

WEBB LODGE No. 1454
TRESTLE BOARD
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Stated Meeting Third Tuesday
each month
August 10, 2020/6020







FROM THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER:

Notes from the East:

Brethren,

The new masonic year has begun. There are a number of activities coming up which I believe will bring some interest in coming back to the stated meetings, to see/hear the special guest and presentations. Please be sure to review the lodge website calendar for upcoming events. www.lodge1454.com

With the New Year brings many challenges and opportunities to work through. We will begin to have meals again at stated meetings beginning with Augusts' meeting, under the guidelines presented by the Grand Lodge of Texas. It is suggested that if you are of age 65 or older, that you do not attend the meal, due to the ongoing china virus which America is still dealing with. Being cautious is still prudent for each of us and we should do our part. I believe a win/win for Webb lodge and for the Boy Scout Troop #2000, whom we sponsor, is that the mowing needs of the lodge grounds is being managed by these young men which helps the troop via funding a young scout, or two, to attend the camps they attend.

Webb Lodge #1454 will host a committee on work forum on October 27th at 6:00 PM. If you wish to brush up on your masonic ritual, please make plans to attend.

Please also be sure to RSVP your intentions on attending the stated meeting meal so lodge meal preparation can be done efficiently.

Until we meet again, may each of you have peace, good health, and may brotherly love and affection prevail!

Be well, stay healthy, Jon K Wych, Worshipful Master 2020-2021





FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN: From the West:

Let there be light. God said it and it was created. We have heard of the expression, "the speed of light." Have we thought of why that is significant? There are several things in nature that do not make logical sense. Light has some illogical properties. When God created the "beginning", he created time. It is impossible for us to conceive of what existence would be like without time, but before God created the universe as we know it, time did not exist.

The speed of light is significant because it is constant. We know that the speed of light is 186,282 miles, 698 yards, 2 feet, and 5 inches per second, approximately. We can use this knowledge to determine if distant galaxies are moving toward us or away from us. It is called the red/blue effect. The odd thing that seems to be attached to the speed of light is the theory of relativity. Basically, it is theorized that an object's movement contains its own relative timeline. The space lab is traveling around the earth and an independent clock on the space lab will differ slightly than a clock on earth. The time difference is very small because the velocity difference is small.

As an independent object's velocity increases, its relative timeline is reduced. In theory, it would be possible to send something back in time if the velocity is fast enough. Fun to think about the possibilities, but it is still weird that the velocity of the speed of light is connected to time travel.

Light is made up of photons and individual photons (the tiniest particles of light) behave differently based on whether they are being observed by humans or recorded by humans for observation later. It is weird for light to behave differently, that is not the way humans would have thought that it should behave. Scientist are in complete disagreement as to how to explain the phenomenon. If you believe in God and believe in creation, I think that one would have to find it humbling that one of the smallest things in the universe is so complicated that man cannot explain it.

I believe that this brings even more meaning to being a light unto the world. God's magnificent creation of light is evidence of His omnipotence. He has dominion and control over His creation and yet He wants to have a relationship with us. He wants His light to shine in us and we are to show others how His light has changed our lives for the better.

Kevin Dean Moss, PM Senior Warden 2020-2021

Regards and may peace and harmony prevail!





FROM THE JUNIOR WARDEN:

News you can use:

Art. 280. **Correction of Minutes**. The Worshipful Master is responsible for and decides upon the correctness of the minutes. He shall order any error corrected at the first Stated Meeting after its discovery.

Art. 314. **May Remit or exempt from Payment**. A Lodge may exempt any member from the payment of current dues, may remit the dues of a member in arrears, or may remit or compromise the amount of any part of dues owing from a Brother suspended thereof, but is not thereby exempt from the payment of any part of its dues on such member or suspended Brother to the Grand Lodge.

Art. 344. **Status of E.A's and F.C's** Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts are Masons but they are not members of the Lodge and cannot vote or dimit, but shall be entitled to Masons burial subject to the provisions of Art. 360. They are entitled to sit in Lodge or Lodges in which they have received a degree or degrees, or to visit like Lodges upon examination or proper avouchment. (See Art. 60.) Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts may attend Masonic Funerals and appear in public wearing aprons of their respective degree, provided the Lodge has dispensation to appear in public, and they do not participate in any of the ceremonies.

Until we meet again on the level of the path of life.







James Kenyon Clardy

Brothers: As we move forward in this new Masonic year, it has become obvious to me that we will face some financial challenges as a portion of our budget is based on anticipated income. We will be making some small changes in how we handle our finances to meet those challenges. The Endowment check from Grand Lodge was half of last year's check and half of the anticipated amount budgeted. Some Brothers have already stepped up with donations. We will be having fund raisers this year and your participation will be greatly needed if we are to survive.

Yes survive! The lodge is limited on income opportunities.

- 1) Dues and Fees some lodges have raised their dues and fees to prohibitive levels.
- 2) Endowment Return has been on decline for many years.
- 3) Fund Raisers Takes all Brothers participating to make it work.
- 4) Donations. A small donation of \$30.00 by Life & Endowed Brothers covers the Per-Capita return the Lodge has to send. No, you are not required to! The endowment Investment Return to the lodge was supposed to cover that. But as stated, the return is way below the needed amounts.
- 5) Pass-The-Hat donations!
- 6) Attendance While not a financial item, attendance is the life blood of the lodge. Your involvement is what makes us Webb Lodge. Without your involvement we will die!

I hope to see you at the next Lodge meeting!

J. Ken Clardy, Treasurer Treasurer Accounts







FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK:

To My Webb Lodge Brothers,

I wonder what to say each month and upon what topic. As I proceed deeper into Masonry, I am peeling off more layers of that onion.

While most of the secretary's time is spent on paperwork, I do collect all monies owed the lodge. Therefore I see the financial side of the lodge. And having just filed the Annual Report with payment to the GLOT, I wish to report the following: the check from the return of the endowment account is \$3.13 per unit. So for most of the endowed Brothers that would be $5 \times \$3.13 = \15.65 . This means that the lodge receives only \$15.65 to cover the annual cost per Brother of about \$30.00, resulting in a loss of \$14.35 per endowed or life Brother. The check to GLOT is \$1628.50 with the above check of only \$688.60 leading to a loss to be covered by the lodge of \$939.90.

The lodge has only four endowed Brothers who make payments in the amount of the dues or more, but the lodge must carry the remaining endowed and life Brothers.

Yes, the endowed offer maybe years ago stated the dividend check would cover their costs, but what are we to do with the normal expenses not covered by the dividend check? To me this questions how much must the lodge cover our Brothers? When we factor the loss on the endowment payments each year, the new Worshipful Master starts off in the red and spends the rest of the year playing catchup.

My issue is that in my opinion, not enough Brothers truly care to assist – that is a bold, cold statement, but just how much must we be "our Brother's keeper?"

Until next time, My Brothers, SMIB

Actual Birthdays for August: Brothers -

Fred Smith, 08/14/1932; Lewis Land, 08/07/1939; Allen Long, 08/21/1940; Lee Adwell,08/14/1951; Roy Burns, 08/21/1954; Daniel Page, 08/24/1955; Robert Wendell, 08/08/1957; Michael Lowthorp, 08/26/1958; Jeffery Perry, 08/25/1964; Juan Saldana,08/20/1978; and, Jason Howard, 08/01/1989

Masonic Anniversary for August: Brothers -

Roy Burns, 08/30/1988, 32 service years; Kevin Taylor, 08/07/1911, 29 service years; Lee Adwell, 08/14/2001, 19 service years; David Cavitt, 08/28/2006, 13 service years; Christopher Howard, 08/23/2008 12 service years and Michael Zimmerman, 08/03/2009, 11 service years.

Brothers:

with all that is going on in our lives, country, world,
business, health, mental and personal
if you have faith, and if you have faith in God –
then it will all work out for the betterment.
See you next time...

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