2006 |
| Alfred M. Rogers | 12/28/1955 |
| Ronald J. Schluger | 12/02/2000 |