

# WEBB LODGE No. 1454 TRESTLE BOARD 7000 Zuefeldt Drive, Arlington, TX 76002 (817) 468-9992 www.lodge1454.com Stated Meeting Third Tuesday each month February 19, 2021







#### FROM THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER:

Notes from the East:

After this month's February stated meeting, there will be only four months remaining in this Blue lodge masonic year. It has quickly slipped by for me. We have had many things going on. Many things that I see which have been beneficial for the lodge financially for today, but also for 'tomorrow' I cannot wait for the 'Smoker' which has been approved by the Webb Fraternal Organization to build on our premises, to be completed and to participate with new fund raising opportunities which the lodge will be involved with.

We have a new Grand Master of Texas Mason's....another 'local' guy. Fort Worth's own... M:.W:. Ken Curry has some really good things he wants to accomplish over the year ahead. Webb Masonic lodge has two members on the Grand Lodge 'team'. PM R:.W:. Mark Myers is a District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic district 64-B. I have also accepted the appointment for the District Communications Officer for Masonic District 64-D. Many of you may have seen a number of my notifications, via the new mobile app 'TX Mason' and in emails, also within Facebook with the 64th District and the 64-D masonic Facebook pages. If you have not signed up for the Grand Lodge mobile app," TX Mason ", you should consider it. It provides much information throughout the State, broken down by territory.

We will be presenting the 'Community Builder Award' in the March stated meeting, again in an 'open' forum prior to the tiled meeting. Please consider coming out to see what we are doing within our community. Bring your family members, friends, and reach out to a brother who may not have been able to attend in a while. We continue to take all the precautions possible for the COVID 19.

I ask that those of you who receive this newsletter, who have not been able to attend the stated or called meetings, or just haven't had the desire to attend, to please reach out me individually and let me know what we, the lodge, can do to gain your presence back in lodge. The fellowship we share is always a good thing, and the plans for things we are trying to accomplish are easier to complete when we have the brothers en masse with us in managing the chore.

Continue to be well. You and your families! I have lost friends, my age with this virus. I struggled one day with it back in December myself and recovered quickly. My blood now shows the antibodies from it and have been advised I am not required to have the vaccination ....until this coming fall, similar to the common flu, annually as recommended.

It is a terrible issue and so many are affected. May brotherly love prevail.

Jon K. Wych jonkw1@sbcglobal.net (817)692-9123 --

Be well, stay healthy





## FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN: From the West:

Rush Limbaugh died this month on the 17<sup>th</sup>. He will be missed by millions, and I am among those who will miss him. I remember the first time I heard him speak on the radio. He was unafraid to speak the truth whether it was politically correct or not. From day one I picked up on his flawless delivery of sarcasm and his ability to excite the thought processes of his listeners.

I remember that part of the connection I felt with Rush was that a lot of the ideas and political beliefs were logically based (which is in my wheelhouse) and not complicated. The educational system that I was a product of as well as mainstream media broadcasts had me thinking that you could not be logical because that would make you a bigot or racist or some other kind of bad person. The idea of self-reliance and accountability are antithetical to the politically correct crowd. I felt like an outsider, but Rush's logic and clear thinking felt like home to me.

Was he liked by all? No, of course not. Some of the hatred people had for Rush was based on half-truths and hearsay. Some people hated him because it was the "in" thing to do. Others hated him because he was persuasive in ways they could never be. However, they could not honestly hate him because of his supposed lies. Quite the contrary, many people hated him because of his exposure of so many media lies and slanted, agenda-driven reporting.

There are thousands if not millions of people who did not like Rush but found the time to listen to him for a while. Many of those people came to realize that what they had heard about Rush was nothing close to the truth. Many of them became fans and supporters.

So, what does Rush have to do with Masonry? Well, nothing specifically, but we can draw some comparisons. Masonry is maligned, and falsely so. People do not really understand the good behind Masonry without becoming involved. The more you invest in Masonry, the more you will get out of it. Some of the half-truths talked about it can cause someone to believe Masonry is a bad thing. Certain people can certainly contribute to this negative impression. But most of us contribute to the good side of Masonry by the way we treat each other and the way we live our lives.

We should all well remember our obligations to God, family, neighbors, and fraternal brothers. Our actions reflect upon us, but they can also appear as a reflection of Masonry. Someone once told me to think of my actions as a major headline. Is it something you would be proud to see or something that you would want to hide? Think before you act and act in a way that puts the needs of others at the forefront of what you do.

Kevin Dean Moss, PM Senior Warden 2020-2021

Regards and may peace and harmony prevail!



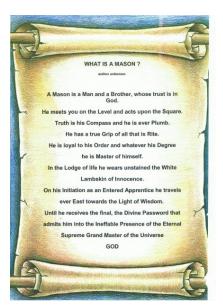


#### FROM THE JUNIOR WARDEN:

The number '3' has many references in Freemasonry. No less than three shall congregate to form a lodge. In all Degrees there are three principal officers: The Master, Senior and Junior Wardens. Three supports: which are Wisdom, Strength and Beauty; for it is necessary that there should be wisdom to contrive, strength to support, and beauty to adorn all great and important undertakings. They further allude to the three principal officers of the Lodge: Master, and Senior and Junior Wardens. The Three greater Lights which are the Holy Writings, Square and Compasses and the three lesser lights which consist of the sun, moon, and, Worshipful Master and are represented by three burning tapers. Three moveable Jewels which are the Rough Ashlar, the Perfect Ashlar and the Trestle board.

Symbolically, they represent the man unmodified by spiritual disciplines, the perfected man and the drafting board for the soul's actions in life, and three immoveable jewels, which are the Square, the Level and the Plumb. These adorn the three principal officers of the lodge. They are interpreted to symbolize truthfulness, equality and rectitude of life. They are also assigned as the 'working tools' of the Fellowcraft degree. The three distinct knocks which signifies that if we want answers, we must seek them with earnestness, diligence, and perseverance. It also implies that we ask for things that are consistent with God's will to give us, such as, those He has promised to give, that are good for us, and that bring honor and glory to Him. Finally, The three ruffians demonstrate that the forces of evil are always at work to influence the unsuspecting and the weak and to recruit them in the battle so that evil can triumph over good and chaos can then rule.

Various internet references were used to write this article.



Brother Joseph Scholari, PM





#### James Kenyon Clardy

We are taught to be patient until our request is made known... OK, my patience is wearing thin on this mask thing. I have one nerve left, be careful!! There is a target in my office named Covid that now has numerous stress reducing perforations (ha, ha). It helps to have some humor as we progress through life in these days!

Brothers, I hope you are well and still sane in mind in dealing with COVID. The Lodge is in much better financial shape than ever thanks to our WM and the WFO. Renting the building with bills paid, setting aside the Per Capa funds for Grand Lodge, donations by some brothers and fund raisers, we should end the year in the black without having to borrow funds to make ends meet and we will be exploring other sources of revenue as time progresses. The ball is starting to roll but we solicit your input in creative finical solutions. This is OUR lodge and to be successful, YOUR attendance and support is needed.

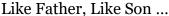
Some wise person once said something to the effect that you could tell what was important to a person by where they spent their time and money!

Hope to see you at Stated on Tuesday, Feb 16, 2021, 7PM (no meal). And don't forget practice Floor Work.

Fraternally,

#### J. Ken Clardy, Treasurer Treasurer Accounts











#### FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK:

My Brothers:

How many of us have taken the time to really think of our membership in the Freemasonry World?

How many of us have thought of our multiple obligations? Do we just learn the words and not the meanings behind those words!

We upon bended knees of our own free will and accord enter into a covenant with our God – we gave our word with our hands upon our Book of Faith agreeing that we will act accordingly to our word!

Yet, how soon we forget – we do not come to lodge, we do not contribute financially to our lodges, we do not on some matters even know what is going on in our lodges. How many of the Webb Lodge Brothers have even been upstairs? How many have set foot at lodge outside any of our monthly stated meetings?

How many Brothers are in arrears and do not care and will not pay dues until I suspend them, then they pay late and expect overnight service?

Any lodge and/or any Brother will support their Brothers, but that road goes two ways – the respect to the Brothers should be returned to the Lodge.

I have had the pleasure of serving as Webb Lodge Secretary since June 24, 2011 and have had a great time, but the fun is over. I announced months ago that I will leaving this office at the 2021 election time. One of the main causes is the lack of support of some of the Webb Brothers. We have 31 endowed Brothers – 27 of whom – do not make any financial contribution for the loss to the lodge. Each endowed Brother costs our lodge about \$15.00 per year! \$15.00 times 27 Brothers is \$405.00 Webb Lodge suffers starting each year.

Webb Lodge has had some very good and different fund raising projects, only to have enough sales to pay for the product. I am very saddened about this.

But there are those who say that is the way Masonry has become – I chose Webb Lodge over other lodges as I thought Webb Lodge was special and above the crowd. Had it not been because of the wisdom of our founding fathers at Webb, Webb would have financially been gone years ago. Somehow I do not feel that was the plan.

I know there have and will be Brothers who will argue with me on my above points, but walk in my shoes for a month and see if you feel the same.

I urge each Brother to be that Brother you were on the three nights each of us took our obligations.

Until next time, My Brothers, SMIB

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#### THE ALPHA ---

Webb Masonic Lodge No. 1454 lost a much honored Brother –

### BROTHER LEWIS A. LAND, C.P.M. SISTER WILMA LONG, WIFE OF BROTHER ALLEN BRUCE LONG

– may Brother Long rest in forever peace and may peace be with his family for ever and ever ...
--- THE OMEGA

#### Actual Birthdays for and January and February 2021: Brothers -

Tommy Joe Baldwin ... 01.26.1968 Mark W. Shearer ... 02.03.1947 Joseph Scholari ... 02.20.1957 Marcus M. Lowthorp ... 02.20.1932 David Rand Keefer ... 02.16.1951 Tommy G. Hancock ... 02.18.1947

#### Masonic Anniversary for January and February 2021: Brothers –

Dan Glenn Sanderson ... 01.15.1968 ... 53.011 Service Years
Jeffery Michael Geyer ... 01.07.1989 ... 26.00 Service Years
Tommy G. Hancock ... 01.22.1997 ... 24.00 Service Years
Lewis Elmore Marchbanks ... 01.19.1978 ... 43.08 Service Years
Jason John Torrick ... 01.17.2005 ... 16.07 Service Years
Michael James Lowthorp ... 01.28.2014 ... 07.04 Service Years
David Rand Keefer ... 01.07.1993 ... 28.11 Service Years

John Robert Lockwood ... 02.15.2014 ... 06.93 Service Years
Charles L. Burns ... 02.21.1987 ... 33.97 Service Years
Kevin Dean Moss ... 02.27.1989 ... 27.74 Service Years
Ronald James Templeton ... 02.05.1993 ... 22.13 Service Years
Donald Richard Jones ... 02.25.1995 ... 24.98 Service Years
Clive Albert Wachter ... 02.17.1998 ... 22.99 Service Years
Dale E. Johnson (Butch) ... 02.03.1966 ... 55.05 Service Years

Masonic Spouses – out of respect for our ladies, no years are listed:

No Sister's listed Birthdays for this month

# 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.

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http://www.webblodge.org/

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