

## TRESTLE BOARD

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Greetings Brothers,

Well, six more weeks of winter. We had our regular stated meeting and it was very well attended. Our meal consisted of salad, hearty vegetable soup, and an array of desserts. (5) new Petitions for Membership were read along with (1) Petition for Affiliation and (1) Petition for Reinstatement. A great start for the new year.

I thought at this point I would let you know what the Brothers of the Lodge have been up to since the last Trestleboard. The stove that SW William Watkins donated is in need of repairs so the building committee is investigating the best solution to remedy the problem. Next came the wood cutting to fill the pits for the upcoming chicken bbq, I'm proud to say that approx. (25) Brothers showed up with saws and trucks and the job was complete about 9:00am. Also, a request was made to help Earlwood Lodge put on a Third Degree and we responded by having 14 Boyleston Brothers in attendance to aid putting on the degree. Finally, one of our Brothers and a Past Master who is experiencing some serious health problems, asked if the Lodge could put a much needed handicap ramp at his house. This request came to the Lodge at the Stated Meeting on Thursday Feb. 5th and by Sat Feb. 7th at noon. the ramp was installed. On Thursday night the Brothers passed the hat which paid for the materials and a group of Brothers met Sat. morning and constructed the ramp. If you're not proud to be a Member of this Lodge, you should be. They are your Brothers and good Masons, come be an active part of your Lodge.

At the meeting this month, we were privileged to have in attendance Most Worshipful Gerald Carver and he gave an interesting talk on some historical storys about Richland 39.

Don't forget the spring chicken bbg is fast approaching on March 7th and we need a good turnout of workers on Friday starting at 7:00am and continuing thru Saturday ending about 6:00pm. This is the last Trestleboard before then so let's mark our calenders and pitch in. As I've said before, it is the best way to get to know your fellow Brothers. Also, we need to sell tickets. To get tickets contact the JW Tom Reed @ 803-315-8269. Let's make the bbq a big success.

Work for the month

Thursday February 12 Entered Apprentice Degree dine at 6:30pm Meeting at 7:30pm  
Wed. Feb. 11th EA practice 7:00pm at the lodge  
Thursday February 19 Masonic Education at the lodge (no meal) 7:00pm.

Brothers, this Masonic Education night is for anyone who wants to participate in degree work or lectures. We are always looking for “new blood” to help with doing this work and this is the opportunity to learn.

Last month’s trivia question; We’ve all heard of a Freemason, what is a freemartin?

Answer: When a cow has twins of different sexes, the female absorbs the male hormones and is infertile. This infertile cow is called a freemartin. (it occasionally happens in sheep, goats, and pigs

This month’s trivia question: What is the all time most played song on the radio?

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