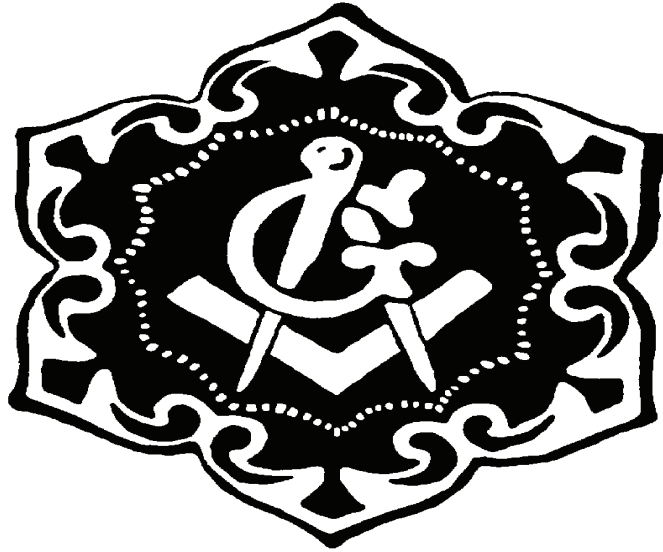


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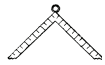
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MARSHALL LODGE No. 39 A.F. & A.M.
STATED COMMUNICATION THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH 7:30 PM

MARCH 2011

NUMBER 322



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Dear Brethren,

It is hard to believe that it is already March. February certainly went by as quickly as it came, but March should prove to be a great month. I hope everyone is as excited about spring as I am. Due to the nature of my job, spring usually means long nights at the office, but please do not hesitate to get in touch with me if you have any concerns or ideas for Marshall Lodge.

Our February Stated Meeting was a success with the District Deputy Grand Master's official visit. I do apologize for not being there, but I did not want to risk spreading the bug that had me down. Special thanks go out to Worshipful Matt Gibson for filling in for me. From what I heard, it was a great meeting and a great crowd as well. I would like to thank everyone who attended and showed their support for RW Ed.

We have a few events in March for which we will need a lot of participation. Remember, you will only get out of Masonry what you put in. First, we are having a Brunswick stew on Saturday March 19. We will need assistance on Friday the 18th with prep work and then on Saturday for stirring, serving and cleaning. Please see Reid Vass for more information. This time we will not be making quite as much stew as before, but we will still have plenty. Be sure to tell everyone to come out and enjoy some great stew and great fellowship!

The next event is the Blood Drive on March 23rd from 12:00-6:00. The Red Cross is very low on blood supply, and it will be very helpful if we can bring out a large crowd to help out the cause. Brother Larry Burruss will have a sign-up sheet at the March stated meeting, so be sure to book your time.

The third event for this month is the Campbell Area Ritual School. The school will be held from March 21-24, and will be a great opportunity to watch the area districts perform all of the degrees of Freemasonry. The 25th District will be performing the second part of the Master Mason's Degree. Please come out and support the brethren of other districts as well as ours. A lot can be learned during these four days, and the fellowship is wonderful. Each night will begin at 7:00, and there is a cookout on Thursday before the degree begins.

I am in the process of looking for willing and able coaches for our new Masons.

Our number of coaches seems to be lower than previous years, and we need a few more. If you have coached in the past and would like to continue, or if you would like to start coaching, please let me know as soon as possible. The sooner we can get the new Masons through the pipeline, the sooner they will be able to contribute to our Lodge.

I look forward to seeing everyone at lodge for the stated meeting as well as during our events this month. Please don't ever hesitate to let me know if you have any questions or if there is something I can do to help you or the Lodge.

S&F,

David R. Bennett

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Right Worshipful Robert Edward Fielding District Deputy Grand Master for the 25th Masonic District delivering his speech based on the theme “MAKE A DIFFERENCE”.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1	Julian Leo Cawthorne	23	Sherwood Wayne Ferrell
2	Ronald William Brown	23	Richard Clarkson Harvey Jr
5	Henry Marvin Crank Jr	24	John Lee Bullock
5	Charles Henry Richards Jr	24	Clifton Franklin Hawkins
10	Richard Lenz	24	Ronald Lynn Saunders
11	Thomas Lincoln White Sr	25	Charles Lyle Seals
12	Edward Franklin Coleman	25	James Gordon Switzer
12	Brock Lee Whitley	26	Brian Keith Childress
14	Willie Thomas Hadden Jr	27	Wilbur George Heinemeyer
18	George William Pierce	28	Michael Lynn Thomas
21	Louis Roland Lambert	30	Robert Gavin McAndrew III
22	Harry Richard Livey	31	Claude Gorman Carroll

MASONIC ANNIVERSARIES

Joshua Stancil Kramer	1	Glenn Edward Miller	29
Harry Richard Livey	1	Daniel Franklin Cash	31
Robert Lee Sarver	4	Joel Allen Dawson	32
David Paul Edinger	4	Clyde David McReynolds	33
Daniel David Morrell	4	Charles Glass	39
James Noble Carter III	4	Robert Muir Sussdorff	40
Mark Lee Mackizer	7	Lawrence Vaughan Bryant	40
Joseph Mansfield Jennings	11	Watkins Thornton Fisher	50
Dennis Robert Bradshaw	11	Carlton Eugene Walker	51
Maurice Jefferson Millner	11	Robert Wesley Elium	51
Anthony Clinton Miller	14	Zane Wesley Owen	51
John Ernest Wingfield	16	William Harry Holland	54
Richard Lenz	20	William Thomas Hawkins	59
Mark Kevin Lloyd	26	Ralph James Hewlett Jr	63
Chesley Franklin McPhatter Jr	28	Henry Boggs Wright Sr	64

Character

Conscience cannot be passed from father to son, or mother to daughter. To have a living conscience we must possess it ourselves and keep it alive and alert in the current stream of the society of our time. We seek to possess it ourselves but it is constantly challenged. All ideals are possessions which belong only to those who win them.

The problems today are not those that can be settled by a president, an election or the passing of laws. The whole universe of man is going through a revolutionary change, and we are riding the tide to where, - we do not know.

A new order is beginning and there are new surroundings almost daily. A whole universe is cracking up and fading away and a new one is coming into being.

Much of our present age has been built on the quicksands of material things. We have shown an unreasonable reverence for our great wealth, - imposing buildings, - great industry, - and our transportation network. Yet with all these, our civilization is crumbling. Should we continue building our lives on such a foundation? Perhaps we should have a new basis on which to build this new civilization that is beginning.

These new supports are incapable of being weighed or measured. They are things that slip through your fingers, or the air that brushes close but you never see it. They are invisible things of life; the things mother taught from the time we knelt at her knee - honesty, integrity, truth, beauty, freedom, goodness, love of GOD, love of home and country. These things are free to everyone who accepts them. They are the anchors to which we must tie if we are to live beautiful and righteous lives.

The point is that an individual may be highly skilled in engineering or any other activity, but unless they have that essential ingredient of character, they cannot go anywhere for long. Character is a personal thing that no one can take from you.

Valuable as science has been it has not given us a formula for the evaluation of the human being. The quality of men cannot be measured by mathematics, we have learned that in selecting an employee, they must rely on three factors, - ability, - personality and character.

Personality is the light by which ability makes its way. Lacking personality a man of ability may remain obscure, unsought and untried.

Ability and personality may open the door, but it is character that keeps it open. Character, a priceless possession, is not built on the strength of a slow, steady growth. You must have character to endure and ability and personality to achieve. Character exists only in the estimation of others, must be constantly guarded and not allowed to waste itself in thoughtlessness or selfishness or greed.

Courage, sacrifice, peace of mind, love, truth, love of home and family, love of country and love of GOD, all glow with a new light in the midst of crisis. Faith gallantly rides the whirlwind. The finest things of life are invisible and immortal; they will survive. It is odd that the invisible things of GOD seem so very far away, when in reality we have only to reach out and take HIM by the hand.

“What does it profit a man to gain the whole world and lose his spiritual sense?”

From *Blair's Bits of Booklore, Volume II*

To all Brothers a request has been made to from the website administrator. All Brothers are requested to update their email address if they have not been receiving emails from me. I am getting about a dozen returned every time I do a mailing now because email addresses have changed. They can go to the website and click the "UPDATE INFORMATION" tab and fill it out, and click send. Or they can email me at reid.marshallodge.com

MASONIC CALENDAR FOR MARCH

Blue Lodges

3 Staunton River #155	8 Reedy Spring Lodge #203
1 Marshall Lodge #39	17 Mackey Lodge #69
2 Mentow Lodge #180	21 Campbell Lodge #316
10 E.N. Eubank Lodge #262	15 Hill City Lodge #183
14 Evington Newman Lodge #333	16 Traylor Lodge #348

Scottish Rite

11 Lynchburg Scottish Rite
28 Knights of St. Andrew

York Rite

8 Chapter and Commandry
6:30pm

Shrine

7 Lynchburg Shrine Club
2 Shrine Clown Unit
9 & 23 Oriental Band

CHAPLAIN OF VISITATIONS

If you know of any brother who is sick or in the hospital, please contact Brother Jimmie Rucker Martin at (434)239-8880 or Brother James Tolley at (434-316-4022).

Donald Wingfield
Earl Burnette
James Collins
B.J. Knight
Watkins T. Fisher
Calvin Heptinstall
Mike Burnette
Phillip E. Wright
Francis Marion Alcorn

Daniel Schmucker
Frank Leonard
Littleberry t. Hicks
James Switzer
George McCormick
Phillip E. Wright
Frank McPhatter Jr.
Leo Cawthorne

Blackberry Wine Cake

1 box white cake mix with pudding
1 3oz. Box blackberry Jello
4 eggs

1 cup oil
1 cup blackberry wine

Combine all ingredients in a large mixing bowl. Blend at low speed until all ingredients are moistened. Mix at high speed for two minutes. Pour batter into a greased and lightly floured bundt pan. Preheat oven to 325° and bake 45 - 50 minutes or until done. Cool and glaze.

Glaze

1 1/2 cups 10x Sugar

1/4 cup blackberry wine