

# VOL XLVI

# August — September 2006



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# From the Master



Let me begin by first saying "Thanks" to my brothers that have shown faith in me to serve as your Master. The first trip to the East was long and arduous. There was always a feeling that I would complete the trip as long as I served my Lodge to the best of my ability.

This time I realized that the "craft "had a wide variety to choose from when electing someone to finish the year. It is with a heavy heart that I accept this position. Our de-

ceased Jr. Past Master Don Hill was a true Mason and worked diligently for his Lodge and the brothers he served. He will be sorely missed by all and the high standard set will make the completion of this year difficult. With your assistance and the help from Almighty God I hope to obtain such a goal.

I am pleased to announce that on June 29, 2006 we enjoyed another "family night" with the Fischer's of Men and a wonderful meal for a complete success.

On Sunday, August 6, 2006, we will have our annual Suburban Masonic Picnic. This year we will be at the Sun Valley Community Center at 6505 Bethany Lane. There will be a fare of fried chicken and all the "fixins". We will have live music, games and excess to the pool and golf course.

On August 17, 2006 the Lorraine Chapter of Rainbow will serve our meal beginning at 6:00 p.m. and with any luck we will confer the Fellow craft degree on a couple of our brothers during Lodge

On August 31, 2006 we will have another "family night". We will be graced by the music of Fresh Cut Grass. They have performed for us before and were well received then as I am sure they will be this time. We will also have another delicious meal and hopefully plenty of desserts brought in by the line officers and anyone else interested in showing off there talents. An unexpected event will also take place that night; the Cherokee Chapter of DeMolay will confer the Chevalier Degree on the Master. During the intermission break from the music the Rainbow girls will have an auction for "work around the house" to raise money for their Chapter.

These events can't be accomplished without <u>all</u> of the line officers working together to serve the craft. Remember we are elected to serve <u>not</u> be served. We are to be sure all our guests are taken care of before we even think of eating or enjoying the events ourselves. It is through this effort that we shall receive our just rewards.

During the month of August we could well pass two (2) or more Entered Apprentice and be ready to initiate others. Therefore we need to be ready to raise a couple of

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# From the Senior Warden Bill Harvey, Sr.

Greetings from the West.....

**I** would like you to know that Suburban Lodge is seeing a growth in new members. We have recently

had EA, FC, and MM degree work. It is good to see renewed interest in our Fraternity, because Masonry is Kentucky has seen an overall drop in membership. Hopefully, this interest will continue to bring new life to us which we need.

On Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, at the All Mason's Day, held at the Masonic Home in Louisville, your Lodge was represented by it's cooking and selling fish sandwiches and fries to many Masons and their families. The Line Officers took this task upon themselves and we were helped by several other members and wives. It was a great day and one I will remember for a long time. Hopefully, this will be the start of a new tradition by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, as it draws many brothers and their families together for a time of fun, food, and fellowship. I hope you were there and had a great time.

Now don't forget our Lodge picnic on Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm. It will be at Sun Valley Park at 6505 Bethany Lane in Valley Station. The time of the picnic will let you attend your church and still get there for the meal. They have a pool that should be open (additional cost) and they have the golf course too. It is air conditioned so everyone can keep cool. We hope to have a good turnout and that everyone will have a great time.

I want to wish Bro. Stan Robinson congratulations on being elected Master for the rest of Bro. Don Hill's term. Don will be missed and we know Bro. Stan will do Suburban and Bro. Don's memory proud. I look forward to the 1<sup>st</sup> class work that Stan does and expects from his Line Officers. Stop by any Thursday at 6:00 pm for supper and 7:30 pm for Lodge, and see the good Masonic work that you may have been missing.

Here's wishing each of you health and happiness and the blessings of the Supreme Architect upon you and yours.

> Fraternally, Bill Harvey, Sr. Senior Warden





# From the Junior Warden Wayne Carby

#### <u>Is Suburban Lodge at risk?</u> You ask what risk? What's wrong?

Suburban Lodge needs your help; our Lodge is at risk of not hav-

ing our degree team do the degree work. Suburban Lodge has a pride history of having one of the best degree team in this area and the members supporting and performing in any an all parts of the degrees, rather it be the entered apprentice fellow craft or master mason you may say that is silly, we put on fine work, and we do. But say one or two members are not present for one reason or another we have no back up for that part, in the past the line officers that started going thought where expected to know and preformed any part that was needed for any degree and the Jr. past and all past master would fill in as needed and the craft would do what was necessary. In years past we held practice sessions for the degree and each degree team member knew one or more parts. Well Brothers we need your help, over the years time has taken its toll on our degree team, and ever so slowly we did not replace the missing help as we still had mine members who know the parts. We are now down to a few members that know a few parts, so I ask you Brother will you learn a part small or large. But most of all take the step and try.

You may say I can't remember all of that. I say yes you can and without trying you will never know. I hope as you read this that you are not saying "here we go again, let someone else do it". There must be several members who would like to do this, and if that is true you would not be reading this article. Would you take the time to try? I hope so. Remember it all starts with that first step.

#### Lodge picnic August 6 2006 Place Sun valley Park 6505 Bethany Lane. Time 1:00 PM. till 5:00 PM.

So what do I need to bring maybe your lawn chair and if you want you're swimming suit. The pool will be open from 1:00 till 6:00 with a cost to you \$2 for adult and \$1.50 for children. There are all so swing and slides. And did I tell you the food and drink will be provided by the Lodge, and will be serviced in side the community building and it is air-condition. There will be live music for your enjoyment. Hope to see you there.

> Sincerely yours, Wayne Carby Jr. Warden.





# From the Desk of the Secretary



Brothers,

**O**n June the 1<sup>st</sup> 2006, we held a special election for Master, and to change some By-Laws,

Brother Stan Robinson was elected to be Master for the remainder of Brother Don Hill's term, do to his passing. I think that Brother Robinson is finding out that the second time around, is harder then the first. I hope he manages to keep his sanity and wits during this term.

Also on that night we did create some changes on our by-laws, the major change will affect all members who pay their dues. With the decrease in members due mostly to death we were force to increase dues, I can not tell you at this time how much increase will occur, until after Grand Lodge is held in October. But it should not be over \$53.00 that's an increase of 14.50 over last year.

But it was something we must be force to do, with the lack of help turning out to work the Fish Stand, and the passing of those long time workers, and very few coming in to take their place, it will be hard for us to be able to continue such things as the Lodge Newsletter, the Widows Baskets/Bags, and the Lodge Picnic, and any other thing that we pay from our dues.

Some say maybe we should do away with the news letter, and the widows bags, and the picnic. I have mixed feeling about all three of these things but I can't see any reason to terminate any of them. The Newsletter lets us stay in touch with so many of out members, and their family. The Widow bags are a standing tradition that thee ladies look forward to getting, and enjoy. The picnic now is another thing, a few years ago I would have said that something that we could do with out, the turn out was small, and getting smaller ever year. But in the last 3 years it been revised and is starting to grow more each year. While on the subject this years Picnic will be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> of August, at the old Sun Valley Country Club on Bethany Lane From 1PM to 5PM, there will be food, fun, and entertainment, and it will be held inside the air condition hall, with easy parking available.

But now back to the main subject of this article.

Over the last few years the Social Club and the Hall Association has help pay the Grand Lodge assessments and this year is no exceptions. There are about 60 regular members who turn out each week to help get the fish ready for Saturday, they come in on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and its these individuals who have help pay the Grand Lodge Assessments. But these hard working members are getting old and some having health problems, and then there are those that are no-longer with us.

We thank God for the young men and women of our youth organizations that have been showing up to help take the load off of us. Some are concern that if we don't start getting more help the fish fry may have to end. I really don't see that happening but the concern is there. What it boils down to is we need help, weather its having to raise the dues or having to cut special programs, such as the Newsletter or widows bags we are gong to have to do something to get others involved. Don't get me wrong, we have had several new faces start coming around, and some old faces as well. And I real thank for these Brothers coming out and dedicating their time in getting this task done.

We have already lost over 16 members to death this year, and I fear that there will be many more due to the age of our brothers, and we have taking in several new members as well, but its hard to fill the void, and I know many are doing the beat they can, because of their age, and due to the limits of their health. I hope that some Of those members out there that are retired, now and have not been active for many years are looking for something to do on Thursday, Friday and Saturdays. I know that we been in this spot before, and I can recall just a few years ago we were looking at the same problem, and we called out for help, and we got it. And I hope that maybe this time some of our good brothers will here our call and come out and help keep our lodge strong and sound, that's all we can ask.

> Joe Marshall, Secretary 2006





HALL ASSOCIATION



**B**rethren, the summer is half over and we continue to have good luck with the mild summer. We have had a few short periods of hot humid weather, but for the most part this summer has been mild. We had a few problems with the air conditioning, but they have been repaired. Thanks to Brother Wayne Carby for working with the contractor on this problem. We have addressed the problems with the cleaning of our building with Jan-Pro, and it is our hope that these problems will be resolved. We addressed the problems with the lawn care; we now have a new lawn care company. U.S. Lawns was the company taking care of our lawn; they would not address the problems in a satisfactory manner. We now have Dependable Lawn Care as our contractor, and we saved some money in the process.

I have stated many times that our job is to manage the building in the best interest of Suburban Lodge, not the Hall Association, not the Social Club, but the Lodge. If you do not belong to Suburban Lodge you can not be elected to the Hall Association, or become an elected member of Suburban Social Club. We realize that the Social Club is the fund raising arm of the Lodge, and we thank them for their generosity in funding the things needed to make our Lodge clean, and safe. We thank them for the new lights on the parking lot. Brothers Howard Mitchell, Rusty Portman, and Mike Hetch installed the lights and saved several hundred dollars through their efforts.

We have had a few lapses in the last few months. The lights have not been turned out after functions, and the doors not locked. Please make every effort to turn out lights, and lock doors, and pick up after functions. The building is used almost every day or night, but the upstairs is cleaned on Wednesday afternoon, and the dining room is cleaned on Saturday nights. If we do not pick up after ourselves the facility will be dirty for the next group, and your group might be that next group. Thank you for your help in keeping our building clean and safe. (Continued from page 1)

brothers to that sublime degree of Master Mason in the near future. If you are part of a ritual team, know your part. If you don't already do a part, learn one. There is always room for an understudy.

It has been mentioned to me, numerous times, that the Lodge needs to get back on track with the order in which we do business. It is my fervent desire to return to the days of yesteryear. Therefore we will conduct Business on the first Thursday, second Thursday Entered Apprentice, third Thursday Fellowcraft, fourth Thursday Master Mason and fifth Thursdays Family Nights.

The <u>exception</u> will be done when necessary. Some brothers put off learning their proficiency for years then when they deem the time is right we have a propensity to rush through to get the "work" done. Discretion will always be used but the good of the brother and the order needs to be preserved.

I have been approached about the "memory" work on our corner. Brothers I am in total agreement with those complaining. The point of difference with me is that those complaining about various sections should be learning those sections and showing others how it is to be done. Those complaining about preparation and putting a team together for the degrees should step up and take the position.

It has also been mentioned to me about the way things are done on our corner. Who is responsible for what is done. How things are accomplished. How we take care of business and how did the three branches of this corner get so divided?

If we all took the time to read our Constitution and By Laws and if we all became aware of what protocol is needed to get a job done we would all be better off. There are no stupid questions. Show an interest in making this a better place to fellowship by learning the proper procedures and protocol. One of the main tenets taught by us is to "whisper good counsel in the ear of an errant brother".

When did we lose this teaching? When did we stop caring about each other? When did the world start revolving around individuals? When was the last time we read the obligation of the particular office that we hold?

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# Coming Events Aug - Sept 2000

August 2006		
1 Hall Association Meeting	7:30PM	
2 Lodge Meeting	7:30PM	
5 FISH FRY	10:00 AM to 8:00PM	
7 DeMolay Meeting	7:30PM	
8 Social Club Meeting	7:30 PM	
10 Lodge Meeting	7:30PM	
12 FISH FRY	10:00 AM to 8:00 PM	
20 Lodge Picnic	1PM to 5PM	
At Sun Valley Country Club Bethany Lane		
14 Rainbow Meeting	7:30PM	
15 Social Club Meeting	7:00PM	
17 Lodge Meeting	7:30PM	
19 FISH FRY	10:00 AM to 8:00PM	
<b>21</b> DeMolay Meeting	7:30PM	
22 Southern Star OES Meeting	g 7:30PM	
24 Lodge Meeting	7:30PM	
26 FISH FRY	10:00AM to 8:00PM	
<b>28</b> Rainbow Meeting	7:30 PM	
<b>29</b> York Rite Meeting	7:30PM	
31 Lodge Family Night	7:30PM	
(Bring a dessert)		
Food and Entertainment provide eat at 6:00PM		

#### September 2006

2 FISH FRY	10:00 AM to 8:00PM
4 LABOR DAY	
<b>5</b> Hall Association Meeting	7:30PM
7 Lodge Meeting	7:30PM
9 FISH FRY	10:00 AM to 8:00PM
11 Rainbow Meeting	7:30PM
12 Social Club Meeting	7:00PM
14 Lodge Meeting	7:30PM
16 FISH FRY	10:00 AM to 8:00PM
18 DeMolay Meeting	7:30PM
<b>19</b> Eastern Star Meeting	7:30PM
21 Lodge Meeting	7:30PM
23 FISH FRY	10:00 AM to 8:00PM
<b>25</b> Rainbow Meeting	7:30PM
26 York Rite Meeting	7:30PM
28 Lodge Meeting	7:30PM
30 FISH FRY	10:00AM to 8:00PM

### October 2006

<b>2</b> DeMolay Meeting
<b>3</b> Hall Association Meeting
5 Lodge Meeting
6 FISH FRY

7:30PM 7:30PM 7:30PM 10:00 AM to 8:00PM

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I delayed becoming a Mason because I could not give the time and effort I thought it took to be a line officer as a Master Mason. I still believe I did the right thing. I never want to be a Mason in name only. We are taught to not let Masonry interfere with our families, livelihood or religion. It is possible to be a Mason within the craft and attend when we can. When we take it upon ourselves to be in the Officers Line we must realize the obligation we have to fulfill and the duties we should perform. If I couldn't produce for my Lodge, then I would hope I would do the right thing. This, and every other Lodge, is bigger than any one individual.

It is with a great amount of pride that I proclaim my membership with Suburban Masonic Lodge #740 F & A M, Order of the Eastern Star / Southern Star Chapter, Cherokee Chapter of the DeMolay (Senior DeMolay) and Lorraine Assembly of Rainbow. We have a beautiful Lodge and the world's best people.

As my father always told me, "It's people like you that make people like me."

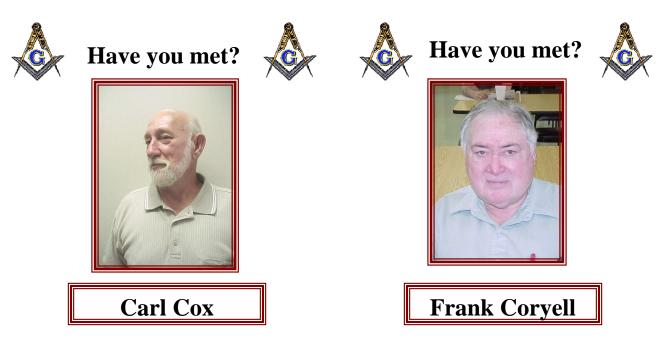
#### Fraternally yours,

#### Stan Robinson









One of our hard working brothers here at Suburban is one Carl Cox. Born on August 27, 1938 in Covington, KY, Carl moved to Corbin, KY when he was 2. Then dad moved the family back to Covington till he was nine, then they moved to Louisville. You see, his dad was a railroader.

Growing up in Louisville, Carl went to grade school and graduated from Male High School. He and his wife Janet recently went to his class's 50<sup>th</sup> reunion.

Bro. Carl, being one of Uncle Sam's favorite sons, was invited to join the Army (for you young folks, he was DRAFTED) in 1959. He served 2 years in the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne as a paratrooper and radio operator. Needless to say, he is proud to have been a part of the 101<sup>st</sup>. Some of the glamorous places he served were Ft. Campbell, KY, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO, and Ft. Bragg, NC.

After he left the Army, he married Miss Janet Paul in 1962. From this union they had 2 daughters, and 4 grand-children, 3 girls and 1 boy.

Carl started to work at the L&N Railroad (later CSX) in 1957 and retired in 2000. He was a conductor and switch foreman.

He joined Suburban Lodge in 1965 and has been a member ever since. Carl works every Friday and Saturday at our fish stand and 1 day a week at The Lord's Kitchen, serving food to the homeless. If you need someone to do anything around the Lodge, he's your man. When he's not sweating with the fish, he has been seen running minimarathons here in town.

When asked what he would like to say to his brothers,

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Did you know that Past Master Frank Coryell is our Chaplain this year? Brother Frank has been doing an excellent job sending out get well cards to our brothers who are ill.

Frank was born here in Louisville in March, 1939, where he also grew up. (At the time his parents lived on Eastern Parkway). He worked as an accountant at night to put himself through Law School. He's been a lawyer in private practice since 1967.

Bro. Frank married Linda Epperson in 1960 and they were blessed with 1 daughter and 1 son. They are proud grandparents to 5 girls and 1 boy.

When he joined Suburban Lodge in 1969, he was influenced by many men who were masons. He noted that Masonry brought out many good points in his friends and he wanted to be where that was happening. Frank moved up through the chairs rapidly, as a couple of deaths occurred close together in the Masonic line. He served as our Master in 1974.

Boy Scouts has been his main hobby for several years, and his church work is also very important to him.

I personally want to thank Past Master Frank for his faithfulness to Suburban Lodge over the years and for all his time and effort spent to make sure our sick and shut-ins receive a card from their Lodge brothers.



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Carl stated that he regretted he wasn't able to be more active in Lodge, but his work schedule prevented it. But he has been trying to make up for lost time by working on Friday mornings preparing the mealing ingredients for our fish and work at the fish stand on Saturdays. He and Janet always help to put together the newsletter you are currently reading. And he attends Lodge regularly.

A big Thank You, Carl, for being so faithful to your Lodge. It shows that even busy people have time to have fellowship with their Lodge brothers.



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I invite you to the meetings of Suburban Hall Association. We meet on the first Tuesday night of the month at 7:30 p.m.

> Rick Ballinger P.M. President







## **Grandma's Sloppy Joes**

Prep Time:10 MinutesCook Time:45 MinutesReady In:55 MinutesYields:4 servings

### **INGREDIENTS**

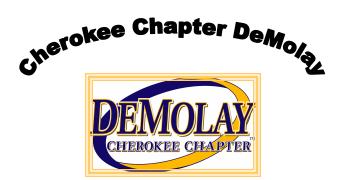
pound ground beef
cup chopped onion
cup chopped green bell pepper
tablespoon brown sugar
tablespoon vinegar
cup ketchup
tablespoons prepared mustard
tablespoon ground cloves
teaspoon salt
hamburger buns, split

### **DIRECTIONS**

In a large skillet over medium heat, combine the ground beef, onion, and green pepper. Cook until beef is browned, and drain off excess grease. Stir in the vinegar, ketchup and mustard, and season with cloves and salt. Simmer for 30 minutes on low. Serve on hamburger buns.



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Congratulations to Cherokee's newest Chevaliers': Stan Robinson, Dad John Gallai Jr., Nate Mahaffey and Ryan Foster. This Investiture will be conferred at Suburban's family night on August 31st on Brother Stan Robinson. Please come out and watch this most impressive ceremony.

Kentucky DeMolay's Annual Conclave was held July  $5^{th} - 9^{th}$ . Cherokee did quite well in the competitions. They won both the DeMolay Degree, Master Councilor Fourth Section and five of the seven Preceptor Corp competitions. Cherokee was also awarded Chapter of the Year and took home the Sportsmen of the Year trophy.

On July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Cherokee traveled to Kings Island and the Beech Water Park. We rode most of the roller coasters and thrill rides as well as the water slides. The DeMolay are amazed that Dad and Mom Coffey still ride coasters at their ripe old age. We all had a great time!

#### **Dad Coffey**





It is so hard to believe that we are now in the last half of July of 2006, but the first half of this year has really flown by. We attended Grand Assembly on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup>, and we had a great time staying with each other at Executive Inn West. (This was our last time having Grand Assembly at Executive Inn West, and although the announcement has not yet been made as to where it will be held next year, the dates will be June 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, and July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007.) Our girls also enjoyed visiting with their friends from all over the state, and even with some of the girls from other states who were attending our Grand Assembly

We received new appointments for this year as follows:

We were very proud that Michaela Reams and Amanda Elbert received the Grand Cross of Color Degree this year.

We had a new member initiated for our Assembly, and she is Sarah O'Corcoran. Sarah is the daughter of Hellen Castro, who is a Majority Member from Orange Assembly in California. Sarah and her mother live in Nicholasville, KY, and are working to try to get the Lexington Assembly reorganized, but meanwhile Sarah will be a member of Lorraine Assembly, and we are happy to have her.

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I want to thank all of the Advisors who helped with everything at Grand Assembly:

Paula Wells (Assistant Mother Advisor), Carolyn Reams, Jo Ann Wells, Ann Elbert, Amanda Elbert, Ken Elbert, Jon Elbert, Glen Wells, and Mark Galloway. In addition, my thanks to Mandy Caffee, of the Jr. Grand Board (and Co-Pledge Mother), Rebecca Bartlett (Co-Pledge Mother), and to Greg Bartlett.

At the present time, we are awaiting the opportunity to initiate Tara Paris, but with her schedule for this summer, it looks as if she will not have a 2<sup>nd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Monday available until after school starts. In addition, we have 2 Petitions out with investigating committees. We are hoping this will be the start of a real growth for our Assembly, and we will be able to replace the members who were eligible for their Majority Degrees this year (Tiffany DeMasters, Donna Harris, Chelsea Mallaley, and Lisa Sutton).

Lindsey Reams is winding up her term as Worthy Advisor, and on Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, she led us on a trip to Kart Kountry in Shepherdsville, where we had a total of 13 in our group. The girls and the adults (including Aunt Rose) enjoyed riding the go-carts, played the games in the arcade, withstood the heat, and then enjoyed snacks and ice cream treats at the Dairy Queen

On Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, Candace Mitchell will be installed as Worthy Advisor, and she has planned a very busy term. You are invited to attend this Installation on July 30<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.

The continued love and support from Suburban Lodge and Southern Star Chapter are so much appreciated. If you know of a girl between the ages of 11 and 20 who would be interested in Rainbow, or a girl of Pledge Class age of 7 to 11, call Aunt Rose (491-4757) for more information

> In Rainbow Love, Aunt Rose Flamm

### Suburban 740 Newsletter

Sponsored by Suburban Masonic Lodge #740 F&AM and published bi-monthly. All members and friends are invited to submit items of interest for publication. Please send copy on or <u>prior</u> to the **3rd** Thursday of January, March, May, July, September and November to: Jan Wilt-Editor or email to jdwilt@insightbb.com

# Family Night

August 31, 2006

Dinner at 6:30

**DeMolay to confer the** "Chevalier" Degree on Master Stan Robinson

"Fresh Cut Grass" will perform

**Lorraine #6 Work Auction** 

**"Fresh Cut Grass"** will perform after auction



### EDITOR'S NOTE by Jan Wilt

The Master has instructed me that from now on all articles have to be in on time and we need

to get the newsletter out on time. No more extra time to get your articles in. Unfortunately this will have to wait till next issue since some were not aware of the masters instructions so some of you got a reprieve and I accepted articles late. So be prepared to have your articles in by the 3rd Thursday of September. Mark it down on your calendars!





In the spring of 1966, brother Dallas Coleman of Denison Lodge #373 of Kansas was digging a pond when he came across an overturned gravestone marked with square and compasses. Research lead to determination that it belonged to brother Henry Craig (1832-1862) of Valley Falls Lodge #21. The brethren of the lodge reset and cleaned the monument and erected a fence around it to keep livestock away. And continue to maintain it.

Lyndon Johnson took the first degree of October 30, 1937 but never progressed any further.

Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House took his first degree on August 7, 1922. He died in 1961 without receiving the second.

Warren G. Harding was initiated on June 28, 1901 and it took him 19 years to complete the other two.

Lodges in Mass. have no numbers

In Penn. there are 11 lodges that have numbers but no names.

In Georgia there are two lodges with the number 1.

In Maryland, Tennessee and Penn.& FLA. there is no lodge with the number 1

Masonic Places in the US: Anchor, IL Beehive, MT Boaz, AL Charity, MS Circle, MT Cowan, TN Emblem, WY Eureka, WV Faith, SD False Pass, AK Fidelity, IL Five Points, AL Freeborn, MN Grand Pass, MS Hiram, MA Hope, AK Jachin, AL Justice, IL Lodge, SC Mason, KY Masonic Home, KY Masontown, WV Square, MT Steward, IL Symbol, KY Temperance, MI Tyler, TX

Hiram Abiff Boaz, born Dec. 18 1866 in Murray, KY. Received his degrees in 1922 before an usually large crowd and served as Grand Chaplin (TX) in 1953.

Joseph A. Gilmore (1811-1867), former governor of N.H. was made a Mason at sight on April 28, 1863. He received Scottish Rite degrees and was awarded 33rd degree on May 7, 1863 - only 9 days later.

Between 1890 (when it became a state) and 1951, every governor of Wyoming, except one, was a Mason. The one, Mrs. William A. Ross, was the wife of a mason and a member of Eastern Star. Every President from Tenn. was a Mason (Jackson, Johnson, Polk)

President FDR raised two of his sons on the same night, Nov 7, 1935 - Architect Lodge #519 in NY.

In 1951, while President, Harry Truman served as Master of his lodge.

Sacramento Chapter #3, Royal Arch Masons has supplied 4 governors of CA. (J. Neeley Johnson, Lantham, Pacheo, Hiram Johnson)

William Hesketh Lever Lodge #2916, England was the only lodge named for a non- mason, the first Viscount of Leverhulm (the soap manufacturer).

Paul Revere was a Mason, as was his cohort, Robert Newman, who hung the lantern in the old north church.

Angelo Soliman, was born in Africa in 1721 and brought to Europe as a slave at the age of ten. He was educated, married, and became a favorite in the royal court in Vienna. Somewhere before 1771 he became a mason. When he died 1776, the Emperor had his body stuffed and mounted in the natural history museum, becoming not only the first black of African birth to become a mason, but the also the first mason to be stuffed, mounted, and displayed.

John Aasen of Highland Park Lodge No. 382 in Los Angeles, CA was the largest known MM ever raised. At the time he was 8.5 feet tall and weighed 536 pounds.

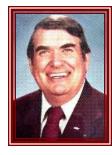
Charles Stratton, a.k.a. Tom Thumb, was 24 inches high and weighed 16 pounds when raised in 1862.

Theodore Parvin was Grand Secretary for Iowa from 1844 to 1901, except for 1852- 53 when he was Grand Master.

When asked of Masonry, President William McKinley explained: "After the battle of Opequam, I went with the surgeon of our Ohio regiment to the field where 5,000 confederate prisoners were under guard. As soon as we passed the guard, the doctor shook hands with a number of prisoners and began passing out his roll of bills. On the way back to camp I asked him, 'Did you know those men?' 'No' 'But you gave them a lot of money, do you expect to get it back?' 'If they are able to pay me back, they will. It makes no difference to me; they are brother masons in trouble and I am only doing my duty.' I said to my self, 'If that is Masonry, I will take some of it myself.'''

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We're all getting older. And there's *nothing* we can do about it But you know, that's O.K. with me. In a month or so, I'll be an octogenarian, and by golly I can still spell it and even pronounce it. And older people do have many advantages. In some countries, elderly people are highly respected. From my childhood

I was taught to always respect my elders, and I still do, but it's getting harder to find one. My philosophy has always been to *aspire* to *inspire* before I *expire*.

And being a senior is fun. I've been there, done that, and now I can relax and enjoy. Each day is a new adventure, and now I can chart my own course. I probably have more fun than a Kosair Clown. Of course my memory is not as sharp as it used to be. Also, my memory is not as sharp as it used to be. There may be a few other minor disadvantages to getting older. My body started getting a few wrinkles, and I started to sag in a few places. I was into swing dancing, but not on purpose, some parts of my body were just prone to swinging. But then I found out how to keep my body from sagging --- just eat until the wrinkles fill out. It works, as a lot of you already know. So what if I am pleasingly plump? (Self description.) I've still got it, even if nobody wants to see it.

But I don't let aging get me down. It's too hard to get back up again. Remember, you don't stop laughing when you get old, you get old when you stop laughing. It's there. Enjoy it! Have you heard about the Senility Prayer?: Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference I'm still sharp enough to know that there are a lot of people out there who are *not* too sharp, but even *dull*. Here are a few examples:

While looking at a house, a woman asked the real estate agent which direction was North, because, she didn't want the sun waking her up every morning. The agent replied, "Lady, the sun doesn't rise in the North, it rises in the East, and has for a long time." The woman shook her head and said, "Oh, I don't keep up with that stuff." Caution:... They Walk Among Us!

A friend worked in technical support for a 24/7 call center. One day he got a call from an individual who asked what hours the call center was open. My friend told him, "The number you dialed is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week," The caller asked, "Is that Eastern or Central time?" .... They Walk Among Us!

#### by JOE ROWLAND P.M.

A friend and I were having lunch when we overheard two women talking about the sunburn one of them got on her weekend drive to the shore. She drove down in a convertible, but "didn't think she'd get sunburned because the car was moving". ... They Walk Among Us!

A friend wanted to be prepared. She has a lifesaving tool in her car, that's designed to cut through a seat belt if she ever got trapped. She keeps it in the trunk. ... They Walk Among Us!

We were having a small party at our house and I went to the corner store to buy a case of Pepsi. I noticed that the cases were discounted 10%, so I decided to buy 2 cases. The cashier multiplied 2 times 10% and gave me a 20% discount .... They Walk Among Us!

I was hanging out with a friend when we saw a woman with a nose ring attached to an earring by a chain. My friend said, "Wouldn't the chain rip out every time she turned her head?" I explained that a person's nose and ear remain the same distance apart no matter which way the head is turned ... They Walk Among Us!

My wife and I flew to the West Coast for a couple of weeks. When we arrived, my luggage wasn't at the airport baggage area. So I went to the lost luggage office and told the woman my bags didn't show up. She told me not to worry, she was a trained professional and I was in good hands. "Now," she asked me, "Has your plane arrived yet?" .... They Walk Among Us!

I got this message from an answering machine the other day: "I'm making some changes in my life. Leave a message after the beep. If I don't return your call, you are one of the changes. .... They Walk Among Us.

A man bought a new fridge, and to get rid of his old one, he put it in his front yard with a sign saying: "Free Fridge. You want it, you take it." It sat there for a week.. He decided people were too distrusting of this deal, so he changed the sign to read: "Fridge for sale \$50." The next day someone stole it. .... They Walk Among Us!.

I watched a man at the pizza store ordering a small pizza to go. He was alone, so the clerk asked him if he would like it cut into four pieces or six. He thought about it for some time before responding. "Just cut it into 4 pieces; I don't think I'm hungry enough to eat 6 pieces."

Yep, They Walk Among Us! They Walk Among Us, And They Reproduce!

Southern Star Ray OES Newsletter Worthy Matron Speaks Out!

**H**i again, I just can't believe that the summer is almost over and school is about to begin. I hope that everyone is having a great time. As for myself, I'm getting ready for a very relaxing vacation in the mountains with my husband and my mom.

Things at chapter have just been sailing right along, and before we know it, it will be time for election of a new core of officers. I know that Amanda and Jon are looking forward to their year, as I have had another great year this time around. My officers have been great, and looking out and seeing all of the sideliners has also been great.

I would like to take this time to thank all of our sideliners; you have always been willing to help when someone was unable to attend. You just jumped right in and said what can I do.

In August, we will be having an initiation. I'm hoping that we can have a large sideline so that our new people will see that we are a friendly bunch.

In September, we will be having our elections. This is always a fun night, with a lot of excitement and anticipation. Hope to see all of you there.

Then comes October and we will have a new core of office come in, and will start all over again. I have really enjoyed being your Worthy Matron, as you all know that have gone before me, it's not the Matron that makes (Continued on page 14, see "the chapter") Southern Star Social Club meets the Friday night following the third Tuesday of the month. We have a pot luck dinner and everyone has a very good time. All Southern Star members and their families and guest are invited to attend.

The Social Club raises money for the chapter and for charities such as the American Heart Association, American Cancer Society and other organizations. We also have a scholarship fund for Rainbow and DeMolay. We are collecting printer cartridges and cell phones, so if anyone has any of these items please bring them to the meeting or give them to any Eastern Star member. The money raised from the printer cartridges and cell phones go to the Relay for Life.

So everyone please come out and join us any time you can.

Myra Curry President



I have really enjoyed this year as Conductress, which is almost over, just 2 more meetings. If you belong to Southern Star and have not come to a meeting we would love for you to come and join us. We have initiated several people this year and have enjoyed getting to know them. I know our next meeting is going to be an initiation.

Rosie & Rick have had a great year as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron. Rosie has kept us laughing all year and everyone has had a very good time. We have several members that have not been feeling well and we hope they get to feeling better and can come back to the meetings real soon, we really miss them.

If you belong to Southern Star and have not been to a meeting for a while please come and join us. We meet the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. we would love to see you.

> **Myra Curry** Conductress Southern Star #154



### Initiation Scheduled 8/15/06:

**Virginia Bell** (290-6784) 920 W. Evelyn Ave. Louisville KY 40215

Gail & John Perry (239-2109) 5201 Fawnwood Lane Louisville KY 40291

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### **Address Changes:**

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Sheila Otte 1220 S. Brook St Louisville KY 40203

### **Southern Star - In Memoriam**

#### Pauline Hanshew – May 20, 2006

Sister Pauline was initiated into Southern Star Chapter on April 21, 1984 and stayed a faithful member of the Order until her death. (Continued on page 14, see "Virginia")







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the chapter it's the people in it, and we do have the VERY BEST.

Since we last spoke, we also have had some sadness. Several of our beloved members have gone on to meet with the heavenly father. They will each be missed. I just want us all to keep each family in your prayers.

Well I had better go for now, but I do hope to see all of you at our next meeting.

### In Star Love

Rosie



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## Virginia Farmer – June 12, 2006

Sister Virginia was a devoted member since her initiation into Southern Star Chapter on April 4, 1972.

### Daisy Meyer – June 20, 2006

Sister Daisy was initiated into Southern Star Chapter on March 19, 1964 where she was a dedicated member for 42 years.

### Betty Marshall – July 13, 2006

Sister Betty was initiated into Southern Star Chapter on February 21, 1984 and remained a loyal member of Southern Star until her death.

# It is time to pay your Dues!!

Our Chapter dues are \$23.90 again this year. If you do not have a blue dues card for 2006, your dues are due August 1, 2006. Please mail your dues to me at: 4305 Gaudet Road; Louisville KY 40299, along with a self addressed stamped envelope.

If you have not been to Chapter lately, grab you dues card and come to Chapter. We miss you and look forward to seeing you again and we are having a great time with Sister Rosie in the East!

> Debbie Ballinger Secretary Southern Star #154



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