



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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**Lodge annual dues
are \$ 60,00 for stateside
members and € 50,00 for all
others**

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From the East

Greetings Brethren,

I hope this Trestleboard edition finds
you and yours in good health and spirit.

May I take the opportunity to wish you a
Happy New Year 2010. I think it is never
too late for good wishes.

May I once again take the the
opportunity to thank all my Brethren for
their trust and confidence in me by
electing me to that important position.
It seems to me that the first quarter of
our Masonic year just flew by. In the last
part of november I was diagnosed an
anorysm in one of my major blood
vessels nearby the heart. I was then
operated in early december. The
operation was successful and I

recuperated in a REHAB clinic for about 3 weeks in January. With a little luck I will be back in Lodge and in my position to rule and guide the Lodge in early March. Thank you very much my Brethren for all your thoughts and prayers, for all the get well cards and good wishes.

Due to my operation there is not much I can report to you my Brethren. Please bear with me until the next Trestleboard edition when I will be able to communicate much more than this time. Until then I remain

Fraternally

Joseph Tworek
Master

Brethren, visit our web page at www.823fm.com

From the West

Greetings to our Brothers one and all, I hope that this note finds you and your families doing well.

I enjoy working and serving as your Senior Warden and wish you and yours the very best.

Since our Worshipful Master Joseph Tworek had an operation on 4 December I am acting as sitting master from that date on.

The operation was successful and we expect Br. Joseph back to Lodge in March.

Our Lodge continues to enjoy fellowship and brotherly love at our regular scheduled meetings and outside the Lodgeroom as well.

May the blessing of Heaven rest upon you and yours.

Fraternally and Sincerely

Manfred Weis
Senior Warden/Master P.T.

From the South

Dear Brethren,

I hope that you and yours are doing well. I am writing to you "From the South" for the first time after being your Lodge musician for the last couple of years.

My Masonic origin lies in a German speaking Lodge and I remember when I came to Mount Moriah Two Bridges Nahe as a visitor. From the beginning I was so impressed by the Brotherhood and the friendly atmosphere that I became a frequent visitor until I finally affiliated with the Lodge. For me Mount Moriah Two Bridges Nahe is the leading example of a good Lodge and I hope you get as positively inspired by that true Masonic spirit just as I do while being and working in Lodge every time you receive and read our Trestleboard.

One of our major tasks these days is to find ways to grow and prosper our Lodge. In order for us to let the light shine brightly on our altar in the years to come, we need new members.

Therefore we need to let the public know that we are existent. One idea I have in mind is to organize a little jazz session on a Sunday morning. Maybe from ten to twelve. I already have a Jazz musician in mind. We invite the local press and ask the visitors for charity donations. We can only reach out for new members, when the public knows that there is a Masonic Lodge in the community.

I will keep you posted on this and I remain until the next Trestleboard edition

Fraternally

Thomas Lenhard
Junior Warden

From your Secretary

Dear Brethren,

The first quarter of our Masonic year has long passed and it seems like yesterday when I started to work as your Lodge Secretary.

Slowly but surely I receive your dues checks and I'll try to get the dues cards out as fast as possible. Thank you my Brethren for paying your share. To date about 60% of the Brethren have paid but there is still another 40% that need to pay. So my Brethren if you have not paid for 2010 please do so. In the month of February our annual per capita returns to the ACGL were due, needless to say that we depend on your dues payments. The annual per capita tax to the ACGL has, according to a vote of all voting delegates during the last ACGL semi-annual in Berlin increased to 24 Euros per member. As you may notice about half of your dues payment goes more or less straight to the ACGL. But enough of the money talk. Let me tell you some good news. Our good Brother Darrell Huddelston is back in Lodge. He requested and he was granted reinstatement in January.

Unfortunately we had to suspend 4 Brethren for non payment of dues (NPD) in January after we had sent reminder letters and dues notices way before. One of the 4 now reacted and it looks like we can reinstate him.

Wishing you a pleasant spring season I remain

Fraternally and sincerely

Peter Schell
Secretary

From the PM corner

Greetings Brethren,
I hope that my letter finds you and family keeping well.

As many of our Members who are retired well know, the speed of time passing is on a constant increase, and this added to the mind and memory getting slower and shorter does at times become a problem but not only for us but also for Bro. Secretary who is wondering why we have not sent our DUES on time ???. Speaking of annual Dues, you will note that they are still \$60.00 in spite of the fact the Dollar is very low and our operating costs are in Euro plus our ACGL have increased the per capita tax we must pay for each member, (some Lodges cannot meet this obligation). We at Lodge are well aware that the present worldwide situation is a problem for all of our Membership and we will continue to make every effort to take care of any new costs at our Lodge level.

We are now looking forward to the ACGL Annual Communication 16-17 April 2010 in Bad Kissingen, this is also such a good time to see old friends as well as meeting new members of the ACGL, and after that SUMMER will be just around the corner bringing a little sun into our hearts.

God Bless.

Ron Maskell PM 823

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2010 dues yet?
Please do so now.**