

Happy Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day or Saint Valentine's Day is a holiday celebrated on February 14. In the West, it is the traditional day on which lovers express their love for each other by sending Valentine's cards, presenting flowers, or offering confectionery. The holiday is named after two among the numerous Early Christian martyrs named Valentine.

President's Day, February 15th

Abraham Lincoln (February 12, 1809 – April 15, 1865) was the sixteenth President of the United States of America (1861-1865).

George Washington (February 22, 1732 – December 14, 1799) served as the first President of the United States of America (1789–1797). He was a Mason.



Presidents Day & Masonry



President Abraham Lincoln

After Lincoln's death, the Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia, Benjamin B. French, wrote to the editor of *The Masonic Trowel*, who was also the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, "He [Lincoln] once told me how highly he Respected our Order and that he at one time had fully made up his mind to apply for admission into it."

Carl Sandburg said, in a chapter about Lincoln's political activities in his biography of Lincoln, "Though not a Mason, he [Lincoln] had at hand a personal copy of the bound 'Proceedings of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois, being reports of conventions of the Masonic order for the years 1851-1857."

President George Washington

On September 1, 1752, a new lodge of Masons held its first meeting in Fredericksburg and soon attracted members. Under Daniel Campbell as Master, a class of five was initiated on November 4. George, one of this group, paid his initiation fee of £23s. as an Entered Apprentice and raised to Master Mason in August of 1753 in that same Lodge. He was proud of his membership, and in 1788 served as first Master of what is now known as Alexandria-Washington Lodge.

TRESTLEBOARD



Robert Burns Masonic Lodge #97

AF&AM

541-573-2220

Calendar of Events

February 2010

Officers Meeting 6:00 pm

Stated Meeting 7:00 pm

Meatloaf 6:00 pm **Mashed Potatoes & Gravy**

20th Saturday Morning 8:30 am Lip Smacking GREAT Breakfast

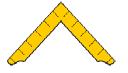




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FROM THE EAST

Greetings Brethren,



I am happy to announce that I lived through my first month as Master! Let me tell you there is a little more to it than just putting on a top hat and opening lodge! Now I know why all those Past Masters snicker

when you're elected. It's been fun and a learning experience. I like the FUN part the best, so let's have more FUN!

Starting with our next meeting, we are going to have a dinner before every Lodge Meeting. This upcoming meeting my wife, Sheila, and I are going to make the dinner. Home-made meatloaf, my favorite, & I know that you will love it. So, come on down, enjoy the food and company of your Brothers.

Also, on **Saturday morning, February 20th, 8:30 to 10:30am**, we are going to have a, **Lip Smacking GREAT Breakfast**. I would especially like to invite the ladies of the Eastern Star. You will not have to do dishes, I promise. We just want to let you ladies know that we haven't forgotten about you. If anyone needs a ride to either the dinner or the breakfast, please, let me know. If I can't pick you up, one of the other brothers will!!

My Brothers, I just want to let you know we still need a Junior Warden. I promise not to load you up with a lot of work. Even if you could step in as a JW (Pro-Tem), for the moment, that would help tremendously. Also, remember we are meeting only once a month now, with a dinner planned before each meeting. So, let me know if you can help.

Fraternally, Scott Shaw, Worshipful Master

The Secretary's Pen

I'm pleased to announce that I have just completed the Secretary's Seminar in Eugene. This is the annual event put on by the Grand Secretary (RWB Paul Temple) and was hosted by Eugene Masonic Lodge # 11. The meeting was from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. It covered a broad range of the administrative aspects of both the Grand Lodge & the Blue Lodge. I can assure you it was well worth the effort and expense.

What did I learn? I think the Seminar gave me the foundation to start straightening out a lot of the problems with our Lodge's administration that has been evident for some time.

RWB Paul encouraged us to check the Code first, and if there were still questions, call him! I'm sure I'll get to do that.

Please let me assure you that, "what needs to be fixed, will be fixed".

Fraternally WB Bill Quier, PM, Secretary

Events & Activities

Lodge Brothers Pre-Lodge Dinner

Monday, February 1st, 6:00 pm

Juicy & Delicious Home-made Meatloaf Mashed Potato & Cole Slaw





Harney

County Shrine Club

What a great bit of news we have just received.

"TOP SHRINE CLUB of the YEAR"

Harney County Shrine Club was honored and received an award for being the Shrine Club of the Year at the installation of the Al Kader Divan Officers in Wilsonville on Jan. 9, 2010.

The award was for the nearly \$40,000.00 we raised for the Shriner's Hospital last year.

Noble Bill Quier, President

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Chaplain's Corner

Do something every day that you don't want to do. This is the Golden Rule for acquiring the habit of doing your duty without pain.

Mark Twain

Integrity & Character

You can get everything money will buy without a lick of character, but you can't get any of the things that money **won't** buy – happiness, joy, peace of mind, winning relationships, etc., without character.