



On The Level At Old Town Lodge

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Stated Meeting Present were 30 masons: including 1— visitor, 1 60-year mason, 1-50 -year mason 8 25-year masons, 12 past masters, 7- veteran/1st responder, and 12 endowed members.

WM Leinbach praised JW Andrew Leinbach for a great fellowship meal. Members present responded with a strong round of applause.

Due to some technical problems at the printer, your dues card may be late. Never fear, if you are paid up you will get your card.

The Gun Raffle has ended, the prizes have been awarded and the net effect on our charities of the raffle, plus other donations, was a little over \$7,700. See page 3 for winners

The lodge of sorrow was closed with the appropriate ceremony. Our brothers who passed to the celestial lodge above in 2023 were: **Tom Douglas, Richard Huff, Paul Manual, Harry Sapp, Smoot Cranfield, and Philip Hylton.**

Our brother **Bill Moon** has served in this realm for **70 years.** MW Don Kehler Grand Master of Masons in NC plans to come to OTL for the January stated meeting and present him with the appropriate honors.

There is an effort under way for OTL to be a part of **Wreaths Across America.** The purpose of WAA is to place wreaths on the graves of Veterans. This would involve partnering with churches with cemeteries. **Bro Chad Leinbach** leads that effort.

OTL annual golf tournament is planned for May of 2024. JW **Andrew Leinbach,** is leading that charge. He will need volunteers for all phases,—playing through cleaning up.

OTL prepared and presented widows baskets on 12/9 following the usual format of breakfast, then work. Some of our beloved widows have opted for a contribution to one of our charities, in their honor, in lieu of a basket. There were 13 baskets and 15 donations this year. Several members of Clemmons Lodge attended to observe our system.

The **open to the public** installation of 2024 officers will be held January 13, 2024 @2:00 pm.

Excerpts From outgoing master **Tyler Leinbach's** final Report

My overall report on the performance of Old Town #751 is that we are growing stronger in degree work, preserving our history, finances, and programs, but continue to turn the ship around in regards to membership growth. We should remember though, a Lodge's strength comes from the work of active Masons...not merely names on a roster. Our numerous Past Masters set us apart from other Lodge's where they routinely go inactive once they step down. That being said, the minimum expectation I have for myself next year is to attend all of the meetings.

Some 2023 Milestones

By Laws change	Having raised 3, accepted 1, and lost 5...we had a net loss of 1 Master Mason.
Lion and Pillar award (Platinum).	
Regan Scholarships (2)	Veteran's hospital visitation
Golf Tournament	Bikes for books
Community Day	Wreaths Across America
Funeral Team	10-camera security system
Vets and First responders recognition	Blood Drive
LCA (finance)	Gun Raffle

EA brother **Brantley Cummins** demonstrated his proficiency in the EA degree at the October stated. He was passed to Fellowcraft October 24th, Raised to Master Mason November 14, demonstrated his proficiency in the MM catechism December 19. (awarded card #159). Congratulations for a job well done Brantley. and to your coach, PM Thomas Hauser Jr and to your degree teams .

Sick and bereaved

Mrs. Bill Moon
Tom Shore
Billy Walters
Mrs. Glenn Romesberg
Mrs William Sheets
Glenn Oaks (& Mrs)
Carey Mock
Paul Tetherow

February B-days

Joel C. Ornstein	1
R. "Scott" McNeely	2
Harvey L. Mitchell Jr	3
Roy L. Long	12
Claude F. Royall	13
Terry A. Hauser	13
Steven L. Masencup	16
Harley D. Sigmon	19
Daniel "Dan" T. Leach	22
Arnold G. Booth	24
Jeffrey L. White	26

Widows Baskets Preparation



Christmas Dinner



2024 officers

Master **Chad Leinbach**
Senior Warden **Andrew Leinbach**
Jr Warden **Shawn Summerfield**
Secretary **Scott Horn**
Treasurer **Scott Andrews**
Trustee **Tyler Leinbach**

GUN Raffle Winners

- #1 Ray Shore
- #2 Tyler Leinbach
- #3 John Goforth
- #4 Bill Mock
- #5 Tyler Leinbach
- #6 Glenn Oaks
- #7 Denzel Ausborne
- #8 Ray Shore
- #9 Alan Wright
- #10 Brad Swaim
- #11 Don Frost
- #12 Steve Vick
- #13 Alan Caparuscio
- #14 Donnie White
- #15 Billy Merian
- #16 Don Frost
- #17 Alan Wright Sr
- #18 Don Frost
- #19 Tyler Leinbach
- #20 Cam Butner
- #21 Bruce Bower
- #22 Tyler Leinbach
- #23 Randy Shore
- #24 Carol Sauers
- #25 Chad Leinbach
- #26 Danny Mitchell
- #27 James Boykin
- #28 Cam Butner
- #29 Michael Myers
- #30 Carey Mock



Cummings Degree Participants



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

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- **Installation of 2024 officers Jan 13 @ 2:00 PM**
- **OTL Stated Meeting Jan 16 @ 7:00pm ;Coffee @ 5:00 PM Dinner @ 6:00 PM Beef Stew w/Side Dish and Desert**
- **OTL Stated Meeting Feb 20 @ 7:00pm ;Coffee @ 5:00 PM Dinner @ 6:00 PM Roasted Chicken w/Side Dish and Desert**
- **OTL Stated Meeting Mar 19 @ 7:00pm ;Coffee @ 5:00 PM Dinner @ 6:00 PM Corned Beef w/Side Dish and Desert**
- **OTL Stated Meeting Apr 16 @ 7:00pm ;Coffee @ 5:00 PM Dinner @ 6:00 PM Country Fried Steak w/Side Dish and Desert**

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