



TRESTLE BOARD

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Greetings Brothers,

Here it is the beginning of November and I suspect that quite a few Brothers might have put on a few lbs. because of sampling their childrens and grandchildrens Halloween candy just to make sure it was ok. We had another great attendance at our Stated Meeting and were treated to a meal of center cut pork chops, cabbage, butter beans, corn, and rolls with pecan pie, ice cream, and cookies for dessert. A big thank you to all who had a part in creating that fine feast and to Linda and Botley Amick for supplying the pecan pies and ice cream.

After the typical opening of our meeting, we got down to the business at hand. Bro. Sec. read the minutes of October and all were approved. He. also, read (1) Petition for Membership and an investigating committee was assigned. We balloted on (1) for Entered Apprentice, (1) for Fellowcraft, and (1) for Master Masons degree and all were elected.

Moving into old business, our Secretary heard from the Grand Secretary that the merge of Dutch Fork Lodge No. 402 into our Lodge has been approved and the proper paperwork is forthcoming. Welcome Brothers!!!!!!! we're proud to have you join our ranks.

Our Senior Warden who is head or our 150th Anniversary Committee reported on the committee's progress. The committee has agreed on the draft of a commemorative coin and a lapel pin for the occasion which will be sent to the Grand Lodge for approval. The plans are to charge \$10.00 for the coin and \$5.00 for the lapel pin. The amount received from these should pay for most or all of the cost of the celebration. The committee has an educated guess that there will be approx. 200 people in attendance. The meal will be catered and one of the meats will be bbq. There will also be a big tent erected to hold

everyone and parking plans are in the making. The Grand Master and several Grand Lodge officers have committed to attend and a large number of Past Grand Lodge officers will be in attendance. Brothers this is a once in a lifetime event to be proud of, so please plan on attending. The budget for the event was presented to the Lodge, made into a motion, seconded, discussed, and passed unanimously.

A lot of the Brothers in the Lodge have voiced their opinion that we could do a much better job of reaching out to make more of an impact in our community. We are taking steps to do that. Plans are going forward to join the “adopt a highway” program. We are getting involved and made a contribution to the “Relay for Life” program to raise money to fight against cancer which affects all of us. We’ve also made a contribution to Leeza’s Care Connection founded by Leeza Gibbons (WB Carlo’s daughter) to aid the families of victims of Alzheimer’s and other chronic illnesses. This program is financed largely by Leeza and contributions.

This month is when Boyleston Lodge has the election and appointing of officers and the results are as follows:

Worshipful Master - John “Trey” Meetze	Senior Warden - Tom Reed
Junior Warden - Nick White	Treasurer - Ron Lockaby
Secretary - Bill Bouknight	Senior Deacon - Jud Close
Junior Deacon - Philip Steele	Chaplain - to be announced
Steward - Jerry Raymond	Steward - to be announced
Tyler - Rusty Radford	

The incoming Worshipful Master Trey Meetze has set the installation of officers for Dec. 27th which is the Feast of Saint Johns and the official day when the officers assume their new positions. This will be conducted in an open lodge so you may bring a guest. Details will be in December’s Trestleboard.

Don’t forget to pay your 2017 dues. Last chance for those who haven’t their 2016 dues.

On Sat. Nov. 12th Boyleston Lodge is preparing meals for (2) different Masonic organizations in (2) different places. SC Grand Lodge is having their annual secretaries meeting and asked us to prepare lunch and SC Tall Cedars of Lebanon are having their quarterly meeting at Boyleston Lodge. This means we need lots of help. We will start the preparations at 7:00am Sat. and we need help preparing, transporting and serving the Grand Lodge lunch and serving the Tall Cedars lunch. Please help and take some of the load off a few people. The money we receive goes directly to our Lodge and by the way helps keep our dues lower than most Lodges.

Work for the month

Thursday Nov. 10th Entered Apprentice degree dine at 6:30pm meeting at 7:30pm

Wed. Nov 9th EA practice at the lodge 6:30pm

Thursday Nov. 17th Master Mason degree dine at 6:30pm meeting at 7:30pm
Wed. Nov. 16th MM practice at the lodge 6:30pm

Sunday Dec. 4th The Eastern Star #280 has graciously invited the brothers and family of Boyleston to their annual Christmas party 6:00pm. Let's show our support.

Last month's trivia question: What is the rule of odd and even numbered interstate highways?
answer: Odd numbers are north and south. Even numbers are east and west. Also, around cities with (3) digit numbers
Odd means going in and out, even means going around.

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