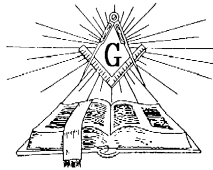


WEBB LODGE #166 F. & A.M.
JUNE 17TH, 2013 TRESTLEBOARD (#306)



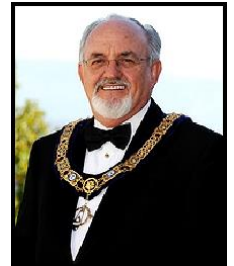
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Brethren: The **Regular Communication** of Webb Lodge #166 F.& A.M. will be held at 3201 Wrightsboro Rd, Augusta, Georgia, on **June 17th, 2013**. Dinner will be served at 7:00 PM and a Lodge of Master Masons will be opened at 8:00 PM

1. **JOINT COMMUNICATION:** Brethren: If you were not able to attend the Joint Communication of Webb Lodge #166, Fleming Lodge #718 and Richmond Lodge #412 on May 20th you missed one **Great Masonic Night**. Most Worshipful Grand Master, E. Ray Knittel was present for the dedication ceremony of Richmond Lodge #412, which just paid off their mortgage. The Lodge must be free and clear of all debt before this ceremony can be performed. The Meal was superb, the meeting and dedication was a first for many of us, but the highlight of the night was the Grand Master. Most Worshipful Brother E. Ray Knittel gave an inspiring talk and presentation to all attending. I have had the privilege of being exposed to 32 Grand Masters in my Masonic Career. Some were mediocre, some have been very good and a few are just outstanding (of course this is my opinion only). I compare all Grand Masters to one of my all time favorites, Eli Stafford (2007). Most Worshipful Grandmaster Buster Horne (2002) and Joe Suttles (1995) were also exceptional. I believe that our current Grand Master belongs in this category. Most Worshipful Brother Ray knows how to communicate with the brethren, he is not arrogant but sincere, he speaks from the heart and you can feel it when he does. Masonry needs more of this. We need leaders in the fraternity who can communicate and inspire like Brother Ray. I am one of the fortunate Masons who can call him my Friend. Thanks Brother Ray for what you have accomplished this year and for everything you do for Masonry. Brethren: We need more of this interaction between lodges. We need less of the same old things; Eat dinner, open up, do the business and go home...this will not attract new membership. We need to think out of the box, have joint communications with all the lodges (not just the ones that meet on the same night as we do). We should prepare motivational programs and have interesting guest speakers at our meetings; continue the Masonic education which we have started...invite the ladies to attend and participate. For all you young Masons who read this: Get involved, participate in the committee work and contribute as an officer or coach. But remember this: Do It YOUR Way (not the way it has been done before you), prepare a year or two in advance of going into the east and lead your lodge...Lead Webb Lodge Into The Future! **So Mote It Be.**



Excellence is an art won by training and habituation. We do not act rightly because we have virtue and excellence, but we rather have those because we have acted rightly. We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act but a habit. (Aristotle)

2. **PHILANTHROPY, THE EASY WAY:** (Jack Hendee, 32 degree) What is philanthropy? It means in simple terms an interest in the well-being of others. If you were rich, you would donate money. We sure aren't rich folks, but we can donate something and, best of all, our time helping others who maybe can't help themselves. In our Masonic organizations, when all the members donate a small amount, we become the biggest philanthropy in the world, so we do good across America and worldwide with practically no effort at all. It is so easy and very satisfying to know that any and all of us can do so much by acting together. Philanthropy is really a big word for such a small effort. If a lot of people pitch in to do good, then philanthropy is easy and there is a lot of good pride in doing it. Philanthropy begins at home and it spreads its good out from there. Let's continue this tradition in Webb Lodge.
3. **SUSPENSIONS:** Just a reminder that the month of June is the month stipulated in our By-laws (Article VII, Section 1) in which those brethren who have not paid their dues for the preceding and current year may be suspended at the regular communication by motion or resolution and without trial unless he can show just cause why he should not pay the same. Brethren please check your dues card and make sure that you are **NOT** in this situation. If you are, please notify me or any officer of Webb Lodge and we will be happy to review your case.
4. **ORIGINS OF FATHER'S DAY:** The campaign to celebrate the nation's fathers did not meet with the same enthusiasm as Mothers Day...perhaps because, as one florist explained, "fathers haven't the same sentimental appeal that mothers have." On July 5, 1908, a West Virginia church sponsored the nation's first event explicitly in honor of fathers, a Sunday sermon in memory of the 362 men who had died in the previous December's explosions at the Fairmont Coal Company mines in Monongah. Washington State celebrated the nation's first statewide Father's Day on July 19, 1910. During the 1920s and 1930s, a movement arose to scrap Mother's Day and Father's Day altogether in favor of a single holiday, Parents' Day. In 1972, in the middle of a hard-fought presidential re-election campaign, Richard Nixon signed a proclamation making Father's Day a federal holiday at last. **Happy Father's Day to all the Dads out there from the Officers of Webb Lodge #166.**



Sign Seen in a Local Restaurant: "If our food, drinks and service aren't up to your standards, please lower your standards."



HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE 4TH OF JULY !!!



5. HISTORY LESSON FOR OUR YOUNGER MASTER MASONS: Webb Lodge has a rich history in Georgia



Masonry. We have had 5 Grand Masters from Webb Lodge. The first one was John S. Davidson from 1884-1894 (eleven years), followed by M. Preston Agee (1941), J.H. Wilkinson (1946), B. Lee Amon (1956) and Clarence H. Cohen (1962). Two of these have current Lodges named after them (John S. Davidson Lodge #677 and Clarence H. Cohen Daylight Lodge #749 (which I am proudly a charter member of). Visit our Library at the Masonic Temple and you will see the photos of each hanging on the wall.

This is the Cornerstone Exhibit which Webb Lodge contributed to. The Collar and Apron of Past Grand Master John S. Davidson, who was a member of Webb Lodge, is displayed in this exhibit. He wore this collar and apron during the laying of the cornerstone of the Georgia Capitol Building in the late 1800's. The Georgia Capitol Restoration Committee requested that Webb Lodge let them display this Original Collar and Apron. They have been on display since 1999. The contract has been renewed each year so that the thousands of visitors each year to the museum can see these artifacts. If you are in Atlanta, go to the fourth floor of the Capitol to view this display.



6. I SEE YOU HAVE TRAVELED SOME: (Hal Lasky). Whenever you may by chance to be, Wherever you may roam, Far away in foreign lands, or just at "Home Sweet Home". It always gives you pleasure, It makes your heart strings hum, Just to hear the words of cheer, "I see you've traveled some." When you get a Brother's greeting, when he takes you by the hand, It thrills you with a feeling, which you don't fully understand. You feel the bond of Brotherhood, that tie that's sure to come, when you hear the brother say in a friendly way, "I see you've traveled some." When you are a stranger, in strange lands all alone, when fate has left you stranded, dead broke and far from home, It thrills you and makes you numb, when the brother says with a grip of fellowship, "I see you've traveled some." Then when your final summons comes, to take one last long trip, adorned with Lambskin Apron White, along with gems of fellowship, the Tiler at the Golden Gate, with Square, Rule and Plumb, Will size up your pin and say, walk in "I see you've traveled some."



7. SCHOLARSHIPS: Webb Lodge has awarded three \$1,000.00 scholarships this year to the following: Joy Miller, Lauren Hadden and Hunter Williams. These three young ladies will be given their awards at dinner during the June communication. Plan to attend and listen to what these students have accomplished and what their future goals are.

8. YOU KNOW YOU'RE GETTING OLDER WHEN: A) The little old lady you help across the street is your wife. B) You can remember what you did yesterday by what hurts today. C) You feel your corns more than your oats. D) Your eyes are still perfect but your friends are getting blurry. E) Your get up and go gets up and goes. F) You bend down to tie your shoes and look around to see if there is anything else to do while you are down there. G) Your kids and your clothes are the same age. H) You have to take a nap before going to bed.



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