



Mt. Carmel Lodge #133 Trestleboard

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April 2010

May Upcoming Events:

May 11th – Fraternal
Visit to Henry
Knox Field
Lodge #349

May 15th – Child ID
at Old Towne
Warrenton
Spring Festival

May 25th – Stated
Communication
We welcome
the Grand
Master of
Virginia

May 29th – Lodge
Breakfast and
Tour of George
Washington
Masonic
Memorial



Brethren,

March sure was a busy Month! I wonder if that is what they meant by “in like a lamb out like a lion”? I would like to do a quick review of our accomplishments of this past month. There have been many.

- We initiated three Entered Apprentices
- Bro. Marc Overman gave his EA catechism
- We had a Called Communication to discuss up coming votes on Lodge Bylaws and Lodge improvement
- Each Wednesday our Lodge Brothers practiced to make themselves ready for the CA Sinclair School
- We had the District Leadership Conference
- We welcomed the Grand Master at his Official Visit for District Four
- We hosted the CA Sinclair School.

With regards to the CA Sinclair School, I did want to thank everyone for their help in making this event a very successful event. Each of the Brothers that practiced so diligently to learn new roles needs to be commended. The Breakfast Crew for getting up early and providing an outstanding breakfast for us all. But, the one person that put all of this together is Brother Mike Troup. Brother Troup, without your tenacity, energy, and attention to detail, we could not have pulled this off. I tip my hat to you and thank you from the bottom of my heart! You are truly a wonder worker!

The following resolutions will be voted on at our Stated Communication in **April**. Please read and be prepared to vote.

Resolution Bylaw Article II

Whereas, the present dues structure has been determined to provide insufficient income to support the Lodge in the near future, and

Whereas, the financial integrity of the Lodge is of paramount importance to its future vitality, and

Whereas, the dues structure should reasonably provide for future increase in expenses, and

Whereas, the Tiler provides an indispensable service to the Lodge, therefore be it

Resolved, that Article II of the existing bylaws of Mt. Carmel Lodge #133 A.F.& A.M. Warrenton, Virginia be amended to read, “Every member of this Lodge except the Secretary, Treasurer, and Tiler shall be charged by the Secretary with the sum of ninety dollars in addition to the Grand Lodge dues and assessments as annual dues.”



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Resolution Bylaw Article III

Whereas, the present fees structure has been determined to provide insufficient income to support the Lodge in the near future, and Whereas, the financial integrity of the Lodge is of paramount importance to its future vitality, and

Resolved, that Article III of the existing bylaws of Mt. Carmel Lodge #133 A.F.& A.M. Warrenton, Virginia be amended to read, “The fees for the degrees in this Lodge shall be two hundred Dollars, payable as follows:

One hundred Dollars for the Degree of Entered Apprentice;

Fifty Dollars for the Degree of Fellowcraft; and

Fifty Dollars for the Degree of Master Mason.

Of which one hundred Dollars shall accompany the petition.

The Lodge Building:

The Lodge Improvement Committee has costs for re-carpeting our Lodge and reupholstering our Lodge Chairs. The costs to accomplish what we would like to do are surprisingly low. The Lodge Improvement Committee will be presenting their findings at our April Stated Communication and we will make a decision on how we would like to proceed at the conclusion of the presentation..

I have talked to Bro. Warren Mullins about our hot water heater. I originally wanted to go with a tank-less water heater since we only use hot water about 2-3 times per month. Bro. Mullins informed me that if we install an electric water heater, we can program the hot water heater to turn on a day or two before we need to use it. We will be cutting costs by not having to use gas to heat the water and the electricity will only be on for roughly 6 days out of the month. Bro. Mullins also let me know that he would install a new electric water heater at NO COST to the Lodge. Thanks Bro. Mullins!

Other Activities:

April 9th – We will initiating three candidates.

April 13th – We will be raising Bro. Chuck Koval to the degree of Master Mason.

April 20th – We will be passing Bro. Overman to the Fellowcraft degree.

April 21st – We will be going to the District Class at Herndon.#264 Class starts at 7:15.

April 24th – Mt. Carmel will be hosting the Ladies of the Lodge for breakfast.

April 27th – We will be having our Stated Communication. The District Blood Coordinator will be making his official Visit. And, RW Ed Ray will be giving us a presentation on Guarding the West Gate.

April 28th – We will be visiting View Tree Lodge for their Stated Communication and an EA degree!

The month of May will be extremely busy. The 15th we will have a booth at the Old Town Warrenton Spring Festival. We will be working with the Fauquier County Police Department providing to the community Child IDs. The 25th we will have the honor of having the Grand Master of the Commonwealth of Virginia visit our Lodge. And, on the 29th we will have a special Lodge Breakfast once we finish the Lodge breakfast, and get things cleaned up, we will take our families to Alexandria and tour the George Washington Masonic Memorial.



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July 27th: We will be having a Past Masters night.

August 24th: We will be having our second Table Lodge

October: The Fourth Masonic District will be holding its first District Wide Picnic

Our Senior Warden is planning a trip for us to visit the Grand Lodge of New York. And, Brother Goebel is planning a night out on the town for a dinner and a play.

Yours in friendship,

Paul Lockhart , WM
Mt. Carmel #133

Lodge Officers:

WM – Paul Lockhart * SW – Bro. Don Schupp * JW – Steven Green * Treasurer – Bro. Bob Wheeler * Secretary – W. Dan Koch * Assistant Secretary * RW – Dave Blank * SD – Bro Ray Muirhead * JD – Bro. Mike Kimmel * Chaplain – Bro. Clay Smith * SS – Bro. Mike Troup * JS – Bro. Matt McReynolds * Marshal – Bro. Goebel Thacker * Musician – RW Hunter Payne * Tiler – Bro. Charlie Boaz

Lodge Committee Members:

LIW – W. Jim Ramser * LEO – Bro. Mike Kimmel * Building – Bro. Maury George * Sick and Distressed – Bro. Goebel Thacker * Blood Coordinator – RW Dave Blank * Haberdashery – Bro. Mathew McReynolds * Lodge Membership – W. Tony LaCava * MaHoVa Ambassador – Bro. Paul McBride * Ladies of the Lodge – Bro. Charlie Boaz

Catechism Teachers:

W. Dan Koch * W. Jim Ramser * Bro. Mike Troup * W. Festus James * Bro. Ray Muirhead * Bro. Kurt John Hansen * W. Paul Berry * RW Dave Blank

Masonic Birthdays:

RW Dave Blank – 4/13/1964 * W. Archie Edwards – 4/13/1965
* Bro. Bradley Eggers – 4/15/1989 * Bro. George Godfrey – 4/24/1982
* Bro. John Johnston – 4/26/1983 * Bro. Quentin Jones – 4/1/1997
* Bro. Robert Knupp – 4/10/1979 * Bro. Theodore Nutt – 4/17/1993
* Bro. Thomas Nutt – 4/17/1993



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Candidate Status:

Candidate	Affiliation/Petition	Status	Mentor
Kyle Donovan	Petition	Rdy to advance to FC	W. Mark Donovan
Jordan Muirhead	Petition	FC Degree	W. Jim Ramser
Laurence Rodea	Petition	FC in April	Bro. Mike Troup
Daniel Hamel	Petition	EA Extended to 9/10	W. Dan Koch
Charles Trude	Petition	EA Jan 19 th	W. Paul Berry
Charles Koval	Petition	MM Degree 4/13	Bro. Ray Muirhead
Marc Overman	Petition	FC Degree 4/20	W. Jim Ramser
Brian Frolich	Petition	EA 3/30	W. Tony LaCava (Short)
Tim Sennott	Petition	EA 3/16	Bro. Mike Troup
Sean Walz	Petition	EA 3/30	RW Dave Blank
Chris Poe	Petition	Initiation 4/9	TBD