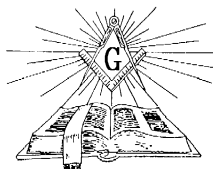


**WEBB LODGE #166 F. & A.M.  
MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 TRESTLEBOARD (#327)**



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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 **March 16<sup>th</sup>, 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. UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Daylight Savings Time Begins.....	March 8, 2015.....	All Day
Webb Lodge Regular Communication Dinner.....	March 16, 2015.....	7:00 P.M.
Webb Lodge Regular Communication Meeting.....	March 16, 2015.....	8:00 P.M.
Webb Lodge Master's Degree.....	March 23, 2015.....	7:00 P.M.
Augusta Scottish Rite Dinner.....	April 2, 2015.....	7:00 P.M.
Augusta Scottish Rite Lodge of Perfection Meeting.....	April 2, 2015.....	8:00 P.M.
Passover Begins.....	April 3, 2015.....	Sunset
Easter.....	April 5, 2015.....	All Day
Masters Golf Tournament.....	April 6-12, 2015.....	All Day
Webb Lodge Regular Communication Dinner.....	April 20, 2015.....	7:00 P.M.
Webb Lodge Regular Communication Meeting.....	April 20, 2015.....	8:00 P.M.

**2. PROFANITY: (Bro. Stoney)** In broad terms, many dictionaries define profanity as “blasphemous or obscene language”.



However, I prefer the Merriam-Webster's definition which says profanity is “an offensive word or offensive language. The definition goes on to say “it is also called bad language, strong language, coarse language, foul language...” I am sure you have probably run across folks who use words you probably consider as profanity but they think of them as putting emphasis on a subject. Or worse yet, they do not even consider what is coming out of their mouth, their use of profanity being so common in their world.

And then there is that third commandment found in Exodus and Deuteronomy which states, “Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.” Other versions of the Bible say “You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.” Our Jewish brothers have taken the commandment to the point of making it taboo to pronounce the name of God resulting in the replacement of the Tetragrammaton by “Adonai” (literally translated “my lords”). They also further respect the name of God by spelling it thusly “G\_d”. We are all familiar with the most egregious taking of God's name in vain but did you know the definition is further expanded to swearing on the Lord's name and bearing false witness or lying. In the Hebrew Bible the commandment is directed against **abuse** of the name of God, not against any **use**. In fact, there are numerous examples in the Hebrew Bible, and some in the New Testament, where God's name is called upon in oaths to tell the truth or to support the truth of a statement being sworn to. The books of Daniel and Revelations include instances where an angel, sent by God, invokes the name of God to support the truth of apocalyptic revelations. God Himself is presented as swearing by his own name (“As surely as I live...”) to guarantee the certainty of various events foretold through the prophets. So, do not confuse abuse of God's name with the use of God's name. Now that we have an adequate grasp concerning what taking the Lord's Name in vain entails, let's explore the idea of offensive language. As Masons, we are representatives of an ancient and honorable Order of men. Many times, we are the only Masons people will ever come in contact with and, since we proudly wear of our rings and lapel pins denoting membership in the Craft, it is incumbent upon each of us to take great pains not to use any language which others might consider offensive thereby casting the entire fraternity in a bad light due to our poor choice of words. A wise woman, (my Mom), once told me use of profanity denoted one's lack of command of the English language. As such, it can completely destroy an otherwise valid argument and cause the listener to completely miss the point you are trying to make. A lesson that should strike a familiar chord will all Masons is the movement of the compasses to an elevated position above the square as one advances through the three degrees. That, as you will recall, symbolizes your control of emotions and spiritual nature superseding your natural or profane nature. As Master Masons you have arrived. Live your lives as such.

**3. STATEWIDE 2015 SPRING REUNION:** The Six Scottish Rite Valleys in the Orient of Georgia (Albany, Atlanta, Augusta, Columbus, Macon and Savannah) will get together on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015, and host a one day reunion for all Master Masons who are interested in becoming a 32° Scottish Rite Mason. If you would like to be a part of this class please see General Secretary, Gregory Oblak, 33° for a petition. This event will be hosted by the Macon Scottish Rite.





**4. DUES REMINDER:** Brethren: All dues notices have been sent. If you do not have a 2015 dues card please remit the sum of \$50.00 and if you do not have a 2014 dues card please remit the sum of \$100.00 before June of 2015 or risk being suspended for non-payment for two years. So Mote It Be.

**5. QUOTABLE QUOTES:** 1. I have always thought that a big laugh is a really loud noise from the soul saying, "Ain't that the truth." (Jones) 2. The true measure of a man is how he treats someone who can do him absolutely no good. (Landers) 3. The greatest conflicts are not between two people but between one person and himself. (Brooks) 4. You cannot be really first-rate at your work if your work is all you are. (Quindlen) 5. You've got to be original, because if you are like someone else, what do they need you for? (Peters)



**6. "DO UNTO OTHERS":** While technical systems change rapidly, the systems that govern our social behavior have evolved little in 2000 years and we get what we want out of life only by working with and through others. To maintain that perspective in life, here are some rules that seem to flow from it. 1. To have a friend, you must be a friend, starting with yourself. 2. The greatest hunger a person has is to be needed. Help create that feeling in others. 3. The greatest virtue is kindness, You can't love everyone, but you can be kind to everyone. 4. Be positive. Positive people attract others, while negative people repel. 5. Be the first to say, "Hello! Good to see you." 6. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." The golden rule is where it all begins and ends.

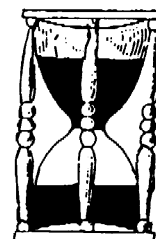


**7. LAUGHTER IS STILL THE BEST MEDICINE:** 1. My friend was stocking the shelves in a grocery store when a lady with an "Italian accent asked him, "Please, sir. Where can I find a "Water Go Spaghetti Stop?" Puzzled, my friend paid close attention as she repeated her request, this time with hand gestures. Then it dawned on him what she wanted. He led her to another aisle and found a "Water Go, Spaghetti Stop"-----A Colander.

*Here are three little sentences that will get you through life:*

*#1: Cover for me. #2: Oh, good idea, Boss. # 3: It was like that when I got here.*

**8. RETHINK AND RECONSIDER:** Brethren: Are you one of the members of Webb lodge who do not attend and participate for one reason or another? Do you just send in your dues and say that it wouldn't make a difference if you were present or not? Brethren; you couldn't be further from the truth. Webb lodge needs your support in the way of ideas, being a member of several committees, participating in several of our charitable endeavors, filling one of several officers' positions, coaching our candidates, visiting our sick and distressed brothers and widows, as well as planning the future of Webb lodge. Webb lodge is dying a slow death, 10% of the brethren cannot do 100% of the work. Rethink why you originally joined the lodge and reconsider your position and attend as frequently as you can and help an organization which I feel is worth saving. Time is slowly running out. So mote it be.



*Tap into people's dignity, and they will do anything for you. Ignore it and they won't lift a finger. (Friedman)*



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