



Greetings from the East !

Brethren, I am looking forward to serving Hickory Lodge No 343 as Master for the year 2009. I want to thank you for your vote of confidence; I deem it a great honor to follow in the footsteps of such esteemed company of Past Masters. We have been making progress in the lodge towards the future and we will continue this trend. I personally

think we have one of the best groups of Officers in Western N.C. in degree work, execution of duties, and as Masons. We have a few new items in the works with many more coming before the year is out. We plan to have a menu each month for dinners so you can plan ahead and an ongoing list of the Yearly Events and proposed dates so you can mark your calendars and participate. If you would like to attend and need a ride please call the lodge ahead of time and we will

provide one for you. In closing to the Past Masters and Past Secretary who did an outstanding job on the installation of Officers Night, I humbly thank each of you, and also to the Eastern Star for the refreshments and decorations they provided. Fraternaly ,
Richard Rozzelle
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Greetings from the South...

Menu for the Month of January 2009

Stated Meeting January 5th

Chicken and dumplings, green beans, biscuits, and assorted desserts

Stated Meeting January 19th

Meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, dinner rolls, and assorted desserts

Brethren these meals are low sodium, low sugar, low cholesterol health conscious selections so come out and enjoy.

Lee Spach,
Junior Warden



Sweetheart Dinner

Sponsored by the Hickory York Rite
Saturday—February 14, 2009—6:30 PM
\$15 per couple. RSVP to Bro. David Brandon
All Masons and friends are invited to attend



OFFICERS 2009

Worshipful Master	Richard L. Rozzelle	294-3013
Senior Warden	Daniel J. Rolon	493-3543
Junior Warden	G. Lee Spach	446-1924
Treasurer	W.J. "Buz" Hunley	ul 256-7633
Secretary	Kevin D. Johnson	465-5619
Senior Deacon	James L. Johnson	328-1679
Junior Deacon	James Hope	ul 465-0063
Sr. Steward	Ed Zammarelli	
Jr. Steward	Neal Hendron	
Steward	Paul Aulbach	
Chaplain	James Johnson, Sr, PM	
Tyler	Robert B. Bickel	294-6619
Trustees Chairman	David L. Brandon	294-2124
	W. Grimes Byerly	324-8678
	David Abernethy	

LIVING PAST MASTERS

J.N. Cagle	1973	P.C. Ray	1996
J.L. Johnson	1974	L.D. Huffman	1997
E.W. Beckom	1978	W.G. Byerly	1998
J.F. Taylor	1979		2007
J.H. Elmore	1981	D.J. Wallace	1999
T.L. Hartman	1984	H.W. Wallker	2000
E.C. Cline	1986	J.W. Davidson	2001
J.H. Elmore	1987	M.D. Hale	2002
J.E. Vaught	1988	W.J. Hunley	2003
E.W. Masche	1991	J.P. Kuykendall	2004
J.D. Crawley	1993	D.L. Brandon	2006
J.P. Hilton	1994	J.D. Abernethy	2008
D.L. Reep	1995		

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Name	Date	Name	Date	Name	Date
Martin Falls Sr.	1/2/1954	Joe Cagle	1/10/1939	Cloyd Propst Jr.	1/22/1950
Thomas Whisnant	1/3/1934	Paul Murphy	1/13/1957	Henry Abernethy	1/23/1929
Glen Holland	1/3/1945	Richard Rink	1/14/1946	Virgil Hildebran	1/27/1927
Richard Rozzelle	1/3/1947	Fred Medlin	1/15/1941	Floyd Yoder	1/27/1934
Royd Bowman	1/4/1932	Ralph Parker Jr.	1/15/1946	John Stratton	1/29/1926
David Reep	1/4/1947	Harold Tolbert	1/17/1937	Edward Pope Jr.	1/29/1946
Joseph Vaught	1/5/1916	Robert Herman	1/19/1930	Walter "Buz" Hunley	1/29/1950
Dennie Lail	1/7/1965	Jason Chapman	1/19/1977		

Caring Report: Betty Burch, Glen Henline, Jack Sains Family, Nolan Yount and Wife, Misty London, Denise Wallace, David Chastain, John Wilson, Don Hudson, Jack Lingerfelt, Bill Deitz, John Harden's wife, David Duncan, Darrell Chapman, Greg Conley, Herbert Chilton Jr., Bob Gregg, Click Truitt, Charles Meadows, Richard Rozzelle's son, A.W. Morris, Kimberly Austin, Rufus Smith, Charles Lookadoo, Todd Cline, August Masche, David Early, Joe Vaught, Clyde Price, and Bruce Pope all need our prayers and attention.

From the West:
Brethren... The new year is upon us and we have so much to look forward to in the coming year.
Congratulations to Worshipful Brother Richard Rozzelle who will be filling the East as Master of the lodge.
Please brethren remember him in your prayers and come out and support your lodge with your attendance and also our charities according to our obligations.
Brethren, reflect for a moment to when you knelt at the alter and took your obligations. Are you keeping with the traditions of the greatest fraternity known to man? Remember the men who have come before us to lay this foundation so firmly supporting this organization.
Are your coaches still around or have they traveled to the celestial lodge above or are they still laboring in the quarries? Are you meeting brother's on the level and parting on the square?
Brethren the Hickory Masonic Lodge is leading the way in the district with It's proficiency and we are supporting the OSW training classes throughout the year. So come out and study the degrees with us.
Another opportunity for learning are the school of instructions being held at Lovelady lodge in Valdese which are great to attend for

both the wonderful break fasts served and the fellowship that this centrally located lodge provides. Speaking of BREAKFAST... don't forget our annual charity Pancake Breakfast which planning is already in the works for.
This years breakfast stands to be the biggest ever so make plans to attend and bring guests and maybe you will run into one of those brother's who guided your travels.
While at the lodge check out our newly remodeled library and also our smoking room complete with pool table, yes a pool table.
What is it like to be part of the most progressive lodge? Come join us on this journey. Community events like the Brookford Community Christmas Toy Drive and a Red Cross blood drive scheduled for January 2nd, keep us working in the community and a sweet heart's dinner is scheduled for February 14th for Mason's and their guests.
In addition to all this the year will be packed so take a look at the newsletter and the web site at ... {www.hickorymasoniccenter.org} for the news.
Oh I almost forgot...degree work ,we love it, so get the petitions out.
The officer line is motivated and ready to go. If you need something more to get you to

visit, then how about a good Hot meal? Chef Brother Ed Zammerelli is on duty in the kitchen. Backing him up are Brother's Neal Hendren and Paul Aulbach.
Stated communications are on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.
Meals are at 6:30 pm, meeting at 7:30pm.
Craftsmen assemble... Is it TIME to darken the door and put some light in your heart?
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Hickory Masonic Center Upcoming Events Calendar

February 2009

Stated Communication Monday February 2nd 2009 Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30 pm
Sweethearts Dinner Saturday February 14th 2009
Stated Communication Monday February 16th 2009 Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30 pm
York Rite Bodies Meeting Wednesday February 18th 2009 Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30 pm
Call the Lodge or visit our website for emergent communications.
Degree work is usually held on the 2nd or 4th Monday of the month.
We do have several candidates in the process of learning the catechisms.

March 2009

Mark your Calendars NOW!

Pancake Breakfast Saturday May 2nd 2009 6-10 am
Family Day Saturday August 15th 2009 11am -2 pm
Awards Night Thursday November 19th 2009 6:30pm