S & D

Though we have a number of brothers who experiencing either sickness or distress, we want them to know that

They are in our thoughts and prayers during their time of need. We also wish to express our concerns for their family members in this time of need. We

realize that while some are

recovering more quickly than others, we want to encourage those who have met the problem “ head-on” and are now looking

forward to the future.

We are glad to report that Worshipful Charles McCarty, PM is now home from the hospital. We look forward to his return to Lodge in the future.

We are called upon to offer our thoughts and prayers for the family of R.H. Charles C. Titus, who after a long illness has laid down his “working tools”

On January 5th, 2015. He has served the Craft in many ways through his Masonic Journey. His wife Marion and their son, will appreciate your prayers.

 FORGIVENESS

In this time of forgiveness,

We might recall the story

that occurred some 250 years ago. It was the story of a 23 year old Colonel who was in the midst of a

political campaign for office in the State of Virginia. In the heat of the campaign, a young George Washington made an insulting remark to a hot tempered opponent named Payne. Resulting with the young man striking Washington, with a hickory stick.

Washington rose, and left the scene. Early the next morning he wrote Payne a letter requesting a meeting at the Tavern. Payne responded, anticipating a demand for an apology, or possibly a request for a duel.

However, upon arrival Washington met Payne with an apology and asked for his forgiveness, extending his hand in peace.

Washington, considered it personally necessary, to insure his internal peace.

 FOUR MEN

Their names were: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was asked to do it. Everbody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it.

Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody’s job.

Everybody thought that Anybody could do it, and Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn’t do it.

It ended up that Everybody blames Somebody, when actually

Nobody did what Anybody

Could have done.

 DECISIONS

During the past year, we have been required to make decisions that are good and also ones that are misleading.

We are sorry to report that during last year, four of our Lodge brothers made the decision to not renew their membership in the year 2015. It is hoped that they will rethink the process and possibly may seek reinstatement.