WEBB LODGE #166 F. & A.M. JUNE 15TH, 2015 TRESTLEBOARD (#330)



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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 **June 15th**, **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. 10th MASONIC DISTRICT CONVENTION: When: June 13th, 2015. Where: Tennille Lodge #256, Time: 10:00am. District Master is Tom Bell. Please attend to support Tom and his District Officers.



Happy Father's Day from the Officers of Webb Lodge #166



ANNUAL DINNER THEATER: The Valley of Augusta Scottish Rite will present their annual dinner theater at the Scottish Rite Center on Saturday, September 19, 2015. Dinner will be served from 6:00 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. The Performance will begin at 7:30 P.M. and end approximately at 9:30 P.M. Cost will again be \$35.00 per person, or reserve a table of 8 for you and your family or friends for \$280.00. This is not a fundraiser but for the

pleasure of the membership. The ticket price covers the cost of the dinner and entertainment and if there are funds remaining door prizes will be given away during intermission. A maximum of 225

tickets (maximum capacity of the dining room) will be sold on a first come first serve basis. The last three have been sellouts. Tickets will go on sale May 15th, 2015. I will reserve your tickets for you and then you can either pick them up, I will send to you or I will hold them for you on "Will Call" at the SR Center for you to pick up the night of the performance. This will be a show that has two different performances; the first one is a musical which will consist of 3-5 singers impersonating famous performers (approximately 60-75 minutes and the second will be a magical show consisting of a one magician performing feats of magic for 30—40 minutes. The dinner will be a **Seafood and Chicken Buffet catered by Howard Dye**.

3. "HELP, AID, AND ASSIST ALL DISTRESSED BROTHER MASONS..." (Bro. Stoney) The words above are contained within the Master Mason obligation. What do they mean and how should one apply them? I believe the answers to those questions lay within the individual breast of each brother. All should come to the Fraternity with a set of values and life experiences that make us worthy of being raised to the degree of Master Mason.

So, before becoming a Mason, how did we help, aid and assist others within our families, work environments, and community? I suspect the majority of us are of a giving nature as opposed to a taking nature. Isn't that, in the final analysis, what we as brother do, we give to one another freely and count it an honor to do so? But are we truly what we perceive ourselves to be? Maybe a few pointed questions will show areas where we might want to review our priorities. Let's start with helping our brothers. How many know when or if a brother is distressed and needs help? Do we communicate on a regular and timely basis and thereby know the ups and downs each of us face in dealing with life? Or, do we merely see each other at monthly lodge meetings, make small talk, and go home? When we hear of a brother either in lodge or through other sources that is ill, injured, or just suffering poor health, do we make a point of reaching out to him? Sometimes a simple telephone call letting him know you are thinking of him will lift the spirits of one who is suffering. A visit is even more uplifting. How about the brother who has lost a loved one, be it a wife or child? Do you run to his side and offer condolences and oftentimes remain silent and just be by his side? If you, as a Master Mason, do not feel the connection of which I am speaking, I believe something very special is missing from your journey toward light. Endeavor to know those within your lodge on more than just a casual basis. After all, they share a common value system and search for spiritual light which should be the basis for a long and enduring relationship.

The above article is very timely in that Webb Lodge, its officers and active membership have not always taken the time to check on our brethren who are ill, need financial assistance, or just need someone to talk to. I, myself, am guilty of that and admitted such to the lodge. I



have tried to be a better Mason in this area and have recently tried to visit and contact several of our brothers who are in these situations. Let us all try to make the effort and take the time to remember these brethren. Visit them, Call them, Assist them, but please "Remember Them." So Mote It Be.

4. SUSPENSIONS: Just a reminder that the month of June is the month stipulated in our By-laws (Article VII, Section 1) in which those brethren who have not paid their dues for the preceding and current year may be suspended at the regular communication by motion or resolution and without trial unless he can show just cause why he should not pay the same. Brethren please check your dues card and make sure that you are NOT in this situation and if you are please notify me or any officer of Webb Lodge and we will be happy to review your case. As of this writing there are 5 brethren who are in this situation. So Mote It Be.

- 5. SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT: The Scholarship Committee has received 2 requests for scholarships this year and have recommended that they be approved by the membership. Each will receive \$1,000.00 if approved by the membership and if the financial trustees report that the monies are available. These presentations will be made at the July or August communication.
- 6. ARE YOU IN YOUR "MIDDLE" AGE? 1. Middle age is having a choice of 2 temptations and choosing the one that will get you home earlier. 2. Middle age is when it takes longer to rest than to get tired. 3. During middle age, "getting a little action" means you do not need to take a laxative. 4. You're reaching middle age when "getting lucky" means you find your car in the parking lot. 5. You're reaching middle age when you goes bra-less and it pulls all the wrinkles out of your face. 6. The cardiologist's diet for the middle aged: If it tastes good, spit it out.
 - 7. EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, NOBODY AND ANYBODY: I read this the other day in the Augusta Chronicle and thought that sometimes it applies to our fraternity. Once upon a time, there were four people; Their names were Everybody, Somebody, Nobody and Anybody. Whenever there was an important job to be done, Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it but Nobody did it. When Nobody did it, Everybody got angry because it was Somebody's job. So consequently Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done in the first place.



- **8. FOR LOVERS OF WORDS:** 1. What's the definition of a will? A dead giveaway. 2. A backward poet writes inverse. 3. The man who fell into an upholstery machine is fully recovered. 4. Every calendar's days are numbered. 5. Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.
- 9. THE FAITHFUL FEW: Brethren; I wrote this back in 1998 and would like to say thanks to all of you who fall into this



category. This verse is for you. You know who you are!!! When the meeting's called to order and you look about the room, you're sure to see some faces, that from out the shadows loom; that are always at the meeting and stay 'til

it's through; The ones that I would mention are always "The Faithful Few." They fill the vacant offices as they are always on the spot; No matter what the weather is even though it may be awful hot; It may be dark and rainy but they are tried and true; The ones that you rely on are always "The Faithful Few." There are lots of worthy members, who will come when in the mood; when everything's convenient, they can do a little good. They are a factor in the Order, and are necessary too, but the ones who never fail us are always "The Faithful Few." If it were not these faithful whose shoulders at the wheel keep the Order true, without a halt or rule? What would be the fate of Orders who have so much to do? They surely would go under but for "The Faithful Few."

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