



The Trestle Board



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Junior Warden-Larry Davis

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

MARK YOUR CALENDAR, JUNE 7, 2008 3:00 – 7:00pm

HIRAM LODGE ANNUAL BBQ

Invite friends and neighbors for a great afternoon of food and entertainment.

Many people have spent hours of their time giving us a great place to practice our craft. With all the improvements made in past years, there is still a lot to be done and all these things cost money. The only money raiser we do is the annual BBQ and the way you can help is to sell as many tickets as possible— not just the eight tickets we sent you in the mail. Not only is this a fundraiser, it is a way for us as Masons to be more visible in our community and give a little back.

We need your help more than ever with ticket sales and your help on Saturday, June 7th. Help is still needed in a few areas, such as, set-up, serving, take-out, putting up and taking down signs, and transporting food. If you can't help on Saturday, we can use help on Friday and Sunday, or even later in the week.

PLEASE call Larry Davis for job assignments at 615-419-0068 or just show up at the Lodge on Saturday morning. We will start setting up at 10:00 AM. This is a great way to meet brothers you don't often see and to meet our neighbors.

See you on Saturday, June 7th! Thanks! Larry Davis—Junior Warden

HIRAM NEWS:

Hiram Scholarship: The Educational Trust Fund is pleased to announce the 2008 Hiram Lodge #7 Scholarship Award winners. These scholarships are given in memory of Hiram Past Master Leslie M. Mullen, Laura Mea Miller, a Masonic widow and retired Williamson County School teacher, Zachary Birdwell, the son of Hiram Past Master and Mrs. Kevin Birdwell, and Hiram Past Master and Mrs. A.B. Church.

The Trust fund investments allowed the following scholarships to be awarded: \$2,500 to Morgun Custer who graduated from Page High School and will attend The University of Tennessee in Knoxville, \$2,500 to Olivia Brunson who graduated from Independence High School and will attend Belmont University, \$1,000 to Drew Fancher who graduated from Brentwood High School and will attend The University of Tennessee in Knoxville, \$1,000 to Jennalyn Welsh who is currently attending Brigham Young University, \$500 to Rachel Cummings who graduated from Independence High School and will attend The University of Tennessee in Knoxville, and \$500 to Brooke Davis who graduated from Clarkston High School and will attend Grand Valley State University.

These scholarships will be presented by the Educational Trustees to the winners at the annual Widow's Tea on Sunday, June 29, 2008 at 2 p.m. Congratulations to these deserving scholarship winners!

James Newberry—PM Scholarship Trustee

Lodge Dates

May 22	6:00-8:00 pm EA Practice
May 27	6:00 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Entered Apprentice Degree
June 7	3:00-8:00 pm Hiram Annual BBQ
June 12	6:00-8:00 pm EA Practice
June 16	6:00 pm Dinner 7:00 pm Stated Meeting
June 19	6:00 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Entered Apprentice Degree

York Rite Dates

June 9	6:00 pm Stated Meeting
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OES Dates

June 10	6:30 Potluck Dinner 7:30 Stated Meeting & Initiation
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Widow's Tea

June 29	2:00-4:00 pm Widow's Tea & Scholarship Presentations
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Hiram News (Continued)

The Building:

The building Trustees are moving forward with structural issues related to the building . Trustees anticipate having the floor loading issues resolved in the very near future.

Items Found in the Bank Safety Deposit Box:

Brother Pat Craddock gave a report at our Stated Meeting regarding the contents found in the safety deposit box. To some of the brethren's amazement, we have the original **Hiram Lodge Charter of 1813**, handwritten on animal skin. We also found the original of our current Hiram Lodge Charter issued after the Civil War, as well as, the building blueprints for our Dining Hall addition.



York Rite News

The DePayens Commandry and Hiram Lodge will host the Widow's Tea on Saturday, June 29th from 2:00-4:00 pm. Scholarship winners will be presented during the tea. The events we hold for the widows are well attended. Many of our widows have expressed how much they appreciate and look forward to these events each year.

Eastern Star members will be furnishing desserts.



Eastern Star News

Charity Bake Sale—Saturday, June 7th 3:30 pm

We will hold our annual charity bake sale in conjunction with the Hiram Annual BBQ. Please bring pies, breads, jams, cookies/brownies packaged 3 to a bag, etc. This is a great opportunity to meet some of our Masons and support them in their fine BBQ fundraiser.

Stated Meeting—Tuesday, June 10th

We will have a potluck dinner at 6:30 prior to our stated meeting and initiation. Officers, please remember to wear your formals. All members are encouraged to show our support in welcoming a new

