

TRESTLE BOARD TABLE ROCK LODGE #680

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FROM THE EAST: Greg Yoder, WM

Brethren, I bid you joyous holiday greetings. For me the fall color and splendor came and went far too quickly, and now all media is focursed on is the hustle and bustle of shopping.

What happened to November? Well for starters...three brothers were initiated into the mysteries of Freemasonry, tribute paid to our veterands, lodge meetings, practice and parepartatiion outreach Christmas shopping. Now we do it all over again. November came and went quickly December kicks off three second degrees to be conferred on Tuesday, December 1st, meal at 6:00 p.m. and work starts at 6:30 p.m. This is a heavy schedule but is the consensus of Lodge

members as best for our situation. Please, any brothers who does not wish to remain the full evening just come eat, visit and leave as best works for you. Your presence is always appreciated.

Saturday, December 5th at 10:00 a.m. is Open House at the lodge. Eastern Star and Masons will serve free coffee, cookies and hot chocolate till 2 p.m. I am asking for members to bring cookies and stop in and visit. You may drop off your cookies Friday from 4 p.m. till 7 p.m.

The big activity of the month is Christmas gift and food shopping for area needy families. This year we are blessed to have money to purchase items for a much larger number of families and children.. We have names and need lists available and your help is needed making the purchases, wrapping and delivering.

Thank you brothers and your lady for all you do. Much love and a Merry Christmas to you and yours..

Greg Yoder, Worshipful Master

FROM THE WEST: Ron Mixer, SW

Season Greetings from the West my Brothers: We are at the time of the year when we give thanks for the things we have been blessed with, and enter into the season that we bless others who are deserving and in need. It makes me so very proud to be a part of a fraternity that helps others in need not just at this time of year, but all the year long. I want to thank you all for the help you have guiven to Table Rock Lodge #680. It shows that all we set out to do will be accomplished with brothers coming together. I could not have done what needed to be done this year alone withou all y our help.

Thank you and a Very Merry Christmas to each and everyone of you.

FROM THE SECRETARY

W. Bro. Larry Dreppard
Reminder: Dues are due for
2016 - Endowed, Widows
and 50 year members of
TRL are not required to pay
dues.

LODGE DUES \$75.00

.Grand Lodge assessment included in dues. Make checks payable to

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If you have moved or have new email address or telephone number please let me know.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, Dec. 1 eat 6:00 pm (3) 2nd Degree work 6:30 pm

Saturday, Dec 5th 10:00 am -2:00 pm OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, Dec. 8 eat 6:00 pm Stated Meeting 7:00 pm Finalize Out Reach Shopping

Sun., Dec 13 . – Pancake Breakfast 8:00 am – noon

Tuesday, Dec. 15 6:00 pm Practice

Tuesday, Dec. 22 NO MEETING

Friday, Dec. 25 Merry Christmas

Thursday, Dec. 31 Have a Safe and HAPPY NEW YEAR!

MASONIC WRITINGS by Bro. Jim Greene

SHEWBREAD

The twelve loaves which were placed upon a table in the sanctuary of the Temple, and were called the shewbread or bread of the presence, are represented among the paraphernalia of a Lodge of Perfection in the Ancient and Accepted Rite. Bahr (Symbolic) says that the shewbread was a symbol of the bread of life—of the eternal life by which

we are brought into the presence of God and know him; an interpretation that is equally applicable to the Masonic symbolism.

SIGNIFICANT WORD

Significant is making a sign. A significant word is a sign-making or word, or a word that is equivalent to a sign so the secret words used in the different degrees of Masonry, and the knowledge of which becomes a sign of the possession of the degree are called significant words.

SONS OF LIGHT

The science of Freemasonry often has received the title of "Lux," or "Light," to indicate that mental and moral illumination is the object of the Institution. Hence Freemasons are often called "Sons of Light."

Ref: Freemasonry Encyclopedia



PANCAKES & MORE

SUNDAY, December 13 8:00 AM - NOON

Pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, biscuits & gravy, juice and coffee! ALL YOU CAN EAT Price \$7.00

Help is always needed to prepare, serve and clean up. Come out and do your part.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



December 5, Lloyd "Tony" Root

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December 5, Tim Butts

December 11. Charles Pittman

December 15, Jon Moore

December 21, Eric Bruning

December 22, Michael Ward

December 26, Charles Wuberhorst

December 29, Ron Mixer

Webmaster – W. Bro. Keith Oxby continues to do our website from England. If you have anything you would like to see on it, email him at ozarkenghlishman@gmail.com or just drop him a little note.

ORDER NOW!

It's not too late to order your name plate to be put on chairs in Lodge. Send \$25.00 to the secretary and give name to be engraved on plate.

LODGE MEMBERS ONLY

YOUR NAME HERE

www.famousmasons.com "A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty." Brother Winston Churchill

THAT'S NOT MY JOB!

This is a story about four people named: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but **Nobody** did it. **Somebody** got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but **Nobody** realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

The moral of this story-- we are part of the **EVERYBODY**. And **EVERYBODY** has an important job in our Fraternity.



OUT REACH SHOPPING
TO BE ANNOUNCED!