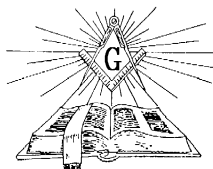


WEBB LODGE #166 F. & A.M.
JANUARY 19TH, 2015 TRESTLEBOARD (#325)



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Brethren: The **Regular Communication** of Webb Lodge #166 F.& A.M. will be held at the Masonic Temple, 3201 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, Georgia, on **January 19th, 2015**. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and a Lodge of Master Masons will be opened at 8:00 p.m. Please remember to call a brother or widow and invite them to come and share an evening of fellowship with us on that date. If you, another brother or widow need transportation to and from the lodge please call one of the officers. Ladies are invited. (Telephone numbers are located on the reverse side of this newsletter) Widows have an open invitation to come join us for dinner each month and please bring a guest.

1. ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS & COMMITTEES FOR 2015: The following is a list of all elected and appointed officers for the year 2015.

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| WM.....Richard T. Williamson | SW.....Frank J. Valentine, Jr., P.M. |
| JW.....Jack P. Goldenberg, P.M. | TREA.....Richard T. Pacheco, P.M. |
| SECY.....T. Gregory Oblak, P.M. | SD.....Jason Butler |
| JD.....C. Jack Bradford | SS.....D. Cal Simon III |
| JS.....Sam Arazie | Chaplain.....Terry M. Dewitt, P.M. |
| Tyler.....Robert A. Elliott | Widows.....Frank Valentine & Jim Huggins |
| Ambassador to the Masonic Home.....Sam Arazie | Director of Work.....Jim Huggins |
| Scholarship Committee.....Gregory Oblak, Steve Fishman, Richard Pacheco | |
| Charity.....Gregory Oblak, Steve Fishman, Frank Valentine | |
| Building Trustees.....Steve Fishman (2015), Richard Williamson (2016), Jack Goldenberg (2017) | |
| Financial Trustees.....Jim Huggins (2015), Richard Williamson (2016), Ted Pacheco, (2017) | |

Temptation usually comes in through a door that has been deliberately left open.

2. MASON OF THE YEAR FOR 2014: Congratulations to **Jack Goldenberg**, Webb Lodge #166 "Mason of the Year for 2014. Brother Jack has been one of our most active Masons in the lodge. He was elected Worshipful Master this past year, He is one of our most proficient coaches of our candidates in all of the degrees, He is the Director of Masonic Education and gives an inspiring and educational presentation at each regular communication. He is active in the ritualistic work and has conferred many degrees over the last few years. Jack has earned my title of respect; He is "One of the Faithful Few." Jack was elected by the brethren for this honor and will be presented with a \$150.00 monetary award at the next regular communication.



3. GRAND MASTER'S WORKSHOP: Grand Master Douglas W. McDonald will hold his workshop for the Augusta Area on Saturday, **January 24, 2015**, at the Scottish Rite Center from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm. Lunch will be served by the 10th District Officers following the workshop. All Webb Lodge Officers should attend if at all possible. Put this date on your calendar now.



4. SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION: Our District Custodian, Tom Scott will hold the School of Instruction for the Augusta area every Wednesday for 6 weeks beginning on **January 7th, 2015**. It will be held at Martinez Lodge #710 from 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm. Refreshments are usually served from 6:00 PM until 7:00 PM. If you are an officer of Webb Lodge it is highly recommended that you attend. Also all interested Master Masons are invited.



5. WHAT ARE WE TO DO? (Bro. Stoney) Without a doubt we live in troubled times. A brief review of current events show riots and unrest within America, wholesale slaughter throughout the Mideast and Africa, Ebola on the rise, power hungry nations, corrupt politicians, arrogant government bureaucrats, and the list goes on. Before running off and proclaiming the end of the world is near because of all that is happening, I would refer you to the book of Ecclesiastes wherein Solomon says, "There is nothing new under the sun." Indeed, all that we see around us has been occurring in one form or another since Adam and Eve fell from grace. So, do we simply ignore what is happening since it has always been so and will continue into the future?



Of course not! As Freemasons, we are taught to be peaceable citizens within our respective nations, obeying the law of the land and submitting to civil authority. We are also taught to dispel ignorance and prejudice wherever we find them and bring enlightenment to our respective communities. How can we accomplish such a daunting task in view of what is happening within our spheres of influence? By being light to those in darkness, by being salt to those who are living bland unproductive lives, by being the standard to which others look up to. The lessons learned at our altars are drawn from the

Scriptures and are universal in nature. They are intended to equip us to deal with the world as we find it, not in fear, but with the confidence that our philosophies, symbols, and ideals have withstood the test of time and will prevail. So, what are we to do, simply be who we are, **Masons**.

6. **HUMOR IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL; THINGS I WISH I HAD SAID:** 1. Depression is merely anger without enthusiasm. 2. The only substitute for good manners is fast reflexes. 3. I almost had a psychic girlfriend, but she left me before we met. 4. I drive way too fast to worry about cholesterol. 5. Shin: A device for finding furniture in the dark. 6. Ambition is a poor excuse for not having enough sense to be lazy. 7. If everything seems to be going well, you have obviously overlooked something. 8. I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder. 9. Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder. 10. Everyone has a photographic memory. Some do not have the film. 11. Wear short sleeves! Support your right to bare arms. 12. Corduroy pillows: They're making headlines! 13. I tried sniffing Coke once but the ice cubes got stuck in my nose. 14. How do you tell when you run out of invisible ink? 15. When everything's coming your way, you are in the wrong lane.



7. **BLUE LODGE APPRECIATION DAY:** The 6 Scottish Rite Valleys in Georgia are hosting a Blue Lodge Appreciation Day. All Master Masons are invited. This is a tyled meeting (Credentials will be checked) so bring your dues card. It will be held at the Macon Scottish Rite on Saturday, February 28th, 2015, beginning at 10:00 am. A free lunch will be provided. Reservations are required. Call you Valley Secretary (Greg Oblak, 706-829-1665) as soon as possible, space is limited. **Guest Speaker:** Illustrious Brother Robert Davis, 33° GC who has written several books concerning Masonry. Brother Davis is a very dynamic speaker. He will talk about such things as: What is initiation and what is it's purpose? What does it mean to be Passed? What is the meaning of the Myth of Hiram? Who is the tragic hero in the Third Degree? What makes Freemasonry a secret society? Is the MM Degree the highest degree in Masonry? Is this statement true and how is not true. These type of subjects will be the basis of his talk. **Degree Conferral:** Germania Lodge No. 46 of New Orleans will present the Entered Apprentice Degree. Known as a "RED" Lodge, the lodge works in the Scottish Rite Symbolic ritual and is one of only ten lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana which work in this historic ritual.

8. **QUOTES TO REMEMBER:** 1. The finish line is just the beginning of a whole new race. (James) 2. A life of unremitting caution, without the carefree—or even, occasionally, the careless—may turn out to be half a life. (Quindlen) 3. Self-delusion is pulling in your stomach when you step on the scale. (Sweeny) 4. Be open to learning new lessons even if they contradict the lessons you learned yesterday. (Degeneres) 5. It's a whole lot more satisfying to reach for the stars, even if you end up landing only on the moon. (Frog)



9. **JUST A PASSING THOUGHT:** To all members of Webb Lodge #166: We have started another year and I hope that we all can make a commitment to again make Webb Lodge one of the premier lodges in the 10th District. How can we accomplish this? First we need **YOUR** participation. We need to increase our attendance so that we can complete all of the works that Worshipful Master Richard Williamson has placed on his trestleboard. We need to contact those members who are in the area and verbally tell them that we all made the same obligation and that we need them to help. Secondly; we need all of the officers to step up. It is imperative that a successful lodge needs Leadership. It is the responsibility of the Master to outline a plan, and with the help of his officers and the membership, see that the plan is carried out. The Master needs to think "**Out of the Box**", Initiate the projects and Delegate the work so that **'It Gets Done.'**" Each officer should take his station seriously; learn the work, learn the duties, learn the next station ahead. Try not to rely on others to do Your Job. Let us all make the effort this year to do a better job than we did in the past. I coined a phrase several years ago; Be One of the Faithful Few. Wouldn't it be nice to be remembered as "**ONE OF THE FAITHFUL FEW**" for the work which you did this year??



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