

**WEBB LODGE #166 F. &A.M.  
MARCH 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 TRESTLEBOARD (#361)**

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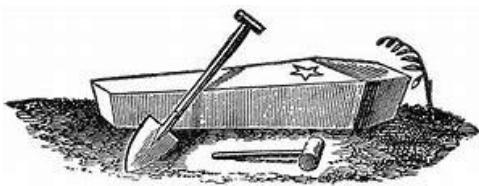
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**St. Patrick's Day**



**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, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018. **Please Note the following changes: The officers are trying to begin earlier so that we will not finish so late: The officers will open the lodge at 6:30 PM, Dinner will be served at 6:45 PM, Masonic Education will be held at 7:30 Pm and Business will begin at 8:00 PM.** Please remember to call a brother or widow and invite them to come and share an evening of fellowship.



**LOSS OF TWO WEBB LODGE MEMBERS:** Brethren: Webb Lodge has lost two members in the last several months; **Arthur Linza Rhodes, Jr.** was born January 13, 1957, was initiated on November 11, 2002, Passed on January 13, 2003 and was Raised on March 11, 2003, and Died on August 22, 2017. Brother **Thomas Grey England** was born on April 21, 1927, He was initiated on September 17, 1966, Passed on October 15, 1966, and was Raised on November 22, 1966 and Died on February 24, 2018. Brother Rhodes was active in Webb Lodge for a few years but his job and health kept him away for the last 10 years. Brother Tom England was an active member since affiliating with Webb Lodge right up until his death. He was also a 32° KCCH member of the Valley of Augusta Scottish Rite. He was a very active 90 year old. His passion was Masonic Education which he presented at just about every monthly meeting. He was one of **"The Faithful Few."** We had 35 Masons attend his Memorial Service which says something to Tom's Character. They both will be Missed.

**POINT TO PONDER:** There is nothing higher and stronger and more wholesome and useful for life in later years than some good memory, especially a memory connected with childhood, with home. If a man carries many such memories with him into life, he is safe to the end of his days, and if we have only one good memory left in our hearts, even that may sometime be the means of saving us. Every morning in Africa, a gazelle wakes up. It knows that it must run faster than the fastest lion or it will be killed. Every morning a lion wakes up. It knows that it must outrun the slowest gazelle or it will starve to death. It doesn't matter whether you are a lion or a gazelle; **WHEN THE SUN COMES UP, YOU'D BETTER BE RUNNING.**

**GUMPTION:** Gary Leazer was Past Grand Master of all Masons in Georgia this past year and is now the Junior Warden of Webb Lodge #166. Brother Gary was guest speaker at the Scottish Rite during the month of January 2011 and spoke about "Gumption." On page 2 of the February 2011 Masonic Messenger he wrote an article entitled **"It Takes Gumption."** It is one of the best articles I have read recently in the Masonic Messenger or in any other publication. He defines Gumption as "the character to commit and complete." He goes on to say that it takes gumption to commit to a task and then complete it. Being successful requires gumption; Being a successful Lodge requires gumption on the part of each of its members. Each one of us took an obligation to attend our lodge, participate and help each other flourish, to help Webb Lodge Flourish. If you do not attend you cannot help Webb Lodge grow. If you do not attend you cannot help your brothers. If you do not attend you are not fulfilling your obligation. If you do not attend how can we help you. I understand that the age of some of the brothers prohibits their attendance as well as some of their commitments. We cannot always be there, I know that. But with a little **"Gumption"** we sure can try to be at the monthly communications on the Third Monday of each month or attend one of the degrees when we take the time and make the effort. Gary ends his article this way; **Gumption!!!! Do you have it? Georgia Masons need gumption; gumption to rise above what we are today, to soar like eagles and reach the highest potential we can be as Masons. Commit and Complete! That's the secret to success.**

**Masonic Children's Home:** Each year for the past several years Harlem Lodge #276 has sponsored a day for the children of the Masonic Home at Pinetucky Gun Club, of which I have been a member for the past 4 years. This includes a lunch upon arrival, a day at the Gun Club with instruction on shooting a bow and arrow, pistols, rifles and shotguns and concluding with a dinner at the lodge prior to returning to Macon. I had the privilege of being invited this year to be the shotgun instructor for the 15 children who were visiting Pinetucky on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. I cannot tell you how much fun I had. It was one of the most enjoyable days that I have had since I was the Ambassador to the Masonic Home. Some of the children were experienced in shooting, some were not. Some were so small they barely could hold the shotgun up and others were scared of the recoil and noise. After completion of the instruction, all of the children shot either a 20 or 12 gauge shotgun at skeet targets. Those that never shot loved it, those that were afraid of the recoil and noise came back for more, those who were experienced were so excited to hit



those flying clay targets (a couple even hit doubles) and even those few 9-10 year olds who could not hold up the guy by themselves (with a little help from me) were so excited to hit a target or two. Why am I telling the members and officers of Webb Lodge all about this when it was a Harlem Lodge event: The reason is I would love to see Webb Lodge dedicate a day to the children of the Masonic Home in one way or another. Invite them to an outing and spend the day with them. You will receive as much, or even more, than they do. I would like to thank John and Marshall Knox for allowing me to be part of this event.



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