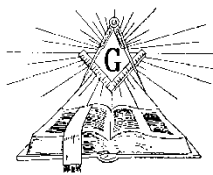


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*Brethren: The Regular Communication of Webb Lodge #166 F. & A.M. will be held at the Masonic Temple, 3201 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, Georgia, on Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and a Lodge of Master Masons 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. EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, ANYBODY, NOBODY:** This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody. There was an important job to be done in the Lodge and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done!! Let's all pitch in and contribute so that no one member has to do all the work. Let **Everybody** participate in the degree work, Let **Somebody** take their turn heading up the charitable events, Let **Anybody** contribute by participating in Chip and Blood Donation Events, Visiting hospital ridden brothers, attending funerals, being on an investigating committee, audit committee, being the Masonic Home Ambassador so that **Nobody** gets left out. So Mote It Be. 
- 2. ATTITUDE:** (Charles Swindoll) The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company...a church...a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past, we cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have and that is our attitude. I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so it is with you, we are in charge of our attitudes. 
- 3. MASON OF YEAR 2016 (The Eric Fleishner Award):** The lodge membership will again vote on the who will receive the Eric Fleishner Award during the regular communication this month for 2016. As you know a secret ballot will be taken to determine who the lodge membership feels have contributed over and beyond for this past year. This individual will receive a Masonic Watch (if it is his first award) and his name will be placed in the office on a permanent plaque. The results will appear in the monthly newsletter in December and a presentation will occur during the annual communication. Please attend and make your vote be known.
- 4. DUES:** All Dues Notices have been sent. Please remit in a timely manner. If you have a financial problem please notify one of the officers and the lodge will discuss each individual case. So Mote It Be.
- 5. WHY MEN ARE HAPPIER PEOPLE:** Your last name stays put. The garage is all yours, Wedding plans take care of themselves and chocolate is just another snack. You can never be pregnant, you can wear a white T-shirt to the water park, the world is your urinal and you never have to drive to another gas station restroom because this one is just too icky. Car mechanics tell you the truth, you don't have to stop and think of which way to turn a nut on a bolt. A 5-day vacation requires only one suitcase and you can open all your own jars. Phone conversations are over in 30 seconds flat and you can play with toys all your life. Wedding dress is \$5000, but a tux rental is \$100. Wrinkles add character and one mood all the time. New shoes don't cut, blister, or mangle your feet. You get extra credit for the slightest act of thoughtfulness. Your underwear is \$8.95 for a three pack. You are unable to see wrinkles in your clothes. Two pair of shoes are more than enough. One wallet and one pair of shoes, any color, for all seasons. You can wear shorts no matter how your legs look and you can do your nails with a pocketknife. Everything on your face stays its original color. The same hairstyle lasts for years, maybe decades. You only have to shave your face and neck. You belly hides your big hips. **IT'S GREAT TO BE A MAN!!** 
- 6.** The poem on the reverse side was written by Sam Foss and was given to me by a brother several weeks ago. I have read it several times and thought that it has a very good message, so I wanted to share so you too can interpret it's meaning.

I believe the moral of the story is that we do not want to follow the calf path. Use your intellectual abilities and talents to solve the task or problem. The Calf path may not be the shorter distance, there may be another route which is more efficient to reach your destination or better yet; make a new path of your own. Think out of the box; there is more than one solution for every problem, just look at it from a different angle. Keep on thinking, keep on solving, keep on inventing. So Mote It Be.

# The calf path

One day through the primeval wood  
 a calf walked home as good calves should;  
 but made a trail all bent askew,  
 a crooked trail as calves all do.  
 Since then three hundred years have fled,  
 and I infer the calf is dead;  
 but still he left behind his trail — and thereby hangs my moral tale.  
 The trail was taken up next day, by a lone dog that passed that way;  
 and then a wise bellwether sheep  
 pursued the trail o'er vale and steep —  
 and drew the flock behind him too,  
 as good bellwethers always do.  
 And from that day o'er hill and glade,  
 through these old woods a path was made;  
 and many men wound in and out,  
 and dodged and turned and bent about;  
 and uttered words of righteous wrath  
 because 'twas such a crooked path.  
 But still they followed — do not laugh —  
 the first migrations of that calf.  
 This forest path became a lane  
 that bent and turned and turned again.  
 This crooked lane became a road,  
 where many a poor horse with his load  
 toiled on beneath the burning sun  
 and traveled some three miles in one.  
 And thus a century and a half, they trod the footsteps of that calf.  
 The years passed on in swiftness fleet, the road became a village street;  
 and this, before men were aware,  
 a city's crowded thoroughfare.  
 And soon the central street was this,  
 the hub of a renowned metropolis.  
 And men two centuries and a half  
 trod in the footsteps of that calf.  
 A hundred thousand men were led  
 by one calf near three centuries dead.  
 For we are prone to go it blind  
 along the calf-paths of the mind,  
 and work away from sun to sun  
 to do what other folks have done.  
 We follow in the beaten track,  
 and out and in, and forth and back;  
 and still our devious course pursue,  
 to keep the path that others do.  
 We keep the path a sacred groove  
 along which all our lives we move—  
 but how the wise old wood gods laugh  
 who saw that first primeval calf!



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