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JEFFERSON LODGE #90 OCTOBER 2011



MASTERS MESSAGE

Greetings Brethren,

On Saturday September 24th, Jefferson Lodge conducted an outdoor raising for Bro. Aubrey Allen at the home of WB Les Wills. I wish to thank WB Wills for the use of his home and all the brothers that were involved. I was unable to attend but was informed that Bro. Allen received an excellent degree. I understand the weather cleared up later in the day and everyone enjoyed the good food and fellowship. I thank our JW Bob Gill for all of his hard work in getting the Craft Team together which was no easy task getting positions filled on a Saturday. Thanks to all involved in making this event a success.

We will meet again on October 24th for the installation of WB Arnold Fugate. WB Fugate is being installed as D.E.O. for District 2 this year. Please join us in support of WB Fugate for receiving this honor @ 7:30 pm at the Middletown Masonic Center. Officers should be in attendance for this meeting since we may be opening and closing. The officers will be notified as to what time they should arrive. WB Duane Wooton has also requested to hold a Past Masters meeting on October 24th which will begin at 6:30 pm.

Novembers' stated meeting will be on Monday Nov. 7th, it will also be the election night for next years' officers'. Dinner will be at 6:30 pm with the meeting beginning at 7:30 pm. Officers will need to get with Bro. Matt Hudson concerning dues for the coming year (please).

On November 14th please join Jefferson Lodge as we will hold an open installation for next years' officers. As this is an open installation, friends and family are welcome. There will be a dinner at 6pm and installation will begin at 7pm. For information concerning this night please contact WB Wooton.

November 21st will be Jefferson Lodges' awards night; again this will be an open event where friends and family are welcome. Jefferson Lodge will honor brothers for achievements that they have attained for this past year. The evening will begin at 6 pm with dinner and awards ceremonies beginning at 7 pm.

Thank you,

WM Richard Duckson

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER 24..... PAST MASTERS MEETING, 6:30 PM
OCTOBER 24..... DISTRICT D.E.O. INSTALLATION, 7:30P PM, MIDDLETOWN
NOVEMBER 7 STATED MEETING, 7:30 PM, DINNER 6:30 PM, ELECTIONS
NOVEMBER 14 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS, DINNER 6:00 PM, INSTALLATION 7:00 PM
NOVEMBER 21 AWARDS NIGHT, DINNER 6:00 PM, AWARDS 7:00 PM

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FREEMASONRY IN THE CIVIL WAR

A rich Masonic strain ran through the Civil War, and a number of cases have been recorded in which Masons on one side of the war extended kindnesses to those on the other.

Hardy Jackson, head of the History Department at Jacksonville State University in Alabama, said stories were plentiful about Southern plantation owners displaying Masonic rings or aprons to marauding Yankee troops, who then obligingly left their plantations unharmed. He pointed out that in the path of Sherman's march to the sea, you can find a number of plantation houses still standing where one would have expected to find only charred ruins.

In Charleston, Lt. George Dixon was commander of the Confederate submarine CSS Hunley. When he boarded that little vessel on Feb. 17, 1864, he carried with him a badge from Mobile Lodge No. 40. The Hunley sank the USS Housatonic that night, becoming the first submarine to sink an enemy vessel. But the Hunley was also sunk, and the lodge badge went to the bottom of Charleston Harbor along with its owner. They would stay there for 136 years. The Hunley was finally lifted off the bottom, in August of the year 2000. Three years later the bones of Lt. Dixon and his crew were buried in a Charleston cemetery. Dixon was buried with Masonic rites, which were provided by the modern-day members of his lodge. To be remembered by acquaintances after a month is good. To be remembered by friends after twenty years is heart-warming. To be remembered by brothers after 136 years is to be a Mason.

Job's Daughters International, Bethel No. 75, Middletown, Ohio

We are proud of our Masonic Heritage and we know that you are too!

Job's Daughters is the ONLY Youth Organization for membership that you must be related to a Master Mason. Because of this fact we need your help to find members. We know that our connection to membership is through each of you. We are planning for our upcoming Official Visit on Saturday, November 12, 2011 in the Blue Room at 2:00 pm. We will be initiating new members that day and hope you can help us find some. This is the first time in a long time that we are able to have such an event in Middletown and our District Bethels will be there to join us. As Master Masons you are invited to join us that day. Eastern Star and Amaranth Members, women over 20 related to a Master Mason and parents and grandparents of any Job's Daughters are also invited to attend the meeting.

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