

Freedom Lodge 118 P.O. Box 293 Lovettsville, VA 20180



Freedom Lodge #118 **Ancient Free and Accepted Masons** July 2013 Trestleboard

To Set the Craft to Work and give them Proper Instructions for their Labor . Tom Brierton, Worshipful Master

Brethren.

The Master is away on business opening and closing the lodge.. and has delegated his Junior We WILL have a good time. Warden to prepare this month's Trestleboard. I'll try to mini- Don't forget, mize any Utah Ritual that might Business Casual clothing. creep in to my comments. Worshipful Master Tom has also per- Loyd Davis, Junior Warden mitted me to conduct our meeting this Friday, July 5. Be sure



Worshipful Master Senior Warden Junior Warden Treasurer Secretary Senior Deacon Junior Deacon Chaplain Tiler Senior Steward Junior Steward

2013 Lodge Officers

to come to lodge to keep me

from making egregious errors in

summer

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Correct in the West A monthly column by Harris McGarrah, PDDGM, Senior Warden

Trestleboard vs. Tracing-Board

When asked to write monthly articles for our Trestleboard I began to wonder why some jurisdictions, particularly those in Europe, use the term Tracing-Board and we use Trestleboard. In doing research on the two terms I found that many Masonic sources consider them interchangeable. However, according to the Masonic Services Association of North America's (MSANA) Short Talk Bulletin-July 1932, "Trestle" comes from an old Scotch word, "trest," meaning a supporting framework." Mackey's Encyclopedia article on the subject explains that "the Trestle-Board is the board placed for convenience of drawing on that frame. It contains nothing but a few diagrams, usually geometrical figures. The Tracing-Board is a picture formerly drawn on the floor of the Lodge, whence it was called The Floor-Cloth or Carpet." Today the "Floor-Cloth or Carpet" is usually hung on the walls of a Lodge and contain the symbols of the Degrees. Next time you visit Ashburn-Sterling Lodge, notice their Tracing-Boards hung in the East. You may have also seen slide shows depicting the Masonic symbols mentioned during the lectures for the degrees. These slide shows are the modern equivalent of Tracing-Boards and are intended to help the candidate learn about and better understand the symbols discussed in the lecture. And while Masonic scholars don 't necessarily agree on the meaning of the two terms, it appears to me the Tracing-Board is a tool for teaching, using Masonic symbols while the Trestleboard contains the plans of the Master which give the Craft proper instruction for their labors. We call our monthly notice sent out by the Worshipful Master a Trestleboard because in it he "draws out" the plans for the coming month, advising the members of the upcoming work for the Lodge.

For more information on Trestleboards and Tracing-Boards visit the following web sites.

http://www.masonic-lodge-of-education.com/trestle-board.html

July Masonic Ritual Instruction Freedom Lodge School of Instruction — July 11th @ 7 pm No District 2 School in Summer — Resumes in September



King Solomon's Temple



The 47th Problem of Euclid

Right in the South A monthly column by Loyd Evan Davis, PGM, Junior Warden

Greetings Brethren

Our Summer Sunday Brunch was a success. Thirteen of us gathered at 1:30 PM on Sunday, June 30 for fun, food, and frivolity. Conversation flowed, food was plentiful, and the stories were excellent! These gatherings are good opportunity to get together outside of the lodge setting; no ritual, no pressure, just a fun time for all. We get to know each other better, we include our families, and we be come more rounded as Masons, and more bonded as Masonic families.

A little Masonic Education: When we open a lodge, we inform the tiler that we are opening a lodge on a particular degree in Masonry and direct him to tile accordingly. What is he supposed to do??

> At this point, he is to see that the lodge is not disturbed during our opening ceremonies. If any Brethren approach the door, he is to inform them of the degree on which the lodge is opening, see that they properly clothe themselves, and determine that he can vouch for them. Then when the he is informed that the lodge is opened, he can inform the Junior Deacon that there are Brethren avouched for waiting to enter the lodge.

Please join me on Friday, July 5 as I sit in the East for my first time as Worshipful Master for a Stated Meeting. It should be an interesting evening.



JULY 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday \	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Olive Branch 114 Meal 7 pm Stated 8 pm	2	3	A noesenoence	5 Freedom 118 Meal 7 pm Stated 8 pm	6
7		9 Ashburn Sterling 288 Meal 630 Stated 730	10	11 Freedom 118 Ritual School 7 pm	12	13
14	15	Country Link	17 Freedom 118 Meetup Lovettsville Pizza 7 pm	18 Hamilton Thompson 37 Meal 630 Stated 730	19	20
21	22 Potomac Royal Arch 88 Stated 730pm	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Freedom Lodge Events

July 5th — Stated

July 11th — Ritual School

July 17th — Meetup

District 2 Events

July 1st — Olive Branch 114 Stated *Leesburg*

July 9th — Ashburn Sterling Stated Ashburn

July 18th — Hamilton Thompson 37 Stated *Purcellville*

July 22nd — Potomac Royal Arch *Ashburn*