



Trestle Board

UPON THE SQUARE

Daniel Lee Venters, WM

Brethren, since we last met, I have been through a whirlwind, a tornado, and a full blown hurricane. I found out my father was ill and in the hospital for tests the night before our October stated meeting, but he seemed to be stable and nothing too serious. On the 9th I called to check on him, just when they came into his room to tell my family they were moving him to the Intensive Care Unit because his heart was beating too fast and irregular, so my wife and I went to the airport and caught a flight to be with my dad. Long story short, my dad lost his fight and is now resting comfortably in heaven, but it was definitely the hardest day ever for myself and my family.

Now it is time to move forward with happier thoughts and discuss what we have going on for November's Stated Communication. This is the month for

step-up night and we would definitely be grateful for support from all the Brethren. Brother Bob Ammerman will be providing the meal, which will be served at 6 pm with the meeting starting at 7 pm on November 4th. There will be work and practice on every Monday of November starting at 6:30 pm, and this will be a good time for practice in the Lodge's chairs plus refreshing ourselves on the rituals. If anyone needs a ride to and from any of our meetings, please call me at 775-842-5876 and I would be glad to provide transportation.

Also, on November 1st, we will have a social gathering at the Denny's on Nugget Ave. at 5 pm, where we intend to honor our Brethren who have laid down their working tools by giving Widow's Pins to their spouses. Everyone is welcome to attend and for the price of buy-

ing your dinner we all can share time with our Brothers and their families for the evening.



WINDOWS NIGHT

It has been a long time since last we had a Widows night. A night were we rekindle those memories of our departed Brethren by honoring their Widows.

The Widows and their immediate family members whose husbands were members of Benjamin Franklin Lodge will have their dinner paid for. This function is open to all Masons and their family, however they will be responsible for their own dinner check.

Any Widows of Benjamin Franklin Lodge #45 that have not received their pin will have it presented to them at dinner that evening. The intent is make sure that the wives of Masons have contact with the members of Benjamin Franklin Lodge #45 and know that they can call us if the need arises.

Please contact Brad T. McKeachnie so we can have a head count for Denny's.

Phone: (775) 335-5656

Email: glenranald@gmail.com

Date/Time:

November 1st at 5:00 PM

Location:

Denny's Restaurant

205 Nugget Avenue, Sparks, NV

ON THE LEVEL

Robert L. Ammerman, SW

Our thoughts and prayers go out to W.M. Dan Venters and his family for the passing of his father. "And God's finger touched him and he slept."

We're hoping the Widow's dinner went well. Yet another success by W.M. Dan for fulfilling this long overdue commitment. The Widow's Dinner and the Golf Tournament mark just two of the great things W.M. Dan accomplished this year, what a great leap forward for our Lodge under W.M. Dan's leadership.

Step up night is upon us! We have only one more chance to practice on November 2nd with the new line; assuming we have one! The unexpected departure of J.W. Ron Daniels has left a hole in the line. My hope is that we can put together a line that will endure in a normal manner for a few years so that we can plan a bit. I am uncomfortable with being a

presumptive successor to the East, but the last minute voting followed by an Installation of Officers all in December means planning for the Installation has to be done early. To that end the date of the Installation will be on December 7th, with Dinner at 6pm and the Ceremony to begin at 7pm.

If you haven't been to Lodge in awhile we would encourage you to come see and help us grow. If you're having health issues please let us know as we'd like to keep you in our thoughts and prayers. And if you need transportation to and from the meeting just call me at 775-626-7175 and let me know; I'd be happy to give you a lift.

Stated Dinner will be lasagna, salad, bread and pie after the meeting.



History

Instituted September 19, 1961
Constituted December 9, 1961

Time and Place

First Wednesday at 7:00 P.M.
Kerak Shrine Center
4935 Energy Way, Reno, Nevada

November Calendar

- Sun, 1st 5:00 PM Widows Night
Denny's Restaurant
205 Nugget Avenue, Sparks, NV
- Mon, 2nd 6:30 PM Work and Instruction
- Wed, 4th 6:00 PM Stated Dinner
7:00 PM Stated Meeting : Officer Step Up
- Sun, 8th Grand Lodge 151st Annual Communication
- Mon, 9th Grand Lodge 151st Annual Communication
- Tue, 10th Grand Lodge 151st Annual Communication
- Mon, 16th 6:30 PM Work and Instruction
- Mon, 23rd 6:30 PM Work and Instruction
- Mon, 30th 6:30 PM Work and Instruction

December Calendar

- Wed, 2nd 6:00 PM Stated Dinner
7:00 PM Stated Meeting : Elections
- Fri, 4th 7:00 PM Past Masters Degree
Amity Lodge #4
- Mon, 7th 6:30 PM Installation of 2016 Officers
- Mon, 14th 6:30 PM Work and Instruction

January Calendar

- Wed, 6th 6:00 PM Stated Dinner
7:00 PM Stated Meeting

Officers

- Worshipful Master** Daniel Lee Venters (Pam)
(775) 842-5876
- Senior Warden** Robert L. Ammerman (Sandy)
(775) 626-7175
- Junior Warden** Ron Daniels (Sophie)
(208) 272-1449
- Treasurer** Jack Haddock, PM (Linda)
(775) 223-1141
- Secretary** Stephen V. Robison, PM (Jerri)
(775) 233-3349
- Senior Deacon** Ron S. Ellis (Frances)
(775) 853-2850
- Junior Deacon** Brad T. McKeachnie, PM (Debbie)
(775) 335-5656
- Chaplain** Robert C. Yturiaga, PM (Valerie)
(775) 848-1295
- Deputy Grand Lecturer/
Tyler** John W. Freeman, PM (Cynthia)
(775) 527-1926

- Trustees**
John W. Freeman, PM (1yr)
Robert C. Yturiaga, PM (2yr)
Ron S. Ellis, PM (3yr)

- Rainbow Board**
S. Barton Jacka, PM
Daniel Lee Venters, WM

- Sickness & Distress**
Robert L. Ammerman, JW

- Trestle Board/Webmaster**
John W. Freeman, PM