WEBB LODGE #166 F. & A.M. NOVEMBER 19TH, 2007 TRESTLEBOARD



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BRETHREN: THE REGULAR COMMUNICATION OF WEBB LODGE #166 F.& A.M. WILL BE HELD AT THE MASONIC TEMPLE, 3201 WRIGHTSBORO ROAD, AUGUSTA, GA ON

NOVEMBER 19 TH, 2007

DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT 7:00 P.M. AND A LODGE OF MASTER MASONS WILL BE OPENED AT 8:00 P.M. PLEASE REMEMBER TO CALL A BROTHER OR WIDOW AND INVITE THEM TO COME AND SHARE AN EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP WITH US ON THAT DATE. IF YOU, ANOTHER BROTHER OR WIDOW NEED TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE LODGE PLEASE CALL ONE OF THE OFFICERS. (TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE LOCATED ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS NEWSLETTER)

WEBB LODGE WEBSITE CONSTRUCTION:

Webb Lodge has decided to construct a website. This is being done to keep the brethren informed and to be used as a recruiting tool. The format is being laid out and will be similar to the Georgia Scottish Rite & Grand Lodge of Georgia websites. (www.gascottishrite.org or www.glofga.org) It will have a home page from which you will be able to navigate through a series of links to specific areas such as the monthly newsletter (as well as past issues for the last 12 months), history of Webb Lodge, photos of exterior and interior of the lodge, current officers and photos of each, your building and financial trustees, life members of Webb Lodge, our Fifty year members, calendar of upcoming events, list of committee members such as the Charity, Visitation, Audit, Widows, Finance, etc, links to other lodges in the area who have a website, as well as a link to the Grand Lodge of Georgia. We have received permission from the Grand Lodge for this site construction and it will be reviewed at different stages by the Grand Lodge of Georgia Webmaster to make sure that we satisfy all 17 criteria as outlined. Once we complete our initial site I will forward the address to all members. (It will likely be www.webblodge166.org)

WEBB LODGE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION: Brethren the annual communication this year will be on December 17th, 2007. Please put this important date on your calendar NOW so that you may participate in the election of your officers for the ensuing year. We need your help in the chairs and to serve on a number of important committees. Corinthians 12:14-20 states that "Now the body is not made up of one part but of many." The same is true for our great Fraternity. You see we are not members of the fraternity but WE ARE THE FRATERNITY!! Just as the body requires many different parts to function, so does Masonry. Each one of us has a role and part to play in Masonry and just because one is not an officer or on a committee does not mean he is any less a part of our fraternity. WE NEED "YOUR " HELP. Please attend Lodge and be "ONE OF THE FAITHFUL FEW."

ADDRESS CHANGES: Brethren; If you have had an address change in the last year please notify me or any officer of that change. Webb Lodge has recently had several pieces of correspondence returned with no address change because the forwarding address has expired (Time Limit of One Year). We do not know when you move unless you notify the Lodge. Please help us keep your address accurate. If you do not have the time to send a letter to the lodge give me a call on my cell phone 706-829-1665, or e-mail me at goblak@comast.net



MASON OF THE YEAR: The lodge membership will again vote on the Mason of the Year Award during the regular communication this month for 2007. As you know a secret ballot will be taken to determine who the lodge membership feels have contributed over and beyond for the year 2007. This individual will receive a Masonic Watch for the first award and his name will be placed on a plaque "ONE OF THE FAITHFUL FEW" which hangs in the Secretary's Office at the Masonic Temple. If for some reason an individual who has previously won this award wins it for a second time, the award will be a hand carved black walnut vase or bowl with the square and compasses engraved in the wood. If an individual has won this award more than twice, he will receive a monetary award. The results will appear in the monthly newsletter in December and a presentation will occur during the annual communication in December (on December 17th, 2007). Please attend and make your vote be known.

2008 DUES: Brethren it is that time of the year again. The annual dues statements have been sent with the annuals and all 2008 Dues Cards will be included for those "EMERITUS" and "LIFE MEMBERS". If you do not receive your dues statement for 2008, please forward the amount of \$50.00 to the lodge (or \$100.00 for those of



you who do not have your 2007 dues card) at 3201 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, GA. 30909 as soon as possible. All dues for 2008 are due by December 31, **2007.** If you have a financial problem please notify one of your officers so that we can act accordingly. There are still several brethren who have not paid for 2007; your statement will reflect a \$100.00 balance due. Please check your current dues card and make sure you are not one of these brethren. Those brethren who have not paid for 2007 or 2008 have until June 2008 to pay their balance or they will be suspended per Webb Lodge By-laws.

LAUGHTER IS ALWAYS THE BEST MEDICINE:

Some amusing ads I found in a local newspaper which I thought you might enjoy: #1. Complete set of Encyclopedia Britannica, 45 volumes, excellent condition, \$500 or best offer. No longer needed, I just got married last weekend, Wife knows everything! #2. Free puppies: ½ cocker spaniel, ½ sneaky neighbor's dog. #3. 1 man 7 woman hot tub, \$850 or best offer. #4. Tickle me Elmo, still in box, comes with it's own 1988 Mustang, excellent condition, \$6800. #5. FREE: 1 case of pork and beans with purchase of 3 bdr, 2 bath home. #6. Nordic Track, \$300, hardly used, call CHUBBIE. #7. Bill's Septic Cleaning: "We haul American Made Products." #8. Joining nudist colony!! Must sell washer and dryer, \$300. #9. GROUND BEAST; \$0.99 per lb. #10. Hummels-Largest selection in town, If it's in stock we have it.

KNIFE AND FORK DEGREE: Brethren: Webb Lodge needs your help!! Attendance is down, candidates are almost non-existent. Remember your obligations in the three degrees? We need to get you back into the lodge. What can we do??? Drop me a line, give me a call, let me know what we are doing wrong or what we need to do. This reminds me of a saying a friend of mine sent me. He stated that some of the brethren in his lodge received a fourth degree, "THE KNIFE AND FORK DEGREE." It goes something like this: I do not attend the meetings for I have not the time to spare. But every time they have a feast, you will surely find me there. I cannot help with the degrees, for I do not know the work. But I can applaud the speakers, and handle a knife and fork. I am so rusty in the ritual, it seems like Greek to me. But practice has made me perfect, in the "Knife and Fork Degree." Brethren we need your help in "ALL THE DEGREES." Take the time, Make the Effort, Be One of the "FAITHFUL FEW," Come back to the lodge.

EMERITUS, 50 YEAR AND 25 YEAR AWARDS FOR 2007:

The following brethren have attained Emeritus Status; that is, they have been a Mason for 30 years and are at least 75 years of age and will not be obligated to pay their dues for the rest of their life:

Glenn F. Snider & Allen R. Ross

The following brethren will receive their 50 year award from the Grand Lodge.

Sidney F. Putnam......Raised.....6-19-1957 Truman C. Green......Raised.....10-7-1957

The following brethren will receive their 25 year award this year.

T. Gregory Oblak......Raised 6-22-1982 Ted Svedres.....Raised 6-22-1982

Brethren: Webb Lodge is planning a 10th District Awards night on March 17th, 2008 and the Grand Master Ted Collins will be presenting any 25 and 50 year awards. All lodges in the 10th District are invited to attend. Notices will go out to the lodges in January 2008. **CONGRATULATIONS** to the above brethren for reaching these milestones in their Masonic Careers.

WEBB LODGE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE VETERANS WHO SERVED THIS COUNTRY; PLEASE REMEMBER THEM ON VETERAN'S DAY, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2007.

EDITOR & SECRETARY T. GREGORY OBLAK, P.M.





WORSHIPFUL MASTER ROBERT F. HEISHMAN