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TRESTLE BOARD - JUNE 2021







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STATED COMMUNICATIONS AT 7:30 P.M. ON THE SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAYS

June 8
June 22



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GREETINGS FROM THE EAST

Brothers, All - Greetings, from the East: My prayers continue for all my Brother Masons. Summer has come, and I pray all are kept safe in their many travels.

Worshipful Kevin Gourley asked me to try to put together a history of LaBelle Lodge. Anyone who has articles, pictures, or personal recollections that can be used, please give them to me soon.

All Lodge Officers need work on their openings and closings. We are having practices each Monday before our Tuesday meetings, at 6:00 p.m. Our practice attendance has been poor at best. Some have cable-tow issues, but for the most part, it is a lack of dedication. If you sit in an appointed seat, your participation this year will play a large role in any positions that are offered to you in the upcoming year. So please try to come, my Brothers.

Work Days at Lodge are always the first Saturday of the month from 9:00 a.m. until... I want to thank those who came out last month for their hard work and dedication.

We have a number of Brothers with health issues. I ask that you keep them in your prayers and give them a call when you have a chance.

Yours in Christ, W∴ Bill Maddox, PM Worshipful Master



GREETINGS FROM THE WEST

Greetings, Brothers. I hope you are all doing well. Here is some food for thought:

We all know what the rough and perfect ashlars are but have you ever given much thought to what they represent? Well, the rough ashlar is an unfinished building block, a symbol of the untutored man. The perfect ashlar, perfectly squared and finished, is a symbol of the enlightened man. Notice that perfection is achieved through a process of "taking away." No stroke of gavel or chisel can add anything to a rough ashlar, it can only remove unnecessary material. Perfection, then is already within. It was there all the time!

R∴W∴ Ed Lanham, PDDGM Senior Warden

GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH

This past Tuesday we had 20 brothers (and two ladies) who arrived at our Lodge and enjoyed a wonderful evening of fine food (Thank You Brother Tom), fellowship and a good Meeting. This is the end of May and things are going well in LaBelle.

If you have not been to Lodge in a while come find out what so many others are enjoying. Grand Lodge is this coming week and while I can't be there, I wish a safe and wonderful Grand Communication to the LaBelle Lodge Brothers who will be attending. I'm looking forward to your report when you return.

Most Sincerely, W∴ Greg Gunter, PM Junior Warden

FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY

Greetings my Brothers. I hope this Trestle Board finds all of you well and staying healthy.

Amidst the Corona Virus pandemic our Lodge has continued to function and even grow. Attendance at our meetings has increased of late and this is a promising sign. The Lodge is now down to only 5 members who have not yet paid 2021 dues and we are working on making that number zero (0).

The DDGM visits at our first meeting in June, that being June 8th. Come out to show your support for the Lodge and meet the new DDGM.

Any Brother in need feel free to contact myself or any of our other Officers, or even any other Brother and we will be there to help. Stay well.

Fraternally, Nicholas S. Fidanza, PM Secretary





THE CHAPLAIN'S NOTES

Deep within each of us there is something that causes us to search for meaning and understanding when events and circumstances affect the orderliness of our life. But all too often even our most diligent probes leave us with more questions than answers.

When things happen we find ourselves asking what did I do to cause this, or, why has such and such happened, or, who did this to me, and what am I going to do now?

Unfortunately there are dilemmas in life we must all face. Never were we promised that life would be easy, or always smooth sailing or perfect in every way. Yet, we expect everything to be just that, and if it isn't we struggle to cope as best we can. Each of us has his own way of dealing with adversities and some get better results than others.

One remedy when we are feeling overwhelmed, knocked down and held back is to read the story of Job. All his issues were eventually resolved, but not until everything he owned had been lost. All he had left was his faith. It proved to be the solution to everything that happened to him. Job never lost his faith so take heart. Your faith can also work for you when troubles come. Even in today's imperfect world.

Phillip Keyes Chaplain



Past Masters

JAMES PENDRY*	1977-78	JIM CIANFRANI	2000
CHARLES MACDOWELL*	1979	JERRY HUBBART*	2001
EDWIN RENOLDS	1980	STEVE POLHEMUS	2002
THOMAS K. WOOSLEY*	1981	GLENN R. MICKEY*	2003
KENNETH PICKLES	1982	RUSS BUCCINI*	2004
ROBERT P. MIDDLETON*	1983	JACK ROSE*	2005
JOSEPH H. FUTCH*	1984	KEVIN NELSON	2006-07
WILLARD BRYANT	1985	HERBERT HOLLENBECK*	2008
ROBERT P. MIDDLETON*	1986	CURTIS DODD	2009
GLENN R. MICKEY*	1987	BRUCE ARMSTRONG	2010
EASTON BURCHARD*	1988-89	JOHN W. NELSON	2011
LEWIS WHIDDEN*	1990	M. MATT HECKERT	2012
MICHAEL BOYLE	1991	RAY NAVOR	2013
L.E. RICHARDSON, SR.*	1992	NICHOLAS FIDANZA	2014
DOUG SCRATCHLEY, SR.*	1993	GREG GUNTER	2015
J.S. HARRIS	1994	L.E. RICHARDSON, JR.	2016
MIKE GUTHRIE	1995	THOMAS BOARDMAN	2017
J. THOMAS PAXON*	1996	TONY WEEMS	2018
JAMES JENNINGS*	1997	ADRIAN SANCHEZ	2019
JIM MARSHALL*	1998	ED LANHAM	2020
CARL W. SWANSON*	1999		

*Indicates Deceased

