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M.: W.: J. Dick Martinez, Grand Master
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 R.: H.: Ron Baber, District Instructor

FROM THE EAST

My Brothers, let me start by thanking each and every one of you for a great first half of the year. Without your participation and support my job would be that much more difficult. I would also like to commend brothers Kevin McCloud, Gire Hill and Earl Dennis for another successful hog roast. The fund raiser raised \$501 which was donated to the Master Mason Association to help offset the cost of the Grand Masters visit.

As you well know, each month the Lodge puts out the Trestle Board and mails it to our members. What you may not know is how it's done and who's involved. After receiving the articles and calendars as well as his own odds and ends our Brother, Mike McCullough graciously devotes what little spare time he has to be our editor. I must say he's been doing a marvelous job, I think we can all agree. Once the Trestle Board has been edited, it is sent to print. Another fact that you may not know is that the last two and a half years, W.: John Hokanson has been doing all the printing at his own cost and free of charge to the Lodge. W.: Hokanson, we thank you for your selfless donation to your Lodge and I'm sure we would have to all agree that Sonny's BBQ has earned it's ad space for a time to come. Recently we are again using a printer at our cost and the need for Trestle Board sponsors is greater than ever. There will be a donation jar at the Tyler's desk. You can make a simple donation or paper clip your name to your donation to be published in the sponsor's box. If you would like your business card advertised, simply paper clip your business card to your donation. We will try to rotate them as often as necessary if there is a large response. In addition, if you would like to help us reduce our mailing costs, you can send an email to Tailiswagn@aol.com and request your Trestle Board by email. The reduction in our mailing costs could offset the cost of printing.

I would also like to inform everyone of a new program in our Lodge. In the interest of etiquette please remember to turn off or silence your cell phone before entering the Lodge room. Any phone that rings during a stated meeting or any degree in progress, the owner of that phone will make a \$5 donation by way of a pin purchase (your choice). Let's try to have fun with this!

In closing, again I thank you my Brothers. Without you, there is no Lodge, only an empty building.

Fraternally Yours,
 W.: Brian K. Johnsen

Manatee Lodge No. 31 2010 Officers

Worshipful Master	Brian Johnsen 565-2393
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Assistant Tyler	Ken Ammons 795-4535
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Secretary Emeritus	W.: John Collins, PM 748-7947
Funeral Committee	Earl Dennis 723-4378



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Our Masonic Family

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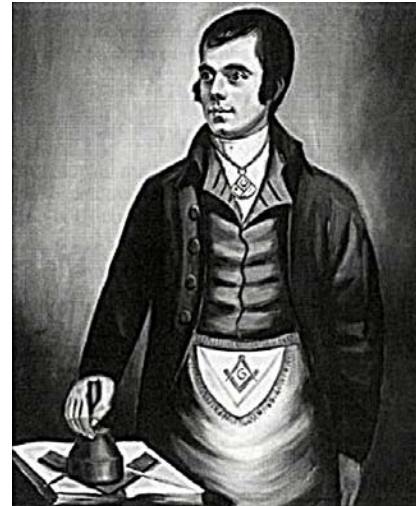


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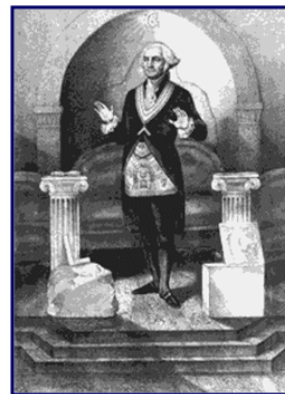
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On This Date in History

July 4, 1781 Robert Burns received his 1st degree at Lodge St. David, Tarbolton, Scotland at the age of 23. His initiation fee was 12 shilling 6 pence and was paid on the same date.



July 21, 1758 the Grand Lodge of Scotland granted a charter to Fredericksburg Lodge in Virginia, the lodge that had conferred the Masonic degrees on George Washington in 1752 and 1753.



Announcements

July 19, 2010 D.D.G.M. visit.
July 19, 2010 the pot luck dinner main course will be Chicken Alfredo with salad.



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JULY 2010

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3 No Lodge Work Day
4	Dark No Lodge Meeting	5	OES #14 7:30 pm	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

AUGUST 2010 (Tentative)

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Lodge Work Day 9:00 am
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

The Chaplain's Corner

Should anyone hear of any other Brother or a family member in sickness or distress, please don't hesitate to contact our Chaplain at 792-6167, or any other Lodge Officer.



Want to serve on a committee? Chaplain Stan Preston is looking for some brothers who can serve on a visitation committee. Sometimes a visit to a shut-in or sick brother is better than medicine! See our Chaplain if you can spare a little time to help out.

Chaplain Stan Preston