

**“On His Brother”
by Robert Mezey
Contributed by Worshipful
Brother Grimes Byerly, Master**

**Having wandered amongst many
peoples, sailed many seas,
I have come at last, dear brother,
to these sad rites,
To offer what useless gifts are
due the dead,
To speak a few words, my brother,
to speechless ashes,
Your fate not to hear them, to be
unable to answer,
As mine to suffer the cruelty of
losing a brother.
But for now accept these offer-
ings, these sacrifices,
By ancient custom handed down
by the fathers,
Accept them damp with many
tears of your brother,
And now, and forever, my brother,
forever—farewell.**

An updated internal membership list is being created by Brothers Buz Hunley and Kevin Johnson. This address list will be used by our Lodge and will NOT be circulated publicly. The address list contains, Name, Address, and Phone Number of each lodge member. Please notify Brother Hunley or Brother Johnson if you would like to add or delete information pertaining to your personal contact details. Their phone numbers are listed in the Officer List on the opposite page of this newsletter.

Important Upcoming Dates To Mark on Your Calendar

Past Master’s Night—date and time to be determined.
(see website for details when decided)

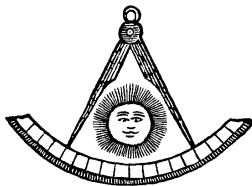
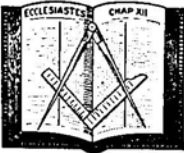
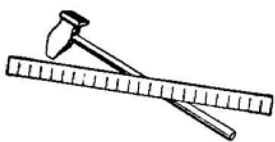
Awards Night—Thursday, November 15th—6:30pm

Officer Elections—Monday, December 3rd—7:30pm

Officer Installations—Monday, December 10th—TBD

All of these events and others are located on the online calendar at
www.hickorymasoniccenter.org

CARING REPORT: Nolan Yount Family, Sadie Ellenburg, David Duncan, Mike Hale, Carl Isenhour, Darrell Chapman, Tony Walker (Riverside Lodge), Jim Rader, Don Hudson, Shelby Teague, A.W. Morris, Jack Bridges, Richard Rozzelle’s son, Jim Barker, Rufus Smith, Gregg Conley, Click Truitt, Kimberly Austin, Bruce Pope, Jerry Johnson’s daughter, Bob Patton, Charles Meadows, Herbert Chilton, Jr., and Bob Gregg all need our prayers and attention.



OFFICERS 2007

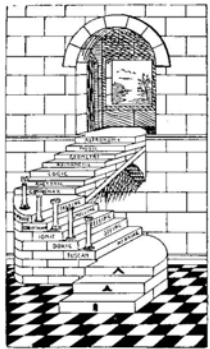
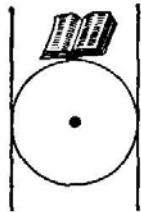
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LIVING PAST MASTERS

J.N. Cagle	1973	J.P. Hilton	1994
J.L. Johnson	1974	D.L. Reep	1995
E.W. Beckom	1978	P.C. Ray	1996
J.F. Taylor	1979	L.D. Huffman	1997
J.H. Elmore	1981	W.G. Byerly	1998
J.C. Bridges	1983	D.J. Wallace	1999
T.L. Hartman	1984	H.W. Walker	2000
E.C. Cline	1986	J.W. Davidson	2001
J.E. Vaught	1987	M.D. Hale	2002
J.H. Elmore	1988	W.J. Hunley	2003
C.E. Isenhour	1989	J.P. Kuykendall	2004
E.W. Masche	1991	D.L. Brandon	2006
J.D. Crawley	1993		

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Name	Date	Name	Date	Name	Date
Bruce Teague	09/01/1946	William Cooke, Jr.	09/09/1935	Ervan Potter	09/16/1947
Benny Yount	09/02/1951	Edwin Wright	09/11/1922	Phil Carter	09/17/1934
Grady Costner	09/02/1951	Harold Reid	09/12/1943	David Blanton	09/17/1952
James Isenhour	09/04/1970	Dennis Davis	09/12/1950	Kenneth Jarrett	09/17/1959
Lewis Weston	09/05/1925	Clyde Hill	09/13/1935	Burl Lehman	09/18/1923
Hugh Hedgepath	09/05/1942	Roger Fox	09/13/1946	David Duncan	09/23/1946
John Matthews	09/05/1944	Dale Crouch	09/13/1948	Richard Reed	09/21/1954
Larry Hale	09/05/1948	David Morris	09/13/1964	Lonnie Freeman	09/22/1925
Michael Hale	09/06/1959	Charles Lucas, Jr.	09/14/1936	Joel Stickland	09/23/1945
James Matlock	09/07/1942	David Whitener	09/15/1941	Ernest Mofford, Jr.	09/26/1950
		Alfred Hollar	09/16/1945		



Fishing With The Boys!

On Saturday morning August the 11th several members of our lodge met 8 young men from the Oxford Home for Children, along with 4 staff members, for a day of fishing on Lake Hickory.

Despite very hot weather our lodge filled 2 bass boats and 1 pontoon boat with fisherman and headed out to different “favorite” fishing spots on the lake. Brothers Buzz Hunley and Lee Spach captained the bass boats and Brother Randy Huffman of Cookeville Lodge #502 operated the pontoon boat. Thanks to Jan Scarborough for allowing us to use her pontoon boat.

After several hours of fishing everyone met at Jan’s house, on the lake, for a very good lunch. The ladies of the Eastern Star contributed to making this a success especially Jan Scarborough, Betty Bumgarner and Brother Carroll Bumgarner.

While eating lunch many ‘fishing” stories were traded by the boys and the fun they had while on the lake. In one way or another all of the boys were able to catch at least one fish. Some of the boys had never been fishing before nor had they been on a boat so this was a real experience of a lifetime and we should all be proud of the role our lodge had on their lives. Thanks to all those that participated. We hope to do it again next year.....



Family Day 2007 A Great Success!

Since a picture is worth a thousand words, how could we better describe the enjoyment on this child’s face after he just slid down the waterslide at family day? Over 100 people attended on Sunday the 12th of August making this a very great event. With plenty of hamburgers, hotdogs and 10 different flavors of homemade ice cream to eat everyone was full and satisfied.

Most importantly all of the “kids” had a great time playing in the water and throwing water balloons. (“kids” has nothing to do with age) At one point more of the “adult” kids were throwing water balloons than children. Several pails of water also made their way into the water dousing fun!

Special thanks to Carla Johnson and Susan Brandon for organizing and planning everything. Thanks to Brothers Kevin Johnson and David Brandon for all of the hard work they provided in setting up for this event and thanks to everyone that helped out in the kitchen with food preparation and serving.

Don’t miss out on the special edition T-shirts from Family Day. The design on the back is well worth the price. To order your shirt contact Brother David Brandon




Worshipful Master
Dr. Grimes Byerly
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Lodge Events Calendar SEPTEMBER 2007

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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9	10	11	12 6:30 Meal 7:30 York Rite	13	14	15
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