



TRESTLE BOARD

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Greetings Brothers,

Here it is May already, this year seems to be flying by. We had another well-attended business meeting and were treated to a fine meal of hamburgers and all the fixins, potato salad, potato chips, delicious Watergate salad (thank you Gale Reed) and ice cream.

The meeting started in the usual manner, but there were no new petitions this month. Taking in new Brothers is what will keep our Lodge and Masonry going and solvent. We don't ask anybody to join our Fraternity but we can make sure people know we're Masons and what a great Fraternity it is. Our Lodge is making a concerted effort to help our community and get our name out there. Let's always be conscious of potential Brothers of good character that would be a great addition to our Lodge. We balloted on (1) for Entered Apprentice, (2) for Fellowcraft, and (1) for Affiliation and all were elected.

Our Secretary read a thank you note from MW William Rogers' wife thanking the Brothers of Boyleston for putting on a fine rededication and 150th anniversary. We also received a thank you note from the principal of Chapin High School for the donation of the George Washington portrait from our Lodge.

WB William Watkins presented the Lodge with new Lesser Lights that he built and they were very well done. Thank you William. Since we have new Lesser Lights, the Lodge voted to donate our old ones to Lexington Lodge along with our old officer chairs.

We have some activities coming up this month in addition to the degree work. First of all we need to cut wood and fill the pits for the next bbq. As I'm writing this that task has been completed and all who showed up worked together and the pits were cleaned and filled by 9:30am. Also, some Brothers brought lawn mowers and string trimmers and cut the grass and did all the trimming. The lodge looks good and by the way there is now a light on the flagpole. Something that helped us complete this job was the hard work of (2) of our Brothers cutting all the wood we needed so all we had to do was split it and get it to the pits. Those Brothers were WB Bob Stump and SW Tom Reed. Thank you so much.

On Sat. the 13th we are going to have our 2nd Adopt-a-Highway litter pickup. As we did last time we will meet at Hardee's at 7:30am get a biscuit and go out and pickup the roadside litter from Bickley Rd. to Johnson Marina Rd. In February we had over 20 show up and the job was completed in approx. 2 ½ hours. We need volunteers!!!!!! It makes it so much easier on everyone. After this time there will be a sign erected showing we're the ones doing it.

On the same day we are making lunch for about 80 participating in a Grand Lodge Meeting. Let's pitch in and help.

On Sat. June 10th we have a block of seats reserved at the Columbia Fireflies game. It is a beautiful stadium and great family time. These seats are good seats on the first base side which will give you a great view of the game. (There is netting to protect you from hot foul balls) This game is for Brothers and friends and family. The great seats are only \$10. each but we have to turn the money in by June 27th. Please contact Ron Lockaby @ 803-269-4934, Jud Close @ 803-479-3090, or Bill Bouknight @ 803-556-5670 to reserve your spot.

There are over 30 Brothers who haven't paid their dues for 2017 please do so asap, if you have any questions please contact the Secretary.

Work for the month

Thursday May 11th Entered Apprentice Degree dine at 6:30pm meeting at 7:30pm
EA Practice Wed May 10th 6:30pm at the Lodge
Thursday May 18th Fellowcraft Degree dine at 6:30pm meeting at 7:30pm
FC Practice Wed May 18th 6:30pm at the Lodge
Tuesday May 30th Square and Compass meeting (all Master Masons invited) dine at
6:30 Meeting after Held at Blythewood Lodge.
Don't forget Adopt-a Highway
Lunch for Grand Lodge
Square and Compass meeting
Fireflies Game
PAY YOUR 2017 DUES

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