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**TRESTLEBOARD
OCTOBER**

FROM THE EAST

If you were not at the October Stated Meeting, you missed another outstanding meeting. We accomplished much in a short period of time. We had fun, great food, and the fellowship, as always, was outstanding. We even had some of the ladies attending dinner. The meal by Brother Dave Ward, Sr. and the desserts by Michelle Bruck again was outstanding. One of our Past Masters came up to me after the meeting and made a suggestion for a family gathering which, I thought, was a great idea. Put together right, it would be, most likely, the best family gathering we have ever had in the lodge. More information to come. At our meeting, we had several motions, a report on the Grand Lodge Communication, and two By-Laws Amendments presented to be put to motions at our November Stated. As to our November Stated, we will be voting on Officers for 2020. Remember, these are your officers that you will be selecting to lead your lodge in 2020. Please join us for a great meeting and election of YOUR officers for the year 2020. If you have anyone, or a situation, you would like to mention concerning Sick and Visitation, please let me know so we can be praying for that person or situation. We also have our annual November Brunswick Stew Fundraiser on November 2 from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM (Pick up ONLY). Please come and support our charities.

Randy
Master

FROM THE WEST

Brethren,

At our October stated we had an education on the proceedings of the 2019 Grand Lodge of North Carolina. There was 5 amendment groups this year.

- Amendment Group 1 was to raise per capita from \$20 to \$25. This amendment passed.
 - Substitute amendment 1 was to raise per capita by \$5 in 2019, again in 2022 and once more in 2025. This did not pass.
- Amendment Group 2 was to increase per capita by \$1 to donate to the George Washington National Masonic Memorial. This amendment passed.
- Amendment Group 3 was to notify the secretary of the lodge of the member's contact information. This amendment passed.

- Amendment Group 4 was to make balloting of Honorary Membership a majority vote. This amendment did not pass.
- Amendment Group 5 was to suspend membership if charged with a felony. This amendment was withdrawn.

This information has now come to your knowledge.

Our newly elected Grand Lodge officers are:

- P. Shawn Bradshaw – Grand Master
- R. David Wicker – Deputy Grand Master
- Larry B. Thompson – Senior Grand Warden
- Kevan D. Frazier – Junior Grand Warden
- Lewis r Ledford – Grand Treasurer
- T. Walton Clapp, III – Grand Secretary
- Donald E. Kehler – Senior Grand Deacon
- Robert W. Rideout – Junior Grand Deacon
- Steve M Norris – Grand Marshal
- Gilbert D. Bailey Grand Steward
- Michael A. Register – Grand Steward
- Mark M.N. Vickers – Grand Chaplain
- Gary D. Handy – Grand Tyler
- Christopher L. Wright – Grand Lecturer

Bro. Jimmy

FROM THE SOUTH

This year has been a very successful year for our fundraising. We have one more on November 2nd. We will have our world's famous Kenny Walker Brunswick Stew. Kenny has been reaching out for help on November 1st to get the ingredients chopped up and in the pot to stir it all together. If you can help, please reach out to him or me. Thanks again for all that you have done this year!

BRO. DAVID SMITH

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

BRETHERN,

First and foremost if you have not paid your dues please do so. Secondly I will make a report on our fundraising for the BBQ and a total for the year. As of the stated the BBQ has made **2586.80** and for the year we have a total of **8999.62** this amount is from everything from fundraisers to hat on thje alter. You are some of the most generous men I have ever known **THANK YOU!!!!** For making **JAMES K POLK 759 SHINE**. As always if you need anything please let me know **803-367-3788** or email me at brian1.kirby@yahoo.com.

Bro. Brian Kirby

UP COMING EVENTS

10/15 SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION	6:30 PM DINNER; 7:15 LODGE OPENS (Steele Creek) OSW PAGES 93-102
10/16 SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION	6:30 PM DINNER; 7:15 LODGE OPENS (Steele Creek) OSW PAGES 169-177
10/22 PRACTICE FOR SECOND DEGREE	7:00 PM
10/24 SECOND DEGREE	7:00 PM
10/31 OPEN	
11/02 BRUNSWICK STEW FUNDRAISER	12:00 PM-4:00 PM
11/07 OPEN	
11/14 NOVEMBER STATED (ANNUAL COM)	7:00 PM