

Blue Hill Lodge, A.F. & A.M.

Canton, Massachusetts 02021

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Dear Brother:

The 1505th Regular Communication of Blue Hill Lodge, A.F. & A.M. Will be held at the Masonic Apartments, 21 Church Street, Canton, Massachusetts on:

TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2009

6:00 P.M. – Fellowship Period

6:30 P.M. – Dinner prepared by Charlene Pearce
By reservation to Wor. Ralph at (781) 828-4088

7:15 P.M. – Lodge opens on the Fellowcraft Degree

FIRST SECTION OF THE FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE

Entitled to this honor

BROTHER M. V. A.

BUSINESS MEETING

To conduct business that regularly comes before the Lodge, read all communications and pay all bills if approved by the finance committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2009-2010

COMPLETION OF THE FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE

DURING OUR RECESS

Please be sure to keep our Secretary informed of any Illness or Distress, Good Tidings and other information during the summer. E-mail photos that can be shared in our monthly news letters via e-mail.

M.W. Roger William Pageau

Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts

R.W. Lester Miller Oshry

District Deputy Grand Master of the 7th Masonic District

Wor. Vincent J. Dymond

District Deputy Grand Marshal of the 7th Masonic District

Wor. Ralph W. Staples

District Deputy Grand Secretary of the 7th Masonic District

The 7th Lodge of Instruction

Wor. Walter H. Dearing, *Master*

Rt. Wor. Frank R. Porter, *Secretary/Treasurer*

Wor. Vincent J. Dymond, *Sr. Warden*

Wor. Krikor E. Kolandjian, *Jr. Warden*

SEVENTH LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

MEETS THE FOURTH THURSDAY

(Third Thursday in November)

at the Stoughton Masonic Apartments

Candidates Education 6:00 P.M. – Dinner 7:00 P.M.

Open Lodge of Instruction 7:45 P.M. – Close & Collation at 9:00 P.M.

Thursday, May 28, 2009

Host: Euclid Lodge

Speaker: To be announced

Subject: DeMolay Mother's Degree

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Host: All District Lodges

Installation of 7th Masonic District

Lodge of Instruction Officers for 2009-2010

COOKOUT FOLLOWING THE INSTALLATION

E-Mail Address Needed by Secretary

Brethren: During our summer recess most correspondence to our members will be through e-mail. If I do not have an e-mail address that you can be reached at then you will not be kept up-to-date on Lodge information. Please send me an e-mail address that you can be reached at so you can stay informed. Also please forward me any new information and pictures for our monthly newsletter update.

Fraternally, Wor. Ralph

HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY

(Anyone planning to visit a Lodge out of state should get a letter of introduction from your Lodge secretary to take with him.)



MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

Truth is power. It is "... the foundation of every virtue". Of all the tenets of our profession as Masons, that one statement sums up the ultimate value of truth. That single point reveals to each of us the purity of our motives and actions. It is like a beacon or spotlight shining on all of the good we do, but it also exposes all of our flaws. Conversely, without truth, virtue becomes nothing more than a meaningless farce.

Truth, real truth, Masonic truth, is absolute. Truth can not exist with exaggeration or understatement. Truth does not need to hide. It is not conditional. If one always tells the truth, one can never be caught in a lie. Rationalization is a mental tool that uses select slices of truth in order to conceal the whole truth. It's how one convinces oneself and others that he is being truthful when in fact he is being deceitful, and is used to cheat and hide things. Is there anyone who can not connect the dots from the deceitfulness on Wall Street with the fraud that sparked the recent American financial collapse? Could that have happened so totally if all parties were on the level?

Truth is a measure of our integrity and a test of our veracity. The honorable man tells the whole truth, without any equivocation or mental reservation. In the other extreme, a man without honor will tell only part of the truth, that "secret evasion of mind", so to speak, to serve his purposes without regard for legitimacy. We all may be tempted to fall into the trap of being less than candid from time to time, for a variety of manufactured reasons and usually after we have been untruthful with ourselves first. But we can and must be vigilant in avoiding that trap.

That is why being "good and true is the first lesson we are taught as Masons". By the dictates of truth, we find that we easily avoid those dishonorable attributes and pitfalls, and instead find ourselves wholly on a path of righteousness and virtue. When a real and sincere Mason tells only the truth, the whole truth, his veracity and fidelity can not be questioned.

We can not make others be truthful, though we can demonstrate it in our daily lives as an example of "righteous" living. As Masons we must be vigilant in making sure that honesty and truth are the primary virtues in our own lives. So by our example, we can show others what it means when we say that Masonry makes good men better, and at the same time, we make the whole world a better place.

Have a wonderful summer. Enjoy friends and family. Experience adventure. I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Fraternally, Wor. John L. Ciccotelli, *Master*