

Noah Lodge No. 357

Trestle Board

JULY 2022



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**DISTRICT DEPUTY 1st VISITED at our JULY 11th STATED
COMMUNICATION**

Message from the East

Brethren,

It has been a pleasure serving you as WM for half the year again. Hard to believe we are 6 months into our Masonic year. Quite a bit is changing we are pursuing plans and quotes to remedy our roof leaks again but trying to get a more permanent approach with an actual roofer and current EA brother. We have done some “back of building cleaning” and have plans to spruce up the front pending roof fix. So far, we have made a new brother this year and within the coming month or so should have a new MM also. The growth although not exponential is great, attendance to meetings is still on the low side and we would love to see some of you and get help doing degrees or just with your wisdom for ideas and endeavors we are looking into. We have been challenged to a chili cook-off and are looking into doing a corn hole tourney for Lodges and public. If you know someone who is interested in masonry bring them by to enjoy a meal or send them our way and let them enjoy some food and fellowship. Next year will be a good year but like most years we could use some help in the seats as we regrow. Currently there isn't anyone going to the JW chair, but I have no fear that we can fill it. Another year like this half and we can be back to normal strength. Although most at this point are on cruise control looking forward to the end of their term, I am not, I grow more excited each meeting and practice about what is to come for NOAH and the great things we can do.

Nothing in life that's cheap or free is worth it, if it's free you'll have to fix it or it will cost to use it, if it's cheap it won't last long enough to enjoy it. The same can be said for everything in life and lodge is included, your time is just as valuable to your lodge as your money though. So, whether your pockets can help, your back, your brain, or your personality it is all welcome and appreciated.

The only way Masonry survives and thrives is YOU!!

Fraternally,

WM Michael O. Gardner

MASONIC TRIVIA

The difference between Free and Accepted and Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

Background:

England had 2 Grand Lodges from 1751 until 1813. The difference between Ancient Free and Accepted and Free and Accepted Masons goes back to a disagreement between the 2 London Grand Lodges.

The two groups were known as the "Moderns" and the "Antients". The "Antients" became the "Ancients" in Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

The two resolved their differences in 1813. At that time there were lodges in the United States that had descended from both groups. Each group kept their corresponding initials (F&AM or AF&AM).

Differences

At the time of the split the difference as defined by the "Antients" were:

1. Transposing the modes of recognition in the First and Second Degrees
2. Omitting prayers
3. De-Christianizing the ritual, which the "Antients" pointed to the "Anderson Constitution of 1733" as proof.
4. Ignoring the Saints' Days, the "Moderns" were being pointed as holding their festivals on days that were not the days of St. John.
5. Omitting to prepare candidates in the customary manner.
6. Abbreviating the ritual work.
7. Neglecting the lectures and the catechism that were attached to each degree.
8. Ceasing to recite the Ancient Charges at initiations of new Brothers.
9. Introducing extreme plainness and simplicity of style into the ceremonies.
10. Removing the sword in the initiation ceremony with the exception of the Tyler wore a sword.
11. Allowing a more esoteric ceremony at the installation of a Master to stop being used in the degree work.
12. Departing from the ancient method of arranging the lodge,
13. Ignoring the Deacon.

Today:

I was not able to find any specifics as to what the current differences are, other than there are slight differences in ritual wording and Grand Lodge By-Laws and procedures.

Today in the United States:

AF and the AM States

AF and AM – Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. These twenty-four AF & AM states comprise CO, CT, DE, ID, IL, IA, KS, ME, MD, MA, MN, MO, MT, NE, NM, NC, ND, OK, OR, SD, TX, VA, WV, WY.

F and the AM States

F and AM – Free and Accepted Masons. These twenty-five F and AM states contain AL, AK, AR, AZ, CA, FL, GA, HI, IN, KY, LA, MI, MS, NH, NJ, NV, NY, OH, PA, RI, TN, UT, VT, WA, WI.

AFM State

There is one Ancient Free Masons' state: SC

FAAM District

FAAM – Free and Accepted Masons

The District of Columbia acceptably is F.A.A.M

Submitted by WB Walt Lukitsch, Noah Lodge #357

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MONDAY, JULY 11TH :

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER 1st VISITED AT OUR STATED COMMUNICATION

Standard Schedule:

1 st Monday	Officer/Degree Practice	7:00 pm
2 ^d Monday	Stated Communication/Dinner	6:30 pm Dinner / 7:30 pm Meeting
3 rd Monday	Officer/Degree Practice	7:00 pm
4 th Monday	Stated Communication/Dinner	6:30 pm Dinner / 7:30 pm Meeting

RW DDGM Mark Stewart Visit - July 11, 2022



WM Gardner Strutting His Paul Bunyon Act



CLEANUP DAY! Noah Lodge and Cape Coral Lodge Workin' together - AGAIN.



WB (Sec'y) Joe Krieger's Birthday was celebrated In July! If you know Br. Krieger well, you know how much he "appreciated" the attention.



L to R, WB Timberlake, WB Robert Morrow III, WB (and Sec'y for 30+ yrs) Jerry Keeton All are missed by their Brethren.

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More Masonic Trivia:

In China, about 300 B.C., Mencius wrote "A Master Mason, in teaching his apprentices, makes use of the compasses and the square. Ye who are engaged in the pursuit of Wisdom, must also make use of the compasses and the square." Additionally, in a book called Great Learning, 500 B.C., we find that "A man should abstain from doing unto others what he would not they should do unto him; and this is called the principle of acting on the square."

Noah Lodge

Past Masters

1966 Earl C. Lewis *
1967 Robert Thompson *
1968 Gordon Mason *
1969 Louis Foss *
1970 David Grant *
1971 Charles Nelson *
1972 Walter Stillwell *
1973 John R Lee
1974 James T Linton
1975 Bruce Cowart *
1976 Horace Welch
1977 Gerald Keeton *
1978 Alex Sibbald
1979 Robert Morrow *
1980 Fred Henninger *
1981 Upton S Higginbotham
1982 Charles J Christman
1983 Milton A Bayliss Jr. *
1984 Howard L Ekiss *
1985 O. Jay Hilderbrandt *
1986 Charles R Lawson *
1987 John A Dean
1988 John R Grabowski *
1989 O. Jay Hilderbrandt *
1990 Richard Bashaw *
1991 Norris W. Clark Jr.
1992 Stephen G Sibbald
1993 Alex Sibbald
1994 Dr. Mark C Means
1995 Floyd D Waddell *

1996 Dr. Rick A Means
1997 Larry G Hayes
1998 John A Dean
1999 Dana P McGrath
2000 Thomas Reedy *
2001 Lawrence Tomlinson
2002 Brian Harkins
2003 Mike Morrow *
2004 Jerry Timberlake *
2005 Robert Gilliland *
2006 David Dellinger
2007 Christopher Kelly
2008 Lawrence Tomlinson
2009 Thomas Reedy *
2010 Dr Rick A Means
2011 Larry Newton *
2012 Lawrence Tomlinson
2013 James Hamilton
2014 Rhett Tillman
2015 Michael W Gardner
2016 Robert Sabo
2017 Edward Ciofani
2018 Jeffery Tumbarello
2019 Michael O. Gardner
2020 Joseph Krieger
2021 Chris Pare'
2022 Michael O. Gardner

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