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Happy Independence Day



From the Master Steve Tollefson



Greetings from the East,

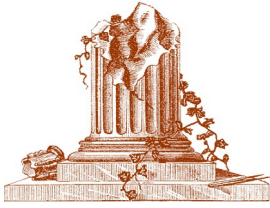
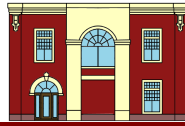
Not a whole lot to talk about. Degree work, degree work, and yes more degree work. Oh! And did I fail to mention usually a proficiency to follow each one. For what its worth folks I ain't harping. Just can't talk a whole lot about it since this newsletter is read by more people than just brothers. April 29th we had our first family night of the year. We had a superlative turnout and everyone really loved the chicken. Props to my man Clint. Speaking of Clint for those of you who don't know he does his fair share at lodge. And believe me it shows! Thanks for all of your hard work and dedication in all that we have accomplished this year thus far, six months to go and she is all yours. A month or so back a good brother asked me if I would possibly touch on the subject of brotherly love in a newsletter article. Well here goes. I can only speak of it in terms of the heart so to speak When I became a member of this fraternity I began to realize that this is a lot more than what meets the eye. We are a family. Not only are we brothers masonically, but outside the lodge as well. There are plenty

of you that I know that I can call at any time and you would be there for me if need be. To me that's brotherly love. The offer of assistance to one another in our daily lives, and advice, are all forms of brotherly love that sometimes we take for granted. I know first hand that I would not know many of you had I not have joined. Man am I sure thankful that I did. I closing I would just like to say if there is someone you haven't seen in lodge, or at the fish fry, give them a call. You don't know what might be troubling that brother. You would be surprised often times of the response you receive. Especially those who are unable to attend for many different reasons that I won't go into at this time. Again brothers keep up the hard work and your diligence to be the best that you can possibly be. More especially a member of Suburban Lodge.

Fraternally Thine,

Steve Tollefson
Master 2010





THE EMPTY CHAIR

A tribute to our brother
 whose memory we revere
 one day you're here among us
 the next, no longer here

yes you left us so quickly
 in the blinking of an eye
 leaving those who are grieving
 to stop and wonder why

now your lodge chair is empty
 your working tools you laid down
 but we know in our hearts
 that some peace you have found

so rest easy, my brother
 in this "mortal bed"
 this is not an ending, but
 a new beginning instead

C.D. COX #740
APRIL 2010

Coming
Events



June 2010

- 1 Hall Association Meeting6:30PM
- 3 Lodge Meeting7:30PM
- 5 FISH FRY 10AM To 8PM
- 7 DeMolay Meeting7:30PM
- 8 Suburban Social Club Meeting7:00PM
- 10 Lodge Meeting7:30PM
- 12 FISH FRY 10AM To 8PM
- 14 Rainbow Meeting7:00PM
- 15 Southern Star OES Inspection
Night7:30PM
- 17 Lodge Meeting7:30PM
- 19 FISH FRY 10AM To 8PM
- 21 DeMolay Meeting7:30PM
- 22 York Rite Meeting7:30PM
- 24 Lodge Meeting7:30PM
- 26 FISH FRY 10AM To 8PM
- 28 Rainbow Meeting7:30PM

July 2010

- 1 Lodge Meeting7:30PM
- 3 FISH FRY 10AM To 8PM
- 5 DeMolay Meeting7:00PM
- 6 Hall Association Meeting6:30PM
- 7 Lodge Meeting7:30PM
- 10 FISH FRY 10AM To 8PM
- 12 Rainbow Meeting7:30PM
- 13 Social Club Meeting7:00PM
- 15 Lodge Meeting7:30PM
- 17 FISH FRY 10AM To 8PM
- 19 DeMolay Meeting7:00PM
- 20 OES Southern Star7:30PM
- 22 Lodge Meeting7:30PM
- 23 Southern Star Social Club 6:30PM
- 24 FISH FRY 10AM To 8PM
- 26 Rainbow Meeting7:30PM
- 27 York Rite Meeting7:30PM
- 29 LodgeFamily Night7:30PM
- 31 FISH FRY 10AM to 8PM

Aug 2010

- 2 DeMolay Meeting7:00PM
- 3 Hall Association Meeting6:30PM
- 5 Lodge Meeting7:30PM



Suburban
Lodge Stats

Entered Apprentices:

- Conferred by David Short
- Conferred on 4/08/2010
Mathew Dymouski
- Conferred by Clinton Carrier
- Conferred on 5/13/2010
Joe Manning
Clayton Carrier
Kenneth Carrier

Fellow Crafts:

- Conferred by None
- Conferred on None

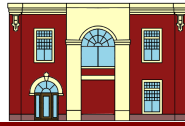
Master Masons:

- Conferred by None
- Conferred on None
- Plural Members: None
- Reinstatements: None
- Demits: None
- Petition for Degrees: None
- Petition for Affiliation
By Transfer: None
- Elected to
Membership : None

Sick and Prayer List

- Paul Jones, Recovering from Broken Hip
- Carl Cox, recovery from eye surgery
- George Greenwell, Improving getting better
- Jim Troutman, Daughter has a new heart.
- Phil Bryd, under going treatments
- Buddy Hitt: Undergoing treatments
- Ben Pifer Grand Mother being treated for tumor
- Steve Tollefson: youngest daughter ill
- Tom Mercer, Mother passed away,
- Irvin Holsclaw, Lost his Wife Tina
- Roger Dabney, recovering from Knee surgery
- Wayne Jordan: Having Back Surgery





In Memory of...

RANDY H. SMITH 4/10/2010

Brother Randy was born on the 14th August of 1962 in Louisville Kentucky. He was received his Entered Apprentice Degree on the 8th Day of January 1985, he was passed the degree of Fellow Craft on the 28th Day of June 1985, and raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason on the 22nd day of August 1985, all in Progress Lodge # 932 F&AM and Affiliated to Suburban Lodge 740 F&AM on July 6th 1993.

He was a faithful member for 25 years. Having completed the designs upon his trestle board, brother Randy laid down the working tools of his busy life and entered that celestial Lodge above on the 10th Day of April 2010.

He is sadly missed by his Mother Carolynn and other family members and many friends. Masonic Services conducted by Brother Tom Mercer

WILLARD BROWING 4/29/2010

Brother Willard was born on the 12th November of 1925 in Harlin Kentucky

He was received his Entered Apprentice Degree on the 10th Day of August 1989, he was passed the degree of Fellow Craft on the 15th Day of February 1990, and raised to the the Sublime degree of Master Mason on the 22nd day of March 1990, all in Suburban Logde #740 F&AM. He was a faithful member for 21 years. Having completed the designs upon his trestle board, brother Willard laid down the working tools of his busy life and entered that celestial Lodge above on the 29th Day of April 2010.

He is sadly missed by his Family and many friends. Masonic Services were conducted by Brother Joe Marshall.



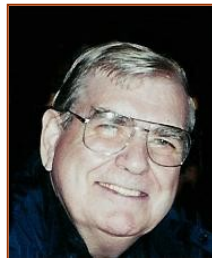
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Rowland's Ramblings

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By Joe Roland, P.M

I have been writing this column for the Suburban Newsletter for more than twenty years now, and have had requests from some of our members who have joined Suburban since that time to repeat some of the early columns. Here is the very first one.

ROWLAND'S RAMBLINGS MARCH - APRIL 1990.

The editor of this newsletter has made a big mistake. He invited any member of the lodge to write an article for inclusion in the Suburban Newsletter publication. He made this offer without reservations. He should have known better. I not only am taking him up on his offer, but unless the offer is withdrawn forthwith this column will be of a continuing nature. And since there were no restrictions to the offer these ramblings will not necessarily be of a Masonic nature.

The idea crept slowly into my scarcely haired cranium when I overheard a conversation between several of our 'knife and fork' masons during one of our coffee and doughnut klatches in the upstairs lounge, commonly called the "Liars Lobby." One of our opinioned past masters (aren't all Past Masters opinionated?) thought that most local newsletters and

publications were generally dull reading. His reasoning was that most Masonic publications contain articles that were almost entirely of a Masonic nature.

At first I thought he had not survived his years in the lodge officer's chairs with all the grey matter still intact between his ears. But after the gears began to mesh in my own atrophied brain I realized he was right. All work and no play does become boring. And since articles in our own Suburban Newsletter are almost exclusively of a Masonic nature these demented ramblings of a has-been will be almost exclusively of a non-Masonic nature. So there!

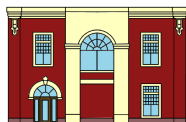
Although few people who have heard me use the English language with such reckless abandon would believe it, I have had some experience as a writer and public speaker. Many years ago, when I was young and brash and anxious to try new fields of endeavor, I spent a couple of years as a newspaper reporter, and wrote a regular column.

Now a columnist who is staring at an old Remington manual typewriter, with a deadline to meet and a blank space filling his skull, will write about anything -- anything. I have written about strange people, smelly pigs, ugly vegetables that looked like ugly people, grandfather clocks that struck thirteen times, moonshine, garbage men with college degrees, college professors that should be garbage men, and anything else to fill a newspaper column. Nothing is sacred. Just fill that empty space staring at you.

This desperation also applies to speeches. Once when I was asked to fill in as chaplain and speak to a couple of hundred people at my son's P.T.A. meeting I spoke about the relationship between shoes and religions, using an old tennis shoe, smell still intact, as a prop. The audience was very attentive, and seemed really interested. My wife said it was a great speech and very well received, but I was never invited to speak to the same group again. Maybe we weren't on the same intellectual plane. Oh, well.

One of my favorite authors, Lewis Grizzard, says it's easy to write a column. He said you just sit down at the keyboard and wait for the blood to pop out on your forehead. Now since I refuse to do anything that would make me sweat I certainly do not intend to do anything





that would make me bleed. But I do agree with Mr. Grizzard's daily prayer: "Lord, grant me my daily idea, and forgive me for yesterdays."

Maybe I can come up with an idea for a monthly newsletter, but if this was a daily newsletter this space would be blank tomorrow.

This was the first Rowland's Ramblings from June-July 1990.

I have been on the staff of my hometown newspaper, The *Harlan Daily Enterprise* in the mountain region of Kentucky, Virginia, and Tennessee for many years. I still write for them as a Contributing Guest Columnist. Although my home town, where I spent the first 32 years of my life, is 250 away from Louisville, and although we have lived in Louisville for the past 52 years, the mountains are still in my blood, and will always be there. I visit the area for a few days about once a year, and watch the changes taking place at each visit. My "Old Philosopher" column is still popular because the era is mostly gone now, and people still like to reminisce. I will probably never stop writing.

Until next time, folks!
joerowland@insightbb.com



Kentucky DeMolay's Spring Conclave was held on March 26-28, 2010, in Jamestown, KY. Cody Stevens, State Master Councilor, conducted a congress session and elections were held for Kentucky DeMolay's 2010 State Officers. The C. Frye Haley Memorial Priory also met and elected their new officers. The State officers and Priory officers will be installed at our Summer Conclave scheduled for July 15-18, 2010 in Jabez, Kentucky.

The elected State officers are: James E. Bowling of River Cities Chapter, State Master Councilor; Andrew Johnston of Bluegrass Chapter, Deputy State Master Councilor; Rafael Gonzalez of Cherokee Chapter, State Senior Councilor and Joshua Justice of River Cities Chapter, State Junior Councilor. The elected officers for the C. Frye Haley Memorial Priory are: Shawn Marcum,

Illustrious Knight Commander; Rafael Gonzalez, Squire Commander and Austin Yates, Page Commander.

The Kentucky DeMolay Sorority participated in a Basketball free-throw competition and Lexi Porter was the winner of that competition. The Sorority met and made plans for the Summer Conclave and also began making center pieces for the grand banquet to be held at the Summer Conclave. On Sunday the members of the sorority received the "Men of Honor Talk" and received pins to present to their fathers or a male role model that has provided encouragement to them over the years. The Sorority also held their business meeting and the following officers will be installed at Summer Conclave: Miranda Klingsmith, President; Miranda Elbert, Vice President; Meredith Doughty, Junior Vice President and Amanda Druin, Secretary.

The Spring Conclave was conducted under the leadership of 2009-2010 State Master Councilor Cody James Stevens. It was our privilege to welcome Dad Robert K. Tutt, Kentucky Executive Officer Emeritus. We were delighted also to have as guests, Robert Taylor, Active Member of International Supreme Council and Executive Officer of West Virginia DeMolay, Brother Michael Burge, PSMC, and Brother Mitch Combs, SMC of West Virginia DeMolay. Michael and Mitch were a tremendous addition to our Conclave bringing with them enthusiastic brotherhood from their great state.

Numerous ritual and athletic competitions were held, with awards being presented on Sunday morning. The Preceptor Corp competition champion was Bluegrass Chapter, with a seven member Preceptor team as follows: First Preceptor, Alex Johnston; Second Preceptor, Austin Yates; Third Preceptor, Andrew Johnston; Fourth Preceptor, Hansen Song; Fifth Preceptor Chandler Brennan; Sixth Preceptor, Josh Starnes and Seventh Preceptor, Harry Song.

The Sports competition champions are as follows: Arm Wrestling – Junior Division, Derek Sutherland of Northern Kentucky Chapter and Arm Wrestling – Senior Division, William Montgomery of River Cities Chapter; Track and Field – 100 Meter and 400 Meter, Branden Johnson of Bluegrass Chapter and for the mile, Mason Foster of Cherokee Chapter. It should be noted that Mason Foster competed in this event in his dress shoes, an awesome feat for any young runner.

The Punt, Pass and Kick Football Champion was Branden Johnson of Bluegrass Chap-

ter. The Two-on-two Basketball – Junior Division champions were Jarred Spillman and Derek Sutherland of Northern Kentucky Chapter and the Senior Division champions were Brandon Crisp and Rafael Gonzalez of Cherokee Chapter. Bluegrass Chapter was the State Basketball Champion and Branden Johnson was named the MVP.

Kentucky DeMolay's motto "Where the Fun is!" came true at the 2010 Spring Conclave as everyone went away with a feeling of lots of fun and the spirit of brotherhood.

Rainbow Girls Lorraine Assembly



Lorraine Assembly will be having Installation of Officers on Monday July 26th at 7:30pm with Miranda Elbert as Worthy Advisor-elect.



From the Editor

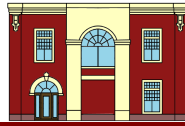
Greetings friends! It has been awhile since I set aside some space in the newsletter for my own words, and to be honest, that works just fine for me usually. However, as

you can surely tell, this is a lighter-than-average newsletter. There has been a slowly growing trend of fewer and shorter items being submitted for this newsletter. One formerly regular column has disappeared. This is the first edition in ages I can remember that contains updates from both Rainbow and DeMolay. Even Rowland, who it seems is never short on random musings, is recycling old articles.

Despite the diminishing content, our readership has grown in my time. We have added many new members of the lodge and Easter Star. We now send our newsletter to other Louisville lodges (and none have yet asked us to stop!). Our newsletter is also now published on the Grand Lodge of Kentucky's website.

In short, this is your newsletter. It is only as good as the content that I receive. I humbly ask that if you have something noteworthy to share, please send it to me for inclusion in future editions.



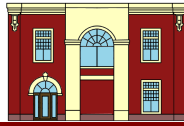


New Master Masons



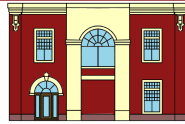
Above: Brother Clinton Carrier conferred the sublime degree of Master Mason on A.J. Reins and Josh Whitaker on May 27th, 2010. **Below Left:** Master Steve Tollefson with the newly raised brothers. **Below Right:** Bro. Clinton presents bro. Josh with his apron.





First Annual Suburban Lodge Golf Scramble June 06, 2010





Southern Star Ray

OES Newsletter



Associate Matron

Greetings to all,

WOW what a first half of the year we have had with the bad weather in January and February, but we have had some wonderful celebrations in April and May. We had our Chapter Birthday and honored our Past Matrons and Past Patrons in April. We had our Line Officer and Friendship in May, which is always a great time of renewing friendships. We also celebrated a time of honoring our very own sister Myra Curry, who is our Deputy Grand Matron for District One for this year. We look forward to the next half of the year with the initiation of Scott Rountree in June and other things that may come our way. We miss YOU when you are not here. Come out on the 3rd Tuesday of the month and join your sisters and brothers in friendship and fellowship.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Euphema (Tina) Holsclaw, who died on May 3, 2010. She will be missed by all.

Gail Perry

Associate Matron

Southern Star #154

