



# On The Level At Old Town Lodge

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At the **September 2021 Stated Meeting** in attendance were: 28 Masons, including - 1 Charter member, - 2 60 year mason, -1 50 year mason, - 11 25 year masons , -8 Past Masters, -8 US Veterans and 2 EMTs

Unfortunately the **homecoming at MHCO** has been canceled due to COVID.

The **barbeque** scheduled for Sept 24th has been moved to Oct 23.

A lodge **clean-up day** with a tree cutting is set for Oct. 16 with breakfast preceding at 8:am

**Guns and Ammo raffle** is on. The format is somewhat different this year; some prizes are ammo. So read the ticket carefully. Tickets will go on sale October 1 and sales will end December 1. Prices are 1 for \$30 and 4 for \$100

The annual communication of the **Grand Lodge of North Carolina** is scheduled to take place on Friday, September 24 and Saturday, September 25 at the Embassy Suites on Cherry Street in Winston-Salem North Carolina.

**WM Don Frost** has been taken ill with covid-19. Consequently he has missed several events at lodge including his "pack the temple night". We are praying for him and wish him the best in this fight.

Our brother **Tom Hamilton** was raised to the heavenly lodge May 17, 2021 at age 98. He is on our October birthday list for the last time.

### Sick and bereaved

Giles McLelland  
 Paul Manual  
 Dick Mock  
 Marvin Hanks  
 Richard Huff  
 Harley Sigmon  
 Jamie Minton  
 (daughter)

| October Birthdays  | Day |
|--------------------|-----|
| George A. Salmons  | 4   |
| Billy C. Walters   | 7   |
| James R. Dellinger | 7   |
| Wayne T. Pfaff Jr  | 13  |
| Larry C. Fulp Jr   | 13  |
| Thomas B. Hamilton | 19  |
| William D. Sheets  | 20  |
| Terry L. Bralley   | 21  |

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

**Brothers Clay Tatum and Shawn Summerfield** were raised to the sublime degree in separate ceremonies September 7th and September 14th

Tatum



Summerfield



**Brother Garland Smith** of Friendship Lodge 763 in Broadway NC, a distinguished mason, PDDGM and PM of several lodges, made the trip to Oldtown to witness bro Tatum's degree and make a presentation.

### Just Thinking

A lodge shares a fate with most human organizations. *It will continually lose members.* For the lodge to survive, these losses *must be continually replaced*, else masonry dies on the vine. Masonry further limits itself in this vein, in that it does not recruit. Well qualified candidates must see something in the actions of masons they want to be a part of and make the first move. So, how do we find that elusive something and use it to avoid the natural withering away.

Nothing that transpires within the tiled recesses of the lodge can directly inspire men to be interested in masonry. Why? because "it's a secret". So, to survive there must be something happening inside the lodge that causes something to transpire outside the lodge which draws well qualified men to want to seek admittance. Could it be community projects? They are good but there is already an organization for every conceivable community need competing for the available good men. Could it be comradery? No, for the same reason. Then what do we have to sell.

Could it be practicing outside what we preach inside. Could those basic tenets of masonry we race and stumble through in the lodge be given legs out in the world and inspire good men to want to join us. Do masons actually live up to those high sounding promises? Do all of our members on the roll still support us?

Do you?

*Just asking!*

## Winston Salem Assembly #37 IORG *September 2021 News*

Our own, Grand Worthy Advisor, Stephanie planned an educational and amazing Statewide event at her Campbell University on Sat Aug 28th where there were approximately 50+ Girls and Advisors present to enjoy the remarkable M Jason Ezell and his Astronomy Club members as they demonstrated how science is in everything we do! You can see Stephanie's hand holding fire in one of their experiments - no, she didn't get burned!!!! If you only knew how timid and shy Stephanie used to be, you would be even more amazed at the young woman she is now! Rainbow brings out the VERY BEST in girls!!!!

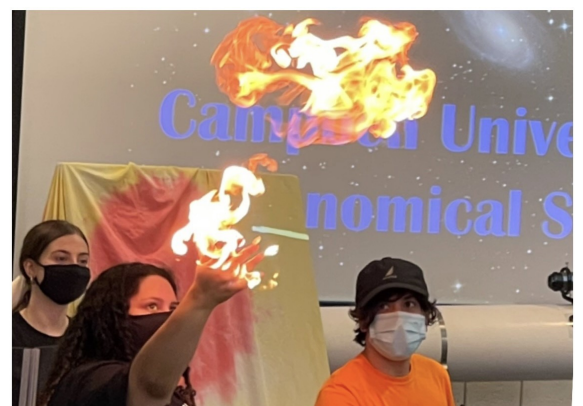
What a special happening because we had 5 Tuesdays in Aug, the new girls were asking me if we were having a meeting the 5th Tu and were disappointed we weren't!!!! What a nice problem to have!

At our Sept 14th meeting, we elected a new WS Worthy Advisor, Ms Marciana Nelson. Our current WA, Peyton Smith has served for almost 2yrs due to our small numbers and Covid. She has done a FANTASTIC job and we Appreciate her very much! Now we look forward to Marciana's leadership. Ms Kourtney Butcher will be our new Worthy Associate Advisor! Congratulations to these new officers. Our Installation will be Tu Oct 12th at a location TBA.

Three of our newest members applied and received offices on our NC Supreme Drill Team going to Supreme Assembly July 2022 in Oklahoma City, OK where our Ms Kay will be Installed as the new Supreme Worthy Advisor. These young ladies are: Riley Bell - Active Candidate; Peighton Jackson - Choir Director; and Lillian Knabb - Musician! Congratulations to all three of them for the great job we know they will do on the team!!!!

Be sure you send all your daughters, Granddaughters, and neighbors between 10-20 our way for a huge positive change in their lives!

In Rainbow Love and Service,  
Ms Judy  
Mother Advisor



## OES Chapter No. 355 *September 2021 news*

Welcome to fall at Old Town! We had our only stated meeting on Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, and we enjoyed being together again. Our business was quick, and we celebrated National String Cheese Day with a gift of a stick of string cheese from our Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron. The highlight of the meeting was the presentation of a 25 Year Certificate and pin to Sister Darlla Tolley. The Worthy Matron pinned her, and a round of applause was given to our faithful Sister. We draped the Charter in memory of Brothers Tom Pullen and Billy Whitaker. We also received our 2021-2022 Yearbooks, thanks to Sister Sue Frye.

Please remember to sign up to volunteer at the upcoming craft fairs in Greensboro. The Holiday Market will be Friday-Sunday November 5-7 and the Christmas Classic will be Friday-Sunday November 26-28. We need everyone to help. These craft fairs are our only fundraiser, and it is not fair that only a few donate their time. It is also a lot of fun!!!

You are invited to attend the Kernersville Pink Ribbon Rally on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 6-10pm at the Kid's Clubhouse in Kernersville. It is a breast cancer fundraiser, held annually, to support women undergoing treatment with their non-medical expenses. Tickets are available from Sister Amy-Jo, and are \$35 for dinner and participation in the auction.

Our stated meetings in October will be Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup> and October 18<sup>th</sup>. Refreshments will be provided by Sisters Linda Johnson and Anne Hauser.

Happy October birthdays to: Gwen Oakley (6), Sandy Hauser (8), Edie Childress (13), Sheila Coleman (16), Marjorie Geer (19), Chris Catron (23), and Johnny Jackson (31).

Happy Halloween!

Star Love,

Amy-Jo Fischer, WM and Fred Wood, WP



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

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- . Grand Lodge (in WS) Sep 24-25
- . Lodge Clean-up Day OCT 16 Starting 8:30 with Breakfast
- . Raffle Ticket sales Begin OCT 1 END Dec 1
- . OTL Stated Meeting OCT 19 @ 7:30pm Dinner @ 6:30 PM
- . Bar B Que OCT 23

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