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PACIFIC ENDOWS SCHOLARSHIP

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, I am proud of the members of Pacific, who at the September Regular Communication of Pacific Lodge voted to assist the South Carolina Youth Challenge Academy and provide a scholarship in the amount of \$ 500.00.

This year's recipient was Cadet Michael T. Miller who has recently graduated and is planning on using this money to attend Midland's Tech and eventually enter the U.S. Marine Corps. The funds we provide, along with the scholarship from the S.C. Education Lottery, will go a long way in making this young man's dream a reality.

We hope to make this an annual event and assist one or more deserving individuals in help offsetting the high cost of obtaining an education, the foundation of a successful future!

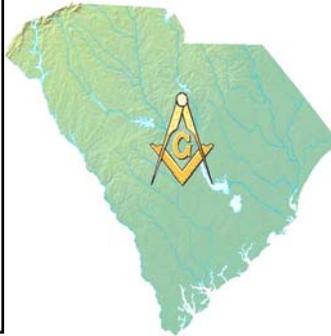
Anyone wanting to contribute to this fund, should send a check payable to Pacific 325, A.F.M. with the notation of Palmetto Leadership Academy so that we may place it in the appropriate fund.

This may be the "seed" of starting more scholarships and provide aid to deserving individuals.

Pacific has supported troops deployed overseas, Harvest Hope Food Bank, The American Red Cross as well as calls for assistance in areas such as Mississippi and Louisiana with hurricane Katrina, Kansas (with tornado) and most recently a Masonic Service Request from the Grand Lodge of Tennessee for flooding victims. We are happy that we can assist our Brethren and those in distress, knowing that everyone is our neighbor!

All Brothers are welcome. Please be prepared to show a valid dues card or have a Brother vouch for you. This is not done to embarrass anyone, but rather to ensure that all who pass are duly qualified....

Under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge A.F.M. of South Carolina.



OFFICERS FOR 2010

- *Vardie Corley, W.M. - RIP*
- *Bill Yandle, S.W.*
- *James Glyn Smith, J.W.*
- *Jim Jaco, Treas.*
- *Bosie Martin, P.M., Sec.*
- *Nathaniel Bensley, S.D.*
- *Jan Barkan, J.D.*
- *David Bostic, P.M., Stew.*
- *David Minton, Stew.*
- *Larry Snipes, P.M., Chap.*
- *Doyle J. Jaco, Jr, P.M., Tiler*

PLEASE CHECK YOUR DUES CARD - 2010 ??

Be in good standing!

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

FOREST ACRES PROPERTY SALE PENDING

A request for Dispensation has been sent to M.W. Bro. Barry Rickman to sell our property on Leesburg Road and he has given his approval. Our perspective buyer has come up with a "laundry list" of items which they want repaired prior to closing. The agreement we have with them is "as is" and as such the lion's share of the burden for repair will fall on them. We adjusted our asking price prior to offering the parcel

for sale and took the repairs into consideration when we lowered our initial asking price. We have repaired the electrical problems and are getting an estimate fix the foundation.

I hope our sale will go through, but if not, we will find another buyer (if not for the building, then for the land)... The funds we get from this sale will be re-invested in Pacific Lodge and will bring the

building up to A.D.A. standards and making many cosmetic upgrades. It is the intention of the Building Committee to make Pacific Lodge a "Masonic Showplace of the South."

In any event, we will keep you posted on the sale, the work and the renovations to Pacific Lodge. Come visit us when you can! We look forward to seeing you.

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FAMOUS MASONS: BRO. AND GEN. MARK CLARK

Mark Wayne Clark (May 1, 1896 – April 17, 1984) was an American general during World War II and the Korean War and was the youngest lieutenant (three-star) general in the U.S. Army. He had a distinguished career in World War II and is primarily linked to Operation Torch (the invasion of French North Africa) and the campaign in Italy.

During World War I, he led a company of soldiers in 1917 and was seriously wounded by shrapnel. After the war, Clark's abilities were noticed by General George Marshall.

During World War II, he was the Allied Commander in Italy. He is known for ordering the destruction of the abbey at Monte Cassino and his subsequent entry into Rome in 1944 ignoring orders, the action which allowed the escape of the German 10th army, who joined their countrymen at the Transimene Line. Clark became the youngest American to be promoted to general in 1945.

Both Winston Churchill and General Dwight D. Eisenhower considered him a brilliant staff officer and trainer. Clark won many awards, including the Distinguished Service Cross for extreme bravery in war, subordinate only to the Medal of Honor.

Note: Brother Clark was a member of Mystic Tie Lodge # 398 in Indianapolis.

Read more about Brother and General Clark and his ties to South Carolina by visiting on the web: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mark_Wayne_Clark

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Brother & General

Mark Wayne Clark

Masonic Education: THE RIGHT OF VOTING



Symbols of Masonry
Light from Above



Volume of Sacred
Law

My Brothers, as we approach the coming election (Nov. 2) I thought this piece from Phoenixmasonry was most timely. While I am not herein supporting or endorsing any candidate, I DO urge each and every Brother to perform your Civic DUTY and cast your vote. Remember, if you don't participate and vote, you have no right to complain. May the best candidate win and may they be guided in their leadership by the Great Architect of the Universe.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

RIGHT OF VOTING:

Formerly, all members of the Craft, even Entered Apprentices, were permitted to vote. This was distinctly prescribed in the last of the Thirty-nine General Regulations adopted in 1721 (Constitutions, 1723, page 70). But the numerical

strength of the Order, which was then in the First Degree, having now passed over to the Third, the modern rule in the United States, but not in England, is that the right of voting shall be restricted to Master Masons. A Master Mason may, therefore, speak and vote on all questions, except in trials where he himself concerned as accuser or defendant. Yet by special regulation of his Lodge he may be prevented from voting on ordinary questions where his dues for a certain period--generally twelve months--have not been paid; and such a regulation exists in almost every Lodge. But no local by-law can deprive a member, who has not been suspended, from voting on the ballot for the admission of candidate, because the sixth regulation of 1721 distinctly requires that each member present on such occasion shall give his consent before the candidate can be admit-

ted (See the above edition of Constitutions, page 59). And if a member were deprived by any by-law of the Lodge in consequence of non-payment of his dues, of the right of expressing his consent or dissent, the ancient regulations would be violated, and a candidate might be admitted without the unanimous consent of all members present. And this rule is so rigidly enforced, that on a ballot for initiation no member can be excused from voting. He must assume the responsibility of casting his vote, lest it should afterward be said that the candidate was not admitted by unanimous consent.

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Remember, many men and women have died to ensure us this PRIVILEGE. It is an honor to be a part of our great country. Get out there and MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

VOTE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Famous Masons Meeting - Imagination required (some you will know....)

As we are all well aware, and as is pointed out in the North East Angle Lecture in the Canadian Rite Ritual, it cannot be denied that we always had many members of rank and affluence. Over the centuries many well known men have been members of our Noble Craft. For a few moments, please allow your imaginations to run wild and consider what may take place at the Installation of The Celestial Lodge, otherwise known as the Grand Lodge Above. Even though it was late fall, there was a warm breeze blowing and the sun was setting behind the Lodge Hall. Gathered in the parking lot filled with their works were Bros Henry Ford, Ransom Olds, Walter Chrysler, John Willys and Andre Citroen. The only vehicle missing was Bro Hart Massey's tractor.

Greeting members in the entrance hall was Bro Cliff Arquette of Charley Weaver fame and Bro Ed Wynn. In the boardroom, a group of senior DeMolays were gathered including Bros Walter Disney, Chet Huntley, Wendell Corey, Van Johnson, Robert Cummings, John Steinbeck, Fred McMurray and John Cameron Swayze. King Gillette, razor in hand, passed the lodge caretaker who was having a minor problem with his vacuum cleaner, which was quickly cleared up with the help of its inventor, Bro Frank Hoover, while at the other end of the hallway Bros Emmett Kelly, Clyde Beatty and all seven of the Ringling Bros were discussing the Shrine Circus. Taking a quick look into the Banquet Hall, Bros John Molson, Frederick Pabst and Joseph Schlitz were busy rolling in some kegs of beer for Bros Sam Bronfman, late President of Seagrams Distillers, who was setting up the bar for the Festive Board to follow the Ceremony. Bro Colonel Harland Sanders was cooking up a storm in the kitchen and it was an easy guess as to what the evening meal would consist of. The orchestra members for the dance to follow the Banquet were tuning. Members of this All-Star group included leader Paul Whiteman, WC Hardy, Nat King Cole, Irving Berlin, George M Cohan, Cyril Stapleton, Duke Ellington, Louis Armstrong, Count Basie and Al Jolson. Tonight's performance would be M.C.ed by Bros Arthur Godfrey and Danny Thomas. Magical Bros Harry Houdini and Harry Blackstone were setting up their props while Bros WC Fields, Oliver Hardy, Bud Abbott, Harpo Marx, and Foster Brooks were fine tuning their comedy routines for tonight's show which was being produced by Bros Cecil B DeMille, Flo Ziegfeld, Louis B Mayer, Hall Wallis and DW Griffiths.

A number of sports celebrities were gathering together, including Bros Abe Saperstein, creator of the Harlem Globetrotters, who was explaining his version of the game to Bro James Naismith, the inventor of the game. They were joined by baseballers Bros Charles Ebbetts, Ty Cobb, Branch Rickey and Cy Young, the first pitcher to be inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame. A little further along the hall was an array of masons dressed in knee breeches, lace cuffs and powdered wigs, others in tuxedos, including Bros Kit Carson, Davey Crockett and Buffalo Bill Cody, clad in their familiar buckskins, Chiefs Crazy Bull, Tecumseh and Joseph Brant in their native attire. Most colourful are the military uniforms of Lord Nelson, Lord Cornwallis, Captain James Cook, the Duke of Wellington and John Paul Jones. I was gazing in awe at these members of Celestial Lodge, when the Grand Master, MW Bro Harry Truman, appeared from the preparation room accompanied by Bros John Jacob Astor, Luther Burbank, JC Penney, Adlai Stevenson and Jennings Bryan. Bro John Diefenbaker had just signed the Tyler's Register with one of Bro John Shaeffer's pens. He was accompanied by Bros Robert Borden and RB Bennett. fellow Canadian Prime Ministers, and by Bro Joe Smallwood of Newfoundland. At this time, the Tyler, Bro J Edgar Hoover, informed the brethren that the meeting was about to come to order. On entering the lodge room the brethren were greeted by the Inner Guard, Bro Paul Revere. Seated already were polar explorers, Robert F Scott of England and Bro Richard E Bird of the United States, together with Matthew G Perky and Canada's Henry Larsen. Bro Charles Lindbergh could be seen in deep conversation with Bros Hap Arnold, Gus Grissom, Eddie Rickenbaker and Charles Kingsford-smith. From the Junior Warden's station came a burst of laughter. Bro Will Rogers had brought broad smiles to the faces of the Royal personages gathered around him, including George 1, Frederick the .Great, Gustav V of Sweden and George VI. To the right of the Junior Warden's chair, architect Sir Christopher Wren was joined by Statue of Liberty sculptor, Frederic Bartholdi. Bros Norman Vincent Peale and Peter Marshall, who would assume the Chaplain's duties this evening, were in conversation with the DuPonts, Peter and Victor, and the Rothschilds, James and Nathan. Gathered around the Secretary's desk, Bro Rudyard Kipling was discussing the evening's proceedings with Bro Robert Burns, who was to give one of the Charges assisted by Bro Mark Twain. Also taking part were Bros Conan Doyle, Walter Scott, Samuel Johnson, Alexander Pope and Robert Service. The Grand Organist, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, was discussing last minute changes with Bros Gilbert and Sullivan. Bros Clark Gable, Peter Sellers, Wallace Beery, Douglas Fairbanks and Brian Donleavy were discussing boxing with champions Jack Dempsey, Jack Johnson and Sugar Ray Robinson. Another small group, in the persons of Bros John Wayne, Hoot Gibson and Tom Mix, were listening to Bro William Thaddeus Phillips, also known as Butch Cassidy.

The founding members, Bros George Washington, Sir John A MacDonald, Guiseppe Garibaldi, Benito Jaurez, John Hancock and Ben Franklin were seated in the East. They have been joined by Sir Stamford Raffles, founder of Singapore. The Generals, Omar Bradley, Jimmy Doolittle, George C Marshall, John Pershing and Douglas McArthur, take their seats next to Franklin Roosevelt and Winston Churchill. The Lodge Treasurer, Bro Henry Knox was busy collecting dues from Bros Thomas E Dewey and William McKinley. The Master, MW Bro HRH The Duke of Connaught, has rapped the gavel to call the Lodge to order and it is now time for us to depart. With one last look at this brilliant assembly, one wonders what the public's perception of Freemasonry might be if they were able to visit such a lodge.



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SECRETARY & WEBMASTER

MASONS IN ACTION

MAKING GOOD MEN BETTER

SETTING THE WORK

October 11 - Masonic Education - 6:00

October 12 - Entered Apprentice Degree - 7:30

October 19 - Fellow Craft Degree - 7:30

October 22 - Amaranth Spaghetti Fundraiser - 4:00 - 8:00

\$ 7 Adults and \$ 4 Children

November 2 - Regular Communication - 7:30

November 12 - Ladies Night - 6:30

November 18 - Fellow Craft Degree - 7:30 (*)

November 23 - Master Mason Degree - 7:30 (*)

JOIN US FOR FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP!

Any questions, please call

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or

Bro. Bill Yandle, S.W., acting W.M. at 803-600-4928

(*) Denotes tentative Special Communication

**ALL SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPEND ON THE BALLOT BOX AND
THE CANDIDATES...**

MORE MEETINGS - MORE INVOLVEMENT - MORE WORK

As mentioned last month, we Entered a young man on the Rolls of Pacific Lodge in September. This month should see us Enter three (3) more young men as well as Passing our new E.A. to the Degree of a Fellow Craft.

Work is picking up and help is needed. Would you consider taking a small part in our Ritual? We can use help in most ANY part or any Chair. If you need help learning any of the work, we can assist. This will ease the burden placed on those doing the lion's share of the work now and will increase YOUR Masonic knowledge in the meantime.

There are NO small parts in Ancient Craft Masonry. Each and every chair or part in our Ritual is VERY important. I would urge you to learn at least a small part, if not the entire lecture for any of the degrees. We have W. Bro. Danny Able, Bro. Bill Yandle and Bro. Del

Collins who are proficient in the First Degree lecture. Bro. Bill Yandle and W. Bro. Doyle Jaco have given our Second Degree Lecture and W. Bro. Paul Martin, to my knowledge, is the only member giving our Third Degree Lecture.

If you can learn a Charge, or ANY part of the Ritualistic work, we need to step up and take an active role. Please consider what you can do to help out. I know you will and I really appreciate your efforts. Again, if you need help with ANY of the work, please let us know. There are MANY Brothers ready and willing to help you and we hope and pray they you will help YOUR Lodge.

So, you think you know the work? Why not volunteer to take a chair one evening and show your proficiency. We need coaches, we need Brothers to

assist in Masonic Education, we need help in the kitchen (cooking AND cleaning)... There is no end to what you can do to get involved and help out. I am looking forward to the younger Master Masons in the Lodge stepping up and taking a part. As I have said, there is nothing too small or too large.

When we took our Obligations, we agreed to support our Lodge AND our Brethren. This is the place and NOW is the time... Think of what talents you have to offer. If you feel "rusty" or if you need help, simply ASK. There are many Brothers and Past Masters more than willing to help you. Thanks!!!



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