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From the EAST



This month starts with Easter. The most Holy Day of the year, and we as masons should honor this day in particular. The Masonic Lodge is based on Christian religion, it is therefore proper that we should pay particular attention to this day.

We are glad that R::W:: Owen had a quick recovery from his heart attack.

We failed to have enough people at the Masters & Wardens meeting to reclaim the Plaque. The next meeting of Masters & Wardens will be held in Inverness since this is convenient to members we should make a special effort to attend in sufficient numbers to reclaim the Plaque.

At one time, Golden Lodge #5, Stanstead, Canada occupied a lodge room, which straddled the boundary between Canada and the United States. There were entrances on both sides of the border.

Upon your egress you might find yourself in a foreign country, but one might wonder the wording of the Pledge given to the flag, to the Queen or to the U.S., curious, eh?

W∴M∴ Ben Edney

'An appeal to arms and the God of hosts is all that is left us. But we shall not fight our battle alone. There is a just God that presides over the destinies of nations. The battle sir, is not of the strong alone. Is life so dear or peace so sweet as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it almighty God. I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death.'

Do you remember where this quote came from?

It was in St. John's Church in Richmond Virginia, spoken by Patrick Henry at the Second Virginia Convention while urging the approval of a state militia and still rings true in the hearts of all PATRIOTS!

Past Masters

R::W:: Robert "Slim" Owen
W.: Dennis Suarino2016
R::H:: Peter A. Carter
W: Pete Raymond 2014
R∴W∴ John "Lucky" Lee 2013
R∴W∴ Robert "Slim" Owen
R∴W∴ Robert "Slim" Owen 2011
W.: Charles "Chuck" Taylor* 2010
R∴W∴ John "Lucky" Lee2009
R∴W∴ John "Lucky" Lee2008
W∴ Henry Oppenborn, Jr. 33°* 2007
R∴W∴ John "Lucky" Lee2006
W: Robert "Buzz" Bernard 2005
W: Charley Rhodes*2004
W: Charley Rhodes*2003
W.: James McIntosh2002
R∴W∴John "Lucky" Lee2001
R∴W∴ Robert "Slim" Owen
R∴W∴ Paul Miller1999
R::W:: Paul Miller

From the WEST



- 1) "It is important that we forgive ourselves for making mistakes. we need to learn from our errors and move on."
- 2) "I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do."
- 3) "I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes. Because if you are making mistakes, then you are making new things, trying new things, learning, living, pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world. You're doing things you've never done before, and more importantly, you're doing something."
- 4) "Happiness cannot be traveled to, owned, worn or consumed. Happiness is the spiritual experience of living every minute with love, grace, and gratitude."
- 5) "How would your life be different if...You walked away from gossip and verbal defamation? Let today be the day...You speak only the good you know of other people and encourage others to do the same."
- 6) "Teamwork is so important that it is virtually impossible for you to reach the heights of your capabilities or make the money that you want without becoming very good at it."
- 7) "Happiness is a choice. You can choose to be happy. There's going to be stress in life, but it's your choice whether you let it affect you or not."
- 8) "Some people may have greatness thrust upon them. Very few have excellence thrust upon them. They achive it. They do

(From the West continued)

not achieve it unwittingly, by 'doing what comes naturally'; and they don't stumble into it in the course of amusing themselves. All excellence involves discipline and tenacity of purpose."

R∴W∴ John M. "Lucky" Lee

Happy Birthday To:



Tim Tyler Apr 6
Chuck Schloss Apr 11
Jim McIntosh Apr 18
Chris Short Apr 21
Herm Davison Apr 22
David Murray Apr 24
Boogie Stevenson Apr 24



2018 Trestle-Board Boosters





From the SOUTH

LAP Day for April 24
Will be at
Cedar Creek
In
Inverness



Greetings from the South

LAP Day at Sea Grass Grill was a big success with 22 present. Our next LAP Day will be Tuesday, April 24th at Cedar River in Inverness and we will honor our widows at that time.

Our Menu for next stated communication is unknown at this time, but I think Tammy will come up with something good.

I think we should all give her a big hand for the excellent job she's doing for us.

J∴W∴ Chris Edney

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The Chaplain's Corner

An old man going a lone highway,
Came, at the evening cold and gray,
To a chasm vast and deep and wide.
Through which was flowing a sullen tide
The old man crossed in the twilight dim,
The sullen stream had no fear for him;
But he turned when safe on the other side
And built a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim near,
"You are wasting your strength with building here;

Your journey will end with the ending day, You never again will pass this way; You've crossed the chasm, deep and wide, Why build this bridge at evening tide?"

The builder lifted his old gray head; "Good friend, in the path I have come," he said,

"There followed after me to-day
A youth whose feet must pass this way.
This chasm that has been as naught to me
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be;
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim;
Good friend, I am building this bridge for him!"

Locally we have:
Bob Thompson,
Silvia Hartsfield,
Ray Vance,
Ed Gingrich,
Dottie Basehore,
Tim Tyler,
Ray Davidson,
Loretta McDermind,
Brad Johnson
Lucky Lee,
Joe Osborne
John Perry,
Tom Stratford,
Who are in need of prayer as well.

R∴W∴ Slim - Chaplain