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From the East ...

Greetings Brothers,

The common gavel is used to break off corners of rough stones so as to shape them appropriately for the builder's use. In Masonic tradition, the gavel is metaphoric symbol to focus us on ridding our minds and consciences of the vices and superfluities of life to better shape us to do the work of living.

We all know what vices are but what about superfluities? Merriam Webster defines superfluity as:

1a: EXCESS, OVERSUPPLY

b: something unnecessary or superfluous

2: immoderate and especially luxurious living, habits, or desires

Superfluities diminish us. They are undesirable not because they are hurtful to others, but because they are hurtful to ourselves.

As with most of Masonic work, using the metaphoric gavel is a personal, internal process. What is a superfluity for me may not be a superfluity for you. But there are some that we all seem to have in common, such as worry, fear, regret and holding grudges.

All of these superfluities have a common theme: they steal our energy, divert our focus from the present and inflict us with uncomfortable physical reactions. Because we are so busy reacting, we sacrifice the ability to act.

Worry takes energy without producing a solution. Worrying about money will not increase it. Worry about what might happen will not change it. We cannot change tomorrow by worrying about it. We change the future by acting today to create tomorrow. I deal with worry by putting my trust in God and being better today.

Fear in the context of superfluity doesn't mean the biological response to physical danger. It is a close cousin to worry; it refers to the trepidation of the unknown; the what-ifs that rob us of a restful night's sleep, or of being fully present in a stressful moment. Fear sucks our internal fortitude and siphons away our rational thought; it triggers the fight or flight response as surely as a tiger would.



But paths not taken prevents us from moving forward in the present moment on the path we have chosen.

A grudge takes a lot of work and ultimately restricts the person nursing that hurt. Saying, "I'm not going to that event because someone I hold a grudge against will be there" confines one's movement and action. We close the door on opportunities and benefits by limiting our participation based on the mere presence of another person. Frank Herbert recognized the commonality and encompassing nature of fear in his book "Dune." He created The Litany Against Fear that some of the characters used to banish fear and refocus their minds for calm action. I now use the Litany myself when Fear has me in its jaws.

"I must not fear.

Fear is the mind-killer.

Fear is the little death that brings total obliteration.

I will face my fear.

I will permit it to pass over me and through me.

And when it has gone past I will turn the inner eye to see its path.

Where the fear has gone there will be nothing.

Only I will remain."

Regret also takes energy. It can have positive impact if it allows one to make better choices in the future, but regret that dwells only on the past is wasteful. Constantly thinking a boon.

Ultimately, holding a grudge is opposed to the Masonic principles of forgiveness and brotherly love. If we build a grudge-wall against our brother, we cannot fully live a Masonic life or truly be in good standing with our Divine Architect.

All superfluities have one thing in common: they entrap you and suck your life and purpose from you. Plato said that an unexamined life isn't worth living. Consider: what are your superfluities and how are you dealing with them?

Love,

Dave Boddy W.M.

Sutherland Lodge No. 174
Stated Meetings Third Tuesdays
at 7:30 PM.

Dunedin Lodge meets for its Stated
Meetings on the 3rd Monday @
7:00 p.m .

Please check the calendar or call an
officer or the Lodge Secretary to
confirm.

East Gate Lodge No. 355
Stated Meetings first
Tuesdays at 7 pm.

From the West

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Brothers, since our last Trestle-board publishing I had the opportunity to achieve another first in my Masonic journey. At the last stated meeting, I had the immense pleasure of sitting in the East for the first time. It was such an immense honor and pleasure to serve that night.

I want to write about this experience predominately for the benefit of our newest members and those moving through the chairs the first time. I know for me personally, there was no shortage of stress leading up to the night. But let me assure those who have not yet had this pleasure that the brothers of our lodge have your back. They all wanted me to succeed and it showed. The offers of assistance were plentiful and I had the pleasure of working with three brothers before my big night. To each of them, I am incredibly grateful.

In closing, I am happy to write that brotherly love is alive and well in our lodge. We are truly fortunate to have the supportive brotherhood that we do!

Fraternally,
Greg Gulick
Senior Warden

FROM THE SOUTH

Going “Dark”...

Every year, Masonic Lodge’s around the country go “Dark” for a period of months. In our Lodge, it is up to the current seated Worshipful Master to decide if we do and for how long. This year, our Lodge will be “Dark” for the months of July and August.

What does this mean?

For us, its literal meaning is that we will not have Stated Meetings for these two months. However, we can and will be having called meetings (our family social first Monday event’s.)

As most of you know, I was raised in Utah. I was taught, in Utah, that our Lodges went Dark for two reasons. Utah is a very agricultural state and these two months were given to the Lodge Brothers to focus on farming and tending the crops. The second, and why they go dark today, is because our Temple in Salt Lake did not have air conditioning and the heat was untenable.

Even in this time of “darkness” remember your Masonic tenants and continue to bring symbolic Light into your life on a daily basis!

By the Plumb,
Michael St-Laurent
Junior Warden

In event of the death of a Brother, a Masonic Funeral can be requested by contacting the Lodge Secretary , Mike Palenik at 727-733-4257

Donations are Appreciated

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Secretary’s Notes

Brothers,

Grand Lodge is over and has passed Legislation that raises the Per-Capita assessment for the dues paying members of Florida Lodges. Starting in 2020 the per-capita will increase \$5 each year for five years raising the assessment from \$20 per year to \$45 per year.. For Dunedin Lodge this means a dues increase in 2020 to \$125 per year, in 2021 to \$130 per year, in 2022 to \$135 per year, in 2023 to \$140 per year, and 2024 to \$145 per year.. This also affects those of you thinking about a Perpetual Membership, which is currently \$2400 and will increase by \$100 each year.

If you are thinking about a Perpetual Membership contact the Lodge Secretary for more information.

Even though we will be dark July and August, the Lodge Secretary will be available to answer any questions or take care of any changes to your records such as address change, phone or email changes. I will be at the Lodge most Thursday afternoons from 2-4 pm.

Fraternally,
Mike Palenik P.M.
Secretary



Calendar of Events

July Events

Monday July 1, 6 pm. Friends and Famil Dinner all are welcome to attend. If you know anyone interested in joining the Fraternity bring them along and don't forget to extend the invitation to their families. RSVP by visiting our website and clicking on the banner at the top or by emailing our Worshipful Master at dlboddy007@gmail.com.

The program for the evening will be a presentation by our Senior Warden titled "Wilderness Medicine".

The Ladies of Queen Ester Chapter No. 3 Order of the Eastern Star will be preparing and serving the dinner. Suggested donation is \$8. The menu for the Evening will be:

BBQ Chicken

Baked Beans

Cole Slaw

Summery Desert (Cobbler)

Thursday July 4, Independence Day.

Lodge Dark rest of July

August Events

Monday August 5, 6 pm. Friends and Famil Dinner all are welcome to attend. If you know anyone interested in joining the Fraternity bring them along and don't forget to extend the invitation to their families. RSVP by visiting our website and clicking on the banner at the top or by emailing our Worshipful Master at dlboddy007@gmail.com.

Program will be on experimental aircraft by Bro. Scott Roddenbeck who is planning on having an aircraft at the Lodge.

Lodge will be Dark rest of August.

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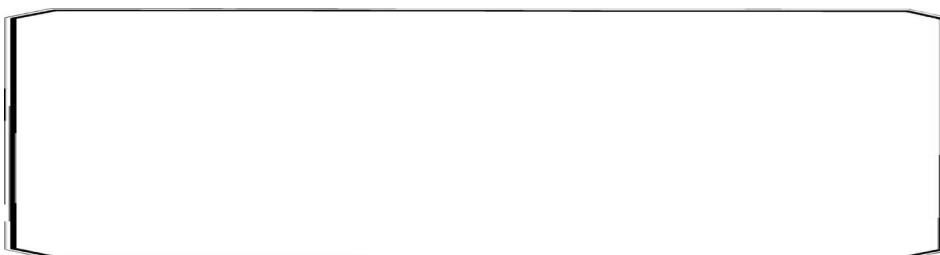
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2012 Ken Giesow PM	1962 H. Elbert Waterson*
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1984 Billie Christofilis*	1934 Charles Shaw*
1983 Paul Haynes	1933 James Houghton *
1982 Michael Palenik	1932 William Doyglas*
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1980 Peter Keupp*	1930 William Christie *
1979 Frank Clawson*	1929 John Bost*
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1977 Richard Furtick	1926-27 William Bull *
1976 Lynn Reed	1925 Joseph Springer *
1975 Ron Tury*	1924 Robert Dillinger *
1974 Leon Lester*	1922-23 Neil T. Mclean*
1973 Marion Yeager*	1921 Alfred Grant*
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1969 James Sullivan PDDGM*	

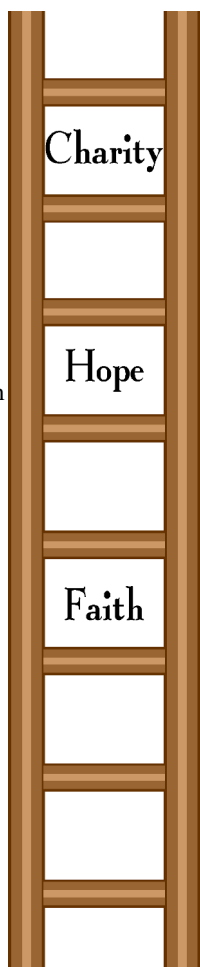
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Jay Haire

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help with cost of mailing out
the Trestleboard.*

Dunedin Lodge

Mission Statement

*To build an institution that
calls men to their highest
level of social being in a
state of dignity and decorum
, which could serve as a
place for serious, mindful
discourse on the lessons and
meaning of life, and search
for the better development of
oneself.*

*To promote brotherhood
through social interactions
including wives and families.*

*To Practice Masonic values
in our daily lives as a Lodge.*