



On The Level At Old Town Lodge

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December 2021

At the November 2021 Stated Meeting in attendance were: 25 -Masons, including 14 -25 year masons ; 2-60 year masons; 8 -Past Masters; 6 US Veterans

OTL experienced a leak in the water supply meter a while back resulting in a large water bill. The utilities department has refunded a portion and the matter is resolved.

As has become our custom, widow's baskets were prepared for known widows of deceased OTL masons. The baskets were prepared on Friday and Distributed on Saturday following a good breakfast.

(The guys are dressed for the funeral they will be attending after delivering the baskets.)

OTL elected officers at the November stated. The installation of officers for OTL will be held Saturday January 8th. Masons will open the lodge at 1:30 pm and the Public Ceremony will begin at 2:00 The newly elected/appointed officers are listed below.

Todd Leinbach	WM	Andrew Leinbach	SD
Tyler Leinbach	SW	Shawn Summerfield	JD
Chad Leinbach	Jw	Don Anderson	Chap.
Scott Andrews	Treas.	???	Stew
Scott Horn	Sect.	Clay Tatum	Stew
Don Frost	Trustee	Tom Hauser Sr.	Tyler

The Guns and Amo raffle prizes are being awarded each day. The winners are shown on the lodge website www.oldtownlodge.org as the prizes are announced. The raffle yielded over \$7000 for our charities.

Bro. Tyler Leinbach spoke about the workings and advantages of the **endowed member program** and the remembrance **program**. Simply put, the EM program allows a brother to pay a lump sum now and it will pay his dues in perpetuity, continuing after he has deceased. The remembrance program is similar but set up in remembrance of some brother mason..

We hope all of you had a joyous **Christmas**. These are hard times with COVID 19 looming in ever corner, inflation taking hold, shut downs, cancellations, and new regulations everyday. Even so there is much to celebrate and many opportunities to serve, each in his own way. A song puts it this way "Christmas is for children, aren't you feeling young". And with all of that OTL increased its membership

And, the new year is just along the corner. Time for making plans, breaking habits and getting reorganized. So best wishes to all and blessing from the GAOTU . Remember HE is still master of this universe.

WM Frost closed the Lodge of Sorrow for the year. Two of our brother advanced to the celestial lodge above during the year: **Tom Hamilton** and **Fred Wood**. We commend them to His service.



January Birthdays

Sick and bereaved

Giles McLelland	George A. Salmons	4
Paul Manual	Marvin C. Hanks	7
Marvin Hanks	Charles R. Young	9
Bill Moon (wife)	Jack T. York	12
B A Bird	Glenn C. Oakes	14
Alvin Cheek	William A. Cheek	17
	James M. Wilson	22
	Marion T. Hauser	22
	Samuel G. Dotson	25
	Tyler J. Leinbach	28
	William E. Moody	30
	Raymond E. Staley	31

Please help by notifying us of any one needing to be listed here

OES Chapter No. 355

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Happy Holidays from Old Town Chapter. December was a quiet month, as we did not have our December Christmas meeting. There will be a lot of business to cover at our first meeting in January, so please try to attend.

Our Chapter was greatly saddened by the sudden passing of our Worthy Patron, Brother Fred Wood on December 4th. His funeral was held on Saturday, December 18th at Olivet Moravian Church, and there was both Eastern Star and Masonic funeral services. Brother Fred was very active at Old Town Lodge and at Old Town Chapter, as well as being a busy Shriner. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his wife Linda, and daughters Kim and Kelly, who are all members of our Chapter.

On January 17th, we have rescheduled the 50-year Veteran's Medal presentation for Sister Marjorie Geer. There will be a box dinner before the meeting. Please RSVP to Sister Ann Blankenship if you can attend.

Please remember the following dates:

January 3 Stated meeting at 7:30. Bring your Christmas cards if you did not mail them.

January 17 Stated meeting at 7:30. Box Dinner at 6:00. RSVP to Ann Blankenship

Happy January Birthdays to: Bob Gunn (11), Kathryn Holt (13), Catherine Davis (14), Kay Brown (15), Kimberly Wood, Christy Blankenship and Pat Woosley (18), Tom Hauser, Sr. (22), Ella Brown (30)

Star Love,

Amy-Jo Fischer, WM



In Loving Memory
Worthy Patron Fred Wood
January 10, 1951-December 4, 2021

Winston Salem Assembly #37 IORG *December 21*

Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year to our Masonic Body Family from the WS Rainbow for Girls!!!! December 11th was our 2nd Official Visit for our own Grand Worthy Advisor, Stephanie Vargas, in Dunn, NC!!! We had an eventful morning getting there as one of our Advisory Board Member's car was dead and required a "jump" before they could leave WS! But thankfully that worked and all 8 got there in one piece. There were lots of Girls from all over our Beautiful State celebrating Stephanie's term by playing Bingo, decorating cookies, making ornaments, and EATING PIZZA!!!! Our visiting Rainbow Sister from New Mexico, Bonnie, joined us and the sweetest thing happened at the meeting - she got to meet her Grand Representative counterpart from NC who was also present at the OV!!!! How neat is that? The Grand Worthy Advisor and the Grand Representative from GA also attended!!! These ladies have such wonderful opportunities to travel and meet Sisters from all over our beautiful Country who share our love of our Rainbow Order!!!

On Dec 14th, our Rainbow and DeMolay members and 4 prospects joined at the Masonic Center to hear 2 Reynolds Tobacco Employees present a program called "Right Decisions Right Now" which equips teenagers with reasons and techniques to say "NO" to illegal behaviors with which their peers entice them! One of those gentlemen was a DeMolay growing up and holds our Orders in high esteem! The members had good feedback for them after the presentation. Bonnie even brought a homemade batch of a traditional New Mexico Christmas cookie to share afterward!

We are continuing to collect aluminum cans to recycle, old pocketbooks, 3inch (large) used prescription bottles, and we sell FANTASTIC RADA knives. Thank you to all who help our Organization succeed. They are our future!!!

Please contact me if you have children, grands, or neighbors between 10 and 20 who would benefit from our Beautiful Order!!!

In Rainbow Love and Service,
Ms Judy



