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FUTURE OF LODGE IN YOUR HANDS

Please remember that the Lodge will have the third and final reading of the proposed by-laws change at the next Regular Communication. I would urge you to come out and let your voices be heard.

Once again, the proposed change is included in this newsletter (page 4) and will be read, discussed and voted on October 4.

On a positive note, the sale of the Forest Acres property has been completed with the result being the purchaser is making payments to Pacific at just over \$ 1,000 per month for the next 20 years.

In addition to this fixed income, we will no longer have the debt of utility bills on the other property, nor will we

have to insure the property, saving the Lodge \$ 1,000 per year or more.

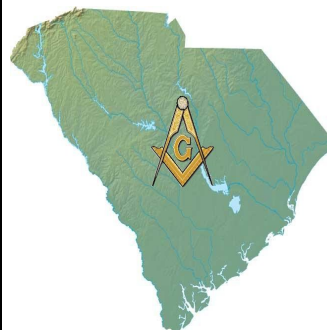
We do have plans on the drawing board to make improvements to our building and property. This can now proceed at a much relaxed pace. We will up fit our Lodge and make it accessible to those with physical challenges. We will eventually make Pacific a "Showcase of the South" as far as Masonic Lodges are concerned.

Even in a difficult economy, we will survive and prosper. I have every confidence that Pacific will be in a position to meet the challenges ahead and to overcome any adversity TOGETHER.

Fraternally, Bro. Bosie

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....

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**PLEASE CHECK YOUR
DUES CARD—2012 ??**

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NEWSLETTER ABSENCE

I've been asked by several Brothers "Where's the newsletter?" My reply is that "It's coming." I apologize for the delay, but I have been involved in many duties which have kept me away from both putting out a timely newsletter, and kept me away from the Lodge.

Most everyone knows that I

have devoted my time to my 15-year old son who is playing soccer, working towards his Eagle Rank in Boy Scouts and quite frankly, growing up quicker than I would like. I've also been travelling with work and active in my Neighborhood Association. That being said, I have been busy with family, work and community. These

are three areas we as Masons are taught never to allow to suffer for the zeal of the Fraternity. We have to set our priorities and then follow through with our many obligations that we have taken both in and out of the Lodge. I look forward to seeing everyone soon. The Newsletter is very happy to be back!



William Harrison Dempsey

6/24/1895 - 5/31/1983

"The Manassa Mauler"

**World Heavyweight
Champion**

1919-1926

FAMOUS MASONS: BRO. "JACK" DEMPSEY

William Harrison "Jack" Dempsey ("The Manassa Mauler") (June 24, 1895 – May 31, 1983) was an American boxer who held the world heavyweight title from 1919 to 1926. Dempsey's aggressive style and exceptional punching power made him one of the most popular boxers in history. Many of his fights set financial and attendance records, including the first million dollar gate. He is listed #10 on *The Ring's* list of all-time heavyweights and #7 among its Top 100 Greatest Punchers. He is a member of the International Boxing Hall of Fame. True to his passion for the sport, Dempsey wrote a book on boxing called *Championship Fighting: Explosive Punching and Aggressive Defense*, which was published in 1950. The book emphasizes knockout power derived from enabling fast motion from one's heavy bodyweight. Though no longer in print, Dempsey's book became and remains the recognized treatise in boxing and has influenced such works from Edwin Haislet and Bruce Lee. Bro. Dempsey was a member of Kenwood Lodge No. 800, Chicago, Illinois.

For more information and a list of all fights, visit http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jack_Dempsey

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Masonic Education: AF and AM vs F and AM LODGES



Pillars of Masonry

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Spreading Light
over the Globe



AF and AM stands for **A**ncient **F**ree and **A**ccepted **M**asons.

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In actuality, it does not matter whether you join an AF & AM lodge or an F & AM lodge in the United States.

In the U.S., every regular lodge is under the jurisdiction of its state Grand Lodge. Due to the fact that there is no Grand Lodge Headquarters for each state's separate Grand Lodge, each state's Grand Lodge is, therefore, its own "headquarters" within that state's jurisdiction.

All Freemasons, both AF & AM (which means **A**ncient **F**ree and **A**ccepted **M**asons, as well as **F** & **A**M, which means **F**ree and **A**ccepted **M**asons, trace their allegorical history back to the building of Solomon's temple in the Holy Scriptures. Freemasonry was exported to the British Colonies in North America in the

1730s—with both the "Ancients" (sometimes also referred to as "Antients") and the "Moderns" (as well as the Grand Lodges of Ireland and Scotland) which chartered offspring ("daughter") lodges, and organized various Provincial Grand Lodges. After the American Revolution, independent U.S. Grand Lodges formed within each state.

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons versus Free and Accepted Masons

From 1751 to 1813, there were actually 2 Grand Lodges in England. The difference in AF and AM vs F and AM states goes back to a disagreement between these 2 Grand Lodges in London at that time. One group was called the "Moderns", but was actually the older of the 2 English Grand Lodges. The other group was called the "Antients", which became the "Ancients" in AF and AM.

Due to this disagreement, the 2 groups broke into separate Grand Lodges. The disagreement was later healed around 1880, but by that time, there were lodges and Grand Lodges all over the United States that were descended from one group or the other, and so each group kept their corresponding initials with which they were formed, (which is the reason for which there are small differences within different states' ritual wording and Grand Lodge By-Laws and procedures).

Most Grand Lodges in the U.S. recognize each other and treat each other's members as valid Masons. Also, all of the U.S. Grand Lodges recognize (and are recognized by) the official Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, Scotland and the Grand Lodges in most of Europe, Asia, Africa, South America, Thailand, India, etc.

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FROM THE EAST

Brethren, this year has passed quickly. With the end of the year approaching fast we need to be thinking of who will be leading our lodge and sitting in the working chairs. If you are interested in sitting in one of these chairs please let me know and I will get you in touch with the proper people that will be assisting me in officer selections. I also want to thank each and every one who sent in a voluntary donation, assisted in the bar-b-que, and helped in the lodge in any manner. I am proud to say I have been blessed in joining the world's largest and best fraternity, as well as serving you this year as Worshipful Master. This month should be filled with work. Come on out and join us as we should have a full month, we would enjoy seeing you and be pleased if you can assist in any way with the work. We have brothers in all degrees this month. We are still working on a dues increase and will need your input as to what we can do to fix our depleting bank account. A new roof is needed and will be installed with the guidance of the building committee. These repairs are only the beginning of things that have been put off far too long. We will need to look into replacing A/C systems as well as other energy saving devices as the electric bill is a major consumer of funds. Any and all advice would be greatly appreciated. So come on out and join us for the fellowship, we would be pleased to see the lodge filled at some point in time. Remember if you need a ride, we do have Brother's willing to give as they are to receive. God bless and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Bro. Bill Yandle WM



Bro. Bill Yandle
Worshipful Master

HISTORY OF THE MASONIC BUILDING, FRANKLIN, TN

HIRAM # 7

In 1823, members of the Masonic order in Franklin began assembling hand made bricks that would ultimately become the tallest building then standing west of the Allegheny Mountains. Franklin's Masonic Temple, called one of the most significant historic buildings in the South by many experts in architecture of the past, has served as home of Hiram #7 ever since its completion. This fact makes it the oldest continuing lodge in the same location in the United States. The first three-story building in Tennessee, the 1823 Masonic Temple, was constructed with the proceeds from the first legal lottery in Tennessee history. "It is a unique mixture of country craftsmanship and Gothic tradition," according to an authority on Middle Tennessee architecture. "It's the oldest Gothic Revival building in Tennessee, and one of the oldest Gothic structures still standing in the country."

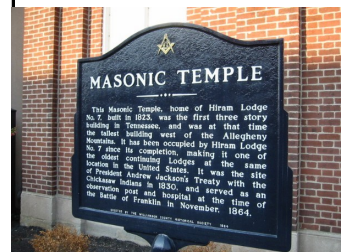
The building pre-dates by about 15 years the major thrust of Gothic Architecture which took place in this country around 1840. "This building combines the flatness of the Federal Style with such Gothic features as pointed arches, battlements and finials on the pilasters. It reads like a Who's Who in architecture in history. If it were on the East Coast where most of the writing on architecture is done, it would be a text book example rather than an unknown quantity." Most of the men prominent in the early history of Franklin and Nashville had been members or guests of the lodge. Andrew Jackson and James Robertson, the founder of Nashville, were in frequent attendance there. Felix Grundy, author of the Code of Tennessee and a friend of Jackson's, figured importantly in the initial stages of the lodge's history. Guilford Dudley was one of its first officials. The public record of Masonry in Franklin

even pre-dates the 1823 building. Minutes of the Williamson County court of July 12, 1812, show that the court approved a motion to allow the Mason's to meet in the courthouse. The building served as the founding hall also for many Franklin churches. The first Episcopal Church in the State of Tennessee was organized within its walls on August 25, 1827, by Tennessee's first Episcopal Bishop, James T. Otey. The Church of Christ met here for a time as did the Presbyterian Church.

President Andrew Jackson met with a delegation of Chickasaw Indians on the steps of the Masonic Hall on August 17, 1830. From that ceremony came a treaty that resulted in the removal of the Chickasaws from their native lands to the West, perhaps better known as the "Trail of Tears." For more information visit <http://www.hiram7.net/history.htm>



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PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGES

Article VII, Section 3 currently reads:

Article 7, Sec. 3: Each member of the Lodge shall pay Forty dollars (\$ 40) to the Secretary of dues in accordance with Article 104 of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, except for Ministers of God, who shall pay no dues. This will take effect for the ensuing Masonic Year, pursuant to approval by the Grand Lodge.

Proposal – Amend Article VII, Section 3 so that when amended, it will read as follows:

Article 7, Sec. 3: Each member of the Lodge shall pay Sixty dollars (\$ 60) to the Secretary of dues in accordance with Article 104 of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, except for Ministers of God, who shall pay no dues. This will take effect for the ensuing Masonic Year, pursuant to approval by the Grand Lodge.

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* absent when photo taken...

MOVING TRIBUTE ON ANNIVERSARY OF 9-11

On September 11, 2011, Pacific Lodge was opened in Due Form on the 3rd Degree for a Memorial Service to honor those whose lives were lost on that tragic day ten years ago. Pursuant to a request from the Most Worshipful Jay Adam Pearson, Grand Master of Lodges in S.C., A.F.M., Lodges throughout the state opened to pay tribute to those souls and their families. The following is the very moving prayer, written and offered by our Chaplain, W. Bro. J. Larry Snipes. Thank you Worshipful and May God Bless.

Holy Master of our lives and fates, we gather to mourn an awful day, ten years ago, when we watched and re-watched – and still watch – as planes became missiles and as the twin towers, works of our hands, which were a source of strength for many came tumbling down.

Loving God, be with all today who grieve the loss of family and friends who were taken from this world on September 11, 2001, and all who have sacrificed their lives in the war on terror since. Fill them with hope for the day when justice rolls down like water and righteousness shall pour forth like an ever-flowing stream.

On that day, people died and we asked, “WHO?”, only to answer, “THEY.”

Lord, we realize now that there were times in the darkness of all these events that our fear overtook us and times when our love of our neighbors failed us.

And on that day, ten years ago, Great Creator, babies were born; and we wondered through our tears, “WHAT kind of world will they grow up in?”

We realize now that the world they will grow up in still waits to be made, because you have given us that task of building that world. Help us to be a people who truly believe that your goodness is stronger than evil, that your love is stronger than hate, that your light is stronger than darkness.

Great Architect of the Universe, you have given us this good land for our heritage; we ask, humbled before you, that we may always prove ourselves a people aware of your blessings and glad to do your work. Bless our nation with honorable industry, with sound learning, and with pure manners. Where there is violence, bring us peace; where there is discord, bring us harmony; and, where there is confusion bring us light. Save us from pride and arrogance, and deliver us from every evil way.

Defend our liberties, and fashion this country from the multitudes of creeds and tongues again into one united people. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in your name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that through obedience to your law, we may show your praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the days of trouble, suffer not our trust in you to fail.

All of which we ask in your Name, truly, Our Most Worshipful Master. Amen.



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MASONS IN ACTION

MAKING GOOD MEN BETTER

SETTING THE WORK

October 4 - Regular Communication - 7:30

October 11 - Entered Apprentice Degree - 7:30 (*)

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

November 1 - Regular Communication - 7:30

November 11 - LADIES NIGHT - 6:30

November 15 - Fellow Craft Degree - 7:30 (*)

November 22 - Master Mason Degree - 7:30 (*)

December 6 - Regular Communication - 7:30

JOIN US FOR FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP!

Any questions, please call

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or

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

(*) Denotes tentative Special Communication

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

We eat at 6:45 and Meet at 7:30

MASONIC BUILDINGS AROUND THE GLOBE AND AROUND THE BLOCK

You may have noticed over the past couple of months, I am including articles about other Lodges in various jurisdictions. Last month, I covered the George Washington Masonic Memorial and this month, I wrote about Hiram # 7 in Franklin, TN (Mother Lodge of Brother Grady Honeycutt of Pawley's Island Lodge)...

Every Masonic Lodge and building has some sort of rich history behind it. OK, so some are richer than others, but still merit examination.

Next month I hope to write about Lodge St. John Muthill # 192 in Muthill, Scotland. This Lodge is special to me because not only did they make me an honorary member, but also because of the deep friendships that I have made over the course of the past several years. This particular Lodge is only slightly older than our country, 1795!

In the coming months I hope to look at the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, the Grand Lodge of Scotland, as well as the Grand Lodge of England.

We have several historic buildings and landmarks here in the United States. For example, both Charleston, S.C. and Savannah, Georgia, are home to Lodges known as Solomon # 1. I will not get into an argument as to which one came first or which is older, but I will say that history runs deep in both of these structures. Our own W. Bro. Layne Waters is a member of Solomon # 1 in Charleston and I may have to get more information from him.

If you have any suggestions or have a certain Masonic building or landmark that you would like to see featured, please let me know and I'll do my best to include it in a future edition. Do you know the history of Pacific Lodge?

You should. If you check our website, you will find the history under the heading About Pacific Lodge. This is a downloadable Word document. There are a few years missing, but these later years will be included in the very near future. I would like to thank W. Bro. Doyle Jaco and his wife Brenda for pulling all of that information together and for preserving the history of Pacific.

Two of the notations which will need to be added are the mergers of both Columbia and Forest Acres Lodges. We are proud to have these Brothers as members of Pacific and we consider both mergers as benchmarks in our history.

Do you have a story you would like to share about our Lodge? If so, please send it to me at pacific325@aol.com. May God Bless you all. Until next time... Bro. Bosie

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