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Greetings from the East!
I am making a request for volunteers who might be available to be called in the event of a Masonic Funeral.

There is no memory work required.

All that is asked is for volunteers to be present for funerals to represent the fraternity of Freemasonry.

If this is a service you would be willing to assist in please contact the Lodge Secretary at the

number on the front of the newsletter.

Fraternally, Richard Rozzelle Master







Sponsored by the Hickory York Rite Saturday—February 14, 2009—6:30 PM \$15 per couple. RSVP to Bro. David Brandon All Masons and friends are invited to attend

Greetings from the South...

Menu for the Month of February 2009

Stated Meeting February 2nd

Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, bread and assorted desserts

Stated Meeting February 16th

Ham, stuffing, corn, bread, and assorted desserts

Brethren these meals are low sodium, low sugar, low cholesterol health conscious selections so come out and enjoy.

Lee Spach, Junior Warden





To benefit the Masonic Home for Children Whitestone Masonic Retirement Community and the Masonic Foundation \$5 Donation per plate—all you can eat Children 12 and under FREE



May 2nd 2009 7am -11 am - OPEN TO PUBLIC! INVITE EVERYONE

OFFICERS 2009			LIV	LIVING PAST MASTERS				
Worshipful Master	Richard L. Rozzelle	294-3013	J.N. Cagle	1973	W.G. Byerly	1998		
Senior Warden	Daniel J. Rolon	493-3543	J.L. Johnson	1974	W.G. Byeny	2007		
Junior Warden	G. Lee Spach	446-1924	E.W. Beckom	1978	D.J. Wallace	1999		
Treasurer	W.J. "Buz" Hunley	ul 256-7633	J.F. Taylor	1979	H.W. Wallker	2000		
Secretary	Kevin D. Johnson	465-5619	J.H. Elmore	1981	J.W. Davidson	2001		
Senior Deacon	James L. Johnson	328-1679	T.L. Hartman	1984	M.D. Hale	2002		
Junior Deacon	James Hope	ul 465-0063	E.C. Cline	1986	W.J. Hunley	2003		
Sr. Steward	Ed Zammarelli	704-435-2877	J.H. Elmore	1987	J.P. Kuykendal	l 2004		
Jr. Steward	Neal Hendren	446-0486	J.E. Vaught	1988	D.L. Brandon	2006		
Steward	Paul Aulbach	704-300-8239	E.W. Masche	1991	J.D. Abernethy	2008		
Chaplain	James Johnson, Sr, PM		J.D. Crawley	1993	·			
Tyler	Robert B. Bickel	294-6619	J.P. Hilton	1994				
Trustees Chairman	David L. Brandon W. Grimes Byerly David Abernethy	294-2124 324-8678	D.L. Reep	1995				
Tradical Chamman			P.C. Ray	1996				
			L.D. Huffman	1997				
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February Birthdays								

Brent Sigmon	1 Feb 1967	Derek Keener	13 Feb 1982	Ronald Goforth	23 Feb 1954
David Brandon	1 Feb 1957	James Woods	13 Feb 1947	Jerry Propst	24 Feb 1942
Earl Austin Jr. II	2 Feb 1934	Theodore MacMillan	16 Feb 1939	Gary Nicholas	24 Feb 1945
Ronnie Huffman	3 Feb 1947	Walter Pope, Jr	16 Feb 1944	William Deitz	25 Feb 1928
Wendell White	5 Feb 1941	Karl Bridgeman	16 Feb 1945	Blain Wilson	25 Feb 1934
Dennis Anthony	6 Feb 1952	Bliss Lail	17 Feb 1943	Carroll Bumgarner	28 Feb 1941
Eddie Lingerfelt	10 Feb 1952	Mack Houston	18 Feb 1931	Ronald Bowman	28 Feb 1949
Joe Abernethy	10 Feb 1947	Homer Newton	18 Feb 1933		
Rondall Lail	10 Feb 1952	Nelson Vetetoe	21 Feb 1951		
Hoyle Cline, Jr.	11 Feb 1937	Thomas Bailey	22 Feb 1936		
Earnest Masche	12 Feb 1963	Jerry Coley	22 Feb 1949		
James Travis	12 Feb 1965	Clarence Wilson	23 Feb 1940		

Caring Report: Kim Rolon (the death of her Grandmother) Betty Burch, Glen Henline, (home from hospital) Jack Sains Family, Nolan Yount (surgery) and Wife, Misty London, Denise Wallace, (surgery) David Chastain, (accident) John Wilson, Don Hudson, (hospitalization) Jack Lingerfelt, Bill Deitz, (eye injury) John Harden's wife, David Duncan, Darrell Chapman, Greg Conley, Herbert Chilton Jr., Bob Gregg, Click Truitt, Charles Meadows, Richard Rozzelle's son and father, A.W. Morris, Kimberly Austin, Rufus Smith, Charles Lookadoo, Todd Cline, August Masche, David Early, Joe Vaught, Clyde Price, Mary Cline, Calvin Pittman, and Bruce Pope all need our prayers and attention.



Brethren.

Welcome to the February edition of the newsletter. By the time you get this newsletter Hickory Masonic Lodge will have seated their new officers, raised a **Brother**, initiated two candidates during an emergent communication, and already given back to the community through our Red Cross **Masonic Blood Drive. We thank** all those who have contributed their time and hearts to these events. Brother David Brandon reported a total of 50 pints were donated.

**Brother James Johnson re**ported on the Brookford community toy drive at our first stated communication in January. Many toys were collected and then delivered to twelve families in the community. Ten families also received a \$20.00 Food Card. **Great job my Brothers!** 

Brother Lee Spach has begun planning for the Annual Pancake Breakfast for our charities, which is scheduled for May 2nd.

All are invited. This event is open to the public. Our goal this year is was held for the elected officers to exceed \$5,000 for our charities. From the West: Anyone willing to share in the satisfaction and success of this event is strongly encouraged to contact the Junior Warden, Lee Spach.

events is the Sweethearts Dinner scheduled for Saturday— February 14, 2009—6:30 PM in the dining room. Again brothers this event has been planned for each one of you to enjoy, so come out and share this festive board with us.

**Congratulations to our** newest Master Mason, Brother Kevin Burch who was raised on January 12th. There were thirty three brothers present for this occasion. Welcome Brother! Also congratulations are in order for **Brother William McNeil who was** satisfactorily examined on his first degree catechism on January 19th.

The OSW / Certified Lecturer's class was held on the 18th of January at the Hickory Lodge. Several lodges were represented and a total of 18 Brothers were present. Any brother looking for more understanding of the OSW and the Bhanson manual are encouraged to attend.

A meet and greet dinner and their wives of the 34th Masonic district at the Old Rock School in Valdese. The event was hosted by Lovelady lodge also of Valdese. Many Brothers from the Also on the list of upcoming area enjoyed a terrific meal catered by Smokey Creek BBQ which included BBQ, fried chicken, baked beans, potato salad, slaw, and rolls.

> Along with the catered meal we enjoyed a visit by Most Worshipful Brother, Dan Rice, Grand Master of Mason's of North Carolina. His message included a touching story of his experience growing up in his youth at the Masonic Home for Children. He also touched on his theme for the year which is referring to Masonry as a verb. Get involved, be active, and be charitable. MWGM Rice also gave an update on Whitestone.

**Brethren let's remember to pray** for our leaders.

Fraternally,

**Daniel Rolon** Senior Warden

Masonic Dictionary:

ABIF: Meaning is "his father".

ADONAI: The lord.

ADVANCE: Going from one degree to the next after showing proficiency in the preceding degree.

ADVERSE BALLOT: In case the ballot on a petition for the degrees or for affiliation is adverse, the Master may, if he so desires, spread the ballot again to make certain no error occurred. In so doing, he should state his reason for the second spreading. The ballot shall not be spread a third time.

A.E.A.O.N.M.S - Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles Mystic Shrine

AGREEABLY: In conformity with.

ALLEGORICAL: An allegory is a story told through symbols, or an idea so expressed.

ALLEGORY: Analogy or comparison; a story told to illustrate a principle. It comes from the Greek meaning "to say something different."

ALL SEEING-EYE: An emblem reminding us that we are constantly in God's presence.

ALPHA and OMEGA: First and last Greek letters of the alphabet. The beginning and the end of all things; the first and the last, often mentioned in the Scriptures and in several of the Masonic degrees.

AMEN: From the Hebrew meaning "verily, truly, certainly." One person confirms the words of another. Masonically, answered by "So mote it be."

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## **Hickory Masonic Center Upcoming Events Calendar**

February 2009

Stated Communication Monday February 2nd 2009 Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30 pm Emergent Communication 2nd Degree Monday February 9th 2009 Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30pm York Rite Bodies Meeting Wednesday February 11th 2009 Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30 pm Sweethearts Dinner Saturday February 14th 2009 6:30pm OSW Training Class February 15th 2009 3:00pm-5:00pm Stated Communication Monday February 16th 2009 Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30 pm

**March 2009** Stated Communication Monday March 2nd, 2009 Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30 pm

York Rite Bodies Meeting Wednesday March 11th, 2009 Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30 pm OSW Training Class March 15th 2009 3:00pm-5:00pm Stated Communication Monday March 16th, 2009 Dinner 6:30pm Meeting 7:30 pm call the Lodge or visit our website for emergent communications. Degree work is usually held on the 2nd or 4th Monday of the month. We do have several candidates in the process of learning the catechisms.

> Mark your Calendars NOW! Pancake Breakfast Saturday May 2nd 2009 7-11 am Family Day Saturday August 15th 2009 11am -2 pm Awards Night Thursday November 19th 2009 6:30pm