



# TRESTLEBOARD

MOUNT MORIAH TWO BRIDGES NAHE  
LODGE NO 823 A.F. & A.M.

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE AMERICAN CANADIAN GRAND LODGE (ACGL)  
WITHIN THE UNITED GRAND LODGES OF GERMANY (VGLvD)

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dues  
are \$ 50,00**

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## **From the East**

Summer Greetings Brethren,

We are all ready for summer and good  
weather here in Germany. First we will  
have our annual elections and then in July  
the Lodge will be dark as many of our  
brothers will be enjoying vacations and  
time with their families. I wish for all the  
stateside brothers good weather and  
quality time with your family.

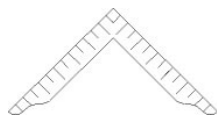
This month we said farewell to Bro Peter Smith and Bro Tim Healy. Bro Peter has already found a lodge in Indiana and has contact with a Brother there. Bro Tim will be looking for a Lodge in the San Antonio, Texas area. These brothers are very active in Masonry and I am sure they will continue to be an asset to the Lodges in the States where they will reside. Both are interested in advancing in Masonic ritual and being an active participant in a Lodge. My best wishes go with them and their families. God speed, good health and much happiness to you Brother Peter and Brother Tim.

On a rather sad note, we received a letter from Lady Dorothy Livingston informing us that her husband of 56 years, Brother John Livingston, was called by the Great Architect in the sky to be with him. Brother John was a loving father to 5 children and a loving husband to Lady Dorothy. Thank you, Lady Dorothy for keeping us informed.

Again, as I said in our last Trestleboard, I encourage every brother reading this to be kind to one another and look for some good deed to perform each day. It is what defines a Mason. Look out for your brothers and take care of their widows. When you hear of a Brother's passing be sure you let the Secretary know so he can make the proper entries in the archives. Continue to send us your letters and news of life in the States. We do read your correspondence at our stated meetings and we all enjoy hearing from you.

Fraternally and Sincerely,

Thomas Shaver  
Master



In Memory of our departed Brothers who went to the celestial Lodge above.

Lloyd E. MEAD Jr.  
29 November 2006

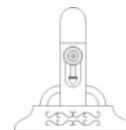
John E. LIVINGSTON Jr.  
04 March 2007

Claude O. Midgett II

## From the West

Dear Brethren,  
I wish you and yours all the best during your summer holidays. May the Great Architect of the Universe watch over you and your loved ones all the time.

Fraternally



Manfred Weis  
Senior Warden

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 50-YEAR OR MORE MEMBERS.**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date raised</b>
Barton William E.	12 Nov 1956
Buchsieb Walter C.	09 Feb 1955
Garrett Keith L.	09 Apr 1956
Herrick William H.	28 May 1956
Jones Rodger M.	27 Aug 1956
Petersen Emil J.	23 Oct 1952
St.John Edgar J.	20 Feb. 1956

We want to thank our 50 (plus) year members

for their long and continuous support of Masonry, the ACGL and our Lodge. Your dedication to the craft is truly appreciated.

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## From the South

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT MASONIC ETIQUETTE OR THE CHARM OF GOOD MANNERS!

Freemasonry; its candidates come of their own free will and because they have heard good reports of its reputation and formed a favourable opinion of its work. And by all means throughout its entire system, it is in every way secured that a Mason shall stand to it in an attitude of reverence and respect. Of that reverence and respect etiquette is one of the forms.

From among the many who feel a desire for the honour of membership in its assemblies it selects the few who are shown to have the necessary qualifications; and once these are admitted they are by that fact signed each and every one with the seal of equal fellowship, and placed in a relation of the same rights, privileges, and duties with all other, no distinctions of wealth, station, rank, race, or creed being then permitted. Among these members it is a principal effort of the Craft so sustain unity and harmony, and is one of the sovereign duties laid on every one of its officials to be responsible for avoiding or prohibiting act or conduct on the part of any that might militate against the Craft's being "a centre of union, and the means of conciliating true friendship among persons that must have remained at a perpetual distance." When this spirit and intent of the Fraternity brings itself to focus upon the individual it takes the form of a sincere courtesy, and it is to give

expression to this courtesy that much of Masonic etiquette exists.

Harmony is the first law of the Lodge as it is of heaven. Where discord enters; Freemasonry leaves. For one man to live in unity with another belongs to the very essence of our Royal Art; if unity is destroyed fellowship becomes a pile of ashes, and the sun, moon and stars of brotherhood are eclipsed by fog or storm. Etiquette is a bulwark of the Craft, a certain insurance against many of those schisms and discords by which so much of the good work of a Lodge may be destroyed in so short a time. "You talk about forms," exclaimed Goethe to a disciple, "as if substance could be formless; neglect form and see how long you will have any substance!"

Our etiquette also is a guaranty of equality in the Craft's treatment of its members. At the same time, and by the same token, Masonic etiquette possesses a utility, the full extend of which has often escaped notice; that utility consists in the power to enable many men of different abilities, and without rehearsal, to act in concert through elaborate ceremonies or complex activities.

In principle Masonic etiquette belongs to the empire of good manners, that code by which gentlemen the world over govern their conduct; but this principle with us is found to apply in two directions; one for the craft as a whole; on the other hand it is a form of courtesy to the individual.



Kurt G. Schreiner  
Junior Warden

From your Secretary

Greetings Brethren,  
Here we are with the first 9 months of this year behind us, where has the time gone and what have we achieved of the plans we set out with at the start of the year, and what remains still to be accomplished ?? Big question. 9 of our Members attended the ACGL Annual and Semi Annual. We have supported the ACGL Memorial Scholarship Fund, of which I am the Administrator here in Germany. In addition to the several visits by the Grand Master RWBR. John Lonczynski and other Grand Lodge officers we have had many visitors even from as far as the U.S.A.

We have presented food baskets to needy local families, we supported a drive by local police for a young lady needing special blood treatments for cancer that she must pay for herself. Our Easter program for our Lodge resident widows, with cards, flowers and dinner at a hotel, also our Annual Memorial service again with widows invited and taken to dinner, our drive for used postage stamps for a disabled home, thank you for your help this is going very well so please keep them coming, and not to forget the ACGL Annual Drawing that also due to your help has been a great help to our coffers.

Next in line 18 June 07 is our Annual Election of Lodge Officers, and by the time you get to read this you will note that yours truly is no longer Secretary. But we have a very good Brother taking my place

BRO. Darrell Hudleston, I think you will find his writing better than mine plus he can write American English, and I know you will give him all the help you can as you have given to me over the past years

I cannot thank you enough for helping make those years very special to me.

The Installation of Lodge Officers will be on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Sept. 2007  
This year todate we have had FC. 1. MM 2. Reinstated 2. Demit 1. Deceased 3.

Brethren, this was to bring you up to date and give you an idea of what is going on here.

All best wishes to you all and family.

Fraternally Yours.



Ron Maskell  
Secretary.

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### **ACGL Drawing Winners.**

\$500.00 Guy Niles  
Light of the Three Stars 963

\$300.00 Raymond Koernig  
Berlin Outpost 895

\$200.00 Wayne Bruckbauer  
Light of the Three Stars 963

Congratulations to the Three winners.

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*Time gets better with age.*

AGE 5.

*I've learned that I like my teacher because she cries when we sing "Silent Night".*

*AGE 14.*

*I've learned that if you want to cheer yourself up, you should try cheering someone else up.*

*AGE 24.*

*I've learned that silent company is often more healing than words of advice.*

*AGE 42.*

*I've learned that there are people who love you dearly but just don't know how to show it.*

*AGE 44.*

*I've learned that you can make someones day by simply sending them a little note.*

*AGE 65.*

*I've learned that if you pursue happiness, it will elude you. But if you focus on your family, the needs of others, your work, meeting new people, and doing the best you can, Happiness will find you.*

*AGE 90.*

*I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love that human touch, holding hands, a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back.*

*AGE 92.*

*I've learned that I still have a lot to learn.*

*Author unknown.*

### Lodge Election results

As usual we conducted our Lodge`s early elections in early June with the following results:

VWBRO Tom Shaver  
Master

WBRO Manfred Weis  
Senior Warden

VWBRO Peter Schell  
Junior Warden

WBRO James Bellieu  
Treasurer

BRO Darrell Huddleston  
Secretary

BRO George Davis  
Chaplain

BRO Alliston Steele  
Senior Deacon

WBRO Joseph Tworek  
Junior Deacon

VWBRO Wolfgang Koch  
Senior Steward

WBRO Karl Gafiuk  
Junior Steward

WBRO Thomas Lenhard  
Musician

BR Julius Prieto  
Tiler

Congartulations Brethren!!



Left: VWBRO Peter Schell, WBRO Jim Bellieu, WBRO Joseph Tworek. Right Our DDGM, VWBRO Joseph Gadea



BRO Junior Warden, Kurt Schreiner calls the Brethren to order before collation



From left: Our newest MM Bro. Allisten Steele, WBRO Tom Shaver, Bro Allistons father in law, a mason as well who came from the US to attend his son in law's raising.



From left: BRO Andreas Kortz and WBRO Thomas Lenhard



VWBRO Joseph Gadea, BRO Peter Smith and BRO Jonathan Bailey



From left: VWBRO Terry Johnson and VWBRO Ron Maskell

