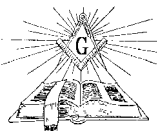


**WEBB LODGE #166 F. & A.M.
MAY 19TH, 2014 TRESTLEBOARD (#317)**



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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 **May 19th, 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. 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 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. 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, write your check 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.

- 2. QUOTABLE QUOTES:** 1. Just try to be angry with someone who fed you something delicious. (Cook) 2. The squeaky wheel may get the most oil, but it's also the first to be replaced. (Vos Savant).



Happy Mother's Day from the officers of Webb Lodge



- 3. MEMORIAL DAY: TAKE TIME TO REMEMBER:** Americans pay tribute to those men and women who faithfully served their country in peace and in war on Monday, May 26th; Memorial Day. Many members of Webb Lodge fall into this elite category. I want to personally say "Thank you" for all the sacrifices they have made and continue to make to ensure that the freedom we enjoy continues. We all take Freedom for granted just as we do when we turn on the faucet and expect water. Americans have no idea what it is like to be without freedom. We have all lost friends and relatives who have defended this country and I think it is appropriate to "**Remember**" these special people on this fourth Monday of May to say thank you to those that are still here and remember those who are not.



- 4. SAYINGS WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE ON THOSE OFFICE INSPIRATIONAL POSTERS:** 1. Doing a job right the first time gets the job done. Doing the job wrong fourteen times gives you job security. 2. Plagiarism saves time. 3. INDECISION is the key to FLEXIBILITY. 4. Aim Low, Reach Your Goals, Avoid Disappointment. 5. Never underestimate the power of stupid people in large groups. 6. We put the "K" in "Kwality."

- 5. 10th MASONIC DISTRICT CONVENTION: When:** June 14th, 2014. **Where:** Webb Lodge #166, 3201 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, GA 30909. **Time:** 10:00 am. **District Master** is our own Worshipful Brother James Huggins. Please attend if you can and support Jim and his District Officers.

- 6. HUMOR FOR LEXOPHILES (Lover of Words):** 1. I wondered why the baseball was getting bigger. Then it hit me. 2. Police were called to a day care where a three year old was resisting a rest. 3. The butcher backed up into the meat grinder and got a little behind in his work. 4. To write with a broken pencil is pointless. 5. When fish are in schools they sometimes take debate. 6. The short fortune teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large. 7. When the smog lifts in Los Angeles, U.C.L.A. 8. A dentist and a manicurist fought tooth and nail. 9. In a democracy it's your vote that counts; in feudalism, it's your Count that votes. 10. A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion. 11. A boiled egg is hard to beat.



"Good friends are like quilts - they age with you, yet never lose their warmth."

7. **FRIENDS:** I have seen too many dear friends leave this world, too soon; before they understood the great freedom that comes with aging. Whose business is it, if I choose to read, or play on the computer until 4 am, or sleep until noon? I will dance with myself to those wonderful tunes of the 50s, 60s & 70s, and if I, at the same time, wish to weep over a lost love, I will. I will walk the beach in a swim suit that is stretched over a bulging body, and will dive into the waves with abandon, if I choose to, despite the pitying glances from the jet set. They too will get old. I know I am sometimes forgetful. But there again, some of life is just as well forgotten. And eventually, I remember the important things. Sure, over the years my heart has been broken. How can your heart not break, when you lose a loved one, or when a child suffers, or even when somebody's beloved pet gets hit by a car? But broken hearts are what give us strength and understanding and compassion. A heart never broken is pristine and sterile, and will never know the joy of being imperfect. I am so blessed to have lived long enough to have my hair turning gray, and to have my youthful laughs be forever etched into deep grooves on my face. So many have never laughed and so many have died before their hair could turn silver. As you get older, it is easier to be positive. You care less about what other people think. I don't question myself anymore. I've even earned the right to be wrong. So, to answer your question, I like being old. It has set me free. I like the person I have become. I am not going to live forever, but while I am still here, I will not waste time lamenting what could have been, or worrying about what will be. And I shall eat dessert every single day (if I feel like it).

***MAY OUR FRIENDSHIP NEVER COME APART,
ESPECIALLY WHEN IT'S STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART!***



8. **DINNER THEATER 2014:** The Dinner Theater for 2014 has been finalized: **WHERE:** Scottish Rite Center, 2553 Washington Road. **WHEN:** Saturday, September 20, 2014. **WHAT:** A night of Music and singing. **WHO:** The program will begin with the **8th Regiment Band (15 to 20 piece band)** from Rome Georgia, dressed in authentic period uniforms, playing 150 year old instruments and music of the time. They will play for 45-60 minutes. There will then be a 15 minute intermission. The second half will begin with the giveaway of door prizes and then the **A cappella group Augusta Bel Canto (12-15 musicians)** will then sing big band, and contemporary music for us for the next 45-60 minutes. **MEAL:** Dinner will be a seafood & chicken buffet (all you can eat): Fried Catfish, Fried Flounder, Fried Shrimp, and Baked Chicken, Hushpuppies, potatoes, green beans, peach cobbler, ice tea and coffee. **COST:** \$35.00 per person or reserve a table of eight for you and your friends, family, lodge etc for \$280.00. **LIMITATIONS:** Seating will be limited to the first 230 people. This is open to the public. Tickets will go on sale by March 1, 2014. Your check is your reservation. Cannot take verbal reservations. I can mail the tickets to you, or you can pick up at the Scottish Rite Center or I can hold them for you on "Will Call" until the night of the performance. This is not a fundraiser but for the pleasure of the membership. Ticket cost will just cover the cost of the meal, entertainment and door prizes. Take this information back to your lodges so that your lodge might use this venue as your Ladies Night, Past Master's Night, or Widows Night entertainment. Please purchase your tickets early as the past 4 Dinner Theaters have been sellouts.



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