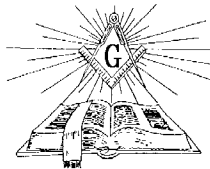


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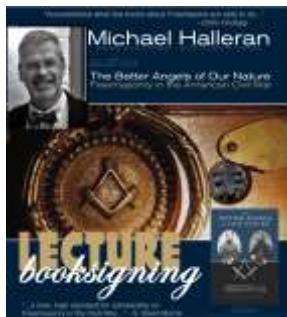
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Brethren: The **Regular Communication** of Webb Lodge #166 F.& A.M. will be held at 3201 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, Georgia, on **April 21st, 2014**. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and a Lodge of Master Masons will be opened at 8:00 p.m. Please 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) Widows have an open invitation to come join us for dinner each month and please bring a guest.

1. **SCOTTISH RITE SPRING REUNION 2014:** The Valley of Augusta Scottish Rite will hold its 2014 Spring Reunion at the Scottish Rite Center on May 16th and 17th, 2014. If you are 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.



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

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Freemasonry is on the lips of many, but in the hearts of few. He who would teach it, must first practice it. Let his good example recommend it to others. So mote it be.

3. **IT'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY:** "I had no shoes and complained, until I met a man who had no feet", so goes the ancient Persian saying. How fortunate you and I are! We live free to guide our own destinies! Individually we accept those responsibilities we choose. Sometimes we must make sacrifices to achieve our goals or to accept the responsibilities we choose. God gives every man the same twenty four hour day. Most of us have limitations placed upon us. Eight hours for work, eight hours for refreshment and repose and eight hours for service to God and a distressed worthy brother. How many times have we said "I don't have time," when we are really saying "I'd rather spend my time on something else?" We know from our own experience that participation is rewarding. Yet we too often forget this and choose to cheat ourselves and our friends of this wonderful feeling of fellowship in service. You have many opportunities to serve. You are needed. And if you are like most of us, you do really have the time. Isn't that what Masonry is all about, working together to help mankind? Each in his own small way, doing his small part of the big picture? The Masonic organizations to which you belong all need your talents. They will be pleased to help you achieve this wonderful feeling of harmony and service with your brothers. **Be one of the "FAITHFUL FEW."**



4. **LAUGHTER IS STILL THE BEST MEDICINE:** 1. Different Types of Sign Language: A. Seen at a flower stand: "Doghouse keys." B. Seen on an exterminator's van: "We make ants say 'uncle'." C. Seen near a cash-register penny cup: "If you fear change, leave it here." D. Seen at a Los Angeles bagel emporium: I & Joy Bagels. 2. I was in line to receive Communion one Sunday, when the cell phone of the woman ahead of me went off just as the priest was giving her a wafer. The woman stammered an apology as she fumbled with the phone, trying to turn it off. Without skipping a beat, the priest said, "Tell them we don't do takeout." 4. On my way to work one day, I noticed a sports car on the highway with the front license plate that said "TI 3VOM." It looked like a vanity plate, but I couldn't figure out what it meant until I pulled ahead and looked in my rearview mirror, where the reflected plate read "MOVE IT."



5. **TOO MUCH ME AND NOT ENOUGH WE:** Too much me and not enough we is a dead-end street. But a caring concern for others is an open boulevard on which we can all get to where we are going together. Isn't that what Masonry is supposed to be all about? Caring for the less fortunate, helping those in need? Charity is the final and greatest guide to our actions. Our real duty as Masons is to act in accordance with what we believe - the great principles of Faith, Hope and Charity. If we do, then we will find no place for envy and jealousy. Let us try to accomplish this, our greatest principle "Charity," and give to those in need as we have in the past. If we need additional monies for Temple Expenses this year let us "Cut Our Costs," not those moneys earmarked for Charity. **Too Much Me and Not Enough We!** So Mote It Be.

6. **QUOTABLE QUOTES:** 1. Anger must be the energy that has not yet found its right channel. (Maxwell) 2. The only thing that has ever made me feel old is those few times where I allow myself to be predictable. (Santana) 3. Happiness comes from being a little uncomfortable as often as possible so you are always learning and growing. (Hatch) 4. People's hobbies are more their measure than are their jobs. (Byrne). 5. If fishing is a religion, fly fishing is high church. (Brokaw) 6. Nothing seems interesting when it belongs to you, only when it doesn't (Babbit)



7. **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST MASTER MASONS:** Webb Lodge had the pleasure of conferring the Master's Degree on our 3 Fellowcraft Masons; Brothers Zackery Ansley, Sam Budenstein and Chris Miller. WM Goldenberg did outstanding work in the conferral, as did all of the other officers. The members of Webb Lodge welcome the above three brethren to our Lodge.

Freemasonry has a tremendously important part to play in both the world today and tomorrow. In the end, it will depend on each individual mason believing fully in the teachings and putting them into practice in his daily life. This calls for effort on the part of all of us. Are we prepared to accept the challenge?

8. **TAKING INVENTORY:** (Excerpts taken from a 1979 Edition of the Masonic Messenger). Is Webb Lodge accomplishing what it should? It is indeed appropriate that we pause and take "Inventory". Businesses think it highly important to take stock inventory; I think it is highly important, indeed critical, for Lodge brethren to do the same. Were brethren delegated to visit those brethren who are in danger of suspension for non-payment of dues? How many of you have visited a lodge other than your own? Have you encouraged brethren in other lodges to visit yours? How many charitable acts has our lodge performed this year? Have you inquired about the welfare of the aged, or the infirmed? Have you visited a Mason who can no longer come to the Lodge? Have you been solicitous about the welfare of his widow and his children, if any? Has our Lodge visited a church in the character of Masons? And importantly, do you offer up your devotions on a regular and sincere basis? Do you seek always to conduct your life according to the requirements of the level, plumb and square? I have asked you, along with myself, many questions indeed. But I am convinced that answering honestly these questions is a positive step toward healthy and vigorous Lodges where men of good, will seek to establish more fully the principles of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.



Nobody stands taller than those willing to stand corrected.

God answers all prayers; sometimes he answers "yes", sometimes "no", and sometimes "you gotta be kidding."

9. **MASONIC TRIVIA:** Masonic dates are written "A.L." for "Anno Lucis" or "In the year of Light," which is 4000 years plus the current year, i.e. the year 2014 written Masonically would be 6014. This is because the practice has followed the ancient belief that the world was created when God said "Let there be light," 4000 years before Christ.

10. **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:** Brethren: The deadline for the submission of an application for a Webb Lodge Scholarship is fast approaching, April 30th, 2014. Please have all paperwork completed and postmarked no later than April 30th to be considered.



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