

The Trestle Board



FEBRUARY

2ND EA DEGREE

Supper: 6:00 PM ❖ Work: 6:45

6TH FRANKLIN CHAPTER #2 AND COUNCIL #134

Potluck Supper: 6:00 PM
Meeting: 7:00

9TH FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE

Supper: 6:00 PM ❖ Work: 6:45

13TH DE PAYENS COMMANDERY #11

Potluck Supper: 6:00 PM
Meeting: 7:00

14TH EASTERN STAR #449

Refreshments: 6:30 PM
Stated Meeting: 7:30

16TH WILLIAMSON COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

Supper and Meeting: 6:00 PM at
Logan's in Cool Springs

20TH HIRAM STATED MEETING

Chili Cook-off: 6:00 PM
Meeting: 7:00

23RD MASTER MASON DEGREE

Supper: 6:00 PM ❖ Work: 6:45

Worshipful Master Dale Pewitt From the East

I would like to congratulate the newly elected or appointed officers and committee members. I am grateful for their commitment to our fellowship and their desire to further the work at Hiram Lodge No. 7. Also, please accept my appreciation for the time, the love of the fraternity, and the desire of these members to be an example to the Brethren and to carry on the traditions of our tremendous Lodge.

I am excited to preside over such a historic Lodge. It is an honor to be in the more than 200-year succession of Masters of the Lodge who have been "found worthy and duly qualified." I promise to do the finest job I possibly can with my responsibilities.

Furthermore, it will be my pleasure to officiate over a group of Brethren who are so dedicated and eager to answer the charge of Freemasonry. To be successful this year, I will need and welcome the prayers and support of you all.

My hope in 2012 is to work together with each and every one of Hiram's members in peace and harmony for the benefit of the brotherhood. Together we can promote Masonry, receive more light, and strengthen our Lodge.



Secretary Russ Wharton, PM Appreciation

I want to thank you for the honor of serving as Worshipful Master in 2011. I cannot express to you how much Masonry means to me. I have sincerely tried to remain in service to each of you and to the Lodge as a whole. The successes of the Lodge this year should be attributed to the hard work of your other officers and committee chairs.



I started this year with high hopes and expectations and with an aggressive agenda. My sincere thanks to these men who were willing to step up to the challenge: Mal Clissold (Widows Committee), Craig Feldner (Benevolence), Chad Gray (Historical), Philip Phillips (Masonic Education), Ed Atkisson (Building Trustees), and to John Palmer, Dale Pewitt, and Robert Peay for their love, support, and advice.

I want to extend "my right hand in token of friendship and brotherly love" to those Brethren whom I may have upset or crossed during this year. My intentions have always been in the best interests of the Lodge as a whole and toward the advancement of Freemasonry. If I have offended, I hope you accept my sincere apology.

Finally, I want to personally thank Dan Welch for his hard work and commitment as Lodge Secretary for the last four years. He has been friendly, kind, considerate, and loyal. I hope that we are blessed to have his time and talents for years to come.



Robert Peay, PM

Proficiency Practice

Practice sessions for anyone aspiring to obtain a Proficiency Card will be held every 1st and 3rd Tuesday and may continue through the month of August.

WCSC Secretary Butch Mays

Williamson Shrine Club

Thanks to outgoing President Dale Pewitt and all the members who helped make 2011 a success. The club welcomes our 2012 President Billy Pewitt and the newly elected officers. The February 16th speaker will be Rev. Robert W. Cowperthwaite, Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. His topic will be burn prevention. Remember, you don't have to be a WCSC member to attend.

Commander Craig Feldner

Supporting a Good Cause

De Payens Commandery #11 is hosting its 6th Annual Chili Cook-off to support the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. To date, over \$15,000,000 has been raised for research. The cook-off will precede Hiram's stated meeting on February 20th at 6:00 PM. The competition is open to everyone and there will be several categories of awards. A donation of \$5.00 per person is suggested for those dining.

Past Chairman James Newberry, PM

Scholarship Committee

It was announced at the January stated meeting that three scholarships of \$3,000 each have been awarded. The new chairman is Philip Phillips.

Service Recognition

At the January stated meeting, Russ Wharton recognized John Palmer, Dale Pewitt, and Jessie Riggs for their invaluable contribution to his 2011 tenure as Worshipful Master. Very handsome engraved trowels were presented as tokens of appreciation. Also, Russ was presented his PM's apron.

Webmaster Jeff Bailey, PM

Pay Dues Online

Hiram Lodge and the Franklin York Rite Bodies now offer a safe, easy, and secure method to pay your annual dues online through PayPal. Simply go to hiram7.net and select the 'Pay Dues' link to pay your Lodge dues. Select the 'York Rite' link to pay your dues to the Franklin York Rite Bodies. You can also join and pay dues to the York Rite College. There is a small convenience fee associated with paying online and the fees are listed on the website. Of course, you can still pay in person or through the postal service. If you have any questions, please email jeffbailey@hiram7.net.

Hiram Officers for 2012



1st Row (l-r) Nick Gatlin (JS), James Amundsen (SW), Dale Pewitt (WM),
Craig Feldner (JW), Alan Smith, PM (Chaplain)
2nd Row (l-r) Jesse Riggs, PM (Treasurer), Jason Rein (SD), Mal Clissold (JD),
Byron Pewitt (SS), Russ Wharton, PM (Secretary), Bob Canaday (Tiler)

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

3RD

D. Clinton Barnhill

4TH

Charles M. Burk, PM
Paul D. Carter

6TH

James S. Bramell
Richard G. Campbell
J. Tim Carrington
David S. Moran, PM

7TH

Philip E. Phillips

9TH

James G. Gabel
William Wayne Tabor
Harlie B. Walker

10TH

Malcom Clissold
Richard D. Graham
George A. Murphy, Jr.

11TH

Craig M. Feldner

13TH

Perry A. Henry
Larry A. Mangrum

15TH

Christian Allen Dickson

18TH

Richard E. Brown

19TH

Kristian A. Marcy

22ND

Richard A. Casada

27TH

Eugene F. Leach

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