

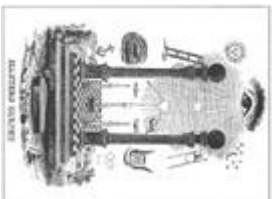
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# Trestle Board OF

Lewisville Lodge  
No. 201 A. F. & A. M.  
Lewisville, Texas



Chartered January 23<sup>rd</sup> A.L. 5857

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Stated Communication  
Second Thursday of the Month

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Charles R. Massey - Michael McCrady - Timothy Browning - Davis Watkins  
Larry FitzPatrick - Bill Barber - Mark Kirkman

## April 2012 CALENDAR

**Officer's Meeting – Monday, April 9th**  
7:00 pm Officer's Meeting

**Stated Meeting – Thursday, April 12th**  
6:00 pm Fellowship 6:30 pm Dinner  
7:30 pm Lodge Opened in the MM Degree

**Police / Firefighter's Breakfast – Saturday, April 14th**  
**3:30 am – 9:00am – Breakfast is Served...**  
2:00 am – 2:30 am Cooks need to be at the Lodge  
7:00 am – 9:30 am Cleaning Crew need to be at the Lodge

**EA Degree – Thursday, April 19th**  
6:00 pm Fellowship 6:30 pm Dinner  
7:30 pm MM Degree

**PM's & Willows Dinner – Saturday, April 28th**  
4:30 pm Fellowship 5:00 pm Dinner

## May 2012 Calendar

**Fish Fry – Saturday, May 5th**  
4:30 pm – 7:00pm Dinner

Please also check the Lodge Calendar and Website for updates and changes

## *Committee Updates*

### *Sickness & Distress*

Chaplain James Brittain was recently in the hospital at the beginning of March with pneumonia. He has been resting at home and has been up at the Lodge in recent weeks and is getting back to his normal daily activities. Congrats on your quick recovery.

SW Brian Lee's youngest daughter, Brianna, 8 yrs. old, has a peripheral nerve tumor in the chest area. Benign and bland. X-rays were taken on March 14<sup>th</sup> and show no change to the tumor. The doctors will monitor the tumor.

Please keep the following brothers in your thoughts and prayers as they are also dealing with illness or hardship: Bill Jacobs, Bill Barber, Keith Moulton, Mark Suire, Howard Brandt, Ray Atkins, Al Brown, Chris McCurley, Dale Sylvester, Jack Wilson, James Higgins, Tom Sanders, Rich Desai, Stan Woods, and Chuck Ramsey.

Please keep all of these brothers and their families in your thoughts and prayers. It is through the support of a brother in need that we show what it truly means to be a Mason.

*(Please contact SW Brian Lee (214) 995-8874 or Chaplain Jim Brittain 972-310-0089 if you have anything to add to the Sickness and Distress or Good News sections).*

### *The Good News*

The Brethren wanted to send out a few "Special Thanks" to:

- JW Brad Cunningham in coordinating ordering a new Laptop computer for the Secretaries office.
- Brother Terry Hill for his time getting the Secretaries new Laptop computer up and running with the right software in order to make Secretary Bill Jacobs job a lot easier.
- PM Mark Kirkman, PM Tim Browning, SD Vince Jones, Librarian / JD Tommy Sanders and Brother's Argus Beggs & Kacy McCarroll for working on the Past Master's Wall (painting, changing out the picture frames and building a new profile for the frames to hang on the wall).

The above requires time and effort that a lot of the Brethren does not see while up at the Lodge. Again, thank you Brothers!!!

### *Masonic Education*

We currently have 8 Brothers working on the 1st section of the EA Degree, 0 Brothers working on the 2nd and 3rd section of the EA Degree, 0 Brothers working on the FC Degree and 3 Brother working on the MM degree. We encourage any brother who has yet to

complete any part of their esoteric study to come up to the lodge on a Monday, Wednesday or Thursday night. Special times can also be arranged by contacting JW Brad Cunningham.

### *Lodge Office Spotlight of the Month*

#### **Hiram's Tracing Board**

Hiram Abif's tracing board is believed to have been made of wood, covered with a coating of wax. Each day he would draw his Master architect's measurements & symbols into the wax in order to instruct his Master Masons of the work that was to be accomplished. At the end of the day, he would simply scrape off the wax and pour a new layer of hot wax onto the board to ready it for the next day's work.

#### **Masonic Tracing Board**

Much later, in the days where lodge was held in secret areas on foothills and valleys, once lodge was in session, the Tiler would draw an oblong image into the dirt that represented the form of the Lodge. Again, onto that tracing board was drawn the architect's plan... the working tools in the degree that was to be worked. If the Brethren were to walk atop the markings made in dirt on the foothills and valleys, the message of that lecture which was being worked could be partially or fully destroyed.

### *Upcoming Events*

Lewisville Lodge No. 201 will be holding its annual Fish Fry on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm till & 7:00pm. We do need the Brethren's help in selling tickets for this event to help support our Lodge. Tickets to sell are at the Lodge, \$10 for Adults, and \$5 for children. If you have any questions, please contact WM Ralph Choate.

1st Annual "Classic Car Show" will be held May 19th in Old Town Lewisville across from City Hall. We will be looking for a few Brethren to volunteer to help support this event in registering the cars and ect. Please contact Brother Paul Barron and/or WM Ralph Choate.

### *Birthdays*

April 10 <sup>th</sup>	Derryl Telford, 42	April 11 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Palacios, 53
April 12 <sup>th</sup>	Thurman Perkins, 61	April 12 <sup>th</sup>	Red Beers, 54
April 13 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Hasselbach, 58	April 16 <sup>th</sup>	Robert Marshall, 52
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Jimmy Cantrell, 74	April 20 <sup>th</sup>	Todd Chiles, 40
April 29 <sup>th</sup>	Richard Lasky, 51	April 29 <sup>th</sup>	Dr. Matt Roberson, 37

### *This Month in Masonic History*

**April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1778** - Voltaire was initiated in "Les Neuf Soeurs" Lodge in Paris. His conductors were Benjamin Franklin & Count Geblein.

**April 5<sup>th</sup>, 1886** – Rudyard Kipling received his 1st Degree.

**April 21st, 1821** - The Grand Lode of Missouri was formed.

**April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1901** – President Theodore Roosevelt received his 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree.

## **THE NORTHEAST CORNER**

### **"Bee"**

The bee-hive is an important symbol and is depicted as a symbol of industry, hence the work of the Lodge, so that Masons should continue to learn in all stages of life. Bees are able to accomplish large tasks because they cooperate in force, a single bee can do very little. This is in parallel to Masonry, where strength is gained by the active participation of all its members.

The bee is also the emblem of several Greco-Roman and Indian gods, including Cupid and Kama, both gods of love. In Indian culture, a blue bee represents Krishna, a bee on a lotus leaf the God Vishnu, and a bee above a triangle represents Shova. The Egyptians believed that bees were born from the tears of the Sun-god, Ra. Bees are also depicted on many ancient tombs, as symbols of the afterlife and resurrection. This probably came from the fact that bees do not leave their hive during the three month hibernation period, only to reappear later. Some compared this to Christ's resurrection, whereby his body vanished for three days, only to reappear after the resurrection.

Bees have been linked in many ways to the divine. Originally thought to have lived in Paradise, the Welsh tradition goes, they came down to earth to produce wax and honey - the wax to make candles for lights used in altars, and honey to sustain man. For this reason bees were considered lucky. If a bee entered a house, it was considered lucky, whereas in Wales a bee flying around a sleeping child was said foretells a happy life.

Furthermore, bees' honey and sting are also associated with Christ and Judgment Day. In Ireland bees were legally protected, for they produce honey which in turn produces mead, the drink of immortality that flows in the Otherworld. In Christian allegory a queen bee sometimes represents the Virgin Mary, the hive symbolizing the Church. The coat of arms of Pope Urban VIII and Napoleon I, for example, depicts several bees. – Author, Unknown

**"Happiness lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort."**

— Franklin D. Roosevelt, American President & Freemason

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