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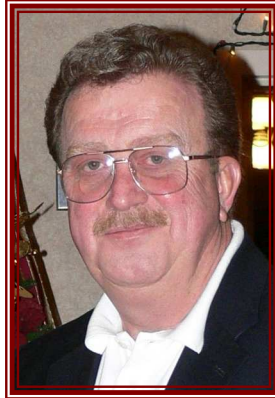
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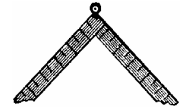
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## Merry Christmas



### From the Master



My Brothers this last article has been very difficult for me to write. I have changed the text numerous times. Time is now short and I am forced to go with what I am feeling.

I first want to thank the line officers behind me for being the best a Master could ask. We have new officer's jewels, retired our old jewels, added the ashlar to the lodge, new caps for our staffs, a beautiful memorial for "all those that have come and gone this way before us." The best part is that we did all of this and it didn't cost the Lodge, Hall or Social Club one red cent. These men have worked hard to beautify this corner and completed the work by putting their efforts ahead of just "asking for the financial support of a "good idea."

I have stated before, that this year was difficult for all of us due to the untimely loss of our elected Master Don Hill, but we have prevailed. There is so much to mention that it seems something will be unintentionally omitted.

A wonderful Lodge picnic, several successful "family nights", a great Past Masters Night, the honor of hosting the "raising" of our Lt. Governor, and the hosting of the District meeting with our District Deputy Grand Master, Jon Elbert. May I also add that I received one of the greatest honors of my life by being created a Chevalier.

We were honored by the Grand Lodge with the "Attendance Award" for the District meetings. We received the Grand Lodge award for the "Traveling Gavel". Our "mite" box has continued to grow each week, this helps our benevolent fund become more efficient. Our visitation has continued with special thanks to Brother Wayne Carby. We have added to our roll during the entire year.

We have worked closely with our Rainbow Girls and De Molay boys. We have incorporated our newsletter with the Southern Star Chapter of Order of the Eastern Star. Our parking lot curbs have been painted.

I wish each and every Brother & his family the very Happiest of Thanksgivings and the most Merriest of Christmas'. We will have a wonderful "family night" on November 30th. A great Social Club banquet on December 8th and our Widow's basket / Christmas Party on December 15th and delivering the baskets on the 16th. Our elections will be on the 27th followed the next evening, 28th, with the installation of our new officers for 2007. Next year holds many promises for our corner. The anticipated officers will serve this corner well.

This is an exciting time to be part of this corner. I implore each and every Brother to return to the "corner" and be part of a new & active Lodge that "wants" all its

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**From the  
Senior Warden  
Bill Harvey, Sr.**

Greetings from the West!

Well, it looks like fall is here in full force and winter is nipping at its heels. I love spring time and the fall, as it's not too hot or too cold. It's a time to slow down and reflect on the past year.

We started out with a full slate of officers and we have been busy with our degree work. Unfortunately, our Master, Bro. Don Hill, left us much too soon. Bro. Stan Robinson was elected to fill out the rest of his year, and has been doing a great job.

We have initiated, passed and raised several new Masons this year, with much pleasure to us all. We've acquired rough and smooth ashlar that sit on the steps of the Master's station in the East. We have also recently replaced our Officers Jewels with new collared Jewels. Our Grand Chaplain, Bro. Reggie Paschal, and our Grand Marshal, Suburban's own Rick Ballinger, were part of this impressive ceremony placing the new Jewels on each Line Officer. You have to see these, they are just BEAUTIFUL!!!

Your line officers have worked many hours, with several fund raisers, to be able to have these as part of our Lodge paraphernalia.

On October 26<sup>th</sup>, Suburban Lodge had the privilege to assist Louisville Lodge #400 in raising Brother Steve Pence, Kentucky's Lt Governor, to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. Several Grand Lodge dignitaries attended along with numerous visitors from other Lodges. Of course, the meal before the Lodge work was delicious and appreciated by all.

Brothers, this will be my last article in your newsletter as your Senior Warden. It has been a great pleasure serving the Craft in this position, for I have been able to accomplish several things and have learned much, and I have a LOT MORE to learn! If the Lord, and my brothers see fit, I will be your Master in 2007. This is a great undertaking by anyone, and it is a privilege that very few men ever achieve. If I am elected to this high honor, I ask for your prayers and assistance in leading our Lodge in the coming year. One of my main desires is to see many of our members coming back to lodge and being part of this great fellowship. One thing I have tried to do is to make everyone feel welcome at Suburban and hopefully they will be proud

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**From the  
Junior Warden  
Wayne Carby**

Let me take this opportunity to thank all the line officers here at Suburban Lodge for the very hard work this year on all the different projects that we set out to accomplish, most notably the purchasing of the Lodge jewels and the retiring of the old ones. All the various fund raising's that were conducted to pay for this endeavor so as to spare the Lodge any expense in this undertaking.

A special thanks to Mark Galloway and Rusty Portman, who worked long hours on these projects. They worked tirelessly on all projects by giving of their time and effort to make each fund raiser a success.

The wooden brief case was given away on Past Masters night by means of a blind draw conducted by the Master's wife Teri Robinson. The lucky winner was the Kentucky Grand Senior Warden, Brother Keith Drier. The brief case was presented at the Grand Lodge Communication by the Officers of Suburban Lodge. Brother Keith Drier thanked the Lodge and was well pleased with the case.

Christmas is just around the corner this is a very busy time of the year for all of us especially on our corner. Family Night will be held on the 30th of November followed by the Social Club's banquet on the 8th of December. The Christmas party for the Lodge and kids will be on the 15th of December. The election of line officers on the 27th immediately followed by installation of officers on the 28th. This is sandwiched in with every one's personal celebrations with their loved ones. Have you ever thought, "What can I give someone who seems to have everything?" The only thing I can think of is "my time!" whether it is a short phone call or a pleasant visit, maybe a conversation over dinner. The most important thing is the giving of your time. Brothers your Lodge needs your time.

Please drop by on any Thursday around 6 pm for good food and conversation, or just to say "HI." always remembering that your Lodge Brothers need YOU and your time. I believe this will prove to be time well spent for you and your Brothers.

I hope to see each and everyone soon and very Merry Christmas to everyone.

Sincerely  
**Wayne Carby**  
Junior Warden

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to me a Mason "on the corner".

So if you haven't been to Lodge lately, you are missing lots of activities. So stop on by and see us any Thursday evening, WE MISS YOU!!

Fraternally,

**Bill Harvey, Sr.**  
 Senior Warden

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Brothers to be part of the events. There is a place for all of us, the Lodge offices, the Community services, the Social Club, the Hall, De Molay advisors, Rainbow advisors, Eastern Star offices, York Right activities and many many more festivities.

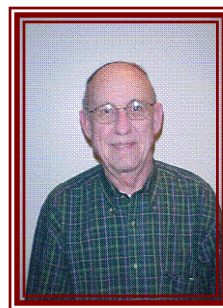
Sadly we have had to call upon our Secretary, Past Master Brother Joe Marshall, far to many times for his beautiful work on the Masonic Funeral. This brings me to my sadist note.

Nine years ago on Saint Johns Day, December 27, 1997, I lost my father. After a hard fought battle with cancer, Past Master Clyde D. Robinson succumbs to cancer and joined his Heavenly Father in that "undiscovered lands were no traveler has ever returned".

Upon being admitted to this corner I was embraced by Past Master Hoit Vincent. He was the very essence of Masonry my father had taught me about and for me to become. It was with his keeping of our tenets that gave me the guidance and leadership, in the foot steps of my father, to try to be the Mason that I hope I am today. We lost Past Master Brother Hoit Vincent on November 18, 2006. There is now a void that will not be soon filled. Brother Hoit was truly a man of God, a Loving father, a giving husband, a true Mason and the best friend a person could possibly ask for. He will be remembered & missed for a very long time to come. Brother Hoit has left a mark on this corner that may never be obtained again. So it is truly with a heavy heart that we say to Brother Hoit's family, "May God bless and keep you in his loving care."

Fraternally,

**Stan Robinson**  
 Master



*Hoit Vincent*  
*In Loving memory*

**Ripley's Believe It or Not!**

**BABY ORCAS**  
**DON'T SLEEP FOR THE FIRST MONTH FOLLOWING BIRTH!**

ON OCTOBER 2, 2006, SINGER KATIE MELUA PERFORMED AN UNDERWATER CONCERT AT THE BASE OF A NORTH SEA OIL RIG 994 FT (303 M) BELOW SEA LEVEL.!

Submitted By Bobby Owens, Myrtle Beach, SC

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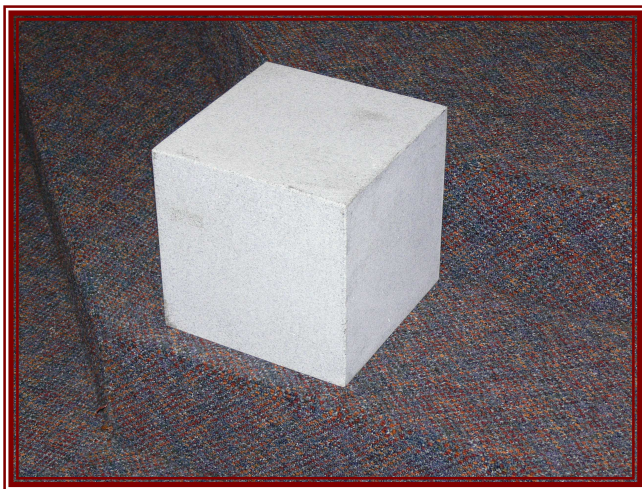
**CAN YOU ARRANGE THIRTEEN THREES TO TOTAL 100?**

**SOLUTION:** THIRTEEN THREES CAN BE ARRANGED TO EQUAL 100 AS FOLLOWS —

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**SUBURBAN LODGE #740 F&AM  
LOUISVILLE KENTUCKY**



**Our new Asher's**





## Holly Christmas Cookies



### INGREDIENTS

- 1 (16 ounce) package large marshmallows
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 1/2 teaspoons green food coloring
- 4 1/2 cups cornflakes cereal
- 1 (2.25 ounce) package cinnamon red hot candies

### DIRECTIONS

1. In a saucepan over low heat, melt together the marshmallows, butter, vanilla, and food coloring. Mix in the cornflakes cereal.
2. Drop by spoonfuls on wax paper, and decorate with red hots. Set aside, and allow to cool.





On Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, the Lorraine Pledge Class had its Installation, and Miranda Elbert was installed as Pledge Sister. The Co-Pledge Mothers, Mandy Caffee and Rebecca Bartlett, are keeping the Pledge Class busy on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday nights.

It is hard to believe that Thanksgiving is already near, and we will be working the last fish fry of the year that weekend. Our customers are saying that they already miss having the fish during the winter, and will be anxious for the fish fry to open in March.

During the weekend of December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> the Grand Worthy Advisor will be hosting the Annual Holiday Party for Kentucky Rainbow at Henderson Lodge in Henderson, Kentucky. There will be many activities in which our girls will be participating, in addition to eating a lot of good food. The state project this year is the Ronald McDonald House, and we are asked to bring anti-bacterial bathroom sanitizer. If any of you would like to donate this item, please let Aunt Rose know.

The Central District of Kentucky Rainbow will be selling Fruit Boxes for the Christmas Season to support Grand Assembly. Each box contains 24 pieces of fruit, candy and a gift card in a nice gift box, and the cost for each box is \$15.00. The deadline for ordering these fruit boxes is December 11, 2006, and the boxes will be ready for pick up on December 15 between 8:00 pm and 11:00 pm at Shively Lodge Hall, 4221 Hillview Ave., Louisville, KY. Please let Aunt Rose know if you would like to order one or more of these fruit boxes.

If you should come by the Lodge Hall on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, don't be alarmed if you find no one there, as Lorraine Assembly will not be meeting at the Lodge Hall that night, but will instead meet at Aunt Rose's house for the Assembly's Christmas Party (if there is no snow or ice on the hill at Stone Bluff). Our members are inviting the Pledge Class to join with us that night for food, gift exchange, games, and Christmas movies.

In addition, the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday in December is Christmas, and the Assembly and the Pledge Class will not be meeting that night.

Our Worthy Advisor, Candace Mitchell, has had a very busy term, and is now planning the final activities for her term.

The next Installation for Lorraine Assembly will be on Sunday, January 28, 2007, at 2:30 pm., and Lindsey Reams will be installed as Worthy Advisor.

We invite members of our Masonic sponsoring bodies to attend our meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday nights at 7:30 pm. If you need information regarding Rainbow for girls 11 to 20, or for Pledge Class for girls 7 to 11, please contact Aunt Rose.

In Rainbow Love,

**Aunt Rose Flamm**



## The New Masons

The centuries-old fraternity, in an effort to remain relevant, is shedding its secrecy in order to attract young members

*By Douglas Belkin, Globe Staff | October 15, 2006*

With his mop of black hair, silver nose ring and double-pierced ear, Nikki Stone, a 31-year-old rock guitarist, looked a bit out of place last weekend as he stood surrounded by serious-looking men in dark suits beneath baronial, 50-foot ceilings at the Masonic Lodge on Tremont Street in Boston. But Stone, and the dozens of other non-Masons milling about, was a much sought after guest. With their aging membership at a 50-year-ebb and the vitality of their future in doubt, the Masons are trying something new in their august 275-year history: They have started recruiting.

“We're trying to bring the Masons into the 21st century,” Jeffrey Hodgdon, grand master of the Masons in Massachusetts said at an open house in Lexington, the same day that Stone visited the Boston lodge. “If we don't

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## EDITOR'S NOTE

by Jan Wilt



I am sorry for the small newsletter, but I did not get most articles in on time even though I gave 3 extra days. I hope every one gets this newsletter since I will not be printing it and folding or mailing it since I will be busy taking care of my wife who will be recovering from a operation and will be off her feet for several weeks. I did put what I had on an original and I will send it to Stan and he will have to decide who will copy, fold, staple, label and mail it. Hopefully the next newsletter will be back to normal.

As the Master stated, we have lost a Brother, Hoit Vincent. Hoit was not only a brother Mason but he was my friend. Hoit helped put the newsletter together, even though he was not on the newsletter committee, he still wanted to help out and he and his lovely wife Kathleen were always there, even bringing friends with them to help. Hoit was a devoted husband, the perfect Mason and a wonderful friend. I will miss him greatly.

I want to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



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**FREEMASONRY**  
MAKING GOOD MEN BETTER

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do something, we're going down the tubes." From the 18th century through the 1990s, the Masons, surrounded by an aura of secrecy and prestige, did not recruit. They didn't need to -- new members came to them. But when the baby boomers started to snub the Masons en masse -- along with nearly every other fraternal organization -- membership dwindled. In Massachusetts, the number of Masons dropped from 130,441 in 1960 to 42,045 last year. So, two years ago, the Masons nationwide broke with long standing tradition and went public. In Massachusetts, the recruitment drive has been unique in scope and intensity, said Hodgdon, who has played a key role in the membership drive. The Massachusetts campaign has included open houses and a \$800,000 radio and television sales pitch.

The spots characterize the fraternity as a cornerstone of civility and heritage in an increasingly uncivil and unstable world. The result: So far, so good. "There's definitely a mystique here," said Stone. "As a guy with a rock 'n' roll back ground, it seems cooler than the Knights of Columbus." In the past two years, about 3,000 men have joined the Masons in Massachusetts, said Hodgdon, of Lexington, who attended four of the 240 open houses held across the state Oct. 7. It is the most interest shown in the organization in decades. And, at a time when most of the members are in their 50s and 60s, 62 percent of the new members are between 18 and 39, said Robert Huke, a spokesman for the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts. At the Harvard University lodge in Cambridge, membership has jumped from 125 to about 320 in two years. The average age of new members there is 22.5.

"There's a connection that's being made," said Ryan Johnson, the 31-year-old master of the Harvard lodge. "People are saying, 'You know that organization has been around for a long time. There must be something to it.'" Masons and sociologists attribute the resurgence to a confluence of factors. Exposure, for starters. But also timing. Fraternal organizations have traditionally expanded during times of war and their immediate aftermath when veterans, used to the camaraderie of other men, look for organizations to bring them together. There may also be a generational shift at play. For a group raised in cyberspace in an increasingly atomized society, a hunger for connectedness has begun driving younger people back toward fraternities. Especially in the post 9/11 world. Indeed, the Masons are aiming their sales pitch at young people who came of age around the time of the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001. A group now between 18 and 27.

"September 11 was a real shaking point," said Johnson, who lives in New York and flies to Boston for monthly  
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meetings. "That event killed the 'me generation' and you had this feeling that you need your friends, you need your family, you need your community, you couldn't do it all alone." The Massachusetts strategy to recruit originated with Hodgdon, who owns a GM dealership in Arlington and has a keen appreciation for marketing. He organized the effort around the GM sales model. He standardized open houses around the state, had 10,000 askafreemason.org rubber bracelets made, and brought on the Boston Light marketing firm to come up with a pitch. Last summer, the firm interviewed hundreds of men, ages 21 to 40, in bars across Boston. Among the questions they asked: "Is there greatness in you?" said Robert Heruska, a partner and the firm's creative director. "We thought maybe half the people we spoke to would say yes, but it was about 99 percent," Heruska said. "The question really hit a nerve."

The line became the campaign's tag. The commercial presents a Benjamin Franklin impersonator whose voice sounds dipped in earnestness and wisdom. The pitch plays on the fraternity's long history, stability, and ability to "make good men great." Franklin's summation: "Free masonry has been preparing great men since our country's founding." The Masons evolved in England in the early 18th century from a guild of builders. The first lodge was chartered in America in Boston in 1733 and became closely associated with the ideals of Enlightenment and then the American Revolution through men like George Washington, Paul Revere, and Franklin. Between 1870 and 1920 -- when 300 fraternal organizations were started in the United States -- the Masons' popularity soared, dipped during the Great Depression, then grew again after World War II, eventually hitting a high point in 1963 with more than 4 million members, said historian Steven C. Bullock, a professor of history at Worcester Polytechnic Institute and the author of "Revolutionary Brotherhood," that examines the historical significance of the group.

The decline among the Masons parallels the drop in most service clubs and civic organizations. In Robert Putnam's 2000 book "Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community," he writes that the number of Americans attending club meetings has fallen off by 58 percent in a generation. Two-parent working families and a wider array of ways to spend free time fueled the decline. Indeed, by 2005, membership in the Masons nationwide had fallen from more than 4 million in 1963 to about 1.6 million and the average age had climbed to 62, said Bullock. To reverse the trend, the Masons lowered the age of membership from 21 to 18 and began to dip into the realm of recruitment. "More than anything this is an awareness campaign," said Huke. "Our standards remain the same." Johnson, whose great-grandfather was a Mason, answered

an ad in a college newspaper to join the group when he was in graduate school and began to ask his friends. Word spread quickly. Meetings that used to attract eight or 10 Masons to the Harvard lodge now regularly pull in 150, Johnson said.

The sense that the Masons offer a principled cornerstone in an age of slipping standards hit a nerve. "We never had to endure hunger or a Great Depression or disease or anything like that so we're comfortable with life materially," said Robert Bolcone, of Gloucester, a 23-year-old student at Harvard Medical School who joined last year. "I think my generation is searching for something more, something greater," Harvard-affiliated Masons like Bolcone said they appreciated the formality of the ritual in an age when the rest of their lives is so informal. The lodge is one of the few places where young men can actively seek out older mentors. And the teachings, through centuries old parables and metaphors, resonate. Tom Sander, a professor at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government who studies civic engagement, said the uptick fits a larger pattern. Twenty-somethings who came of age around the time of the Sept. 11 attacks are searching for something larger than themselves. "They see their fate as intertwined with the fate of others in a way the generation before them did not," he said. "The generation before them believed that if you earned enough money you could insulate yourself from the fears of society. . . . This generation is much more likely to seek out community." Stone, the rock 'n' roller, offered a less idealistic reason for joining, as old as any other. This fall he hopes to open a bar in Malden. "It never hurts to network," he said. "It could be good for business."

Fraternally,

Darrell G. Waddell

(Member - 760)

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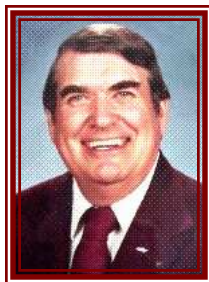




# ROWLAND'S RAMBLINGS

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by JOE ROWLAND P.M.



I can't believe it. The whole world has gone crazy. Merchants have combined Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas into one, long, holiday merchandise buying season, and it begins in September. I think they are going to call the three combined holidays "Hallogivingmas." Of course they think of it as "HalloBUYingmas." They start displaying their merchandise right after Labor Day, and brainwash us into thinking we better buy early, because the latest fad toy (that costs \$300, and every child must have) is going to sell faster than China and Hong Kong can produce them and ship them to us.

And guess what? *We believe them!* And our children and grandchildren just *have* to have one, or they will be shunned and laughed at by every kid in school. Without the newest Elvis Presley, Madonna or Sponge Bob Squarepants costume your child will not get artery-clogging candy dropped in their fancy trick or treat bags. And the new camouflage army costumes are an absolute necessity this year, along with a miniature, motorized, \$500, military HumVee for the General to drive up your driveway.

But don't worry, mom and dad, the stores accept not only Visa and Master Charge cards, but also credit cards issued by Bishoff's Exotic Biting Bird Hospital, Ehle's Doggie Diaper & Brain Surgery Store, and Summitt's Oriental Rickshaw Taxi Service. *And* you only pay 136 percent interest, with only 485 easy payments. Now how in the world can you pass that up? *Everyone* can afford *that* deal.

And merchants have now devised an even more devious way to sell their overpriced wares. Now they have a line of costumes for your *dog and cat*. That's right folks, now your dog can be magically transformed into Darth Vader, Rush Limbaugh or George Bush. For a price, (a *big* price) your pets can become bride and groom, with tuxedo and wedding gown. If your costume budget is limited, your dog or cat can become a zebra, a skunk, or a purple cow --- even a wiener in a bun with mustard and catsup. Wow! Imagine who you could find on your doorstep looking for a handout. You have to stock not only candy, but also dog biscuits, bones, and cat food.

Even Kroger has become part of the "Hallogivingmas" club. While I was there with my wife in early September, I noticed employees putting up Thanksgiving decorations. I remarked that *Halloween* was the

next holiday, even if it was still two months away, so why weren't they putting up Halloween displays? They remarked that Halloween items were in Aisle 10. I asked when they would be putting Christmas items out? They said they were already out --- they were in Aisle 12. And this was in *early September!* Geez Louise! I was afraid to check out Aisle 14. It probably had Valentine stuff in it. I couldn't stand it. I told my wife I would wait for her in the car. I'll go back in March ---- maybe!

Thanksgiving just doesn't get the attention it deserves anymore. People don't wear elaborate costumes or give expensive gifts at Thanksgiving, so there isn't much profit in it for Wal-Mart, Target and Sears. I guess they consider it a minor holiday between Halloween and Christmas.

Thanksgiving is never a *minor* holiday for our family. It is one of my favorite holidays. Our family follows the tradition set by our Pilgrim and Indian ancestors of feasting and giving thanks for our multiple blessings during the past year. Commercialism isn't part of the holiday for us. Thanks for family, food, and blessings are paramount.

O.K., now we're up to Christmas. We're also back to commercialism, unfortunately. It just gets worse and worse. We've lost sight of what Christmas is all about. Santa Claus is the dominant figure in Christmas now. Christ doesn't seem to enter into the equation any more. Ask any kid why we celebrate Christmas and they'll probably tell you because it's Santa Claus day, or maybe they'll say it's Santa Claus' *birthday*. Ask them what would happen if Santa Claus got sick, or left the North Pole and couldn't deliver toys any longer, and they will probably say there wouldn't be any more Christmas. How sad!

Starting about midyear, newspapers keep a running tab of what stores are doing to prepare for the "Holiday Season." They interview toy companies about what new toys are going to be "hot" this year, and if they will be able to furnish retailers enough so every kid, his brother, his sister and his grandpa who is in his second childhood can have one. They want comparisons between previous year's sales and what their expectations are for this year. Sell, sell, sell! Buy, buy, buy! It's ridiculous. Whatever happened to the days when we had *most* of the necessities and were happy with a *few* of the luxuries? Life was much simpler then, don't you think?

Till next time ----- Happy Hallogivingmas!

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**Coming Events December 2006 - January 2007**

**December 2006**

4 DeMolay Meeting	7:30PM
5 Hall Association Meeting	7:30PM
<b>7 Lodge Meeting</b>	<b>7:30PM</b>
<b>8 Fish Stand Workers Banquet Dinner</b>	<b>6:30PM</b>
11 Rainbow Meeting	7:30PM
12 Social Club Meeting	7:00 PM
<b>14 Lodge Meeting</b>	<b>7:30PM</b>
<b>15 Lodge Christmas Party Packing Widow Bags</b>	<b>6:00PM</b>
<b>16 Delivery Christmas Widow Bags</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>
18 DeMolay Meeting	7:30PM
19 Southern Star OES Meeting	7:30PM
21 <b>Lodge Meeting</b>	<b>7:30PM</b>
<b>25 Christmas Day</b>	
<b>27 Lodge Elections</b>	<b>7:30PM</b>
<b>29 Installation Of Officers</b> <b>Dinner at</b>	<b>6:30PM</b>

**January 2007**

<b>1 Meet at Lodge to go get Glass at Scottish Rite Temple return for Chili</b>	<b>11:00AM</b>
2 Hall Association Meeting ( <b>Election Night</b> )	7:30PM
<b>4 Lodge Meeting</b>	<b>7:30PM</b>
8 DeMolay Meeting	7:30PM
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29 Rainbow Meeting	7:30PM

**February 2007**

<b>1 Lodge Meeting</b>	<b>7:30PM</b>
5 DeMolay Meeting	7:30PM
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<b>8 Lodge Meeting</b>	<b>7:30PM</b>



# Southern Star Ray



## OES Newsletter



### 2006-07 Officers

**Worthy Matron**- Amanda Elbert  
**Assoc. Matron**- Myra Curry  
**Secretary**- Rick Ballinger P.P  
**Conductress**- Jessica Curry  
**Chaplain**- Ann Elbert P.M.  
Organist-  
**Ruth**- Janet Riddle P.M.  
**Martha**- Karen Harvey P.M  
**Warder**- Louise Whitlow  
**Chapter Mother**- Lucy Murphy P.M.  
**Chapter Sweetheart**- Elizabeth Williams

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**Assoc Patron**- Mike Shuffitt P.P  
**Treasurer**- Bob Vest P.P.  
**Assoc Conductress**- Jo Vest P.M  
**Marshal**- Virginia Bell  
**Adah**- Rosie Savage P.M  
**Esther**- Candice Mitchell  
**Electa**- Rose Flamm  
**Sentinel**- Ken Elbert P.P.  
**Chapter Father** -Jim Metcalfe P.P.

### Standing Committees

#### Finance

Ken Elbert \*  
Jessica Curry  
Mike Shuffitt

#### Ways & Means

Jessica Curry \*  
ALL OFFICERS

#### Relief

Rose Flamm \*  
Janet Riddle  
Sara Stone

### OTHER COMMITTEES

#### Examining

Mattie Collins \*  
Bob Vest  
Karen Harvey

#### Paraphernalia

Jo Vest \*  
Jon Elbert  
Ken Elbert

#### Prompter

Debbie Ballinger

#### Special Events

Jo Vest \*  
Jessica Curry  
Karen Harvey

#### Proficiency

Jo Vest \*  
Jon Elbert  
Rick Ballinger

#### Sickness and Distress

Myra Curry \*  
Cliff Martin  
Ann Elbert

#### Instructor

Debbie Ballinger

#### Calling Committee

Lucy Murphy  
Janet Riddle  
Mattie Collins

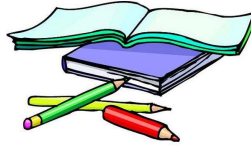
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**Dues for 2006 were due on July 31, 2006.** Do you have a green-colored 2006 dues card? If your dues card is for 2004, you need to send in \$47.80 to be current. If your dues card is for 2005, you need to send in \$23.90 to be current. If you need to send your dues in installments, please let me know and we will work something out. This is a wonderful Order that you belong to and you are a very important part.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for any reason.

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**Louisville KY 40299**  
**502-267-6616**  
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**Received – Petition for Degrees**

Virginia Hartman  
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**Received-Petition for Affiliation**

Thelma Cheatham  
Purity Chapter #116  
3916 S. Second Street  
Louisville KY 40214

**Address Change**

Rachel Whitlow  
1719 Rosewood Ave  
Louisville KY 40204



*Merry Christmas from Southern Star*





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**REFRESHMENTS**

**November**

Virginia Bell  
Amanda Elbert

**December**

Amanda Elbert  
Jon Elbert

**January**

Jo Vest  
Bob Vest

**February**

Debbie Ballinger  
Rick Ballinger

**March**

Lucy Murphy  
Karen Harvey

**April**

Janet Riddle  
Mattie Collins, Sara Stone

**May**

Jessica Curry  
Myra Curry

**June**

TBA

**July**

TBA

**August**

TBA

**September**

TBA



**This note was sent from the family of Sister Beatrice Catlett**



Dear Brother Rick,

I want to thank you and the OES members for the beautiful white Bible you brought to O.D. White's Funeral home. My mother, Beatrice Catlett would have been so pleased and so proud of such a loving farewell gesture. She spent her last year and a half in a nursing home. Thank you for sending her membership card free of charge. Although she did not attend the meetings the last few years, she was proud to be a member. The emblem is on her headstone right by my Dad's Masonic emblem. Thanks to all of you for your kindness.

Sincerely,  
**Charlotte Sydnor,**  
Daughter



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