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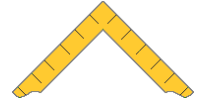


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From the Master Bill Harvey



Greetings from the East.....for my last time as Master.

It seems almost impossible that nearly a year has flown by since I was elected and installed as Master of Suburban Lodge. I guess that as you get older, time moves even faster. I've always felt that being elected to serve as Master of a Lodge is

one of the highest honors that your brothers can bestow upon you. And for this I am grateful and feel inadequate to fill the shoes of the many Past Masters who have set in the East before me. Even though I feel inadequate for this job, I have truly tried to bring a little different approach to my brothers in our weekly meetings.

The thing I have enjoyed a lot is having some Masonic speakers appear before us and enlighten us about some of the appendant organizations that are available for Masons. This seemed to be received quite well, and I hope we can do more of it in the future. I have tried to send birthday cards to my brothers who attend Lodge regularly and also honor them in Lodge when their birthday comes around.

I want to especially thank Bro. Secretary Joe Marshall, for all his help in keeping me straight in our business and anytime I needed guidance. A good secretary is worth their weight in gold. My praises go out to all my Officers for their regular attendance, their hard work and doing pretty much anything I asked of them. When we have a Lodge that meets each week, you really need dedicated Officers to do their part to help keep it going and keep it all together.

Many thanks to Bro. Jan Wilt for his making a commitment to me to stay the year as editor of our newsletter. He has done a great job under some difficult circumstances, and he stayed the course with me.

And I welcome aboard Bro. Jack Riddle as our new editor, starting with this issue. I know that he will be able to pick up where Jan left off, and you probably won't even know we changed editors.

To Bro. Clinton Carrier, I say Thank you, thank you, thank you for jumping in and becoming my unofficial chef, preparing the delicious meals we have been eating since he received his M. M. degree. He was a Godsend to help us out in the food preparation. This is a time consuming and thankless job so let him know how much you enjoy his cooking.

To Bro. Wayne Carby, my Senior Warden, the brother who is there to help me when I needed him. Wayne and I studied and sweated through our Master Mason proficiency together. We've gone down this Masonic road together and have felt a few bumps along the way. When we both saw Louisville #400's jewels, we both realized it was time for Suburban to do better than what we had. So our Officers started a fund raiser, so that Suburban could have the jewels that represent what we are all about: going above the ordinary. Wayne, I know that you will have a great year in '08 and if you

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need my help, please feel free to call on me.

To Bro. Mark Galloway, my Junior Warden, I say thank you for all your help in making this business we call Lodge to happen smoothly. I have enjoyed going to other Lodges with you and hope to do more in the future. To be an Ohio refugee, you have worked out pretty good here at Suburban.

To Bro. Rusty Portman, my Senior Deacon, what can I say? Rusty has jumped in and does anything that he is asked to do, from cooking, to fish slicing, to all day stints in the fish stand. He does a great job in anything He is asked to do. Due to family commitments, he will step down as an Officer at the end of this year. I will miss seeing you in line Rusty, but I feel you will be back before too long.

To all my other Officers, mainly Bro. Secretary Joe Marshall, Bro. Junior Deacon Carl Cox, Treasurer Mike Shuffitt, Marshal Bob Marshall, Chaplain Jack Flamm, Tyler Ken Elbert, Sr Steward Steve Tollofson, Jr Steward Jon Elbert: Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all the time and trouble you have gone to in helping make Suburban Lodge one of the best Lodges in Kentucky. It takes everyone doing their part and pulling together to make a function such as ours turn out looking great and meaningful in our lives. Gentlemen, you were called upon and you met the task. You have even made me, at times, look like I knew what I was doing. For all this, THANK YOU!!

My brothers, now that I have made through the thank you's, I have something of a very serious nature that I feel must be addressed. Recently, we have had a few brothers from other Lodges apply to join with us and become members of Suburban Lodge. The black cube in voting is the sign of rejection, for whatever that reason may be. These brothers had been investigated and screened by a total of 8 brothers and were given the ok by them. But for some reason or reasons, they were rejected by some of our members. I do not have fault with how someone votes, if it is for the right reason. But my concern is that if we start rejecting everyone who enters our door, we will soon be out of business. As I told the Lodge, vote for the good of the order. Don't vote someone down just because of some silly reason. If a person is of good moral character and has passed inspection by his peers, then he should be allowed to be a member. I don't like to dwell on such things, but this matter can sink us as a Lodge. Please brothers, make doubly sure that the person you wish to blackball is not of Masonic material. This kind of reputation can do tremendous harm to our Lodge and Masonry in particular.

If you weren't at Suburban Lodge on Thursday, Oct 25th, you missed one of our better family events, Past Master's Night. We were fortunate to have had our newly elected Worshipful Grand Master, Keith Drier, and his beautiful wife, Debbie, Past Grand Matron of the Order of Easter Star of KY. Also in our presence was the newly elected Worthy Grand Matron of OES in KY, Debbie Ballinger. After the roll of Past Masters was called, boutonnieres were pinned on each Past Master present. Then the fun part began: giving out the 25, 40, 50 and 60 year pins. Brother Drier assisted me in giving out the 50 and 60 year pins. It was quite an emotional time for several of our brothers. I can truly say that "a good time was had by all".

We had about 130 in attendance that night, for which I am truly grateful for everyone present. Bro. Joe Marshall and his crew did the cooking for our dinner, and I heard several good comments about the wonderful meal. Hopefully, next year, I will be able to join that PM line and enjoy the festivities out on the floor.

I know this article is a little long, but I want to finish with a few words of what Suburban Lodge has meant to me for the last 30 or so years and especially this past year. Many of you know that our Lodge is our extended family, just as your church may be, and as all families do, we have a few disagreements and maybe a quarrel or two. But like a family, we in our Lodge forgive and forget, and keep on loving each other no matter what. And like my family, you can pick on me but don't pick on my Lodge brothers. I want you to know that I will be forever grateful for being elected to serve you as Master, hope that I have done my work satisfactorily and will keep on serving Suburban Lodge till the day I pass. Being a Mason has been a life long wish of mine since I was 11 years old, and I wouldn't trade it for anything. All I ask of you it to support Bro. Wayne next year like you have supported me, and to back up any future Master that will sit in the East here at Suburban. This is not a one man show, but must have the support of each member.

Thanks again, and I pray that the Great Architect of the Universe will bless each of you with His love and power and that He will bless Suburban 740 and all of Masonry.



Fraternally thine,
Bill Harvey, Sr.
Master



Have you met?

Paul Jones



Well, I know that you have waited a long time for this month's "Have you met?" personality, one Mr. James Paul Jones. Paul is one of the most recognized faces around Suburban 740 over the past several years.

Bro. Paul was born in Lawrence County, Tennessee on July 5th, 1924 and was raised up there also. He went to Five Point Public School there in the county.

In 1941, with the world going to war, Paul graciously accepted an offer from his Uncle Sam and joined the U.S. Army and served in the South Pacific from 1941-1945. He served in the anti-aircraft division, was a truck driver and like lots of GI's, did whatever he was directed to do. Paul didn't say, but I'm sure that he saw lots of action on some of the islands he served on.

After the war drew to a conclusion, Paul married Miss Gladys Mayfield in 1945 and they had 3 boys and 1 daughter. He is the proud grand father of 6 grand children and also has 8 great grand children. Paul and Gladys were married 55 years when she passed on Feb 1st, 2000. They were both dedicated to each other.

Paul worked 32 years in the warehouse of the old A & P supermarket here in Louisville. He retired from there when they closed in 1982. He then worked for one of his sons from 83-95. So Paul is now really retired and works at the Fish stand on Friday mornings, helping with the slaw and onion crew.

He joined Suburban 740 in 1968 and has been a member here ever since.

It seems that quail hunting and fishing have been Paul's favorite pastimes, but he doesn't do much of either any more.

When I asked Bro. Paul what he would like to convey to our readers, he stated that the Brothers at Suburban and some of the finest people he has ever had the privilege of knowing. Even though we have had our ups and downs at Lodge, just like family we make up, forgive and forget.

That's what life is all about with your fellow Lodge brothers.

Paul, I personally want to say thank you for attending Lodge regularly, working in the Fishstand, and for your years of working with the Rainbow Girls. This is the kind of service that keeps Suburban 740 running smoothly and making it one of the best Lodges in Kentucky!



**From the Desk
of the Secretary**

Joe Marshall

Suburban Lodge Stats

Entered Apprentices: Conferred by Rusty Portman

None

Fellow Crafts: Conferred by Mark Galloway

None

Master Masons: Conferred by Wayne Carby

None

Deaths:

Roscoe Earl Jones—October 17, 2007

Robert Floyd Carder—October 29, 2007

William, W. Hunter—October 5, 2007

Affiliations By Transfer: None

Plural Members: None

Reinstatements: Owen Douglas White on 10/25/2007

Demits: Thomas Edward Faircloth to
Irvington 868 on October 8, 2007



Coming Events Dec 07 - Jan 08

December 2007



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| 1 OES FISH FRY | 10:00AM TO 8:00PM | |
| 3 DeMolay Meeting | | 7:30PM |
| 4 Hall Association Meeting | | 6:30PM |
| 6 Lodge Meeting | | 7:30PM |
| 10 Rainbow Meeting | | 7:30PM |
| 11 Social Club Meeting | | 7:00PM |
| 13 Lodge Meeting | | 7:30PM |
| 17 DeMolay Meeting | | 7:30AM |
| 21 Lodge Christmas Party & Widow Bags | | 6:00PM |
| 22 Delivery of Widow Bags | 8:00AM to ? | |
| 24 Christmas Eve | | |
| 25 Christmas Day | | |
| 27 Lodge Annual Election of Officers | | 7:30PM |
| 31 New Years Eve | | |

January 2008



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| 1 Scottish Rite Glass Day and Chili Lunch | meet at lodge, go to Scottish Rite pick up glass, return to Lodge and have Chili, with Hall Association meeting to follow with their annual Elections to be held. | 11:00AM |
| 3 Installation of Lodge Officer Dinner | provided by Southern Star Social Club served by Lorraine Assembly, and Cherokee Chapter. | 6:30PM |
| 7 DeMolay Meeting | | 7:30PM |
| 8 Social Club Meeting & Annual Elections of Officer Dinner at 6:00 meeting at | | 6:30PM
7:00PM |
| 10 Lodge Meeting | | 7:30PM |
| | <u>Special Note: Dinner on Lodge Nights will be at 6:30PM stating January 10 2008.</u> | |
| 14 Rainbow Meeting | | 7:30PM |
| 15 OES Southern Star | Refreshing following meeting | 7:30PM |
| 17 Lodge Meeting (Article for Newsletter Due) | | 7:30PM |
| 18 Southern Star Social Club Pot Luck | | 6:30PM |
| 21 DeMolay Meeting | | 7:30PM |
| 22 York Rite Meeting | | 7:30PM |
| 24 Lodge Meeting | <u>Dinner at 6:30PM</u> | 7:30PM |
| 28 Rainbow Meeting | | 7:30PM |
| 31 FAMILY NIGHT | | 6:30PM |
- Great Annual Chili Cook Off, Bring a Pot of your Chili and Enter it in the Contest or Bring a Dessert Judging will be at 6PM and Eating will start at 6:30PM



On Tuesday, Nov 6, 2007, your Master was fortunate enough to be in Reno, Nevada and pay a visit to Reno Lodge #13. A time of fellowship prior to supper was held and I was able to meet several of the members and officers and 2 visitors from San Diego, Ca, and Washington state.

The evening meal was "Thanksgiving fare" as they only meet once a month. It was a delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings. I really enjoyed the fellowship with the brothers at Reno #13.

After Lodge was opened, I was invited west of the altar by the Master, Bro. Mark Maxwell. He invited me to join him in the East as a sitting Master. It was a nice gesture and was greatly appreciated, but I chose to sit with the brothers. Next, all 3 visitors met west of the altar and were given a booklet written by their Chaplain. He also gave a talk about Masonry and its history.

Several brothers stood and gave a tribute to an 85 year old brother who died that morning. This brother was very instrumental in their Shrine Hospital helping young children with different ailments.

After the closing, even though I had a ride, I was offered a ride back to my hotel. I did appreciate the thought.

Reno #13 is located in a huge building in the older part of town where several different Masonic groups meet. It is currently being offered for sale and they hope to move to another part of town, making it easier to visit and to park.

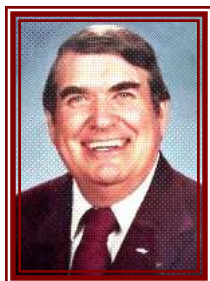
The picture with this article is of Master Maxwell, PGM David J. Morgan, 33rd degree Mason, and Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in Nevada. Bro. Morgan was at Kentucky's Grand Lodge Communication this past October.

Brothers, it was a very enjoyable evening with strangers who became my friends in a matter of minutes. I would recommend that if you are out of town, or out of state, to go visit a Masonic Lodge if time permits. It will be time well spent.

ROWLAND'S RAMBLINGS

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by JOE ROWLAND P.M.



Recent TV coverage of the Ghosts of Waverly Hills TB Sanitarium reminded me of an incident experienced by my wife and I in Harlan County on August 5, 1999. It was the occasion of our fiftieth wedding anniversary. Although we had a church wedding in 1949, it had been a small, simple ceremony, and as our fiftieth anniversary approached we decided to go all out with an elaborate ceremony we couldn't afford fifty years ago. We spent two months planning a larger, formal ceremony, at the same church, and at the same time as the original ceremony.

After several trips to Harlan, about 250 miles from Louisville, the church and the minister were scheduled, the reception hall, caterers and photographers were secured, and hotel reservations were made for our family and out of town guests. My wife found a wedding gown she liked in a shop in LaGrange, I bought a tuxedo, and everything was ready.

Our plans came together without a hitch, and everything went beautifully. We had reserved the honeymoon suite at the School House Inn in Harlan County. A large high school had been closed, and the building was remodeled into an impressive and very unique hotel. Original hallways and student lockers had been retained. The class rooms were modified into large beautiful guest rooms and suites. Fireplaces had been added to many of the rooms, and they were furnished with antiques. The gymnasium had been converted into a large banquet room, and teachers offices and lounge became private dining rooms. The honeymoon suite was fabulous, with fireplace, Jacuzzi, and all the trimmings.

We went to bed about midnight, and about 2 o'clock we were jolted awake by loud noises just outside our door --- lockers slamming in the hallway --- children laughing and yelling --- a basketball bouncing --- I couldn't believe parents would allow their children to play in the hallways of a hotel at that hour in the morning.

We had had a fantastic day, but now we were tired, and needed sleep. The noise continued. After a few minutes I got out of bed and opened the door to yell at the kids to cut out the noise and go to bed.

When I opened the door the noise stopped, but I could hear feet running. There were dim lights in the hall, and I saw several shadows disappear around the corner into

another hallway. I assumed the kids were gone and went back to bed.

But they came back. A short time later the laughing, playing, ball bouncing and slamming lockers began again, but this time they came from the hall around the corner. I quietly crept over to the door, jerked it open, and ran just a few feet around the corner. The shadows and shapes quickly disappeared again, but not before I distinctly saw that they were the shape and size of children, and although they weren't running they were moving quickly, and their footsteps were loud. I gave up and went back to bed. Although I heard them again a little later, this time I didn't get up.

When we checked out the next morning the desk clerk asked us if we enjoyed the amenities in the honeymoon suite. We told her we very much enjoyed it, but we were disturbed three times by children playing in the hallways. She laughed, and said the kids must have liked us. I said that was a strange comment. She said the hotel had only three rooms occupied that night, and there were no children in the entire hotel.

Now I knew what we had both heard, and what I had seen, and said she must be mistaken. Yes, we had each had a glass of pink champagne, as has been our custom for every anniversary for the past fifty years, but one glass of champagne doesn't make you hallucinate. Their laughing, yelling, slamming locker doors and bouncing basketballs just outside our door had awakened us from a sound sleep. There were definitely children in that hotel last night.

The clerk was very apologetic that we had been disturbed, and explained to us that the children were said to be spirits of former students who loved the school, and they were harmless. They sometimes made themselves known to people they liked, and of course, being spirits, they knew about our fifty years of marriage, knew how happy we had been, and how much our rededication ceremony had meant to us.

We quickly mellowed, and told the clerk that we have no fear of spirits, and if we had known they were celebrating our fifty years of marriage we would have joined them in their revelry, and it would have been the perfect end to a perfect ceremony.

When we go back to School House Inn for our sixtieth wedding anniversary in 2009, we will again request the honeymoon suite, and look forward to seeing the spirit children again --- only this time they will be *invited guests*.

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Family Masonic Camping

Do you want to enjoy your camping more and have more fellowship in Masonry? NATIONAL CAMPING TRAVELERS (NCT) could be the answer.



To be a member you must be a Master MASON in good standing in a lodge of which its Grand Lodge is recognized by other Grand Lodges of the United States and Canada.

It doesn't matter what type of camping unit you have whether it be a tent or a BIG motor home. They are usually filled with fellow brothers and sisters who share in the same desire to have fun and fellowship and the love to eat as we have lots of Pot Luck Dinners.

Kentucky is blessed to have one chapter and its name is the Derby City Travelers #109. We camp from April to October at various campgrounds around the state. And in July the National group has its annual Rally. Next year it will be in California. In the winter months (November thru March) the local chapter will be meeting at Ryan's on Bardstown Rd. the 4th Saturday of the month at 1 p.m. We have lunch and then a meeting. Come out and enjoy the fellowship.



Each year the National Rally is held in a different state in the last several years we have gone to New York, Georgia, Vermont, Louisiana and last year in Pennsylvania. This is a great time to meet Masons from other states and have a good time doing lots of fun activities. It's not limited to the older generation but also to the youth that you might have in your rig, such as your own children or your grandchildren. They have their own group called YNCT. They have their own officers and do their own fun activities. Just ask any of our grandchildren what they like best about NCT and they will tell you YNCT. They meet friends from other states and develop life long relationships.

Kentucky will be having its first 2008 campout at Berea, KY on April 24th thru 27th. This is the Friendship Rally at which we hope to see old friends but would like to have new faces and hope that you would like to be a part of our camping family.

This is an invitation to you and your family to come and be a part of our club and enjoy your camping unit a little bit more.

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<http://www.gonct.org>



Wise Indian

Submitted by Bill Harvey, Master

A wise old Indian is teaching his grandson about life. "A fight is going on inside me," he says to the boy. "It is a terrible fight and it is between two wolves. One is evil - he is anger, envy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority and ego. The other is good - he is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith. This same fight is going on inside every other person too." The grandson thought about it for a while and then asked the grandfather, "Which wolf will win?"



The wise old Indian simply replied: "The one you feed."





It is so hard to believe that this year has gone so fast, and that it is now coming time for the Thanksgiving and Christmas Seasons.

Our girls have been very busy during Michaela Ream's term. Besides attending our meetings on every second and fourth Monday, our girls have taken their turn in helping at the Social Club's fish fry on Saturdays, as well as holding Bake Sales on October 13th and November 10th. Our Annual Grand Cross Dinner was observed on November 7th, and we had a very good attendance. Mandy Caffee served as our Hostess of Ceremonies, and our Attendants were Michaela Reams and Lauryn Reams.

Also, in order to prepare for the Assembly's Inspection by Mom Anne Payne Dukes on Monday, November 12th, we had sleepovers on the three Friday nights preceding November 12th in order to practice our ritual work. On Monday, November 12th, we started by serving dinner to everyone, including visiting Rainbow girls from Fairdale Assembly #30, Valley Assembly #8, and Fort Knox Assembly #13. The Grand Worthy Advisor, Brittany Mayhew, was present and served as our Worthy Associate Advisor. Our officers did a wonderful presentation of the ritual work. Michaela Reams as Worthy Advisor, Jessica Galloway as Charity, Danella Galloway as Hope, Miranda Klingsmith as Faith, Miranda Elbert as Love, and Lauryn Reams as Drill Leader, all did an outstanding job in presenting the Initiation Ceremonies. I am so proud of our girls!

On Tuesday, November 20th, our girls will prepare and serve Dinner to Southern Star Chapter prior to their meeting that night. In addition, the following Saturday, November 24th, we will help at the last Fish Fry of the season. We hope everyone will come out and get enough fish to last until the Fish Fry opens again on March 1, 2008.

Michaela's service project starting Monday, November 26th, for the Christmas Season this year will be to ask for donations for St. Joseph's Children's Home, i.e., hats, mittens, gloves, socks, coloring books, crayons, puz-

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John Crisp will be getting his Master Mason Degree at 6:00 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day at Bullitt Lodge. For those of you who do not know John he has three sons in Cherokee. John is also a Senior DeMolay from Beargrass Chapter. I am sure he would love to see a large number of our Master Masons attend.

Greg Coffey
Chapter Advisor

TO KENTUCKY DEMOLAY:

1. **2007 Strategic Leadership Summit** - Kentucky DeMolay was represented at the 2007 Strategic Leadership Summit held this weekend in Birmingham, Alabama. **Grand Master Patton R. Hart** and **SMC Ryan Foster** were in attendance along with **SC Devin Rice** from Owen R. Meadors Chapter: Thanks for taking the time to attend.

2. **Welcome New Members** - We welcome **Brothers Aaron Crabtree, Cameron Cox, Cody Krebs, Curtis Crabtree, David Slater, Jr., and Ryan Wuilleumier** as the newest members of **Northern Kentucky Chapter**. We hope that each of you will enjoy your membership in the Order of DeMolay!

3. **Master Mason Degree for PSMC** - **PSMC Kurtis Traft** received his Master Mason Degree last Saturday at Henry Barnes Lodge in Dayton, Kentucky. Kentucky DeMolay was represented by Dad William G. Hinton, Dad Mike Adler, Dad Barry Eastham, Dad Fred Bryant, Dad Ray Leurck, and Mom Sherrie Traft. Grand Master Keith Dreier, HLOH, was present along with other Grand Lodge Officers.



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zles, etc. The items are to be turned in by Friday, December 14th, so they can be delivered in time for Christmas. If you would like to help in this project, please contact a member of our Assembly or Aunt Rose.

The girls are looking forward to the weekend of December 1st and 2nd, because that is the Grand Worthy Advisor's Holiday Party for all Assemblies in Kentucky at Vine Grove Elementary School, and this will be a party and a sleepover. The other date the girls can't wait for is Sunday, December 16th, to go ice skating at Iceland Sports Complex from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. If you would like to join us in either of these activities, let us know.

In Rainbow Love,
Aunt Rose Flamm



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4. **Reception for Right Eminent Grand Commander** - Kentucky DeMolay was well represented at the Reception for Right Eminent Grand Commander Daniel L. Coleman, HLOH, held last Saturday. Executive Officer Dad William G. Hinton, PGC; Dad Mike Adler, NKY Chairman Dad Fred Bryant; Dad Ray Leurck; and Mom Sherrie L. Traft were among those in attendance. Northern Kentucky Chapter helped to serve at the reception/dinner and to cleanup after the event. Those working were: **JC Matthew Scott, JD Chris Hurst, MAR Collin Hensley, PMC Eric Venturino, Ryan Wuilleumier, SJC Zach Creekmore, PMC-MSA and Sorority Sister Stacy Creekmore.**

5. **Annual Conclave Date** - Dad Patton R. Hart has informed me that the Annual Conclave is being planned for **July 17-20, 2008** at the Cumberland Inn in Williamsburg, Kentucky. The Fall-Winter Conclave and the Spring Conclave are being planned. It is not too early to begin thinking about ad sales!

Past Masters Pictures

There is a recent addition to the Past Masters pictures in Suburban Lodge Hall to honor the deceased Past Masters.

A Past Masters emblem has been added to the picture of each deceased Past Master.

Thanks also to Past Masters Harold Monhollon (1964), Bob White (1966), Howard Mitchell (1968), Burnis Pitts (1969), Frank Coryell (1974), George Routon (1976), George Greenwell (1977), Donnie Brown (1989), and Jack Flamm (1991 & 2006) for supplying these emblems.

Also thanks to Jonathan Treadway, one of our newest Brothers, for affixing these emblems to the pictures.

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**Newsletter due date for next edition:
January the 17th
by midnight**

EDITOR'S NOTE

by Jack Riddle



As I work on this, my first edition of the newsletter, I am quickly realizing just what I got myself into! It is my hope that I am able to continue to bring you a quality newsletter as my predecessor, Jan Wilt, has for the last several years.

As this is my first newsletter, please bare with me if you find mistakes, something was left out, or there are other formatting errors—I will get the hang of this!

Although I have only been involved with this lodge and Masonry for a short time, I am quite honored I can lend my capabilities to work on this communication.

Lastly, I am quite interested in what you would like to see in the newsletter. What interests you and what does not? Please feel free to email me or tell me in person any comments on this or future editions of this newsletter.

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Southern Star Ray

OES Newsletter



From the Conductress

What an honor it is to be elected to serve as Conductress this year! It will be a very busy year, but one that we should all look forward to and enjoy. Having the Worthy Grand Matron from our Chapter will bring us much joy and many visitors. It will give us the opportunity to visit with friends we may not have seen in many months and the chance to make new friends as we welcome our visitors to our Chapter.

I have a few ideas for fund raisers this year, but if you have something you would like to try, please make a suggestion. I am always open to something new and different. I have a couple of small items to sell shares on, but would like to plan something more. Not long after I was elected Associate Conductress, someone pointed out to me that when I move into the Worthy Matron's station, it will be our 100th Installation of Officers. I look forward to making plans to celebrate that milestone in the Chapter's history. If you would like to contribute ideas or suggestions for the celebration, please let me know. It is OUR Chapter and I would like to see everyone participate in making the celebration a huge success. It may seem early, but I am trying to put together ideas so that we can make plans.

I look forward to seeing each of you soon.

Star love
Jo Vest, Conductress
Southern Star #154, O.E.S.





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Secretary's Report



Address Changes

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Members that have passed away

Sister Hazel Hartley, of the Masonic Home passed on November 5, 2007. Sister Hazel was initiated into Eastern Star on August 22, 1952, and affiliated with Southern Star Chapter on March 7, 1983.

Remember our young men and women that are serving our country in the Armed Forces. It is because of their efforts that we are able to enjoy our beautiful order. Remember our sick and bereaved with a card or phone call, you never know how much it can mean. Please let us know if you are sick and in the hospital, if you change your address, and share any good news you may have. We will try to let every one know your joys and concerns.

Is Your Dues card Brown?

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR 2007 DUES. Your 2007 dues were due prior to July 31, 2007. Please pay your dues to avoid suspension. Dues are \$23.90 per year and we have several members that are 2 years behind in their dues and they face suspension in July 2008. **If you are having problems that we are unaware of please contact me at (502) 267-6616, and we can make arrangements for payment.**

In Star Love,
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Officers 2007-08

Worthy Matron-Myra Curry
Worthy Patron-Mike Shuffitt
Assoc. Matron-Jessica Olges
Assoc. Patron- Bill Harvey
Secretary-Rick Ballinger
Treasurer-Bob Vest
Conductress-Jo Vest
Assoc. Conductress-Gail Perry
Chaplain-John Perry

Marshal-Mattie Collins
Organist-Linda Miracle (Pro tem)
Adah-Rosie Savage
Ruth-Janet Riddle
Esther-Sara Stone
Martha-Karen Harvey
Electa-Rose Flamm
Warder-Louise Whitlow
Sentinel-Jack Flamm

Standing Committees

Finance

Jessica Olges*
Mike Shuffitt
John Perry

Relief

Janet Riddle*
Sara Stone
Gail Perry

Ways&Means

Jo Vest*
All Officers

Proficiency

Bob Vest*
Rosie Savage
Mike Shuffitt

Examining

Karen Harvey*
Jo Vest
Rick Ballinger

Sickness and Distress

Jessica Olges*
All Members

Paraphernalia

Mike Shuffitt*
Bill Harvey
Gail Perry

Special Events

Jessica Olges*
Karen Harvey

Instructor

Jo Vest

Calling Committee

Lucy Murphy*
Dottie Metcalfe

Prompter

Theresa Whitlow

Rainbow Board

To be announced

Please keep this as a reminder of who our leaders are for this year and support them as they lead our Chapter to the best year ever.

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