



TRESTLE BOARD

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Greetings Brothers,

I hope everyone is finding their own way of dealing with the green haze that surrounds us. We had another well attended Stated Meeting tonight and we were treated to another great meal of Chicken Bog, Salad, and JW Tom's extra special, extra delicious Cherry (for lack of a better word) Delight and Vanilla Ice Cream. Tom and the kitchen crew deserve a standing ovation for this meal.

At the meeting, the Secretary received (2) new Petitions for Membership and (2) Petitions for Affiliation. We also voted on (2) to receive their Entered Apprentice Degree, (4) to receive their Fellowcraft Degree, and (2) to receive their Master Mason Degree and all were elected. That's the kind of activity we need and want.

Now for the news we've been waiting for, JW Tom happily reported that he is handing to the Secretary a check for the proceeds from the spring chicken bbq in the amount of \$5300.00. Wow, that is tremendous! Tom and WM Jim both wanted to thank all who helped make it happen. You should be proud.

I'm pleased to announce that we are adding something new to the Trestleboard starting this month. We are including a list of the Brothers who are celebrating a birthday in that month. We are not going to give the ages of the Brothers because we don't want to take our shoes off to figure it out. As an added bonus for the Brothers who are on the list each month, if you come to the Stated Meeting you will get your meal for free. We will also have some birthday cake and sing Happy Birthday to you.

On a somber note, today a group of our Brothers attended a funeral and performed a Masonic Service for one of our own. This Brother's name was Paul Williams, what makes this incidence stand apart is that Brother Paul was only 27 yrs. old. Paul's mother did something today that no mother should ever have to do, bury one of her children. WM Jim would like to remind the Brothers that you never know when someone's time is

coming to an end so appreciate your family and friends they could be gone tomorrow. Brother Paul is in a better place, but his family and friends have a hole in their hearts that will never be filled. Just a reminder that if it is your wishes to have a Masonic Service when you're called home, you need to make sure your family knows your wishes. It is up to your family to request a Masonic Service. A Brother cannot ask another Brother's family if they want the service.

Work for the month

Thursday April 9th Entered Apprentice Degree dine at 6:30pm meeting at 7:30pm

EA Practice April 8th 7:00pm at the lodge.

Thursday April 16th Fellowcraft Degree dine at 6:30pm meeting at 7:30pm

FC Practice April 15th 7:00pm at the lodge

Wednesday April 22nd Master Mason Degree dine at 6:30pm meeting at 7:30pm

MM Practice April 21st 7:00pm at the lodge

Due to the Grand Lodge Communication the MM Degree had to be changed to Wednesday instead of Thursday.

Thursday April 30th Square and Compass meeting at Boyleston Lodge dine at 6:30pm meeting at 7:30pm. All Master Masons are invited to attend. Meetings are always over by 9:00pm. Let's show them good Boyleston attendance and hospitality.

***Saturday April 11th a work party to fill the bbq pits before it gets to hot, meet at Hardee's in Balantine at 7:00am Please come and help it only takes a couple hrs. with good help

Last month's trivia question: What major league baseball team has the longest name?

Answer: The New York Metropolitan (Mets)

This month's trivia question: Stephanie Courtney is an actress and comedian who is on CBS, NBC, ABC everyday, what role does she play?

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