



On The Level At Old Town Lodge

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Stated Meeting Present were 28 masons: including 1 60-year mason, 1 50 year mason, 6-25-year masons, 7-past masters, 10- veteran/1st responders, and 9 endowed members, 1-petition for degrees

Brother **Chad Leinbach SW** (acting master) opened the floor for **comments on our "rituals"**. The first input he received from the floor was on **one of the words** in the Fellowcraft degree. It is, of course, sourced to the Holy Bible. And, it has been adopted in secular speech as well. The word and concept played a significant role in a particular bible account and in this degree.

Bro Chad Leinbach SW reports that OTL is in good position to receive the Lion and Pillar award this year.

The next input from the floor concerned the **use of the lights in the MM ritual**. It seemed to this brother that at times the manipulation of the lights is, to say the least, haphazardly done and then, just as an afterthought. When in fact, that manipulation is, or can be, a major factor in establishing the flow of time in the drama of the degree. This, for the edification of the candidate as well as for newly made masons who might be in attendance and still learning .

OTL has awarded Garrett Sapp (left center below) and David Redding (right center below) Regan High Scholarships for this year .(more on pg 2)

And, finally, there was some input from the floor on the **attitude** of the MM degree. One brother said "if it brings laughter it is wrong". Another suggested the use of the word **demeanor**, as in, the demeanor of this degree should be solemnity. "Serious stuff is being taught". All in all a good discussion we think.



OTL is planning a Veterans and First responders Appreciation Pancake Dinner

It is a way to recognize and thank those who are serving or have served in the past.

Special guests, included at no cost, will be military and first responder veterans, active duty or reserves **and their families**.

Time: Saturday September 16 2023 (first Saturday following 9/11) @ 5 pm

Location: Old Town Lodge 5112N Causeway drive, Winston Salem NC

Other guests are welcome for a free will donation.

Sick and bereaved

Mrs. Bill Moon
Jimmy Fearington.
Tom Shore
Billy Walters
Richard Huff
Glenn Romesberg (wife)
William Sheets (wife)
James Abshir (dad)

Sept Birthdays

Scott T. Horn 5
Dick Mock 8
Dale L. Hughes 15
Clayton D. Davis 16
Moir R. Hunter 27
Bennie R. Shore 29

OTL Community day was held July 22. The attendance could have been better, but the refreshments and fellowship were exceptionally great. Had some good conversations with attendees' family members.

Otl Regan Scholarship Winners



Below are the winners general responses to prescribed question

Garrett Sapp will be studying Engineering and Music at UNC Chapel Hill in the Fall

Daniel Redding will be attending Appalachian State University in the Fall and studying Business with a focus on Internet Security

Friendship Morality & Brotherly Love

Band Leader, Work @Chic-Fil-a, Church

Source of encouragement for friends, Treating others with respect and kindness, Try to Walk in Christ's footsteps.

Faith Hope & Charity

Church, Baptized at Calvary Baptist @ age 9, Hope-Optimistic in my life choices. Volunteered at the Crossnore Children's Home

Faith in Christ for forgiveness of sin, Hope by always having a positive outlook on things. I have control over how I react to things.

Lodge effect on community

Fund raising Golf tournaments, "Bikes for Books" Scholarships, Blood drives, breakfast for veterans and 1st responders.

Bikes For Books, Widows gifts, MHCO, Funerals for members. Hope to become a member of OTL in due time

Friends, Family, etc. Known masons

Great Grandfather, George P Rezabck, 55 year free-mason Berwyn #839 in Berwyn Ill. MY Inspiration

Wayne, Chad, Todd, Tyler, and Andrew, Leinbach (OTL), And James Daniel Ridding Scottish rite.

Community Appreciation Day



To be one...ask one.....

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- . OTL Stated Meeting Aug 15 @ 7:00pm ;Dinner @ 6:00 PM (Chicken Casserole)
- . Veterans and 1st-Reponders Sept 16 Appreciation Dinner @ 5:00 pm
- . OTL Stated Meeting Sept 19 @7:00 pm ;Dinner @ 6:00 pm (Chili)
- . OTL Stated Meeting Oct 17 @7:00 pm ;Dinner @ 6:00 pm (Chicken Stew)
- . OTL Stated Meeting Oct 21 @7:00 pm ;Dinner @ 6:00 pm (Thanksgiving Meal)

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