



CARY LODGE #198, A.F. & A.M.

THE TRESTLEBOARD



September-October 2011

From The West

Brethren,

This weekend we finally got a break from the heat, and received notice that autumn is upon us. Children are returning to school, and vacation season draws to a close.

Fall also traditionally has been a busy time for the lodge. We have our Past Masters Night, Ladies and Awards Night, Fall Barbeque, as well as degree work. Volunteers will be needed to support all of these activities as well as Cary Band Day, which the lodge has assisted with for the last few years. Come join in the fun and fellowship of the barbeque as we raise money for our charities. This year's Spring Barbeque was one of the more successful in recent years, and we'd like to see this fall's effort be even better!

The York Rite, Scottish Rite, and Shrine are all having their Fall Degree Festivals and Ceremonials. For those seeking further light in Masonry, the appendant bodies are the perfect place to advance your knowledge of Freemasonry.

The cookout held for the children at the Oxford home in August was successful and had a good turnout of brethren. It was estimated



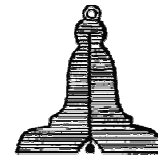
that over 75 children and staff were served, and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Finally, I would also like to mention that as the year draws to a close, so will my ability to serve as editor of *The Trestleboard*. I have been on the job for just over three years now, but it is time for me to step down. If you are interested in keeping this publication going, please see me and I will be happy to hand over all the templates and graphics I have.

We sincerely hope that you have enjoyed the summer and look forward to seeing you soon at the lodge.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

Ludwik Wodka
Senior Warden



Upcoming Degree Work

We will be holding a Second Degree on Monday, September 19th at a Stated Communication at 7:30pm. If you are interesting in participating in the degrees, please contact Brother Bryan Jones. We will also be holding a First Degree, probably in early October. If you are interested in participating, please notify brother Sonny Bjork.



Ladies and Awards Night

This November, Cary Lodge will be holding our annual Ladies and Awards. The date and location are still being finalized. When confirmed, it will be posted on the lodge website. Masonic Bibles will be presented to new brethren who have been raised this year, and service awards will be presented as well. On this night we will also recognize with widows of our late brethren.

New Curio Cabinet

In the entry foyer to the lodge, you will behold the beautiful new curio cabinet that was created for the lodge by Matt Ward (son of PM Watts Ward). The plan is to display various historical artifacts of the lodge. Also notice that the carpet in the foyer has been replaced with tile.



Past Masters Night

This year the lodge will recognize the contributions and service of our Past Masters on Monday, October 3rd. Dinner will be steak. Past Masters of the lodge are cordially invited for the occasion, and all members are encouraged to attend and honor our PMs. Visitors are welcome.

Fall Barbeque

The Fall Barbeque is not far off, brethren. We will be holding it on Friday, November 4th. A meeting will be held for the Barbeque Committee very soon to organize and coordinate our efforts. We will need lots of help in order to make this event a success. For those of you have helped in the past, you already know that it is a satisfying day of fun and fellowship (and some work) that helps the lodge raise money for our Masonic charities. If you are interested in helping, please contact SW Ludwik Wodka.

Grand Lodge

The Grand Lodge will hold its annual communication on September 23rd and 24th in Winston-Salem at the Marriott downtown. This year, there are several amendments to the Code proposed, most of them pertaining to Masonic burial and memorial services. The idea is to make the ceremony less constrictive and more amenable to the wishes of the family of the deceased. In addition to this, a proposal will be introduced once again to allow alcohol to be served for non-Masonic functions. No alcohol would be permitted in the lodge room itself, and a Mason must be present to oversee the event. If you plan on attending, please notify Secretary WB Derek Love to submit credentials.

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4	5 Stated Comm. Dinner- 6:30pm	6	7	8 Scottish Rite	9	10
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18	19 Stated Comm. Dinner- 6:30pm Second Degree	20	21	22	23 GRAND LODGE	24 GRAND LODGE
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