



**SEMPER FIDELIS LODGE NO. 680**  
**TRESTLE BOARD**  
September-October 2007

**FROM THE MASTER**

Well brethren, this year is flying by so fast. I'm amazed at the support the Lodge has received. It goes to show that when we all get together we can accomplish anything. Brethren, I want to make a special request to each and every one of you, including the widows: If you know of someone who is ill or needs help, let us know, and take time out of your day to just let them know you care. It only takes a fraction of time to smile and to say we miss you and ask "is there anything I can do for you?" These are our brothers and sisters. Webster defines a brother as an association of men united in common interest as a fraternity. What better way to describe ourselves? I've been to the hospitals and visited brothers at their home when they were ill, and the smile you see on their face is priceless.

We have a lot planned for the rest of the year, please read the secretary letter. He says it all with out me repeating it.

We are going to have a blood drive at the lodge during the month of September and we need to have a least forty donors before we can have them come. There is a roster in the lodge with a sign up sheet so we can get an idea of how many are coming. It will be in the afternoon for about four hours. Please stop by and sign up. Plus we need volunteers to help pass out the drinks and snacks. Everything will be furnished from the Red Cross. Please let me know if you can help out. In closing show respect for each and every person you meet in life because you never know what life holds for you and your paths are surely to cross again!!

**FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK**

The "Dog Days of Summer" are definitely here. I hope each of you had a cool and pleasant summer. Our delinquent list is down to eight, please check your dues card and ensure that you are up to date.

The Lodge has joined the "Adopt A Highway" program. We are responsible for policing the area on Western Boulevard Extension between Marine Chevrolet and Convergys. The Lodge has also decided to sponsor a blood drive at the lodge.

Congratulations to Brothers Agee Lee Osborne, Jr and Terran Joshua Neve who have been recently been raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Both these Brothers are active duty Marines and will be headed to Iraq this month. Please keep them and all of our Armed Forces in your thoughts and prayers.

Semper Fi's annual Bar-B- Q fundraiser will be held on Friday September 7<sup>th</sup>. Please come out and help if you can. We have had great support from all our Brethren on this worthy endeavor. Special thanks to our out of town Brothers for their continued generosity

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Brother Rick Welton who is presently the MEF Surgeon stationed in Iraq has been doing Masonic research and has prepared three papers for the Lodge education program. Keep up the good work Brother Rick we have enjoyed and learned from your efforts.

### **SUNSHINE**

Brother Jim Wisdom's wife, Betty, is home recovering from her recent hospital stay. Give them a call and check on them.

If you know of any Brother who is ill or in need of a phone call or visit, let one of the officers know.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

September 7th, Friday	Lodge Bar-B-Q Fundraiser, 0800 – 1800
September 8th, Saturday	School of Instruction Ocean Lodge Breakfast 0700 SOI at 0800
September 12th Wednesday	Stated Communication, 1930
September 24th Monday	Scholarship Visitation Seaside Lodge Dinner at 1830 meeting at 1930
September 26th Wednesday	Stated Communication, 1930
September 28th & 29th	Grand Lodge Annual Communication, Winston – Salem
October 10th Wednesday	Stated Communication, 1930
October 24th Wednesday	Stated Communication, 1930
October 27th Saturday	Past Master Widows and Awards Night. Dinner at 1830 program to follow

### **Happy Birthday to the Following Brothers:**

Thomas Hatchel	Sept 36	Clarence Boyd	Sept 10	Ralph Conway	Sept 14
Robert Daugherty	Sept 10	Reynold Davenport	Sept 28	Jeffrey Dorsett	Sept 05
Gerald Filipiak	Sept 02	Richard Fletcher	Sept 06	Claude Garner	Sept 30
John Grant	Sept 24	Van Hall	Sept 20	Vernon Murphy	Sept 03
Ray Ney	Sept 19	James O'Neal	Sept 18	John Petteway	Sept 23
Richard Robinson	Sept 08	Leonard Stevenson	Sept 28	Lynn Thomas	Sept 29
John Warlick	Sept 10	James Wiese	Sept 09	William Wall	Sept 04
Javier Rivera	Sept 07	Robert Baldwin	Sept 21	Luke Scholl	Sept 28
Murray Brown	Oct 28	George Cole	Oct 14	Jerome Conley	Oct 21
William Davis	Oct 20	Keith Fountain	Oct 17	William Garrett	Oct 31

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Robert Groom	Oct 08	Denver Jones	Oct 28	Floyd Morris	Oct 19
Michael Mozi	Oct 04	Eugene Ross	Oct 24	Craig Comeaux	Oct 07
Michael Spahalski	Oct 26	Herbert Wilkerson	Oct 31	James Jones	Oct 02
James Grant	Oct 19	James Askins	Oct 08	Stephen Farage	Oct 04
Eric Jaekle	Oct 03	Terry Radermann	Oct 13		

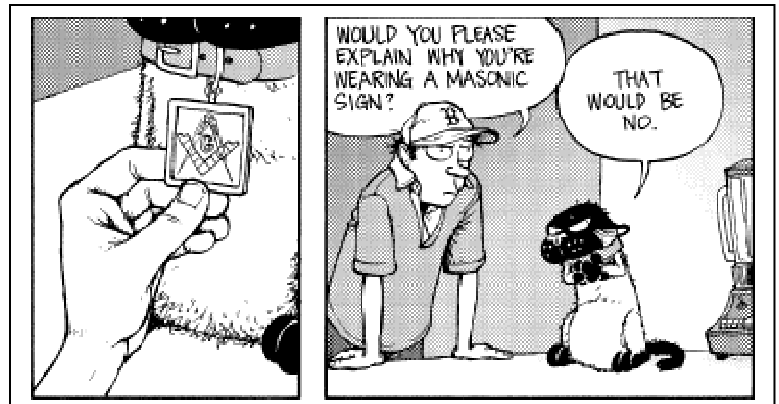
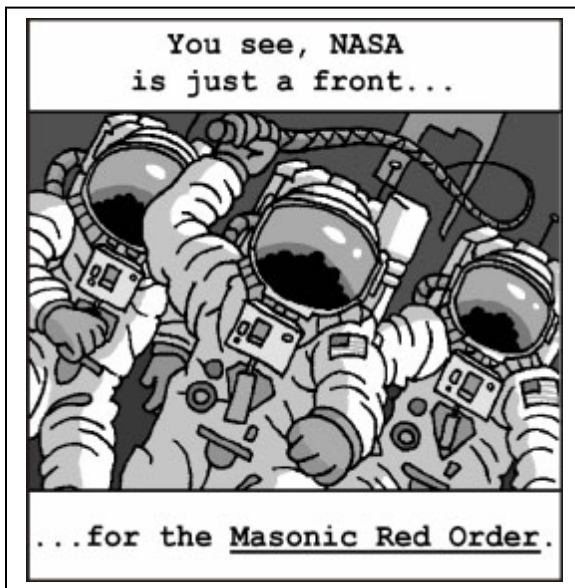
### For The Good Of Masonry

Brethren, in all the info put out by our Fraternity, I read that we don't offer anything for our Brothers to attend. Our Master has had many activities for us to attend with our families. Every third Saturday we have a breakfast for Brothers, family and friends and the fellowship has been wonderful. Attendance has been fair but should be allot better. A family picnic was held to celebrate the birth of our country with an excellent program and food but again the attendance was poor. Lady's night out is also an excellent way to enjoy our Fraternity with the Ladies. I ask that all the Brethren check their newsletter for upcoming events & the Daily News and join us in great fellowship.

WBro. Harvey Lambka

It is interesting how Masonry has inundated every corner of our culture. Check out these comics I found on the Grand Lodge of British Columbia and Yukon web site. Check them out:

<http://freemasonry.bcy.ca/fiction/comics.html>



#### **Editor's Note**

If anyone has anything to offer for the good of masonry, you can email it to me at [sar9399@uncw.edu](mailto:sar9399@uncw.edu)

Keep in mind that all submissions will be subject to editing for grammar and length. If anything needs any drastic changes I will notify the writer before publishing the piece.

If you happen across any interesting Masonic related trivia, let me know.

Fraternally yours,

Scotty Reed

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