

WEBB LODGE #166 F. & A.M.

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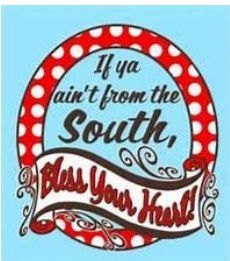
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Brethren: The Regular Communication of Webb Lodge #166 F.& A.M. will be held at the Masonic Temple, 3201 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, Georgia, on Monday, August 21st, 2017. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and a Lodge of Master Masons will be opened 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. SOUTHERN WOMEN; Appreciate their natural assets: Clean skin. A winning smile. That unforgettable Southern drawl. Southern women know their manners: 'Yes, ma'am.' 'Yes, sir.' 'Why, no, Billy!' Southern women know their vacation spots: The beach, The rivuh, The crick. Southern women know everybody's first name; Honey, Darlin or Shugah. Southern women know their religions: Baptist, Methodist, Football. Southern women know their country breakfasts: Red-eye gravy, Grits, Eggs, Country ham. Southern women know their cities dripping with Southern charm: Chawl'stn, S'vanah, Foat wuth, N'awlins, Addlandta. **MORE SUTHENISM'S;** Only a Southerner knows the difference between a hissie fit and a conption fit, and that you don't 'HAVE' them, you 'PITCH' them. Only a Southerner knows how many fish, collard greens, turnip greens, peas, beans, etc., make up 'a mess.' Only a Southerner can show or point out to you the general direction of 'yonder.' Only a Southerner knows exactly how long 'directly' is, as in: 'Going to town, be back directly.' Even Southern babies know that 'Gimme some sugar' is not a request for the white, granular sweet substance that sits in a pretty little bowl in the middle of the table. Only Southerners grow up knowing the difference between 'right near' and 'a right farpiece.' They also know that 'just down the road' can be 1 mile or 20. A Southerner knows that 'fixin' can be used as a noun, a verb, or an adverb. Put 100 Southerners in a room and half of them will discover they're related, even if only by marriage. In the South, y'all is singular, all y'all is plural. When you hear someone say, 'well, I caught myself lookin', you know you are in the presence of a genuine Southerner! Only true Southerners say 'sweet tea,' 'sweet milk,' and 'light bread'. Sweet tea indicates the need for sugar and lots of it -- we do not like our tea unsweetened. 'Sweet milk' means you don't want buttermilk. And 'Light bread' is white bread. To those of you who are still a little embarrassed by your Southernness: Take two tent revivals and a dose of sausage gravy and call me in the morning. Bless your heart! And to those of you who are still having a hard time understanding all this Southern stuff, ... bless your hearts, I hear they are fixin' to have classes on Southernness as a second language! And for those that are not from the south but have lived here for a long time, all y'all need a sign to hang on y'all's front porch that reads 'I ain't from the South, but I got here as fast as I could.' Southern girls know men may come and go, but friends are fahevah!

2. THE HUMAN TOUCH: 1. To put the world in order, we must first put the nation in order; to put the nation in order, we must first put the family in order; to put the family in order, we must first cultivate our personal life; we must first set our hearts right. (Confucius) 2. To listen to gossip both creates and encourages gossip. No listeners, no gossip. It is as simple as that. (Gouthey) 3. Never apologize for showing feeling. Remember that when you do so, you apologize for truth. (Disraeli)



3. HAL LASKY'S TEN WAYS TO ENJOY LIFE: 1. Don't drink (too heavy). 2. Don't Smoke (at all). 3. Attend Church (Regularly). 4. Teach your family love (Always). 5. Remember the value of Time. 6. Live a "clean" life. 7. Respect your neighbors (it's worth it). 8. Volunteer (when you can). 9. Set a good example for your children. 10. Believe in God (but lock your car).

4. SCOTTISH RITE FALL REUNION: The valley of Augusta Scottish Rite has set the date for the "Fall Reunion", October 20th and 21st, 2017. If you are not a 32nd degree Mason and have a desire to become one please see me or any Scottish Rite Mason for a Petition. Petitions are also available online at the Scottish Rite website (www.augustascottishrite.org) for downloading. The cost is \$200 which covers your classroom book and materials, patent, 2 meals, ring pyramid and a DVD of the weekend. You can also call the office, 706-733-5387 if you have any questions. Hope to see all Webb Lodge members who are not a member of the SR. The weekend will begin around 4 pm on Friday and should conclude by 5-6 pm on Saturday.



5. QUOTABLE QUOTES: 1. Life is too short to drink the house wine. (Thomas) 2. Your imperfections are what make you beautiful. (Bullock) 3. Silly is you in a natural state, and serious is something you have to do until you can get silly again. (Myers) 4. Fishing is worth any amount of effort and any amount of expense to people who love it, because in the end you get such a large number of dreams per fish. (Frazier) (And the

feelings I'm sure of Sid Putnam, the Bassmaster.) 5. If men can run the world, why can't they stop wearing neckties? How intelligent is it to start the day by tying a little noose around your neck? (Ellerbe) 6. Graduation speeches were invented largely in the belief that college students should never be released into the world until they have been properly sedated. (Trudeau) 7. Whenever you see darkness, there is extraordinary opportunity for the light to burn brighter. (Bono).

The only difference between stumbling blocks and stepping stones is the way you choose to use them.

Time passes quickly. We cannot save it, we cannot buy it.

There is nothing we can do about it except to make good use of it as it passes.



6. SHOW THAT YOU ARE PROUD TO BE A MASON: Being a Mason in Webb Lodge #166, should mean more than just wearing a ring or a pin, It means being a little more active by attending the lodge and to fraternize with your brethren there in. It's a feeling of pride when you enter the temple, perhaps to mention how many years you are a member, see friends and an acquaintance that you most likely met at the lodge, and bring back pleasant thoughts to remember. So attend a few meetings brethren of mine and make up your mind that you'll hasten to say "Hi Ya Fellows," It's good to see you again and once more, deep in your heart, feel like a really True

Mason! P.S. The food here is still tops it's true, looking forward to seeing you soon, from all your brethren and "Hal Lasky, Too." (Author Hal Lasky). Brethren: If you haven't been to Webb Lodge recently you would not have noticed that the number of members attending have decreased to just about no one except the officers (and several of those chairs have had to be filled by others recently) Brother Hal Lasky, who many of you knew, was very wise for his age. (94) Just as he said many years ago, we need you to **Attend**, We need you to **Participate**, We need for you to **Contribute**, We need you to be **"One of the Faithful Few."** If you do not then Webb Lodge will die and you can say that I was one of the reasons for that death. **PLEASE COME BACK TO THE LODGE, REMEMBER YOUR OBLIGATIONS, GET BACK INTO THE HABIT AND BE ONE OF THOSE WHO REVITALIZE WEBB LODGE. SO MOTE IT BE.**

7. GRAND SECRETARY HAS RETIRED: webb Lodge would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to WB Joe Watson for a job well done. WB watson retired at the end of last month as the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Georgia after 9 years. I called Brother watson and wished him well and told him that webb Lodge appreciated his contribution of time and his efforts to further the fraternity. He told me that he appreciated my call and was looking forward to spending more time with his family. we wish him well.



8. CLOSING THOUGHT: I have seen several publications recently refer to Freemasonry as a sleeping giant. Freemasonry is referred to as a giant because it began to build the human soul and spirit using man's hunger for knowledge, truth and goodness, a love of God and loyalty to his fellowman. And thus began our Masonic heritage. As this potential evolved, it moved across our earth gaining in strength and influence and created this GIANT. The sleeping aspect is readily comprehensible when we consider to relative quiescence of Freemasonry today as compared to our past. My Brothers, the potential to wake

what we have chosen to term a sleeping giant is in our hands. If the giant sleeps too long, it may change from a sleeping giant to a dying giant. I constantly hear that Freemasonry is in a rut, and it would behoove us to remember that the only difference between a rut and a grave is the depth of the hole. Freemasonry is too important to me to sleep, and it is certainly too important to die. But **"WE"** are the only ones who can awaken it.

A Good Habit = Attend Your Lodge



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