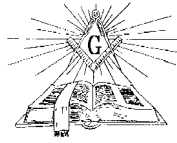


**WEBB LODGE #166 F. & A.M.**  
**FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2014 TRESTLEBOARD (#314)**



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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 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014**. Dinner will be served at 7:00 PM and a Lodge of Master Masons will be opened at 8:00 PM. 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). Widows have an open invitation to come join us for dinner each month and please bring a guest.

- 1. GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION:** The 10<sup>th</sup> District Officers will be hosting a celebration of George Washington's Birthday at the Scottish Rite Center on Saturday, February 15, 2014. Coffee and Donuts at 9:00 am with the program beginning at 10:00 am. The program will consist of the Masonic Play, "**The Traitor.**" Set after the end of the revolution, during a dream of Benedict Arnold, George Washington, along with Brother Lafayette and several other prominent American and English Masons meet to honor General Washington and put the war behind them. Before long, they attempt to unravel a mystery amongst them, which culminates in a visit from Benedict Arnold himself. The intense and spirited discussion about loyalty and treason, bravery and cowardice, common good and self promotion is an exciting topic that will bring up many topics of conversation for months to come. All Master Masons and their wives are invited to attend. Join us that day for a great meal, entertainment and fellowship.



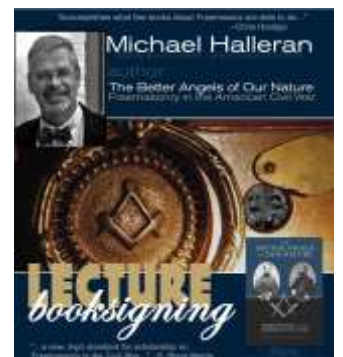
- 2. SCOTTISH RITE SPRING REUNION 2014:** The Valley of Augusta Scottish Rite will hold its 2014 Spring Reunion at the Scottish Rite Center on May 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014. If you are a Master Mason or know a Master Mason who is not a Scottish Rite Mason and desires to become one please contact either Kenny May, Membership Chairman (706-699-6785) or General Secretary, Greg Oblak (706-829-1665 cell, 706-733-5387 office) for a petition.

*The best way to predict the future is to create it. It takes only a single idea, a single action to move the world.*

- 3. SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER ANNOUNCEMENT!** Upcoming Event – June 28, 2014, **Michael A. Halleran**, Masonic Author and Speaker, Grand Lodge of Kansas. We are pleased to announce that the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Valley of Augusta and the Lodge of Research No. 6 in Augusta are proud to jointly sponsor a very special event on Saturday June 28, 2014. Masonic author, RWB Michael A. Halleran will speak concerning Freemasonry in the American Civil War. RWB Halleran is currently the Deputy Grand Master of Masons in Kansas and the presumptive incoming Grand Master for the year beginning March 1, 2014. Michael A. Halleran is a freelance writer and a practicing attorney in the Flint Hills of East-Central Kansas. He has lectured in both the United States and Great Britain on Masonic activity occurring in the military during the 1800s. In 2006, he was awarded the Scottish Rite Research Society's Albert G. Mackey Award for Excellence in Masonic Scholarship for his article on Masonic courtesy in the American Civil War. In 2008, he received the Nova Award from Internet Lodge No. 9659. Brother Halleran is the author of numerous articles and a book on Masons in the Civil War. His book, *The Better Angels of our Nature*, is distributed by McCoy Publishing. In addition, Brother Halleran writes a regular column in the *Scottish Rite Journal* recounting the colorful adventures of Bro. Hiram Brother, i.e. Brother Brother, a late 19th Century Mason.

**Schedule Of Events**

<b>10:00 AM</b> - Coffee and Donuts	<b>11:45 AM</b> - Lunch in Dining Hall
<b>10:30 AM</b> - Welcome by Illustrious Brother Ronny Lanham, Personal Rep to the SGIG of GA	<b>12:30 PM</b> - Introduction of Guest Speaker by WB Eric Milks
<b>10:40 AM</b> - Introduction of Lodge of Research Speakers by WB Brian Coffey, Master of the Lodge of Research No. 6 at Augusta, GA	<b>12:35 PM</b> - Keynote Speaker MWB Halleran
<b>10:45 AM</b> - Lodge of Research speaker(s)	<b>2:00 PM</b> - Question and answer session
	<b>2:30 PM</b> - Wrap up and book signing

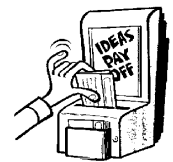


Limited seating of only 230 tickets will be sold at \$20 each. To secure your reservation, make your check payable to the Augusta Valley Of Scottish Rite and mail to: Greg Oblak, General Secretary, 2553 Washington Road, Augusta, GA 30904-3103. Cutoff for reservations will be June 13, 2014. **Please note: your cancelled check is your reservation.**



- 4. WEBB LODGE AT LARGE TRUSTEE:** The Masonic Temple Trustees have elected Brother Richard T. Williamson, our Senior Warden, to the at-large position of Trustees at the January annual meeting. He will join brothers Steve Fishman and Jack Goldenberg as Building Trustees from Webb Lodge #166. Congratulations Richard on your election.

- 5. **IDEAS WANTED:** If you have any ideas which you would like to see incorporated into this newsletter please call or email me. 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. **THE ESSENCE OF DESTINY:** Watch your thoughts, for they become words. Choose your words, for they become actions. Understand your actions for they become habits. Study your habits, for they will become your character. Develop your character, for it becomes your Destiny.



- 7. **THE ESSENCE OF ACHIEVEMENT:** The credit belongs to those people who are actually in the arena...who know the great enthusiasms, the great devotions to a worthy cause, who at best, know the triumph of high achievement; and who, at worst, fail while daring greatly...so that their place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat.



- 8. **THE WINDOW FROM WHICH WE LOOK!** A young couple moves into a new neighborhood. The next morning while they are eating breakfast, the young woman sees her neighbor hanging the wash outside. "That laundry is not very clean", she said. "She doesn't know how to wash correctly. Perhaps she needs better laundry soap." Her husband looked on, but remained silent. Every time her neighbor would hang her wash to dry, the young woman would make the same comments. About one month later, the woman was surprised to see a nice clean wash on the line and said to her husband: "Look, she has learned how to wash correctly. I wonder who taught her this." The husband said, "I got up early this morning and cleaned our windows. **And so it is with life. What we see when watching others depends on the purity of the window through which we look.**

- 9. **SINCE MASTERS IS AROUND THE CORNER, A FEW THOUGHTS ON THE GAME OF GOLF:** 1. Willie Nelson on what's par on his Texas golf course: "Anything I want it to be. For instance, this hole right here is a par 47 and yesterday I birdied the sucker." 2. Craig Stadler said; "Why am I using a new putter? Because the last one didn't float too well." 3. Chi Chi Rodriguez said; "I have heard people say putting is 50% technique and 50% mental. I really believe it is 50% technique and 90% positive thinking. But that adds up to 140%, which is why nobody is 100% sure how to putt." 4. Billy Graham once said "The only time my prayers go unanswered is on the golf course."



- 10. **AND THE QUESTION IS.....(ANONYMOUS):** Remember when you were a child and had that insatiable thirst for knowledge and it seemed every other word was "why"? Over time, as we found the answers to too many of our questions, we stopped asking why. That was certainly true for most of us with regard to Masonry. We went through the three degrees not really questioning what was happening, and after being raised to Master Mason, we thought our journey was over. Many have since discovered, it is just beginning. You should always feel free to ask "why" regarding any aspect of Masonry. If something looks foolish, for instance, the legend of Hiram Abif; you should question why King Solomon, King Hiram, and Hiram Abif were all three necessary to communicate the true Master's word. It seems foolish on the surface that Solomon, who was biblically endowed with wisdom by God, would not consider the impact if one of the three died. There is an excellent answer to that and many other questions about our noble Order. Just begin by asking why. (Contributed by Past Master of George Walton Lodge and 32° KCCH Scottish Rite Mason, Eric Milks)

*Make a promise to yourself this year. "I will try to attend my Blue Lodge this year and contribute where I can, participate in both regular and call communications and donate my time to helping others who are less fortunate than I."*



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