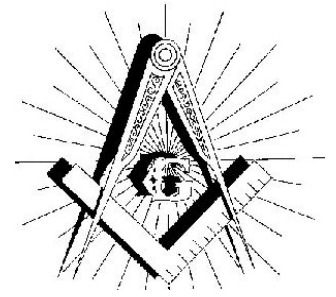


Gainesville Masonic Lodge No. 41
Trestleboard
September - October 2007



Important Notice to the Brothers!!

Brothers an issue has arisen over the use of the Lodge by the Tango y Te dance group. On November 8, 2006, at our Stated Communications, the Lodge voted (unanimously) to allow the group to use the Lodge on Saturday nights with proof of liability insurance covering the Lodge and Grand Lodge. Again on December 13, 2006, with advice of counsel, the Lodge voted to allow improvements to the building in lieu of paying the \$400/month rent offered by the group.

In June we received a letter from the DDGM, Ed Jones, to stop the group from meeting until we completed a written agreement acceptable to the Grand Master. After contacting an attorney to draw up the agreement, a draft was presented to the Lodge for review on August 22nd's Communication. The Crescent President, R.:W.: Ed Jones felt that the document wasn't adequate for the Lodge's protection and Brother Sam Mutch, the Crescent Foundation's attorney was asked to draw up a new agreement. Brother Mutch presented his draft document, a license agreement which adequately protects the Lodge if the Tango y Te agrees to the provisions.

M.:W.: George Hayes moved to have the agreement rejected and the group given 30 days notice to cease using the Lodge. Since the Lodge action was previously taken, it requires written notice to the membership for a vote to change this course of action. The Worshipful Master has set the next Stated Communication, September 26, 2007, for this vote. Please attend this meeting if you wish to have a say in this matter.

The group originally agreed to remove the dilapidated linoleum flooring in the dining room and restore the wood floors. This was done and it looked very nice. They also offered to pay the Lodge \$400/month rent for the use of the building. After discussion with an attorney, it was felt that repairs and improvement could be made in lieu of actual cash transfers. The club did extensive work in the dining room, painting the walls and ceiling, installing a chair railing, fixing broken light fixtures, reconfiguring the air condition duct area, adding window treatments, and generally improving the looks of the dining room.

While the Lodge has not received any actual cash, it has received much needed repairs to the dining room. While the utilities have increased moderately, the new agreement designed by Brother Mutch takes this into account and provides for equitable treatment to the Lodge and group.

The dance group charges a minimal fee for lessons (\$15.00) to pay their expenses. The membership is high quality members of the community and the presence in the Lodge on Saturday nights has helped minimize abuse to the grounds by the homeless persons who frequent the downtown area. The Worshipful Master and the Officers feel that it has been a win, win, win situation. However, there are several members of the Lodge who don't think the arrangement should be continued.

Regardless of the outcome of the vote, the group should be allowed to finish the year and the license agreement should be executed (to protect the Lodge). Since the group has fulfilled their part of our original agreement, it should be given sufficient time to find a new location.



Honoring Great Masons



On July 18th the Worshipful Master, W.: Kurt Morauer, the Secretary, R.:W.: Fred Latsko, and the Chaplain, R.:W.: Ray Davis, Jr. went to the home of long time Treasurer, R.:W.: Wally Zetrouer to present him with his 55-year Service Award. R.:W.: Zetrouer was Initiated, Passed, and Raised in 1952, elected Worshipful Master in 1959, appointed District Deputy Grand Master in 1971, and elected as Treasurer from 1981 through 2003. R.:W.: Wally was in good spirits and is very lucent. He is unable to leave his house without major effort, but has all the necessities (TV, refrigerator, etc.) at arm's reach. He is able to accept visitors, but needs a call ahead of time

Nobel Moments



In July the Worshipful Master, W.: Kurt Morauer, Senior Warden Chris Druoin, Junior Warden Otto Johnson visited the Florida Masonic Home during the Board of Trustees Meeting. They were very impressed with the facility. Worshipful Kurt highly recommended to the brothers of Gainesville 41 that they should go and visit whenever they could. The officers of Gainesville 41 earn points for their Lodge by attending the meeting.

Gainesville 41 honored the memory of Brother S.P. "Van" Glick by voting to purchase a Memorial brick at the Masonic Garden at the home.

Calender

DDGM Official Visits

Mon. Sept. 10th — Ira Carter Lodge
Mon. Sept. 24th — Archer Lodge
Mon. Oct. 1st — Brown Lodge
Tues. Oct. 9th — I.N. McNatt Lodge

Masters & Wardens

Sept 27th - Archer Lodge
October 25th - W.T. Carlton Lodge
November 8th - Gainesville Lodge
December 1st - VA Christmas Party
December 13th - High Springs



GAINESVILLE LODGE 150TH ANNIVERSARY

On Saturday, October 6th, 2007, Gainesville Lodge No. 41 will celebrate their 150th Anniversary. The open house will begin at 9:00AM with a charity breakfast fundraiser to benefit STOP Children's Cancer. The Lodge will be open to the public and Lodge tours will be provided by the brothers until 4:00PM. Many dignitaries have been invited. Live music will be performed throughout the day. For more information please contact Worshipful Master Kurt Morauer at kmorauersr@aol.com or 352-258-6034.

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Child ID Program

Children have been described as our most valuable and precious asset. Your Grand Lodge has a program designed to provide a community service to protect that asset, and if so doing can generate publicity and the Communities knowledge about our beloved fraternity.

The Child ID program is a program which assists law enforcement personnel in identifying children which are missing or have been abducted, thus saving precious time, and giving them a valuable tool to make the community aware of the crisis.

The Gainesville Crescent Foundation has underwritten the cost of all the materials involved in this program and it is free to any lodge wishing to host a venue in which its services can be rendered. The fraternity keeps no record of the event except for a headcount, and the photo CD, paperwork and information packet are turned over the parent or responsible guardian for their safekeeping.

It is my hope that this year, in addition to the lodge based events of the past we can have district events to host this program. We service a 3 county area, and there are many venues in which to hold district events. Should anyone know of an event or like to sponsor a program, please feel free to contact me. With us all working together, we can make a difference and make the world a safer place for our children and the community more aware of noble institution.

Henry A. Bariteau III
Child ID Chairman



Lodge Officers 2007

Worshipful Master	Kurt Morauer
Sr. Warden	Chris Druion
Jr. Warden	Otto Johnston
Treasurer	Bill Grene
Secretary	Fred Latsko
Chaplain	Ray Davis
Marshall	Henry Bariteau III
Sr. Deacon	John Wells
Jr. Deacon	Michael Bickelhaupt
Sr. Stewart	Dustin Cowser
Jr. Stewart	Milledge Murphy
Tyler	Rick Marston
Musician	Holland Vaughn

Things To Remember

Order out of chaos is the famous motto of the Freemasons. It means the occasion of rising beyond one's aimless animal nature and attaining a higher plane of existence. To learn the way to that plane, to follow the proper paths, and to continue the journey and complete the wondrous voyage to a higher self and the unity of the whole, are the ultimate goals of a Freemason.

Be kind to everyone.

The soul is immortal.

Open the door for someone.

Smile instead of frowning.

Fortune is like a Lady she favors the bold.

Tell the people you care about that you love them.

To be a mason ask one!





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