



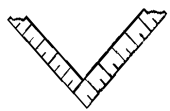
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Master's Message



Brothers,
Many important things have occurred since we went dark. Bro. Bailey headed up cleaning the Social Hall floor. Many helped the process, but Bro. Bailey did more than anyone. Working under his leadership was like working for a Chief Petty Officer. The floor looks brand new and is now ship shape!

We have had two successful breakfast fund raisers supervised by Bro. Pankonie and two parking dates led by Bro. Donnell. These have added money to our Lodge Treasury. They are doing good work for us.

We have a very busy Degree schedule for the fall. There will be a degree put on every first and Thursday from September until November. I hope all of our

Brothers have had a good and pleasant Summer this year.

As always, it is truly a honor to serve as Worshipful Master of this wonderful lodge. The first half has been great and I as well as the rest of the Officer Line look forward to the second half!

Keep those petitions coming!!!!

From the East,

C. J. Morris W.: M.:

Pop Quiz

1. The International Order of Rainbow for Girls was founded in what year?
2. What other two Knights Templar were persecuted with Jacques DeMolay in France?

Last Months Answers:

1. April 23, 1925
2. Martin was one of our Brothers
3. W.: William D. Hoffman, PM



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Upcoming Events & Schedules July & August

Stated Meetings

Sept. 9th & Sept. 23rd

Called Communication

Sept. 2nd & Sept 16th

Bethlehem Chapter 169 OES

Dark till October

Gulf Beach Chapter 241 OES

Dark till October

Tahuti Court No 44 LOS

Dark till October



"Masons always rise to the occasion"

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Senior Warden's Writings

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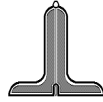
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Brothers

The three degrees of Masonry were never intended to be all-inclusive instructions in the principles of Freemasonry. They were intended to be an outline of the various truths that Masonry teaches. Think of them as an outline of a book you are writing. In fact, you are writing a book, the book of your life and actions.

When an author writes a book, he starts with an outline and develops his plot and story from this out-

line. To read an outline of a book and say that you have read the book is obviously incorrect. The first three degrees of Masonry are like this. So, even though you are never more a mason than that of a master mason, you had only completed an "outline" of what it means to be a mason.

You have been constantly told to seek further and more light. You are told this to impress upon you that you are now to write your life's book from the outline provided to you in the Lodge. You are to further your education and

discover the truths, in their entirety, that you have introduced to in the first three degrees of Freemasonry.

By constant study, by conversing with well informed brothers, and taking further degrees, you will write your book of life and actions according to the outline given you by your Lodge when you took your degrees. And when finally finished, your book of your life and actions will be a credit to you and to all.

W.: Ed. Villiaume III



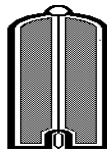
Those who have gone to that Celestial Lodge Above.....

Two great months Brothers...None! Stay happy and healthy!



Junior Warden's Journal

Brothers,



It has been very busy for being "dark" at our lodge. From Rainbow Installations, to the Grand Masters Official Visit we have been really busy. What a great line we have to even dedicate their time in the "dark" months to help make a difference in the District!

Masonic Leadership Training Courses have been great! R.: W.: Hoover is the State Co-Chairman

My Brothers, we are entering the second half of the year and we have a very short time to get everything accomplished. Our fund raising has been fantastic, and we will need even more volunteers to "help the cause".

Bro. Scott Pankonie has taken charge of the breakfasts, and has really done a terrific job. Thank you to the "staff" of

for this inaugural year of the program. Grand Lodge has come up with a for a Brother to jump from the sidelines to the East if he so chooses. It is up to you to step forward! Embrace and inquire about this program.

Finally, This years Grand Master's message is partially about Masonship. What that means is after becoming a Mason, what do we do within the community or our lodge to show that we are Masons? There are many different answers to this

Treasurer's Thoughts

Brothers who consistently help make this a truly delicious culinary delight.

We can't do anything without the true dedication of our Brothers, and that it why my thanks go out to all who really care about the direction of Nitram Lodge.

For those of you who haven't stepped forward, please contact

questions. No one answer is wrong or right. However if you think about it we can always do better.

This month I would like each and every one of you to do one task that would show you are a proud Mason. Tell me about it! Always looking for great "Annex" stories!!

Past Master's degree coming soon. Stayed tuned.....

From the South,

any of the Officers to see what positions are available. it won't take that much of your time, and will be greatly appreciated by everyone.

Yours in Masonic faith,

R.:W.: David Henderson, PM

Treasurer

Secretary's Scribe



Brethren,

Welcome back from the summer break. We are nearing the end of the 2010 Masonic year, and we are starting to focus on 2011 and our annual dues. With this said, your Grand Lodge has approved and are looking into ways for you to pay your dues by credit card. You will be able to do this as a one time payment, or over a monthly time payment. As of this time, I have not been informed to the particulars of this program, but your Lodge is looking into this aspect on their own also. I hope to have some answers as of the October Trestleboard.

We still have a few Brothers who have yet to pay their 2010 dues. It is hoped that all will consider paying their dues very shortly. Notices will be mailed out by the end of September. Let's try to make this a 100% year for Nitram Lodge.

I urge each and everyone to make the extra effort to attend our monthly breakfasts. They have been getting better and better each month. These are your fund raisers. Please try to support your Lodge.

Fraternally,

R.:W.: Richard G. Hoover, PM

Secretary

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Scholarship

Scott Drake, PM
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Happy Birthday Brothers!!!



Chuck Bailey 9/16
Earl Barker 9/11
Arlo Bean Jr. 9/12
Kenneth Belcher 9/17
I rvin Boone 9/4

Samuel Brooks 9/20
Harold Davis 9/16
Nick Dovellos 9/5
Earl Fox 9/23
Robert Graham 9/26

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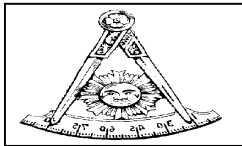
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