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From the Master Wayne Carby



Greeting from the East:

I hope this letter finds everyone well and happy at this holiday season, as we prepare for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years, I hope the best for each of you and your family good health and would like to extend to everyone Happy Holidays from my home to yours.

As my year as Master here at Suburban Lodge is winding down, it's with mixed feelings for me; I'm happy but sad to see the year coming to a end. This has been a wonderful year for me filled with memories that will stay with me the rest of my life, and was possible with the help of my family and understanding from my wife Nancy for allowing me the time needed to do all the things that required of me this year. How do you thank everyone; where do you start? The first couple who come to mind are Joe Marshall and Stan Robinson.

Joe, what makes a good Master is a GREAT SECREATARY and you are the best. Thank you for all the advice and guidance, without your help and doing all the things I didn't know to do, forgot to do, or both at the same time the year would have been a year to remember and for all the wrong reasons. Continue to support our Lodge with your duty and I'm sure we will have many years to remember. Stan, I want to thank you, my Brother, for having the faith in me to get me started in your line. As a steward I was able to understand how much team work is needed in order for the Master to serve his Lodge. What a great responsibility you gave and with your help, you set me in the right direction to better serve my Brothers here at Suburban. Jack Flamm, Mike Shuffitt, Bob Marshall, Jon Elbert: as Pasted Masters thanks for all your time and help-it was needed for me to have this year. I only hope I can in some small way help when the time comes my way as you did. Mike with all you do, I don't know where you find the time but let me say I'm glad you didthanks. Mark Galloway, Steve Tollefson, Clint Carrier, Jonathan Treadway, Jack Riddle, Pat Boone. What a line to serve with and in. Guy's

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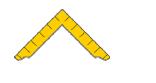
what a joy it is for me to some how to aid you in your pursuit at Suburban Lodge and I'm sure that you will have success through the coming years. Mark, good luck with the upcoming year. I'm sure you will have a great year. I know the leadership and friendship will play into the year you have planned. If there is way that I can help please call on me and if I can help I will.

Dave Short, Tom Mercer, Pat Boone, and Bud Routon, what a job you did with lecturing. Your work was outstanding; the time and effort shows. Thanks seems so little to say for all the time spent getting the Brothers on to their next Degree. Keep up the good work and thank you.

To the many members of Suburban Lodge #740 F.&A.M., THANK YOU for allowing me to serve you this year and may God Bless each of you.

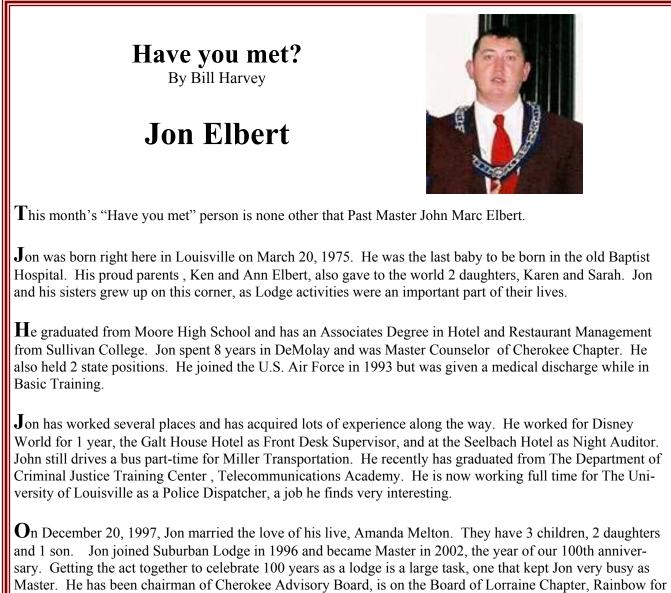
Sincerely,

Wayne Carby Master



Introducing Suburban's newest Master Masons, from left to right: Kevin Fautz, Wayne Carby-Master, Don Mabrey, Danny Davis.





Master. He has been chairman of Cherokee Advisory Board, is on the Board of Lorraine Chapter, Rainbow for Girls, and is Past Patron twice of Southern Star Chapter 154, OES. He also served on the Lodge Hall Assn for 4 years, 2 of them as Vice President.

Since Jon's dad, the late Ken Elbert, was a many year member of Suburban Lodge, and his parents members of Southern Star Chapter, OES, and his affiliation with DeMolay and Rainbow, he has a love of our corner that permeates his life. He told Amanda that marrying him also meant marrying the Lodge family. He has made many friends through our Lodge. I could tell in his voice that he is serious about Suburban 740 being very much a part of his family.

As a long time friend of Jon and his family, I would like to say Thank You Jon for all your help you have given to Suburban Lodge and all the other groups that meet here. I can always count on a warm greeting from Jon: that means a lot from a brother.



From the Desk of the Secretary

Joe Marshall

<u>Suburban Lodge Stats</u>

Entered Apprentices: None

Fellow Crafts: Conferred by Steve Tollefson Kevin Fautz 10/16/2008 Danny Davis 10/16/2008

Master	Masons:	Conferred by Wayne Ca	arby
		Don Mahery 11/2	0/2008

 Don Mabery
 11/20/2008

 Kevin Fautz
 11/20/2008

 Danny Davis
 11/20/2008

Plural Members:	None
Reinstatements:	None
Demits:	None
Petition for Degrees	Tray Thomas Miller,
C C	David Jackson Eply

Petition for Affiliation By Transfer: Charles Mulloy from Wayne Lodge #112 in MI. Virgil Gipson from Meeting Creek Lodge #641KY

Sick and Prayer List:

Gary Harris, recovering Randall Bell, Mother passed away Melvin and Margaret Carter, recovering. Frank Pangburn, Recovering after leg surgery Bud Routon, Recovering Dotty Metcalfe Passed away 10/31/2008 Mike Shuffitt Recovery from Knee Surgery Bill Williamson, Father of Ernest and Dave, passed away 11/1/2008 Bill Baker, Lost a cousin

In Memory of...

HALLIE THOMAS SKAGGS

9/27/2008

Brother Skaggs was born 12th Day of July 1919 in Malt, Kentucky, He received his Entered Apprentice Degree on the 9th Day of September 1954 He was passed the degree of Fellow Craft on the 28th Day of October 1954, and raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason on the 9th Day of December 1954, all in Suburban Lodge #740 F&AM. He was a faithful member for 54, years, having Completed the designs upon his trestle board Brother Skaggs laid down the working tools of His busy life and entered that celestial Lodge Above on the 27th Day of September 2008. He is sadly missed by his Children family members and many friends. Masonic Services was conducted by Brother Joe Marshall and Bible presented to family by Master Wayne Carby.

RICHARD MURPHY

10/10/2008

Brother Murphy was born 19th Day of March 1935 in Louisville Kentucky, He received his Entered Apprentice Degree on the 8th Day of September 1977. He was passed the degree of Fellow Craft on the 17th Day of November 1977, and raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason on the 30th Day of March 1978, all in Suburban Lodge #740 F&AM. He was a faithful member for 31, years, having Completed the designs upon his trestle board Brother Murphy laid down the working tools of His busy life and entered that celestial Lodge Above on the 10th Day of October 2008.

No Masonic Services was conducted.

HERBERT B. AMBUEHL

10/14/2008

Brother Ambuehl was born 29th Day of November 1920 in Louisville Kentucky, He received his Entered Apprentice Degree on the 14th Day of February 1946. He was passed the degree of Fellow Craft on the 9th Day of may 1946, and raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason on the 13th Day of June 1946, all in Suburban Lodge #740 F&AM. He was a faithful member for 62, years,

having Completed the designs upon his trestle board Brother Ambuehl laid down the working tools of His busy life and entered that celestial Lodge Above on the 14th Day of October 2008. Masonic Services was conducted by Brother Joe Marshall, and Bible presented to family by Master Wayne Carby.

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RAY G. THOMPSON

10/9/2008

Brother Thompson was born 31st Day of March 1931 in Louisville Kentucky, He received his Entered Apprentice Degree on the 12th Day of May 1960 He was passed the degree of Fellow Craft on the 16th Day of June 1960, and raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason on the 28th Day of July 1960, all in Suburban Lodge #740 F&AM. He was a faithful member for 48 years, having Completed the designs upon his trestle board Brother Thompson laid down the working tools of His busy life and entered that celestial Lodge Above on the 9th Day of October 2008. No Masonic Services was conducted.

CECIL P. GOLDEN

9/17/2008

Brother Cecil was born 31st Day of July 1914 in Louisville Kentucky. He received his Entered Apprentice Degree on the 22nd Day of April 1954. He was passed the degree of Fellow Craft on the 17th Day of June 1954, and raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason on the 16th Day of September 1954, all in Suburban Lodge #740 F&AM. He was a faithful member for 54, years, having Completed the designs upon his trestle board Brother Cecil laid down the working tools of His busy life and entered that celestial Lodge Above on the 17th Day of September 2008.

Masonic Services was conducted by Bearwollow Lodge.



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Newsletter due date for next edition:

January the 15th by midnight

Coming Events December - February

December 2008

1 DeMolay Meeting	7:00PM
2 Hall Association Meeting	6:30PM
4 Lodge Meeting	7:30PM
5 Fish Stand Workers Banquet at	5:00PM
Executive Inn	
8 Rainbow Meeting	7:30PM
9 Suburban Social Club Meeting	7:00PM
11 Lodge Meeting	7:30PM
15 DeMolay Meeting	7:00PM
16 Southern Star OES meeting	7:30PM
18 Lodge Meeting	7:30PM
19 Widows Bags and Party	start at 6:00PM
put bags together, then go to Lodge r	oom for Program
and Santa Claus Party to follow in Fi	sh Stand
20 Delivery of Widows Bags Start at	8:00AM
22 Rainbow Meeting	7:30PM
23 York Rite Meeting	7:30PM
25 Lodge Dark Christmas	
27 LODGE ELECTIONS	7:30PM

January 2008

1 New Years Day Lodge Dark — Scottish R	ite Glass
Day and Chili Lunch meet at lodge at	11:00AM
go to Scottish Rite pick up Glass, return t	o Lodge
and have Chili lunch.	_
2 Installation of Lodge Officers Dinner at	6:00PM
Program at	7.30PM

	Program at	/:50PM
5	DeMolay Meeting	7:00PM
6	Hall Assicoation Meeting & Annu	al Elections 6:30PM
12	Rainbow Meeting	7:30PM
13	Social Club Meeting & Annual	Diner at 6:00PM
	Elections of Officer Dinner.	Meeting at 7:00PM
15	Lodge Meeting	7:30PM
19	DeMolay Meeting	7:00PM
20	OES Southern Star	7:30PM
22	Lodge Meeting	7:30PM
23	Southern Star Social Club	6:30PM
26	Rainbow Meeting	7:30PM
27	York Rite Meeting	7:30PM
29	Lodge Meeting	7:30PM

February 2008

2 DeMolay Meeting	7:30PM
3 Hall Association Meeting	6:30PM
5 Lodge Meeting Dinner at 6:30PM	7:30PM

From the Senior Warden Mark Galloway



Greetings from the west.



Well it's almost winter and you can tell by the trees, but I can tell 'cause my bones ache. Since this will be the last newsletter you get before next year, I wanted to fill you in on a few important dates to remember. The first one you need

to remember is St. John's day on December. 27th. That's a Saturday and the day Suburban will be having our annual election of officers. I do hope you have been satisfied with all your officers this year. I personally think they all did a fine job. Hopefully next year we can do even better, but Wayne will be a hard act to follow. Great year Wayne. Next will be News Years day. It's kind of become a tradition at Suburban to all meet at the lodge and carpool down to The Scottish Rite temple and pickup our glass. Then after a little fellowship, head back to our lodge for some good chili. What's better on a cold day than some of brother Joe's chili. Remember lodge will be dark that night. The next night, January 2nd, 2009, Suburban will be having it's installation of officers. We will have a meal hosted by the Southern Star chapter of Eastern Star's social club, aided by the young ladies of rainbow, Lorraine assembly and the young men of DeMolay, Cherokee chapter. We will eat at 6 PM and the open installation will start at 7:30. Grand Master Herman Forester will be the Installing Officer, Grand Senior Warden, Don Yankee will be the Installing Marshall and PM Bro Bernice Pitts will be the Installing Sec. Come on out, bring your lady and enjoy the evening with us. Moving on into January, the first family night will be on January 29th and will be our annual chili cook-off. Cook up a pot of chili or bring a desert, but just come on out and have a good time. One last thing for your calendar, and you will be hearing more about this in the coming newsletters, Suburban is planning a trip to Madison, TN, near Nashville. This will take place on Saturday February 7th, if we can get all the details worked out. We will be putting on an MM degree for them Kentucky style with a live candidate. We have also invited Keystone lodge from Indianapolis to go along as this is their year to visit us. That's about it for now. Here's hoping you all have a wonderful Holiday Season, see you next year.

Brother Mark, Senior Warden



EDITOR'S NOTE by Jack Riddle

It was this issue a year ago that I took over as editor for the newsletter, and I hope that I have done a good job. I did my best to quickly learn the ropes and produce a

familiar newsletter.

Now that I have had some experience with producing the newsletter, I think it is time for a little facelift. Look for a little bit of a sharper, snappier format for the next newsletter and going forward.

The Past Master

author unknown

"Who's the stranger, Mother, dear? Look, he knows us - ain't that queer?"

"Hush, my son, don't talk so wild -"He's your father, dearest child."

"He's my father? It's not so! Father died six years ago."

"Dad didn't die, Oh love of mine, He's been going through the line. But he's been Master now so he Has no place to go you see -

No place left for him to roam. That is why he is coming home.

Kiss him, he won't bite you child. All Past Masters are quite mild."





Past Masters' Night, October 30th, 2008.

ROWLAND'S RAMBLINGS

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The date was 1932. The place was the big dark mountains in south-eastern Kentucky. To a six year old boy growing up there those mountains and the rivers between them were scary places, especially after listening to stories designed to make adventurous kids avoid them. I could imagine lions, tigers, and all kinds of mean varmints living there.

There were ghosts in those mountains too. A family of them lived under a dark cliff across the river behind our house. I never saw one of them because they only came out at night, and six year old kids stayed in the house after dark. But I was sure they were there. Older kids told me they were there. Some kids said they had even seen them, so of course it had to be true.

There was a place in the river beside the railroad track near our house called the "Blue Hole," where a few brave (or maybe stupid) kids went swimming. This was probably the most dangerous place in the world to swim, because some people said there was a spot in the river there that had no bottom in it. If you dived off a big rock on the bank there you could be sucked down a hole that went through the earth all the way to China. And you couldn't climb back out again. Most young kids were scared to go near it.

My mother would sometimes let me walk down the railroad track with my big brother to get something for her at the grocery store, and we had to go by the Blue Hole to get to the store.

On the way back my brother would make me sit on the railroad track and wait for him while he went swimming in the Blue Hole. He would pull off his clothes and go swimming for a few minutes, then sit on the railroad track in the sun to dry, and put his clothes back on before we went on home with the groceries. He always gave me a piece of candy so I wouldn't tell our mother he had gone swimming there. I was always afraid that he would disappear and I would have to run home and tell mother that my brother had been sucked down a hole to China, and we would never see him again.

A section of that dangerous river just behind our house was also off limits to me. I was told a shark lived there, and it liked to chew on little boys. The river was very shallow there, and the shark had to be small, but I knew that sharks had about a thousand teeth, and I didn't want to have puncture holes all over my body even if the shark couldn't swallow me.

Of course even in those days kids had doubts about some of the stories we heard, but when you were five or six years old you just couldn't take any chances of getting eaten by a shark with a thousand teeth, or being

by JOE ROWLAND P.M.

sucked down a hole through the earth all the way to China. I would never have been able to get back home, because China must have been a hundred miles away, and I couldn't even speak Chinese

As scary as this river was, It was also a means of transportation for people. We had an old leaky, wooden boat tied to a tree on the bank that we used to cross the river to get to the highway to catch the bus to go somewhere.

My dad had one of the few cars in the small town, but he worked every day, and sometimes it was necessary for my mother to go to a larger town about ten miles away for something and she didn't drive, so she had to take the bus. It was always a treat for me to get to ride that big beautiful bus.

One day mother needed to go to town while my dad was working, and we had to cross the river to catch the bus, so she and I and my older sister started across that scary river in the leaky old boat. She made my sister and me sit very still in the boat while she paddled She didn't have any trouble with me, because I knew that shark with the thousand teeth lived in that part of the river.

The river was very shallow at that point, and about half way across the boat got stuck on a rock just under the surface.

My mother paddled harder, but the boat didn't move. We were stuck --- and that shark with the thousand teeth was probably under the boat, just waiting to gobble down a little boy. We were going to drown in that three foot deep river and I would never get to ride that big beautiful bus again.

My sister was in the other end of the boat, and she could see the rock just below the surface. She realized the boat was leaking and we were going to get wet, so before my mother could stop her she stuck her foot down into the water, put it on the rock and pushed.

The boat started moving again. I was elated. I had not only escaped the shark with the thousand teeth, but now I was also going to ride that big wonderful bus. Whoopee! What more could a six year old boy want in 1932?





This to certify that at a stated meeting of Southern Star Chapter, held on the 18th day of November, 2008, the following motion was offered by Brother Bob Vest and seconded by Brother Mike Shuffitt.

Resolved that Article XIII Section 1 which now reads as follows:

The initiation fee for membership in Southern Star Chapter #154 shall be \$15.00.

Be so amended as to read as follows:

The initiation fee for membership in Southern Star Chapter #154 shall be \$25.00.

This to certify that at a stated meeting of Southern Star Chapter, held on the 18th day of November, the following motion was offered by Brother Bob Vest and seconded by Brother Mike Shuffitt.

Resolved that Article XIII Section 2 which now reads as follows:

ANNUAL DUES. The annual dues for each member shall be Twelve Dollars <u>plus</u> the Grand Chapter dues per year, and must be payable in advance for the fiscal year which ends July 31.

During the first year, initiated members shall pay dues only from the date of initiation to the end of the fiscal year, provided the prorate amount is never less than the Grand Chapter dues paid for every member in good standing; and affiliated members shall pay noting, unless the dues of the Chapter granting the demit are smaller than the dues of this Chapter, in which event they may be required by vote of the Chapter to pay such difference prorated.

Be so amended as to read as follows:

ANNUAL DUES. The annual dues for each member shall be Twelve Dollars <u>plus</u> the Grand Chapter dues per year, rounded to the next dollar, and must be payable in advance for the fiscal year which ends July 31.

During the first year, initiated members shall pay dues only from the date of initiation to the end of the fiscal year, provided the prorate amount is never less than the Grand Chapter dues paid for every member in good standing; and affiliated members shall pay noting, unless the dues of the Chapter granting the demit are smaller than the dues of this Chapter, in which event they may be required by vote of the Chapter to pay such difference prorated.

These motions will be voted upon at the December meeting.



Southern Star - In Memoriam

Sister Ruby Botkins – October 8, 2008

Sister Ruby was initiated into Southern Star on March 30, 1962. She served Southern Star as Worthy Matron in 1967-68 and remained a faithful member of the Chapter for over 46 years.

Sister Dorthy ("Dottie") Metcalfe - October 31, 2008

Sister Dottie was initiated into Southern Star on October 1, 1956 and served as Worthy Matron in 1964-65. Sister Dottie held the honorary title of Chapter Angel and she was currently serving as the Grand Representative to Delaware from Kentucky. She remained an active member of Southern Star until her death.

Brother Clifton ("Cliff") Martin – November 13, 2008

Brother Cliff was initiated into Southern Star on June 29, 1966 and served as Worthy Patron in 1968-69. Brother Cliff was always ready to share a piece of candy with his Sisters and Brothers. He remained an active member of Southern Star for over 42 years.



My Sister, My Sister

When I rise, and my eyes are still closed from the gloom of yesterdays despair, I know that there is a bright five-color star, which knows my hurt and will soon be there.

Whenever, the frailty of my body precludes my performance of my daily deeds, I know that my sisterhood keeps me in prayer and will soon attend to my needs.

Let not my heart be troubled or hang my head in a deep mire of unhappiness, For not too long from now a fellow star will knock on my door and ensure my cheerfulness.

Let not the labors of the long day cause me to be depressed and on the brink of tears, For I know that am part of a sisterhood, and I know that someone will take the time to care!



Secretary's Report

Thank You!

I want to thank you for electing me as Secretary of Southern Star again. I truly enjoy serving our Chapter in this capacity.

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Love. Debbie Ballinger

Southern Star Records

New Members: Mark Galloway (368-3444) 205 Esplanade Avenue Louisville KY 40215

Petitions:

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Rose Beth Slusher (894-9506) 4180 Lyndon Way Unit #506 Louisville KY 40207

Ernestine Leslie (270-865-2611) 830 Arthur Mattingly Rd Lebanon KY 40033

Mabel Worf (897-0428) 2120 Payne Street Room 305 Louisville KY 40206

It is past time to pay your Dues!!

<u>If you have not already done so, PLEASE SEND IN YOUR 2008</u> DUES. Your 2008 dues were due prior to July 31, 2008. Please pay your dues to avoid suspension. Dues are \$23.90 per year and we have several members that are 2 years (2006 and 2007) behind in their dues and they face suspension in July 2008. <u>If you are having problems that we are unaware of please contact me at (502) 267-6616, and we can make arrangements for payment.</u>

If you have not attended Chapter recently, come see us on the Third Tuesday each month. The meetings begin at 7:30.

Debbie Ballinger Secretary Southern Star #154