

# Greetings from the West!

Brothers,

I hope everyone had a safe and joyous Holiday Season. I'm looking forward to 2008 as a stepping stone to encourage more participation in the Lodge at our regular meetings. We are accepting new and exciting ideas in trying to accomplish this goal.

This is a challenge for everyone to step up to the plate and take a swing. You never know unless you take that first swing. If you would like to attend a lodge meeting and need a ride, call the lodge and one will be provided for you.

Fraternally,  
Richard L. Rozzelle



## Sweetheart Dinner

Wednesday February 13, 2008 6:30pm

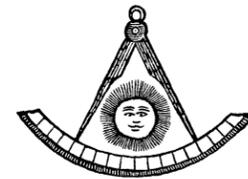
Hickory Masonic Center—\$12.00 per couple  
Contact Bro. David Brandon or Bro. Kevin Johnson  
Open to ALL Masons



Sponsored by the Hickory York Rite

**CARING REPORT:** Lawton Hatley, David Crawley's wife, Buz Hunley, David London's In-laws, Henry Holland, Robert Bickel, Ted Rhyne, The Jack Bridges Sr. Family, Carl Isenhour, Creed Short, John Harden's wife, Clyde Price, Bill Deitz, David Duncan, Darrell Chapman, Jack Lingerfelt, Jerry Johnson's daughter, Gregg Conley, Herbert Chilton Jr. , Bob Gregg, Click Truitt, Bob Patton, Charles Meadows, Jim Rader, Don Hudson, Richard Rozzelle's son, A.W. Morris, Kimberly Austin, Rufus Smith, and Bruce Pope all need our prayers and attention.

**SYMPATHIES:** Our sincere sympathies to the family of our dearly departed brother: Brother Jack Carroll Bridges, Sr. who was born August 10, 1934 and died December 30, 2007. Brother Bridges was Initiated on January 12, 1976, Passed on February 06, 1976, and Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on March 08, 1976. He was Master of this Lodge in 1983.



### OFFICERS 2008

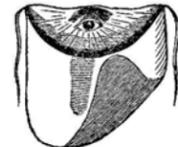
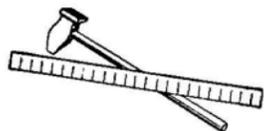
<b>Worshipful Master</b>	J. David Abernethy	323-8349	J.N. Cagle	<b>1973</b>
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Richard L. Rozzelle	294-3013	J.L. Johnson	<b>1974</b>
<b>Junior Warden</b>	Daniel J. Rolon	313-2461	E.W. Beckom	<b>1978</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	W.J. "Buz" Hunley	ul 256-7633	J.F. Taylor	<b>1979</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	Kevin D. Johnson	465-5619	J.H. Elmore	<b>1981</b>
<b>Senior Deacon</b>	G. Lee Spach	446-1924	T.L. Hartman	<b>1984</b>
<b>Junior Deacon</b>	James L. Johnson	328-1679	E.C. Cline	<b>1986</b>
<b>Senior Steward</b>	Eddie Elliott	244-3162	J.E. Vaught	<b>1987</b>
<b>Junior Steward</b>	** Anyone interested contact the WM **		J.H. Elmore	<b>1988</b>
<b>Chaplain</b>	James Hope	ul 465-0063	C.E. Isenhour	<b>1989</b>
<b>Tyler</b>	Robert B. Bickel	294-6619	E.W. Masche	<b>1991</b>
<b>Trustees Chairman</b>	Lawton H. Hatley	294-0910	J.D. Crawley	<b>1993</b>
	David L. Brandon	294-2124	J.P. Hilton	<b>1994</b>
	W. Grimes Byerly	324-8678		

### LIVING PAST MASTERS

D.L. Reep	<b>1995</b>
P.C. Ray	<b>1996</b>
L.D. Huffman	<b>1997</b>
W.G. Byerly	<b>1998</b>
	<b>2007</b>
D.J. Wallace	<b>1999</b>
H.W. Walker	<b>2000</b>
J.W. Davidson	<b>2001</b>
M.D. Hale	<b>2002</b>
W.J. Hunley	<b>2003</b>
J.P. Kuykendall	<b>2004</b>
D.L. Brandon	<b>2006</b>

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Name	Date	Name	Date	Name	Date
David Brandon	1 Feb 1957	Derek Keener	13 Feb 1982	Jerry Coley	22 Feb 1949
Wendell White	5 Feb 1941	Theodore MacMillan	16 Feb 1939	Clarence Wilson	23 Feb 1940
Dennis Anthony	6 Feb 1952	Walter Pope, Jr	16 Feb 1944	Ronald Goforth	23 Feb 1954
Joe Abernethy	10 Feb 1947	Karl Bridgeman	16 Feb 1945	Jerry Propst	24 Feb 1942
Rondall Lail	10 Feb 1952	Bliss Lail	17 Feb 1943	Gary Nicholas	24 Feb 1945
Hoyle Cline, Jr.	11 Feb 1937	Mack Houston	18 Feb 1931	William Deitz	25 Feb 1928
Earnest Masche	12 Feb 1963	Homer Newton	18 Feb 1933	Carroll Bumgarner	28 Feb 1941
James Travis	12 Feb 1965	Nelson Vetetoe	21 Feb 1951	Ronald Bowman	28 Feb 1949
		Thomas Bailey	22 Feb 1936		





## Important Dates to Mark on your Calendar

February 8 & 9 — York Rite Degrees. Contact Brother Buz Hunley



February 13—York Rite “Sweetheart Dinner” 6:30pm  
Hickory Masonic Center. Contact Brother David Brandon



February 17—3pm—5pm Rites & Ritual Training Class  
Hickory Masonic Center

March 8 — “Ham Day” Riverside Lodge 606—6am—7pm  
[www.riversidemasons.com/HamDay.html](http://www.riversidemasons.com/HamDay.html)

March 15 — 34th District School of Instruction—7am—11am  
Lovelady Lodge 670



March 16 —3pm—5pm Rites & Ritual Training Class  
Hickory Masonic Center

April 20 —3pm—5pm Rites & Ritual Training Class  
Hickory Masonic Center



April 25 & 26—Scottish Rite Degrees—7am  
Valley of Charlotte—Contact Brother Buz Hunley

**May 3—Hickory Lodge #343 Pancake Breakfast**  
**7am—10am**  
**Contact Brother Dan Rolon**  
**[www.hickorymasoniccenter.org](http://www.hickorymasoniccenter.org)**



May 14—MW Grand Master David Cash 34th District Meeting  
Catawba Valley Lodge #217.  
Meal @ 6:30pm. Meeting 7:15pm



May 18 — 3pm—5pm Rites & Ritual Training Class  
Hickory Masonic Center

June 21—St. Johns Day 9:20am  
Oxford Home for Children



June 22 —3pm—5pm Rites & Ritual Training Class  
Hickory Masonic Center

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### Lodge Events Calendar

FEBRUARY 2008

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4 6:30pm Meal 7:30pm BL Stated	5 7:30pm OES	6	7	8 York Rite Degrees	9 York Rite Degrees
10	11	12	13 6:30pm York Rite “Sweetheart Dinner”	14	15	16
17 OSW Class 3pm—5pm	18 6:30pm Mea 7:30pm BL Stated	19 7:30pm OES	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	