Happy New Year

A Bit of Humor

Good News, Bad News!

Pat & Bill had been Lodge Brothers for many years. They had promised each other long ago that the first to go to the Celestial Grand Lodge above would return to tell the other whether there really were Lodges in Heaven and what they were like. By and by, it came to pass that Bill died first.

One day shortly after, Pat was working in his garden when he heard a whispered voice. "Pssst Pat!" He looked around but saw nothing. A few moments later he heard, now quite clearly "Pat! It's me, Bill!"

Pat exclaimed, "Are you in Heaven?" "Indeed I am", said Bill. Pat paused for a while to get over the shock and then said "Well, Bill, are there Lodges up there in Heaven?" "There certainly are, Pat. There are Lodges all over and they are quite magnificent, equal or better to Great Queen Street. The meetings are well attended, the ritual is word perfect, the Table Lodge fantastic and the spirit of Masonic Fellowship is all pervasive."

"My goodness, Bill," said Pat, "It certainly sounds very wonderful! But for all that you seem rather sad. Tell me old friend, what is the matter?"

"Well, Pat, you are right, there is one thing....I have some good news and some bad news."

"OK, What's the good news?"

"The good news is that we are doing a 3rd this coming Wednesday."

"Great!", said Pat. "So what's the bad news then?"

"You're gonna be the Junior Deacon!

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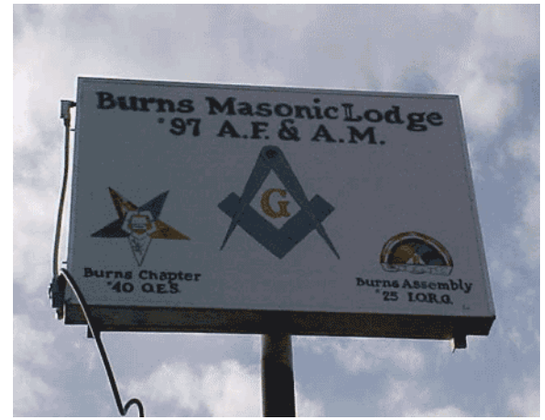

Robert Burns Masonic Lodge #97

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Calendar of Events

January 2009

5th	**Officers Meeting**	**6:00 pm**
5th	**Stated Meeting**	**7:00 pm**
15th	**Stated Meeting** **Official Visit RWB Dave Johnson**	**7:00 pm**

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No. 97 AF&AM
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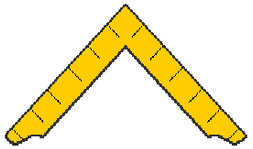
FROM THE EAST



Greetings Brethren,

I would like to thank everyone who attended the 2009 Installation. It was a wonderful occasion that brought together some old familiar faces and friends. I'm very excited about the Robert Burns Lodge for the upcoming year and will be presenting the event calendar in lodge very soon. Hope to see you all there at our next stated meeting. Until then I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a truly Happy New Year.

Fraternally, Beau Boyd, Worshipful Master

From the Treasurer

After a long period of growth inactivity of our lodge funds, the Finance Committee in May of 2008 recommended to the membership, investment of lodge funds in the Oregon Community Foundation, a management fund for Oregon non-profit organizations. Our Treasurer, Brother Bill Renwick, managed the registration and set-up of our registration. I am pleased to announce I recently received a report from Ms. Susan Schneider, our OCF fund coordinator, which is good news. Our funds were initially placed in the OCF short-term investment pool, consisting of cash and government instruments. The good news is, even with the recent catastrophic events in the stock market, we have lost no money. In fact, we have made a small amount. As the new Treasurer, I look forward to continuing the same prudent oversight of the lodge's funds as our previous Finance Committee and Treasurer, Brother Bill.

Fraternally WB Ken Mulenex, Treasurer

Events & Activities

Lodge Officers, 2009

Worshipful Master	**Beau Boyd**
Senior Warden	**WB Bill Quier**
Junior Warden	**Scott Shaw**
Secretary	**WB Dick Tabor**
Treasurer	**WB Ken Mulenex**
Senior Deacon	**Bill Renwick**
Junior Deacon	**Jeff Roher**
Senior Steward	**WB Perry Cooper**
Junior Steward	**WB Ray Breshears**
Marshal	**WB Perry Cooper**
Chaplain	**WB Dale Eggleston**
Tyler	**Jim Gardner**
Historian	**WB Dale Eggleston**

Good Of The Order

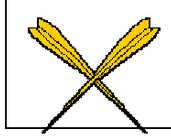
Character gets you out of bed; commitment moves you to action.

Faith, hope, and discipline enable you to follow through to completion.

Scholarship Program

In 2008 our lodge awarded two $1,000 scholarships. With the downturn in the economy, our scholarship investment fund lacked the reserve to meet our normal awards, however, a subscription request to the membership resulted in a wonderful response. Therefore, the scholarship committee was able to award a $1,000 scholarship to two very worthy applicants, **Logan Garner**, son of Ron & Barbara Garner, who is attending OSU and majoring in Biology and **Krissandra Wright**, daughter of Robert (Bubba) & Brenda Wright, who is attending OIT and majoring in Radiology.

WB Dick Tabor, Scholarship Committee Chair



From the Secretary's Pen

Just a reminder about payment of dues. There are some who are about to be dropped for non-payment of dues. Please send dues payment to **WB Richard Tabor, 763 S. McGowan, Burns, OR 97720.**

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HARNEY COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

President	Bill Renwick	573-6147

Chaplain's Corner

Illness

In the event of illness or death of our members, we want to know. Contacting the Lodge is a very important matter. This monthly Lodge Bulletin, published by our Lodge, lists the names and telephone numbers of the officers. Freemasonry is not an insurance benefit society, but there are many sources of Masonic assistance available in cases of need under appropriate circumstances.