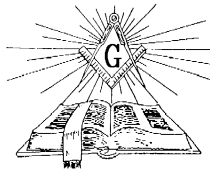


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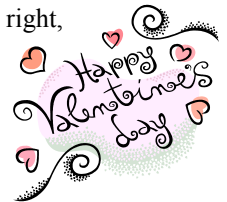
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Brethren: The **Regular Communication** of Webb Lodge #166 F. & A.M. will be held at 3201 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, Georgia, on **February 18th, 2013**. Dinner will be served at 7:00 P.M. and a Lodge of Master Masons will be opened at 8:00 P.M. **There will be an officers meeting at 6:00 P.M. All officers are requested to attend.**



1. GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: The 10th District Officers will be holding their George Washington's Celebration at the Scottish Rite Center at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday February 23, 2013. They will be conferring the Fellowcraft Degree on several Entered Apprentice Brothers from several of the district lodges. One of those brothers is our own **Charles Joseph Levy**. Please come out and support your district officers but more importantly support these newly entered brethren and make it a memorable experience for them.

- 2. LAUGHTER IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL:** 1. I hear my share of strange questions/comments from people who call the computer software company where I work but one day I realized how absurd things can sound on the other end of the line when I heard myself say to one caller, "Yes sir, you must first upgrade your download software in order to download our upgrade software. 2. After drilling his platoon in the hot sun, the sergeant barked out a final order: "All right, you idiots, fall out!" The men dispersed, but one rookie stood firm. The sergeant stared as the rookie smiled and said, "There sure were a lot of them weren't there, Sergeant? 3. The lieutenant wanted to use a pay phone but didn't have change for a dollar. He saw a private mopping the floor and asked him, Soldier, do you have change for a dollar?" I sure have, buddy, the private answered. Giving him a mean stare, the lieutenant said, "That's no way to address an officer. Let's try it again. Private, do you have change for a dollar?" "NO, Sir," the private replied.
- 3. DID I DO GOOD TODAY:** Did I help or hurt today, is anyone happier that I passed this way, Will anyone remember that I spoke to them today. And when the day is over and toiling time is through, will someone say a kindly word, for me; for you. I wonder can I say in parting from a day that is slipping fast, did I help a single brother from the many that I passed. Is a single heart rejoicing over what I did or said, does someone whose hopes were fading, now with New Hope look ahead. Did I win this day or lose it, was it well or poorly spent, did I leave a trail of kindness or a scar of discontent. As I close my eyes in slumber, to the Architect above I pray, that I've earned one more tomorrow, by the Good I Did Today.
- 4. QUOTABLE QUOTES: (For Valentines Day)** 1. Getting Married is an incredible act of hopefulness. (Judd) 2. To wear your heart on your sleeve isn't a very good plan. You should wear it inside, where it functions best. (Thatcher) 3. Love is the net where hearts are caught like fish. (Ali) 4. Three words strike fear into the hearts of men: Pop the question. (Hawn) 5. For two people in a marriage to live together day after day is unquestionable the one miracle the Vatican has overlooked. (Cosby) 6. Absence may or may not make the heart grow fonder, but it certainly freshens the eye. (King)
- 5. IDEAS WANTED:** Brethren, if you have any ideas you would like to see incorporated into this newsletter please let me know. I would be interested in hearing what you have to say. If you have any Masonic or Non-Masonic related articles which you feel would be noteworthy please send them to me or bring them to the lodge for publication.
- 6. DRINK! STEAL! SWEAR! AND LIE!:** From childhood we have been told to do this or that, if we want to be a success in life. Too many people measure success by material thing—cars, houses, money, and status symbols of life that may be hard to obtain in today's world. Do you want them? Then you must **drink, steal, swear, and lie**. Since these are strange words for success, please read on. **Drink** from the fountain of friendship and happiness. Dwell on the positive things. 90% of our worries never happen anyway. Smile and offer the hand of friendship. You can make more friends in two months by listening to others than you can in two years of extolling your own virtues. **Steal** some time from your day to do something for someone else, with no thought of receiving anything in return. **Swear** to find a way to do your job better. Whether it is your vocation, part time, or volunteer work, do it to the best of your ability. **Lie** down at night and thank God for all the gifts of life that he has bestowed upon you. Thank him that you live in a free country without fear of a knock on the door from the soldiers of the state. Do these things and you will enjoy success that you never thought possible and you will exemplify the Principles of Freemasonry. (Taken from the El Paso Bulletin, Author Unknown)



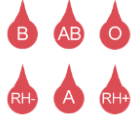
IF YOU DON'T RISK ANYTHING, YOU RISK EVEN MORE!

KNOWING WHAT'S RIGHT DOESN'T MEAN MUCH UNLESS YOU DO WHAT'S RIGHT!

SOME DREAM OF BEING SOMETHING... OTHERS STAY AWAKE AND ARE!

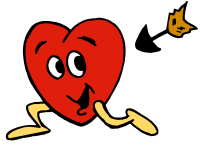
- 7. MEMBERSHIP:** Who is responsible for the declining membership in most lodges today? Who is responsible for the declining attendance each month in Webb Lodge? What should we be doing to increase membership & attendance? The answer is "YOU" You are responsible if you do not attend several of the communications each year. We do not ask that

you attend each and every meeting but if you took the same obligation which I did and you are in the local area and you are physically able why do you not attend some of the communications and support Webb Lodge. **YOU** are the responsible one. Have you recommended anyone to be part of our fraternity? Have you even made the effort? Then **YOU** are responsible. Have you called a brother who you have not seen in lodge for several months (or years)? Do you know a brother who recently received the degrees but for some reason has not returned? Have you called him or talked to him to see Why? Then **YOU** have not helped increase membership and attendance. Do **YOU** want this fraternity to die? Then continue what **YOU** are doing!



8. WHEN YOU GIVE BLOOD, YOU GIVE... Another Birthday, Another Day at the Beach, Another Night Under the Stars, Another Talk with a Friend, Another Laugh, Another Hug, **ANOTHER CHANCE.** Support your Masonic Blood Drives. **IT TAKES ALL TYPES**

9. WHAT I HAVE LEARNED: 1. **I've learned....** That you should never say no to a gift from a child. 2. **I've learned....** That I can always pray for someone when I don't have the strength to help him in some other way. 3. **I've learned....** That simple walks with my father around the block on summer nights when I was a child did wonders for me as an adult. 4. **I've learned....** That when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere. 5. **I've learned....** That I wish I could have told my Dad that I loved him one more time before he passed away. 6. **I've learned....** That a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks. 7. **I've learned....** That when your newly born grandchild holds your little finger in his little fist, that you're hooked for life. 8. **I've learned....** That everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it. 9. **I've learned....** That the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done. 10. **I've learned....** That opportunities are never lost, someone will take the ones you miss.



10. INVITATION TO ALL MASTER MASONS: The Valley of Augusta Scottish Rite invites you to be a part of their Spring 2013 Reunion. What is a reunion? This is the conferral and communication of the degrees 4 through 32 at the Scottish Rite Center on May the 17th and 18th. Cost is \$200.00 which covers the cost of the utilities of the building, three meals (dinner on the 17th and continental breakfast and lunch on the 18th), your patent, cd of photos, ring pyramid, books and literature. Most of the active members of Webb Lodge are members of the Augusta Scottish Rite but if you are not, or if you are one of our newest Master Masons please consider asking for a petition for the degrees from any Scottish Rite Mason. I have them available at every Webb Lodge communication. Petitions must be submitted no later than Thursday, May 2nd, 2013.



11. FATHER'S LODGE: (By Brother Douglas Malloch) Father's lodge, I well remember, wasn't large as lodges go, There was trouble in December getting to it through the snow. But he seldom missed a meeting; drifts or blossoms in the lane. Still the Tyler heard his greeting, winter ice or summer rain. Father's lodge thought nothing of it: mid their labors and their cares. Those old Masons learned to love it, that fraternity of theirs. What's a bit of stormy weather, when a little down the road, Men are gathering together, helping bear each other's load? Father's lodge had made a village: men of father's sturdy brawn Turned a wilderness to tillage, seized the flag, and carried on. Made a village, built a city, shaped a country, formed a state, Simple men, not wise nor witty- humble men, and yet how great! Father's lodge had caught the gleaming of the great Masonic past; Thinking, toiling, daring, dreaming, they were builders to the last. Quiet men, not rich nor clever, with the tools they found at hand. Building for the great forever, first a village then a land. Father's lodge no temple builded shaped of steel and carved of stone; Marble columns, ceilings gilded, father's lodge has never known. But a heritage of glory they have left, the humble ones- They have left their mighty story in the keeping of their sons.



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