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Stated Meetings

1 & 3 Mondays @ 7:00 p.m. 316 Main Street Thomson, GA 30824

FROM THE EAST



Brethren,

I am excited to say that this new position has finally become somewhat easier to perform. I have a great set of officers that certainly contribute to this fact. We will celebrate Ken Rumbaugh as the featured Mason of this quarter in this Trestleboard. This is a first as far as I know. We will continue to feature someone each issue in the future. Our Wardens are attending a leadership conference in July in Milledgeville. This will be a 3 day event and I believe will be another first for this lodge. Hopefully they will be better prepared for the future moves to higher offices and the East. We are now starting to practice for a new EA Degree and are excited about a new member entering the lodge. The future of any lodge can only be sustained through new membership that remains active. I remain grateful for this privilege to serve and support.

Thanks.



Worshipful Terry A. Evans

FROM THE WEST



Greetings Brethren from the West.

I hope this message finds everyone doing well. First I would like to say that it is almost time for the Leadership Conference. I am looking forward to learning all I can about taking us into next year. I would also like to remind every brother to encourage all brothers to attend lodge. It is wonderful to see people sitting on the sidelines during meetings. I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable 4th of July.

Fraternally yours, Calvin Leggett, SW



William Calvin Leggett IV

FROM THE SOUTH

"What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal."

— Albert Pike

Brethren,

It is truly an exciting time to be part of A.J. Miller. Our officer chairs are full and so are our bellies! Attendance has been consistent and our meals on the first Monday have been a suc-

Thank you to all who have been faithful in their attendance to our ancient craft. Our success certainly isn't possible without your continued support. I can't say thank you enough to all who have prepared the meals. How do Freemasons spell fellowship...(f-o-o-d).

Although our officer's chairs are filled and we eat

good once a month, I would love to see the chairs on the side full and meals at every meeting. Please encourage our members who are not in regular attendance to return... let them know we are active and doing great things. Encourage new membership growth by being the Masonic example in public. Many of us became interested in Freemasonry by simply observing the actions of someone we knew who was a Freemason. Our Senior Warden and I will be attending the MELD conference in July along with learning the leadership practices of the lodge. I hope to discover what



Michael Warren Schaefer

other lodges are doing to promote growth in their membership numbers. I personally would like to thank the lodge for their decision to send the Wardens to this conference - a first in the history of our lodge.

~Fraternally Mike

FEATURED BROTHER

KENNETH (KEN) W. RUMBAUGH, PM

Brother Kenneth (Ken) Warren Rumbaugh was born June 23rd 1938 in Winifrede, West Virginia. Ken graduated from East Bank HS, East Bank West Virginia class of 1957. Ken worked as a Senior Engineering Technician for the WV DOT, where he supervised the construction, maintenance, and utility work on state roadways for five counties.

Ken is currently enjoying retirement with his wife of 46 years, Sarah Adele. They have two children: Leah Blake and Leslie Buffington both whom reside in W.Va. They also have four grandchildren and one great grandson.

Ken is a member of Salem United Methodist Church of Thomson, GA.

Ken's uncle C.J. Cottrell was influential in Ken's decision to become a Freemason.

Ken was made a Master Mason in Chelyan lodge 158 of Chelyan, W.Va. In 1990.

Ken's fondest memory of Freemasonry is the fellowship and ritual work with brethren.

Ken's advice to newly raised Masons would be "Do not be overwhelmed with the work. All brethren became Masons the same way."

In addition to being raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in Chelyan Lodge 148 AF&AM of Chelyan W.Va in 1990, Ken's Masonic travels have led him to the following: **Valley of Charleston**, W.Va Scottish Rite - Stage Director, KCCH 1990.

Charleston York Rite of Charleston W.Va. 1990

Beni Kedem Shrine, Charleston 1990

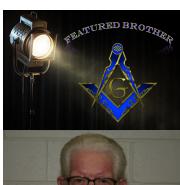
A.J. Miller 204 F&AM, Thomson, GA 2003

Past Master 2010, 2014

Valley of Augusta, Scottish Rite - Director of Work 2004 Alee Shrine, Savannah, GA 2003

Thomson, Shrine Club, Thomson, GA - Treasurer 2003

Ken & Sarah are avid campers and can often be seen pulling their travel trailer down the highway.





On behalf of all the brethren of A.J. Miller Lodge # 204 F&AM, we thank you brother Ken for everything you do and have done for our beloved fraternity.

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE PRESENTATION -MAY 18TH

A Memorial Day Service was held at A.J. Miller Lodge #204. The purpose of the presentation was to Celebrate, Honor, and Remember our Fallen Service Members. Events included: posting of the Colors, a tribute to the Flag, Missing Man Table, the Battle Cross, History of Memorial Day (the Masonic Connection), and of course great food and fellowship.

Participants included members from the following:

A.J. Miller Lodge #204 of Thomson, GA Franklin Lodge #11 of Warrenton, GA St. Omer #2 Commandery of Macon, GA U.S. Army Soldiers OD(RC) Electronic Maintenance School, Fort Gordon, GA





FROM THE LIBRARY



J.R. Jenkins

Brother J.R. Jenkins, our lodge Historian/Librarian has dedicated countless hours towards organizing and cleaning up our Library. Please see J.R. if you would like to donate any unused Masonic literature. The books are there to sign out at your will, please remember to "sign them out" and help keep our library organized. Thank you J.R. for all that you do and for your dedication to assisting others who are in search of more light, your efforts don't go unnoticed.











Congratulations to Brother James M. Freeman for 25 years of faithful Masonic Service. On June 17th, 2019 Worshipful Master Terry A. Evans had the honor of presenting brother James Freeman with the certificate.





See something?

Know something?

Say something.

If you know of a Brother or Widow in need, contact the Sunshine Committee

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3RD DEGREE ANNIVERSARIES

Brother				Date Raised	Years
BOWMAN	TONY	EUGENE		5/29/2001	18
BROOM	MORRIS	CHRISTMAS		4/20/1967	52
BROWN	JEFFERY	ALAN		6/20/2005	14
CHEELY	DANIEL	HARPER		7/12/2014	5
EVERAGE	JAMES	RAYMOND		6/18/1956	63
GREEN	JAMES	WILLIAM		7/19/1962	57
JACOBS	DONALD	RICHARD		4/3/2007	12
JENKINS	JOHN	RANDOLPH		6/2/2008	11
JOHNSON	CHRISTOPHER	CURTIS		5/29/2001	18
LING	JAMES	WALTER	Ш	7/8/2006	13
LOCKLEAR	JOHN	FRANK		5/17/1985	34
MCCORD	CHARLIE	WILBER	JR	5/21/2002	17
NEWSOME	GEORGE	EMORY		7/14/1971	48
NICKLES	RONALD			4/3/2007	12
REEVES	RODNEY	QUINN		4/9/2011	8
ROGERS	BRYAN	PAUL		4/10/2017	2
RUMBAUGH	KENNETH	WARREN		7/30/1990	29
SCHAEFER	MICHAEL	WARREN		7/30/2009	10
SMITH	WILLIAM	CHAD		7/23/1997	22
TALKINGTON	JAMES	AMASON		4/21/1961	58
TILLMAN	RANDY	ODELL		4/22/2006	13
WARR	ROBERT	ALPHEUS		4/12/2007	12
WATSON	PAUL	THOMAS		6/17/1975	44
WILLGUS	JERRY	LEE		5/30/1967	52
WITT	ALAN	GRADY		7/23/1997	22



TO OUR READERS



It is our intent to provide valuable information to our readers about the happenings of our lodge. This is our second issue, just like the first, we are sure there is room for If there is improvement. something you would like to see added or deleted let us know. Some of you may have noticed that we have removed the Birthday section this was done at the request of a fellow brother. We are currently examining other means to recognize brothers on their birthdays. If you would like to contribute an article to the Trestleboard, hand written, typed, or emailed submissions are all accepted. We

strive to provide accurate information. If you have noticed a glaring error or omission please let us know so we can correct it. It is our intent to distribute the Trestleboard quarterly via email and printed copies will be kept on the Secretary's desk. Feel free to print as many copies as you might need and distribute to brothers who might not have email or regularly attend lodge. Submissions, corrections, and or comments can be emailed to:

mikromedic@gmail.com or by contacting any of the lodge officers. Thank you for taking the time to read our Trestleboard.



Please check our website calendar for the most updated list of upcoming events.

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