



Table Rock Lodge #680 September 2023

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Lodges in the 43 District
Meeting Nights
Billing's 2nd Tues. 7:00 P.M.
Branson 1st & 3rd Mon. 7:00 P.M.
Forsyth 2nd Thur. 7:00 P.M.
Friend 1st Tue. 7:30 P.M.
Sparta Friday before the full Moon
at 7:30 P.M.

Installed Officers of Table Rock Lodge #680 2023-2024

W.B. Ross Anderson	W.M.
W.B. Harry Mackey	S.W.
Bro. Bill Bainter	J.W.
R.W.B. Barry Jenkins	Tres.
Bro. Ray Province	Sec.
W.B. Glen Rosenberg	Chaplain
W.B. Ed Verrill	Mar.
Bro. Paul Luce	S.D.
Bro. Ryan Guth	J.D.
Bro. Jason Ayers	S.S.
Bro. Jim Adams	J.S.
Bro. Arnie Jacobsen	Tiler

From the Worshipful Master

Brethren of TRL 680,

A hearty welcome to everyone. The officers for 2023-24 were installed August 26 with all chairs filled. I am looking forward to being your Worshipful Master. Special thanks go out to the elected officers and to the brothers who accepted appointments for chairs and committees.

According to our bylaws, the Lodge will not hold the second meeting of September due to Grand Lodge which will be held September 17-19. We will have a good complement there. I think that a change in bylaws should be considered. Also, we should study our dues structure at our upcoming meeting.

The ceremonies for RWB John Pace were held at the Elks Lodge with about 200 attending. Members of Table Rock Lodge performed the first rite followed by members of the Scottish Rite who gave the Rose Croix ceremony. Finally, Elks ER Doug Mayhew gave the 11th hour toast; it was all so poignant. RWB Pace will be missed.

At our last meeting, we passed the hat and collected \$500 which was matched by the Lodge. Thank you everyone. We did as we have been taught by contributing to the relief of a distressed brother's widow.

The Stone County Shrine Club will meet September 11 at the Elks. If you are a Shriner but haven't been coming, please consider it. We usually have 20 or so members and their spouses and have a good time, a great meal and fellowship.

Practice will be held on Tuesday, September 5 at 6 pm. Stated meeting will be September 12 at 7 pm.

Fraternally,

**W.B. Ross Anderson, W.M.
Table Rock Lodge 680**



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5th – Practice 6 p.m.

7th - Valley Council Meeting
Scottish Rite Masonic Center 505
S. Byers Ave. Eat at 6pm meet at
7pm

10th – Breakfast 8a.m. To 11:30 a.m.

11th – Stone County Shrine Club.

17th – Start of Grand Lodge. Ends on
the 22nd.

25th – York Rite Stated Meeting 7 p.m.
Commandery opens. Yori Rite Bldt.

26th – No Stated Meeting. Grand
Lodge related.



I am Proud to Be A Mason

by Seymour Atlas

I shall never forget my first thought as I made my initial entrance into the Masonic Lodge that conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree on me and followed with the Fellow Craft and Master Mason Degrees. I was immediately made to feel that I was surrounded by Brothers. I felt there were no strangers present. This was one big family that seemed to have adopted me, and I, in turn, was elated to adopt them as my family.

My horizon of Masonry expanded, and my pride and joy were bubbling and effervescent. I couldn't wait to be able to confer the Degrees on others as there was so much, I wanted to explain and elaborate about each Degree.

I was offered this opportunity and immediately began to study and memorize many parts, and over the years I became very active, holding office, lecturing, and taking an active part in every phase of Masonry where my talents and abilities could be used. One aspect of Masonry that has made a great impression on me was the ability of all brothers, regardless of religion, to ask me "why did I need Masonry as a Rabb", because my profession was one of integrity, kindness, honesty, and all the attributes expounded in Masonry. It was difficult for many to grasp my need for this addition and supplement to religion. I worked with men of different religions, as well as of the Hebrew faith, and they were all impressed when I would say that Masonry is not a religion, but to be a Mason we had to believe in God, and if this was the only aspect of our religion and we had no other formal religion, yet we adhered to all the moral teachings of Masonry; this too would have put us in the category of men of integrity. However, Masonry is not a substitute for religion, nor is it a religion.

My experience has shown that Masons are, for the most part, deeply religious men. I am proud to be a Mason and a part of an organization that is devoted to helping, without question or embarrassment, widows, orphans, and those in need.

I am proud to be a Mason and to be a part of a Fraternity dedicated to the upholding of the Constitution of the United States of America and the Bill of Rights.

I am proud to be a Mason who believes in the freedom of mankind and the sanctity of human life.

I am proud to be a Mason who believes in the dignity of God's children and opposes hatred and bigotry, and stands for truth, justice, kindness, integrity, and righteousness for all.

I am proud to be a Mason and shall always be happy to number myself among those who uphold those cardinal principles and moral standards of life that are so needed if our organization is to continue on the high level that has been its character from its inception. May God grant it continued strength to go, to grow, and to glow so that I and all Masons can exclaim: "I am proud to be a Mason!"



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"You know, the new line of officers isn't half bad."
"Nope, they're ALL bad!"

It's Looking Like Silver

By Order of the Worshipful Master, one of our goals for this coming Masonic year will be to achieve a Silver Award for Ritual.

Our practices will be focused around these items. Coming off a successful year where we received the Bronze Award, we are feeling good about testing for the Bronze soon.

Then we will stretch ourselves more this year. Please come out on Practice Night to help support our new officers.



Upcoming September Breakfast

Our next all you can eat pancake breakfast and buffet will be held on September 10, 2023 from 8 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at the lodge. All ladies will eat free. Please plan on coming and supporting the lodge event by helping. We will be doing all our normal favorites for the event, including bacon, eggs, hash browns, sausage, gravy, and biscuits.

We expect a large turnout for the event, so please take time and give some time to help support the event brothers. It will be an important event this year in helping us make our rising maintenance and utilities bills meet our budget.

New Shirt Time!

Brothers we will be getting new monogrammed shirts for the lodge. Bring in a collared shirt of your choice and \$5 and we will get them monogrammed with our Lodge logo. This is the designed that W.B. Tarry Bible had put together 2 years ago. Please contact Bro. Ray for more information.