

THE TRESTLEBOARD



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Steak Dinner Fundraiser

A steak dinner fundraiser was held on March 18th, 2017, at Lyman Lake Lodge. Over 75 attendees gathered for the dinner, including RWB Mike Smith, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina, and his wife Lynn, as well as WB Paul McWilliams, Senior Grand Deacon, and his fiancée Bonnie.

The evening began with musical entertainment from the Plum Hollow Band. Brother Jared Miller on guitar, fiddle and vocals, Kris Dedmon on banjo and vocals, and Brother Glenn Miller on pedal steel and vocals, played bluegrass for the crowd. A delicious steak dinner prepared by the officers and members of Inman Lodge was then enjoyed by all in attendance. Afterward, thirteen cakes were auctioned off, with an additional two given as prizes for cake walks. Many thanks to WB Stephen Pinker and the officers of Inman Masonic Lodge, and the Pinker family in particular, for a successful night of good food and good times!

Degree Work for the Quarter

Joseph Stewart received his Entered Apprentice Degree on February 27, 2017. Congratulations to this Brother on taking his First Step in Freemasonry!

Obituaries

Brother Glyn Curtis Babb laid down his working tools on February 18, 2017. He was a 50 year member of Inman Masonic Lodge, and a veteran of World War II. Brother Hugh Wayne Johnson laid down his working tools on February 27, 2017. He was a 54 year member of Inman Masonic Lodge. Worshipful Brother Reggie Walter Cox, Past Master of Inman 201, has passed away. He was a 40 year member, and served as Worshipful Master of Inman Masonic Lodge in 1982. Brother Carroll Campbell passed away March 15, 2017. He was a 40 year member of Inman Lodge. Please remember to keep the families of these departed Brethren in your daily devotions.

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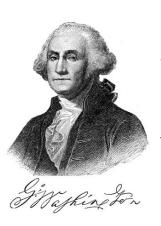
The 300th Anniversary of Freemasonry

Lodges around the globe will be celebrating the 300th Anniversary of Freemasonry this year. Worshipful Brother Matthew Tripp, Worshipful Master of Mount Zion Lodge #9, Free & Accepted Masons of Ohio, puts the Anniversary into perspective. "On June 24th, 1717, in London, England, four Lodges decided to create the Grand Lodge of England," WB Tripp explained. "And this structure of organization has continued for three centuries and spread around the world."

"Masonic Lodges existed before that time," WB Tripp said. "But, the 1717 date represents the basic, creative step in the overall continuity and agreement of principles that still govern the international fraternity we have today." The United Grand Lodge of England's celebration of 300 years will be held in the Royal Albert Hall, London, England on October 31, 2017. Invitations to the Grand Masters of all Grand Lodges recognized by the UGLE have been sent.

The first Lodge in South Carolina, Solomon's Lodge #1, was chartered by the Grand Lodge of England in 1735. The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina was granted a charter just one year later. The Grand Lodge of South Carolina, with its 288 Lodges, will be celebrating its 280th Grand Lodge Communication this April.

The Ancient Free Masons Club of Spartanburg County will be celebrating the 300th Anniversary by conferring a Master Mason's Degree on Saturday, June 24th, at Saint John's Masonic Lodge #333 AFM, 190 West Main Street in Spartanburg, at 7 PM. The degree will be conferred in "traditional observance" form, with candlelight and classical music. A meal will be served at 6 PM, and it is recommended, but not required, that all who attend wear a shirt and tie.



"The grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race."

-George

Washington