

# THE TRESTLEBOARD



INMAN LODGE #201 AFM NEWSLETTER

#### **Grand Lodge 2015**



The Grand Lodge proceedings for 2015 were held in North Charleston on April 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> at the Embassy Suites Convention Center. During the convention, there was much fellowship and comradery as brothers from across the state convened for this communication. The Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina elected M.W.B. William B. Rogers to the Grand East to serve as Grand Master for 2015-2016. R.W.B. William R.

Logan, Jr. was elected as Deputy Grand Master. R.W.B. Michael D. Smith of Landrum 278 was elected to Senior Grand Warden. R.W.B. Walter Calhoun Disher, II was elected to the chair of Junior Grand Warden and M.W.B. Jack A. Marler continues as Grand Treasurer. M.W.B. Gerald L. Carver was elected to the chair of Grand Secretary after M.W.B. G. Ray Marsh announced his retirement and was given the title of Grand Secretary Emeritus. Jerry L. Phillips also announced his retirement as Grand Chaplain, and A. Robert Nix, who was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in Whitney Lodge in 1974, was elected to the chair.

Brothers from around the 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> districts were appointed to Grand Lodge positions. W.B. James E. Hayes, III of Converse-Cowpens 210 was appointed as Grand Standard Bearer. W.B. Edward Herschberger of Landrum 278 was appointed as Junior Grand Deacon. W.B. Eric Timmons of Lone Oak 372 was appointed as Grand Steward. R.W.B. John T. Fawcett of Calhoun 81 was appointed as District Deputy Grand Master of the 19<sup>th</sup> district, R.W.B. Guy Burrell appointed as DDGM of the 20<sup>th</sup> district, and R.W.B Robert W. Culp appointed as DDGM of the 21<sup>st</sup> District.

Other notable events involving the brethren of Spartanburg County included R.W.B. Sam Turner, III presenting M.W.B. David J. Dechant with a framed portrait of George Washington from the brothers of the "Put George Washington Back In School" team. R.W.B. Trent Henderson, PDDGM of the 20<sup>th</sup> district, was presented with the Fredrick Dalcho Certificate of Merit. The brethren of Spartan 70 presented M.W.B. William B. Rogers with a masonic puzzle box, and the Landrum Lodge 278 golf team took home the first place trophy in the Grand Lodge Annual Golf Tournament. We congratulate all these brethren for their accomplishments as they continue their masonic journeys.

#### **Golf Tournament**

The 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Charles Heatherly Golf Tournament will be held at The Village Greens in Inman, SC on August 29<sup>th</sup> with a shotgun start at 8 am. Four man teams will be playing Captain's Choice golf in support of Inman Masonic Lodge and their continued commitment to the community. Donations are always welcome, and new teams are always invited to play. For further information, contact any of our lodge offiers, or contact Reggie Cox at 864-472-8225 or Jackie Gregory at 864-472-2692.

# **Scholarship Awards**

For the 21<sup>st</sup> year, Inman Lodge #201 presented two \$500 scholarships to students from Chapman High School. W.B. Keith Dellinger and Brother Steve Parris presented the scholarships to these very deserving students. Julie Logan Morrow graduated 14<sup>th</sup> in her class and will be entering Wofford College this fall three credits short of her junior year. Benjamin J. Noe graduated 10<sup>th</sup> in his class and will be entering Limestone College this fall. Congratulations to both of these students for their outstanding academic accomplishments, and may they both continue to receive accolades as they pursue their higher educations.

## **Our New District Deputy**

Guy Lewis Burrell has been appointed by M.W.B. William Rogers as the newest District Deputy Grand Master of the 20<sup>th</sup> Masonic District. R.W.B. Burrell was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in 2003 in Lone Oak Lodge #372, and was elected Worshipful Master in 2009. He



was elected Treasurer in 2012 and is currently serving in that chair. He received his 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree in Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in 2005 and is a charter member of the Knights of St. Andrews. He is also serving as the Senior Warden in the Chapter of Rose Croix of the A.A.S.R. R.W.B. Burrell received his Knight Templar in York Rite Masonry in 2010, and received the Knight Commander of the Court of Honor in 2013. He

became a member of the Royal Order of Scotland in 2014, and is a member of both the South Carolina Masonic Research Society as well as the Scottish Rite Research Society. We congratulate R.W.B. Burrell on his appointment and look forward to working with him as our District Deputy.

#### **A Night to Remember**

Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, masons from around the state gathered at the Spartanburg Masonic Temple to honor one of Inman's own, R.W.B. Bruce Chennery. Dinner was served to a packed room, then the roasters ascended the dais to give the audience and R.W.B. Bruce "A Night to Remember". Roasters included Worshipful Brothers Paul McWilliams and Jeff Honeycutt, R.W. Brothers Tommy Watson, Ray Moore, Mark O'Shields and Michael D. Smith, and M.W. Brothers Gerald Carver and Barry Rickman, with R.W.B. Trent Henderson serving as the Roast Master. Laughter filled the room as each roaster raised the temperature with their speeches, but it can safely be said that Bruce's wife, Glenna Chennery, stole the show with her appearance at the podium. M.W.B. William Rogers was the final speaker before Bruce Chennery, the Man of the Hour, "gave as good as he got". It was a night full of hilarity, and hopefully the AFM Club, who sponsored the event, will plan more fun for us in the future.

### **Outdoor Degree**

The AFM Club of Spartanburg will be hosting an Outdoor Master Mason Degree at the outdoor site in New Prospect on August 1<sup>st.</sup> A degree team from Cliffside Lodge in North Carolina will be conferring the degree. Dinner will be served at New Prospect Lodge at 5:30 pm, then everyone will travel to the outdoor site for the degree at 7:30 pm. This is an opportune time for brethren who have not seen degree work from out of state, so please make plans to attend to experience degree work from another jurisdiction.



"The internal, and not the external, qualifications of a man are what Ma-sonry regards. As you increase in knowledge, you will improve in social intercourse."

# **Inman Degree Work**

Gene Kuczmaul, Graham Batson and Justin Babcock received their Fellowcraft degree on May 26<sup>th</sup>. Congratulation to these three brothers as they continue their journey into Masonry!