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## WORDS FROM THE EAST



Brethren, I hope everyone's New Year is going well, and that you continue to be successful in achieving your resolutions.

As many of you know, our DDGM Right Worshipful Forest Sanderson underwent triple bypass surgery right around Christmas and had to cancel all of his January appointments. At the time that I am writing this article his visit to our Lodge is scheduled for April 1<sup>st</sup>. I look forward to seeing as many of

our members there that can make it.

Also, January 30th was the Grand Master's Conference at 10:00 AM at the Scottish Rite Temple in Dallas. I hope all of you made it to support our new Grand Master Orville O'Neill.

Fraternally,

**Harold Price**

Harold Price, W.M.



## WORDS FROM THE WEST

Brethren: First and foremost, let me apologize for my absence in the past pages of our Trestleboard. The truth is, under the sheer volume I am required to write in pursuit of education, I developed an aversion to writing anything at all.

This, however, provides no vindication, as our ancient art should always be a muse to the Mason. Furthermore, writing provides a quarry in which the Mason may hone his skills of grammar, rhetoric and logic, collectively referred to as the trivium, a Latin word meaning "the three ways or paths."

These were the bedrock subjects of medieval universities.

The trivium was the antecedent of the quadrivium which included the additional lessons in arithmetic, music, geometry, and astronomy.

Combined, the trivium and quadrivium comprise a curriculum which was believed to be the due education of every free man.

They comprise an education which not only enriches a man with facts and processes, but more importantly with the freedom of thought enhanced through theory and philosophy.

Thomas Paine wrote in "Rights of Man" that "Reason and Ignorance, the opposites of each other, influence the great bulk of mankind...Reason obeys itself; and Ignorance submits to whatever is dictated to it."

So let us practice those things which enrich and free our minds, always striving for perfection, but knowing full well there is always another distant summit to ascend.

Fraternally,

**Jeff Peterman**

Jeff Peterman SW

## WORDS FROM GRAND SECRETARY

Brethren, Many of you will be receiving requests for humanitarian relief for Haiti. Please be aware that the Haiti tragedy is a scenario for waste and fraud. Be careful where and how you send your limited charitable resources.

The Grand Lodge of Texas policy is to react to notification from the Masonic Service Association. Dick Fletcher (Executive Secretary, MSA) is working a notification to alert the Grand Lodges for monetary contributions. Note: the MSA is a 501-C-3 organization that handles the funds very prudently. Upon receipt of the MSA notice, the Grand Secretary will put out a Grand Lodge appeal to all Texas Lodges. Likewise, I recommend that if any Lodge or Texas Mason that wants to make a donation of non-perishable goods to do so through the Salvation Army or Red Cross, both of whom have a reputable logistics system to transport the goods to Haiti.

I have requested the Internet Committee distribute this information to all Texas Masons that have signed up for electronic communications from the Grand Secretary, and also create a notice for the Grand Lodge Web Site.

Sincerely and fraternally,

**Tom Guest, Grand Secretary**

## WORDS FROM THE SECRETARY

Brethren—in all seriousness, there are a number of you that have forgotten to pay your Lodge 2010 membership dues which should have been on my desk not later than December 31, 2009. Please check your dues card now to verify that you are current to Dec 31, 2010 and continue to be in good standing. Let me know immediately if there is a problem.

Fraternally,

**Johnny Price**

Johnny Price, Secretary

## WORDS FROM THE CHAPLAIN

The working tools of Masonry are figuratively used to shape ourselves as 'Just and Upright' Masons. This is not only a model for our new members but a reflection on how the public sees you and me. Remember we represent a brotherhood and how we are perceived by the general public is a litmus test of the character of the Fraternity.

**Lynn Titus**

Lynn Titus, Chaplain

## HUNTER TRESTLE BOARD (subject to Change)

**Thur. Feb 4<sup>th</sup> -----T.B. Hunter Stated Meeting (7:30 P.M.) (Family Meal 6:30 P.M.)**

**Other Tues/Thurs---Degrees or Floor School (7:00 PM)**

*NOTE-Daily updates to the Trestle Board can be seen by logging on to [www.grandlodgeoftexas.org](http://www.grandlodgeoftexas.org), then click on "Lodge Locator" and then select Lodge No 1356.*

### OTHER DATES

**Tues. Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> -S.R. Hamilton Stated Meeting (7:30 PM.)**  
(Family Meal 6:30 PM)

**Tues. Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> -----Ground Hog Day**  
(They are delicious when roasted for a Stated Meeting)

**Wed. Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> -L.L. Blake OES Stated Meeting (7:30 PM)**  
(Family Meal 6:45 P.M.)

**Fri. Feb 12<sup>th</sup> --G.P. York Rite Chapter/Council (7:00 PM)**  
(Family Meal 6:30 PM)

**Sat. Feb 13<sup>th</sup> ---Mountain Crk Stated Meeting (8:00 AM)**  
(Family Breakfast 7:15 AM)

**Sun. Feb 14<sup>th</sup> -----Valentine's Day**

### DDGM DATES

We are pleased to see our very own R:W:. Forest Sanderson recovering nicely from his unexpected December Coronary By-pass Surgery.

As you know Forest has been honored to be selected by the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas to serve as his District Deputy for Masonic District 14G. Surgeries tho, have a way of causing quick revisions to a person's schedule and Forest's new schedules for his Official Visits to remaining Lodges in 14G are as follows:

(Tues, March 2<sup>nd</sup> -Hamilton Lodge) (Thur, March 4<sup>th</sup> -Cedar Hill Lodge) (Mon, March 8<sup>th</sup> -John C Pelt Lodge)  
(Tues, March 9<sup>th</sup> --Mike H. Thomas Lodge) (Thurs, March 11<sup>th</sup> ---De Soto Lodge) (Thurs, April 1st-Thomas B. Hunter Lodge)

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

**Famous Bros.:** Ricky Anderson, Frank Askren, Bobby Atteberry, James Baskin, **Gen. Omar Bradley (1893)**, Kevin Burgers, George Davis, David Dunn, Willie Farmer, Buddy Farris, James Fleming, Michael Gudgel, Allen Haefs, Mitch Hickman, Erik Hoag, Brian Holder, Fred Kittrell Jr., **Charles Lindberg (1902)**, Bobby McWhorter, Robert Meyers, Michael Neeley, James Overton, Sammy Pence, Michael Rice, James Robinson Jr., Reed Smith, Wayne Standefer, **George Washington (1732)**, Eddie Wright.

NUMBERS 6: 24-26

## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

The world is a great book; He who never stirs from home, reads only a page.

**- Saint Augustine**