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**SEPTEMBER 6th, 2016: TRESTLEBOARD (#125)
LADIES & GUESTS INVITED
“FEAST OF TISHRI”**

1. OCTOBER LODGE OF PERFECTION MEETING: The LOP Meeting on Thursday, October 6, 2016 will begin with dinner at 7:00 pm. Our program will begin promptly at 8:00 pm with the Feast of Tishri Ceremony by the officers of the Lodge of Perfection. This will be followed by our Guest Speaker **Rabbi Jeshayahu (Shai) Beloosesky**. Rabbi Shai brings with him a wealth of experience. A retired Colonel from the Israeli Defense Force, he had the opportunity to command, mentor, teach, and guide thousands of soldiers during his twenty-nine year Military career. Among the many IDF positions he held, Colonel Beloosesky was Assistant to the Military Secretary to Prime Minister and Minister of Defense the late Yitzhak Rabin.

It was during this time in his life that he decided to become a Reform Rabbi. He believed that a person could approach Judaism in a variety of ways and that we must always respect the beliefs of others.

Following his distinguished service in the IDF, Rabbi Shai worked for Toronto, Canada's Jewish Agency serving as its advisor and supervisor of Jewish education. He also founded and directed the Adraba



Organization in Israel, which provides informal education and promotes Jewish identity both within and outside Israel. Following his ordination in 2011 at the Hebrew Union College in Jerusalem, Rabbi Shai became the leading rabbi of Congregation Or-Hadash in Haifa, Israel where he assumed all rabbinic responsibilities. He also holds a Bachelor's Degree in Jewish Studies and History as well as a Masters degree in Political Science from the University of Haifa. He credits his parents and grandparents for instilling in him the love of Torah, Judaic tradition, love of humanity, love of Israel, and a strong belief in following the right path. These attributes have remained with Rabbi Shai throughout life, and he is now passing them along to his four sons. Rabbi Shai's extensive life experiences have helped to shape a man of strong character and spiritual strength. His love for people, his love for teaching, his boundless energy, and his strong vision for the future are attributes to be admired. He views himself as an emissary whose mission it is to bring sparks of light where they are needed most. A greatly respected man, Rabbi Shai has developed friendships throughout the United States and around the world.



- 2. OCTOBER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING:** The Executive Committee will meet on the last Thursday of October: (October 27th). The meeting will begin promptly at 6:30 pm. If you cannot attend please call or email the Secretary. (706-829-1665, email: goblak@comcast.net)



- 3. KSA FUNDRAISER:** The Knights of Saint Andrew are selling tickets for a Pork Butt fundraiser which will take place on October 8, 2016. The Tickets are \$30.00 per butt. Please support this fundraiser. See any member for tickets.



- 4. MASONIC SUNDAY:** : All Masons and their wives are invited to attend Masonic Sunday at Salem United Methodist Church in Thomson, GA, located on the corner of Salem Road and George McDuffie Road on **October 9th, 2016**, beginning at 11:00 A.M. Guest Speaker will be Grand Master Drew Lane. A Meal will be provided for all Masons and their wives following the service at the Activities Building adjacent to the church. Please call Kenny May (706-595-3841) for additional details.



- 5. THE FEAST OF TISHRI:** Dinner will begin at 7:00 P.M. with the ceremony following at 8:00 P.M. The origins and significances of the Feast of Tishri, (Also known as the Feast of the Tabernacles) make it the most Scottish Rite of festivals. No other occasion epitomizes the character and purpose of the Rite more wholly than this historic celebration of the dedication of King Solomon's Temple. To marshal the meanings of the feast is to summarize the principle ideals and traditions of our Fraternity. First of all, we observe the Feast of Tishri because it is an age-old custom which now has the power of law. Under the "Statutes of the Supreme Council", the feast is "Obligatory," a sacramental sharing of our fraternal spirit. Secondly, the rich legendry of the Temple's dedication which is celebrated in the Feast of Tishri is an essential part of the Fourteenth Degree. Yet another reason to keep the Feast of Tishri is that such observance fosters the warm spirit of fraternal fellowship so vital to our Rite. We meet at a common table, express our mutual esteem and so promote that essential bond of cordiality and respect.



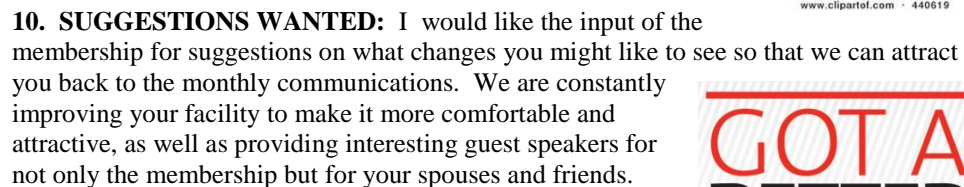
"One thing about paying a compliment.....It doesn't cost a cent more than it used to !!!"

- 6. DUES NOTICES FOR 2017:** Brethren: I will be sending out dues notices for 2017 in the next several weeks. There are over 83 members who owe for the last two years, (2015-2016) and over 100 members who still owe for this year (2016). Please check your dues card and if you owe for the last two years please remit the sum of \$150.00 if only for 2016 please remit the sum of \$75.00. Anyone who would like to pay for 2017 may do so prior to receiving their 2017 notice. You will receive a new laminated dues cards this year (2017) instead of the year stickers which you have received the past few years. If you cannot make a payment please advise this office in writing and we will evaluate each individual situation and act accordingly. Thank you to those who pay in a timely manner. It is very time consuming to process the same dues for an individual 2 and 3 times. So Mote It Be.

"It's not what you are that holds you back,.....it's what you think you are not !!!"



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