



BUILDING A BETTER FOUNDATION: ONE MAN AT A TIME

APRIL, 2010

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...TO SET THE CRAFT TO WORK...

Hail Brethren... If you missed our last Stated Meeting, we missed seeing you there. However, I think you would be sorry, if you realized what you had missed. Our Masonic education was really wonderful and as well as the prime rib dinner to go along with it. You just can't beat a night like that at Lodge!

Seriously brethren, I can't tell you enough how all the committee chairman and their assistants are taking the ball and running with it. The Lodge continues to be more active and greater place to be because of their hard work and dedication. Check out the calendar of events and join us.

If you haven't been to lodge lately, we've been sprucing up the place a bit. Thanks to some hard work and some generous donations, we hope to wrap up the renovations in the fellowship hall in the next month or so. Come check it out, we hope you like it.

In March, we saw the passing of two loving brothers, Ed Higgins of Terre Coupee Lodge and Carlyle Herald, a member of our lodge. These brothers will be missed and our thoughts and prayers should go out to those closest to them.

Also in March, three brother and their mentors went to Indianapolis to attend the Grand Master's all degree day. Congratulations are in order to these newly made Master Masons. I am happy to announce we have another Master Mason degree scheduled for April.

On a closing note, and on behalf of the Secretary; if you have not yet received your dues card, you probably have not paid your dues. Please take a moment to make sure your payment has been made.

May Brotherly Love Prevail!

Bill
Master



!! COMING SOON !!
SPECIAL LADIES NIGHT - MONDAY, MAY 10TH
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

CALENDAR
April, 2010

April 5th - Stated Meeting and Dinner.
Dinner at 6:30 PM. Lodge opens at 7:30 PM.

12th - MM Degree practice. 7:00 PM.
At the Lodge Hall.

17th - Pancake Breakfast. 7:30-10:30 AM.
At the Lodge Hall.

19th - Master Mason Degree. 7:00 PM.
At the Lodge Hall.

21st - Officers Call Meeting 6:30 PM.
Martins at the corner of Main and 23.

23rd - Family Night. 6:30 PM. At the Lodge Hall.

26th - Executive Committee Meeting..
7:00 PM. At the Lodge Hall.

May 3rd - Stated Meeting and Dinner.
Dinner at 6:30 PM. Lodge opens at 7:30 PM.

May 10th - Special Ladies Nite. 6:00 PM.
At the Lodge Hall.

!! STATED MEETING AND DINNER !!

MONDAY, APRIL 5TH

Join us as "Chef" and JW Steve Traphagan
delights us with "Smokin' Chick'n"

DINNER AT 6:30 PM. LODGE OPENS AT 7:30 PM.

FROM THE BROTHERHOOD

Broken Column: Bro. Carlyle F. Herald entered the Celestial Lodge Above on March 5th

Keep in Your Prayers: All of our Brothers and their families in their illness and misfortune; or who are in harm's way.

WB David Fuller continues his valiant struggle with cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.

April Birthdays: 1st - Carmello Ritschard; 3rd - Matt Frickson; 4th - Gene Smith and Garford Mauk; 10th - Wayne Hankins; 11th - Bob Ruble; 12th - Mike Aessa; 13th - Tom Frame; 15th - William Bergenham and Bob Osthimer; 18th - David Holdren; 22nd - Bob McNerney; 26th - Carl Shafer; 28th - Donald Riddle; 30th - Gene Woofter and Jeff Ritschard.

Contact these Brothers and wish them Happy Birthday!

MASTER MASON DEGREE

Monday, April 19th

7:00 PM

Refreshments to Follow...

Bro. Fess Elisha Parker died peacefully today, March 18th, at age 85. After a very successful career in Hollywood (movies as disparate as "Old Yeller" and "Them") from '51 to the '70's, he made a fortune in real estate, resorts and his own award-winning "Fess Parker Winery".

His most famous role of course was as 'Davy Crockett' (I'm sure those of you 55 and older either had a coonskin cap, replica of his rifle, 'Ol Betsy' or a Davy Crockett lunch box). He later starred in the "Daniel Boone" TV series. He even sang a version of the title song "The Ballad of Davy Crockett" which got to #4 on the charts.

Enlisting in the USMC late in WWII with hopes of becoming a pilot, his height kept him with other duty. After the war he was a good athlete at the U. of Texas, graduating with a degree in History. The guitar-playing 6'6" gentleman with the southern accent caught the eye of Walt Disney and the rest was history.

Some Masonic notes: Bro. Parker portrayed Bro. Crockett & Bro. Boone, costarring with Bro. Buddy Ebsen in the former as his sidekick. He also was in a western with Bro. Gene Autry and in "Island in the Sky" with Bro. John Wayne (the only other actor to portray Bro. Crockett in a movie). And of course, Walt Disney and Buddy Ebsen were both Sr. DeMolays.

Bro. Parker had just celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary and leaves a widow, son, daughter and grandchildren. Incidentally, he passed away on his wife's 84th birthday.

Bro. Parker was raised in Mt. Olive Lodge No. 506, Los Angeles, California, on Nov. 23, 1965.

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FAMILY NIGHT AT THE LODGE

COME JOIN THE FUN AND FELLOWSHIP...

**BRING YOUR KIDS, PARENTS OR
"OTHERS"**

FOOD... GAMES... MOVIES

FRIDAY, APRIL 23RD - 6:30 PM

**THE JUNIOR WARDEN'S FELLOWSHIP
BREAKFAST**

SATURDAY, APRIL 17TH

7:30 AM TIL 10:30 AM

COUNCIL OAK MASONIC LODGE HALL

**BRING YOUR FRIENDS, FAMILY AND CANDIDATES AS
WE CONTINUE OUR GREAT SATURDAY MORNING OF
FELLOWSHIP!**

...MMMMMMMMM...GOOD!

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