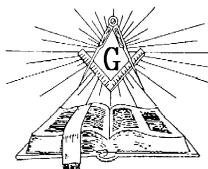


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Brethren: The **Regular Communication** of Webb Lodge #166 F.& A.M. will be held at the Masonic Temple, 3201 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, Georgia, on **April 20th, 2015**. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and a Lodge of Master Masons will be opened 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. Ladies are invited. (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.

Freemasonry is on the lips of many, but in the hearts of few. Those who teach it, must first practice it.

1. **IT'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY:** 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."

2. **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. E. Seen at a Service Station in Akron, Ohio: Boyz Under the Hood. F. Seen at a shop in Belmont, N.H., selling vacuums and sewing machines: Vacman and Bobbin. 2. Overheard at an I.R.S. audit of Sherlock Holmes: "Incredible deductions, Mr. Holmes." 3. 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. As part of a cooking demonstration I was attending in a large auditorium, the host awarded gifts to people in the audience who had traveled the farthest, the couple who had been married the longest, and so on. Holding up one item, he asked, "Is there anyone here who has been married less than a month?" At first the room was silent. Then from the back someone called out, "Which Time?" 5. On my way to work one day, I noticed a sports sedan on the highway with the 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."



3. **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. Peoples hobbies are more their measure than are their jobs. (Byrne). 5. If fishing is a religion, fly fishing is high church. (Brokaw)



4. **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.

5. **CONGRATULATIONS:** Congratulations to the following brethren who were just raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in Webb Lodge #166: Brothers Ed Presnell, Thomas Peeler and Bradley Owens. We hope to see you every month at our regular and call communications and hope that you will contribute your talents to the fraternity. Congratulations again for completing this Masonic Milestone in your career.
6. **FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE:** Webb Lodge will be conferring the Fellowcraft Degree on Friday, April 24, 2015, beginning at 7:00 P.M. at the Masonic Temple, 3201 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, GA. Please come out and support EA Brothers Mintz, Stewart and Burnfield.
7. **MASONIC TRIVIA:** 1. 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 2015 written Masonically would be 6015. 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. 2. The two structures in the U.S. that have elevators which move sideways, in addition to up and down, are the Arch in St. Louis and the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria. 3. Why do we use "So Mote It Be" instead of "Amen?" "So mote it be" are the final words in the Regius Poem. Mote is old English for "May." Masons have used the phrase since the beginning of the written history of the Craft. Freemasonry includes many other words, now obsolete, which bring the sanctity of age and the continuity of ritual from ancient days to modern times.



It is better to deserve honors and not have them than to have them and not deserve them.

8. **SHORT AND FUNNY:** 1. Aspire to inspire before you expire. 2. My wife and I had words, but I didn't get to use mine. 3. Blessed are those who can give without remembering and take without forgetting. 4. God made man before woman so as to give him time to think of an answer for her first question. 5. Every morning is the dawn of a new error. 6. I dialed a number and got the following recording; I am not available right now, but thank you for caring enough to call. I am making some changes in my life. Please leave a message after the Beep. If I do not return your call, You are one of the changes.
9. **THE WISDOM OF OUR TIME:** 1. It's not whether you win or lose, but how you place the blame. 2. You are not drunk if you can lie on the floor without holding on. 3. Money isn't everything, but it sure keeps the kids in touch. 4. Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity. 5. Calling an illegal alien an "undocumented immigrant" is like calling a drug dealer an "unlicensed pharmacist."

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