



# 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)

Postfach 1947 66927 Pirmasens, Germany

**SUMMER {July, August & September} 2014**

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Stated meetings are every third Monday of each month. Lodge will be tiled at 19.30 at the Lodge Hall, Beckenhofenstrasse 36, in Pirmasens. The Lodge will be dark in July and August. The Lodge Annual Communication will remain to be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in September.

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**Election results –  
Lodge Officers 2013/2014**

WBro Pierre Frédéric A., Master

WBro Dr. Thomas Lenhard, Senior Warden

WBro Manfred Weis, Junior Warden

WBro Joseph Tworek, Secretary

VWBro Wolfgang Koch, Treasurer/Sr.  
Deacon

WBro Karl Gafiuk, Junior Deacon

WBro Julius Prieto, Tiler

**Congratulations Brethren!!!**

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## From the East

Dear Brethren,

Best wishes to you and your Family. We do hope that you can enjoy the Summer Holidays in a safe way. If you are planning to travel, please be safe in all that you do.

The Ammendment to our by-laws has been approved and we have changed the meeting schedule. Meetings of the Lodge will be once monthly, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday. All yearly reports will be presented at the Summonsed meeting, the Annual Communication, in September. There is much to do in the Lodge and we struggle to ensure that we can stay successful.

This past quarter we have been honored by having the DDGM, VWBro Daniel Moermond, visit us on two separate occasions. I hope that he will continue to visit us on a regular basis, (monthly if possible) so we are kept up to date of happenings in the other Lodges in the District. Through him, we have made arrangements to do ritual work, here in Pirmasens, which will help the Brethren maintain proficiency in degree work. We will be able to supplement the Brothers from Galilei George Washington Lodge, No. 810 A, in order to complete any given degree. See more on this subject in the article from the Senior Warden.

Our focus at this time is on an operating budget, paying bills and discussing avenues for finding new members. There is no place in the community, at this time, where we can recruit new members. As you know, from news reports and reports of budget cuts, we will no longer have a U.S. Military presence here in Pirmasens at the end of this fiscal year. All personnel and equipment will be transferred elsewhere.

I sincerely appreciate all the support that everyone has given to the Lodge this first 9 months of the masonic year and I look forward to the wise council

and support of the Lodge's most experienced members in the future. Please take time to read thru our newly added "WE SALUTE" section. Send me the high-lights of your partidipation, in our grand fraternity, so I can pass it along to all members for their reading enjoyment.

May the Great Architect of the Universe be with you and keep you safe and healthy, no matter where you may be in the world. Thank you for being a part of the Mt. Moriah Two Bridges Nahe Lodge.

Fraternally and sincerely,  
Darrell

## From the West

My dear Brethern,

The masonic year is swiftly coming to an end.

The initiation, passed, and raised ceremonies have occured and the Summer holidays are coming.

Resident Members of the Lodge have elected a new lineup of Lodge Officers for the ensueing masonic year. The new Worshipful Master for the next year will manage the lodge's works. Arrangements are being made, at this time, for Degree Work to be practiced in our Lodge here in Pirmasens. Our Lodge will soon host Entered Apprentice Degree and Fellow Craft Degree ritual. Agreement between the Lodges, Mt. Moriah Two Bridges Nahe Lodge and *Galilei George Washington Lodge No 810A*, is being made so ritual work can be completed in Pirmasens so our Resident Members can establish

and maintain proficiency in these two degrees.

In view of the foregoing, the Worshipful Master's function will be a a difficult one because the work that will be done in the Lodge must be prepared for the next year. Ceremonies will be required, and close monitoring made, to insure that sufficient, qualified, Brethren are available when work is

planned, to complete the requirements of the degree scheduled.

I am anxious to begin my duties. I have performed as Senior Deacon, Junior and Senior Warden and now I have been elected to manage the Lodge, as Master. I will follow the examples of work that has been performed by Masters that have gone before me and I will do my best to insure that peace and harmony will reign throughout the members of Mt. Moriah Two Bridges Nahé Lodge, No 823.

I wish you all very nice summer holidays. May the Great Architect of the Universe be with you and support you in all your future endeavors.

Fraternally and sincerely,  
Pierre Frédéric A.  
Senior Warden

## **From the South**

Dear Brethren,

Another fine year for our Lodge has almost passed. I have enjoyed working and serving as your Junior Warden.

I am appointed to Junior Warden again for the coming year and I will continue to do my part in this Position.

I wish you and your family a happy time.

May the Blessing of heaven rest upon you and yours.

Fraternally yours,  
Manfred Weis,  
Junior Warden

## **From the Secretary**

Greetings from the "Best Lodge in the ACGL",

I hope this finds everyone healthy, and happy, and satisfied with life.

This little note is a reminder. If you have not had the time to forward your dues for 2014, please don't delay in satisfying this obligation as soon as possible. Prompt payment helps

tremendously in keeping our finances in order. "Once again we remind that all Members residing in the United States will be in good standing with a \$75.00 remittance. Members residing in Europe will be up-to-date with a 75.00 Euro remittance".

The Lodge Web Site is doing well and we receive notes daily. Take time to read through the Calendar and the Trestle Board. When you are finished with these two items, go to the "CONTACT" section and leave a note. Let us know how you like the site and where we can make improvements. We will get a response back to you the day we receive your comments. Access the web site at; <http://823.myacgl.com/>

Keep those cards, notes, and letters, coming. We enjoy news from our brethren and the articles that we receive are read in Lodge, and I must say that they are appreciated. Mail me at [Tworek.joseph@wanadoo.fr](mailto:Tworek.joseph@wanadoo.fr) if you have a minute to spare and fill us in on your health, and any changes in your home or email addresses, etc., etc. We are here to help and we can only help if we are informed.

You are in our thoughts and prayers, so remember that we are with you even though you may be far away.

My wife and I wish you an Independence Day that you will remember for years to come. Enjoy the Summer Holidays.

With warm regards, I remain,

Fraternally and sincerely,  
WBro Joseph Tworek  
Secretary

## **From the Treasurer**

Dear Brothers,

Greetings, from your Treasurer, Mt. Moriah Two Bridges Nahe Lodge. Hope you and your Family are all well and healthy.

Once again it is that time when another Masonic Year is coming to an end. We are still alive and well here in

Pirmasens and we keep working for friendship of the Fraternity, and Brotherhood. It is indeed very hard to keep a Lodge going with so few members, so we all try very hard to do the best possible so the Lodge will survive. As you have noticed on page 1, we have elected new Officers for the coming year. But, first we have to thank the Worshipful Master for a great year and for his very good leadership of the Lodge – Thanks for a job well done. Too, a big thanks to all Officers for the wonderful Lodgework. To the incoming Officers, in their stations, I wish them good luck and I hope that they all do a good job for our Lodge.

To all; my wife and I send greetings and we wish you all a great summer. Travel where you wish and return safely so we can see you, if possible, at the Installation of Lodge Officers, on 27 September this year.

Withbest wishes for good health this coming year and in the future, I remain,

Fraternally and sincerely,  
VWBro Wolfgang Koch  
Treasurer and Senior Deacon

## WE SALUTE

**Worshipful Brother Peter Smith**, a Loyal Member of Mt. Moriah Two Bridges Nahe Lodge since 16 October 2006. He is past Master Charles F. Frank Lodge, No 760, located in Zionsville, Indiana, and is currently serving as Secretary of that 200 Member Lodge. Brother Peter is also a member of the Indianapolis Valley of the Scottish Rite, and a Noble of the Murah Shrine. He sends fraternal greetings from the great state of Indiana and best wishes for success in your future endeavors.

## Congratulations;

Brother Arthur Gary Johnson; Raised on 22 June 1964, Completed his 50 Year Milestone on 22 June 2014.

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*[Congratulations are also in order for the following Brothers who will meet significant Milestones this coming Quarter]:*

Brother Harry Roger Magargee; Raised on 7 July 1969, will complete his 45 Year Milestone on 7 July 2014.

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Brother Henry Harrell Horton; Raised on 9 July 1984, will complete his 30 Year Milestone on 9 July 2014.

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Brother Peter Gerald Nielsen; Raised on 7 August 1989, will complete his 25 Year Milestone on 7 August 2014.

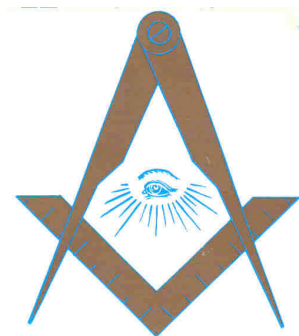
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Brother Donald Ray Harris; Raised on 2 September 1964, will complete his 50 Year Milestone on 2 September 2014.

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*A reminder from the past –*

*{May the blessing of heaven rest upon us and all regular Masons, May brotherly prevail and every morale and social virtue cement us}.*



FREE MASONRY,  
A WAY OF LIFE

## The White Leather Apron

The white leather apron is more ancient by far  
Than the eagles of Rome, a symbol of war,  
Or the fleece of pure gold by emperors given,  
A rich decoration for which many have striven.

The Garter of England, an Order most rare,  
Although highly prized, cannot with it compare;  
It is an emblem of innocence symbolic in white,  
And purity ever brings the greatest delight;  
With pure thoughts and actions how happy the life  
How care-free the conscience, unclouded by strife.

No Potentate ever can upon us bestow  
An honor so great as this apron doth show;  
No king on his throne in his highest estate  
Can give us an emblem so cherished or great;  
'Tis the Badge of a Mason more noble to wear  
Than the gold of a mine or the diamond most rare.

So here's to the lambskin the apron of white,  
That lips up all equals and all doth unite,  
In the Order so ancient that man cannot say  
When its teachings began or name its birthday.  
Since its birth, nations young have gone to their tomb  
And cities once great turned to ashes and gloom;  
Earth's greatest achievements have long passed away  
And peoples have risen and gone to decay.

Outliving all these never changing with time  
Are the principles taught in our order sublime  
And now my good brother this apron's for you,  
May you worthily wear it and ever be true  
To the vows you have made to the lessons most grand  
For these, home and country, we ever will stand.

*D.L. Clements*