



Wadsworth Lodge # 25

Trestle-Board

January 2007

Important Notice # 1

My Brothers, as you can see, the Trestle-Board has been totally redesigned and this is but only the beginning of many changes planned for Wadsworth Lodge this year. For the most up to date information, come and be active in Lodge or log onto our new web site. Yes my Brothers, Wadsworth Lodge now has a web site at:

www.wadsworthlodge.com

My Brothers, Wadsworth Lodge is also planning to start a program to send the Trestle-Board by E-Mail as a cost savings to the Lodge. If you would like to receive the new full color E-Mail Trestle-Board, please log on and provide your correct E-Mail address.

Up Coming Events



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| Jan. 5 | Stated Meeting. Lodge will open on the First Degree.
We will discuss the Lodge program for the coming year. |
| Jan. 9 | Building Trustee's Annual Meeting |
| Jan. 13 | Sparks Rainbow Girls Installation of Officers. |
| Jan. 19 | At 7:30 pm; Wadsworth Lodge Officers practice. |
| Feb. 2 | Stated Meeting. Lodge will open on the First Degree. |
| Feb. 13 | Building Trustee's Meeting |
| Feb. 14 | Wadsworth Lodge's spring visit to Sparks Assembly Rainbow. |
| Feb. 16 | At 7:00 pm; general meeting and set up for Table Lodge. |
| Feb. 17 | George Washington's Birthday Observance.
Starting at 9:00 am; finish set up for Table Lodge.
Table Lodge opens at high noon. Tickets are \$20 per person. |

Important Message # 2

My Brothers, as you know, Table Lodge is February 17. This is our official observance for George Washington's Birthday and Wadsworth Lodge's major money maker of the year. To keep our yearly budget under control, the Lodge is in need of your support. Please plan to attend and please bring a prize for the raffle. Table Lodge is open to all Masons, so bring your friends. Every year we have good food, good friendship and a lot of fun. Don't miss it !



Hello and Happy Holidays from the East.

I want to say "Thank You" to all the Brethren for their support by electing me to this position. I can only hope that I will be able to live up to the honor that has been bestowed upon me, as Worshipful Master of Wadsworth Lodge # 25. I also want to thank all my friends, the Brothers and their ladies that were so helpful in putting on the Wadsworth Lodge installation of officers for 2007.

As Master of this Lodge, I believe that it is only fitting that I should provide some insight on my views and ideas for the coming year. I have a number of ideas that range from changes in our meetings to Lodge sponsored activities. Most of these ideas have come from other Brethren, other Lodges or Masonic "how to" books. Some of these ideas will naturally die for lack of interest and others will be modified several times, but we can no longer afford to do "business as usual," and we can no longer be the best kept secret in town. We must move forward with new ideas and activities that will draw the interest of new members.

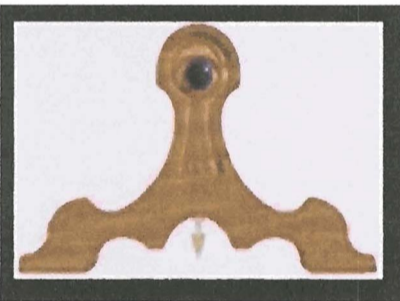
After being involved with several other Masonic groups over a number of years, I believe that Wadsworth is the best Lodge in town. We have an outstanding building and strong membership, but we must also remember that the lessons taught in our degrees are not only Masonic history but a road map to our future. "Operative Masons" changed to become "Speculative Masons" to preserve the craft, and how we respond to problems today will be the legacy of our membership tomorrow. No organization can afford to just sit back and wait. Regardless of what we may think, time marches on and change will happen with or without our consent. Therefore, we must shake off the veil of apathy and strive to make our Lodge even stronger than it already is. We must take control of our future and allow for the open exchange of new ideas and the positive change that will come from those ideas.

My Brothers, I do not know all the answers; I don't even know all the questions, but I do know that this Lodge can move mountains when we work together. It is for this reason that I encourage all members to come forward with new ideas and a "can do" attitude.

Richard Meacham
Worshipful Master



From the West



Brethren, as we start this new year we have many events to think about: the raising of new brothers, the terrific meals we will be having at the Lodge, and Table Lodge to mention just a few. Table Lodge will be fast upon us and it is critical that we come together as a team. We are in need of raffle items and any help anybody is willing to provide. This will be a very exciting year and I am looking forward to the leadership of our new master.

Dana Nollsch
Senior Warden





From the South



Since January marks the beginning of a new year it is good to document a “new beginning” by implementing a somewhat eclectic approach to the application of the culinary arts for the “stated meeting” meals. This month I hope to have the exceptional assistance of the Worshipful Master, and a select group of highly trained assistant chefs in the preparation and service of the “wild Life” spaghetti which will be prepared using an exotic sauce to include venison and other secret ingredients. A salad and some garlic bread will round out the fare. It is hoped that the results will be interesting, unique and palatable.

Howard Rigdon
Junior Warden



Wadsworth Lodge is a proud sponsor of Sparks Assembly Order of the Rainbow for Girl

From our Rainbow Girls

Deck the Halls and Welcome All!

This, if you didn't know, is the official White House Christmas theme. Why, you might ask, are we sharing this with you then? Well, I guess you could say that it applies to our assembly as well this Christmas season. This time of year we've been very busy spreading Christmas spirit and doing some service while we're at it. Just last week, on the 16th, we headed out to carol for canned foods. My, was that a cold day! Let me tell you. But for all our freezing we were able to collect a whole suburban full of food that could be used to help those less fortunate this holiday season. And while we were at it, we got to have plenty of fun and spread some Christmas cheer by singing loud for all to hear. Now, whether or not all wanted to hear it is a different story; let's just say we all took band for a reason. Well, I guess that's all for now. Have a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, and all that jazz. Hope to see everyone in 2007!





January Birthdays

Brother Frank Beaty
Brother Donald Burrus
Brother Donald Goodrich
Brother Buddy Haney
Brother Rodney Henderson
Brother James Shirkey, Jr
Brother Mark Smith

Brother Roger Jacobs
Brother Jonathan Morrow
Brother Dana Nollsch
Brother Carson Penner
Brother Jasonlee Hohman



Q: How many masons does it take to change a light bulb?

A: "20" -- as follows;

- 2 to complain that the light doesn't work
- 1 to pass the problem to another committee or the Master of the Lodge
- 3 to do a study on light in the Lodge
- 2 to check out the types of lights the Knights of Columbus use
- 3 to argue about it
- 5 to plan a fund-raising dinner to raise money for the bulb
- 2 to complain that it's not the way we did it before
- 1 to borrow a ladder, donate the bulb and install it
- 1 to order the brass memorial plate and have it inscribed



The Secretary Request

Please send in your yearly dues as soon as possible, so that we can avoid the cost of a second mailing.



Editors notes

This Trestle-Board and the new Lodge Web Site are a work in progress and changes should be expected.
Constructive criticism is always welcome.

Please take note that this Trestle-Board will be posted on a public access Web Site. Therefore, for member's safety, home phone numbers, home address and birth dates will no longer be listed in the Trestle-Board. Officers can be contacted by E-Mail through our new Web Site.