



# PACIFIC MASONIC LODGE # 325, A.F.M.



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### FUNDRAISER A HUGE SUCCESS

Where should I begin. OK, so it HAS been hot, but a Brother is often quoted as saying “Everyone talks about the weather, but nobody does anything about it.” The quote was not actually Bro. Mark Twain, but rather Charles Dudley Warner, a friend of our Brother’s. Well, it was HOT the weekend we picked for the annual BBQ fundraiser. I can attest to the Friday heat. The only thing hotter must have been the sale of the tickets because Brothers, we just about sold out. According to sources, we only had one (1) tray remaining. That is incredible.

Let me thank everyone who helped this event come

together. There isn’t enough room in this small space to thank everyone personally, but I thank you all from the bottom of my heart. Those who worked, those who cooked, those who served, those who sold, those who cleaned and those who ate. This was a COMMUNITY event. The entire Olympia Community looks forward to this day of good food and fellowship. Again, my thanks to everyone who made this event a success.

We couldn’t do this without you. As of Monday, it was reported that Bro. Jim Jaco has already deposited over \$ 3,000 in the bank with more to come. I will update the totals when they are available. Thanks!

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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- *Brian Gambrell, W.M.*
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- *Michael Hershberger, Tiler*

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR DUES CARD—2009???**

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### MASONIC QUEST - SEARCHING FOR...

You guessed it, LIGHT. I am always looking for more light, but this time I would appreciate it coming from YOU! That’s right, I am putting out an appeal to assist me in getting this publication out in a more timely manner. For example, this month’s edition is being e-mailed on the first day of the month. With just a little help,

or articles from the Brethren, I think I could have published it last week. Be that as it may, I have been on the road for my “usual vocation” and have not had ample time to devote to one of my true pleasures, this newsletter.

Any articles, stories, suggestions would be greatly appreciated and welcomed. We ALL

need light and I know you have stories to tell or times to share with the Craft. Believe me, I can get a little boring (ok, more than just a little) so some FRESH input would be greatly appreciated, not only by me, but by our many readers as well. This is a labor of love and I hope you will aid and assist.

Fraternally, Bro. Bosie

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - ALL THE BROTHERS INDISCRIMINATELY...



Grand Master Visit

Not much brings out a crowd like an official visit by a Grand Master. As you can see from the photo at left, there was an exceptional turnout for M.W. Bro. Jerry Carver's visit in April. As I stated on page 1, it takes ALL the Brothers to come together to make things happen. There is the shopping, the cooking, the cleaning as well as the greeting, the eating and the meeting.

I am going to take this opportunity to mention and thank ALL the Brothers who come to

the Lodge, and even those who can't make it for one reason or another. Whether present or not, you ARE the Lodge and we cannot operate without you. It is wonderful seeing a big crowd when I come in the door of a Lodge. During these summer months, I know you will have plenty to do. I would ask that you be careful and prudent. I would also ask that you keep your Brothers and their families as well as our servicemen and women around the globe in your devotions. Wishing you a safe and happy July. God Bless.



The Official White House Portrait of President and M.W. Andrew Jackson

## FAMOUS MASONS: M.W. BRO. ANDREW JACKSON

Andrew Jackson (March 15, 1767 – June 8, 1845) was the seventh President of the United States (1829–1837). He was military governor of Florida (1821), commander of the American forces at the Battle of New Orleans (1815), and eponym of the era of Jacksonian democracy. A polarizing figure who dominated American politics in the 1820s and 1830s, his political ambition combined with widening political partici-

pation, shaping the modern Democratic Party. His legacy is now seen as mixed, as a protector of popular democracy and individual liberty, checkered by his support for Indian removal and slavery. Renowned for his toughness, he was nicknamed "Old Hickory". As he based his career in developing Tennessee, Jackson was the first president primarily associated with the American frontier. His portrait appears on the U.S. twenty-

dollar bill. M.W. Bro. Jackson was a member of St. Tammany Lodge No. 1 (A.K.A. Harmony Lodge No. 1), Nashville, Tennessee. He served as Grand Master of Masons of Tennessee, October 7, 1822 until October 4, 1824. For more information on this Most Worshipful Brother, visit:

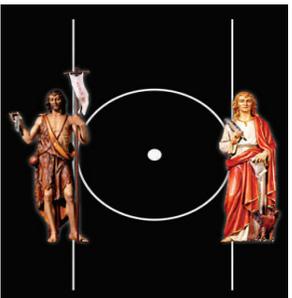
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Andrew\\_Jackson](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Andrew_Jackson)

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## Masonic Education: Right Angle & Perpendicular



Sure, every Mason knows what they are. We see them all the time. We may, however, forget some of the more "intricate" meanings of these two simple geometric icons which help us in our lessons and our conduct. As you read the following from Phoenixmasonry, think back to the first time you ever heard them mentioned. Pause and reflect upon their meaning and place in your everyday lives. Like Operative Masonry, there is little room for error in knowing what the bounds are and what to expect.



### Right Angle

A right angle is the meeting of two lines in an angle of ninety degrees, or the fourth part of a circle. Each of its lines is perpendicular to the other; and as the perpendicular line is a symbol of uprightness of conduct, the right angle has been adopted by Freemasons as an emblem of virtue. Such was its signification among the Pythagoreans. The right angle is represented in the Lodges by the square, as the horizontal is by the level, and the perpendicular by the plumb.

### Perpendicular

In a geometrical sense, that which is upright or erect, leaning neither one way or another. In a figurative and symbolic sense, it conveys the signification of Justice, Fortitude, Prudence, and Temperance. Justice, that leans to no side but that of Truth; Fortitude, that yields to no adverse attack; Prudence that ever pursues the straight path of integrity; and Temperance that swerves not for appetite nor passion.

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## FROM THE EAST - BRIAN GAMBRELL, W.M.

As we celebrate our nation's birthday, we must pause to reflect on the guiding hand our Fraternity played in our nation's founding and its continuing prosperity. Of the 56 delegates that signed the original Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, 13 were confirmed to be members of the Craft. The famous of these confirmed Masons were Benjamin Franklin and John Hancock. Eight more are suspected of being Masons including John Adams and Thomas Jefferson. Other Masonic figures in the Revolution include George Washington (of course), Henry Knox, Paul Revere, John Paul Jones, Gilbert du Motier Marquis de LaFayette, Rufus King, James Otis, Friedrich Wilhelm Ludolf Gerhard Augustin von Steuben, Pierre Charles L'Enfant Joseph Warren, and (sadly) Benedict Arnold.

What these brothers accomplished is the creation of a nation unique in human his-

tory. Never before in human history had a nation been founded upon ideals of unity and equality rather than race, ethnicity, or religion. We, as Masons, of course recognize these values as we inculcate these values throughout the various degrees. We quote Psalms 133:1 stating "how good it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." We teach that all Masons "meet on the level" the same as Jefferson writes that "all Men are created equal." Is it any wonder that an endeavor founded on such solid principles has lasted despite all of the problems and issues?

The same as our nation was founded with guidance of such famous and estimable Masons, it has been preserved by the blood and toil of Masons both famous and obscure. Generals Andrew Jackson, Winfield Scott, and Omar Bradley led men (and assuredly brothers) in battle to protect and defend liberty. We have wondered at the accomplishments of astro-

nauts (and brothers) Edwin E. "Buzz" Aldrin, Jr. and John Glenn. We have enjoyed Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain), Mel Blanc (the voice of Bugs Bunny and Daffy Duck), and John Wayne.

However, our nation is strengthened through the quiet labors of the millions of Masons everywhere. We stand up as leaders in our communities, professions, and churches. We give our time and money to support charities such as the Scottish Rite centers and Shriners' Hospitals. We give our time to assist our distressed brothers and their widows.

Masonry is about improvement: ourselves, our brothers, and our country. On this upcoming Fourth of July as we gather with friends and family, take great pride in your Fraternity and its many contributions to our beloved Nation.

*Bro. Brian*



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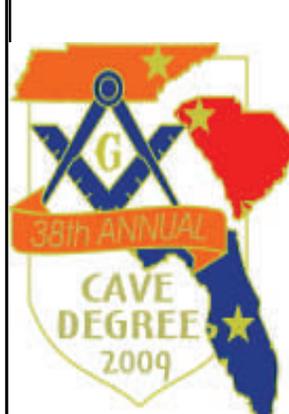
## CAVE DEGREE SCHEDULE INCLUDES S.C. DEGREE

The 38th annual Cave Degree held in Kingston, TN on Aug. 15 will include an E.A. Degree conferred by Bailey Lodge # 146, A.F.M. This degree will take place in Union Lodge on the Friday evening before the "Cave" degree. I would urge you to attend and support this worthy exchange of degree work. M.W. Bro. Barry Rickman is scheduled to attend. For

more information, please visit the Union (TN) Lodge website at:

<http://www.gmwp.org/cave2009/>

Most Worshipful Bro. Barry A. Rickman, Grand Master of S.C. will be attending. You will be warmly greeted and I guarantee a good time will be had by all. Mark your calendar and ENJOY!!



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### SETTING THE WORK

July 7 - Regular Communication - 7:30

**HAVE A NICE MONTH OFF, BROTHERS!**

**VISIT OTHER LODGES**

**JOIN US FOR FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP!**

Any questions, please call

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or

**Bro. Brian Gambrell, W.M. at 803-920-8131**

**(\* 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**

## FREE, ACCEPTED, ETC...

Not bound, not in captivity, The word "Free" in connection with "Mason" originally signified that the persons so called were free of the company of Guild or incorporated Masons. During the middle ages the craftsman that were trained in the Roman Colleges of Artificers were serfs, bondsmen, and were declared free to travel throughout Europe, building cathedrals, monasteries, and other religious buildings. The Masons who were selected to build the Temple of Solomon were declared free, and were exempted, together with their descendants, from imports, duties and taxes. They had also the privilege to bear

arms. At the destruction of the temple by Nebuchadnezzar, the posterity of these Masons were carried into captivity with the ancient Jews. But the good-will of Cyrus gave them permission to erect a second temple, having set them at liberty for that purpose. It is from this epoch that we bear the name Free and Accepted Masons. Ezra 2:1

AF and AM vs F and AM States: vs AFM States; vs FAAM States...AF & AM States

AF & AM - Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

These 25 AF & AM states include: CO, CT, DE, ID,

IL, IA, KS, ME, MD, MA, MN, MO, MT, NE, NH, NM, NC, ND, OK, OR, SD, TX, VA, WV, WY.

F & A M States: Free and Accepted Masons

These 24 F & AM states include: AL, AK, AR, AZ, CA, FL, GA, HI, IN, KY, LA, MI, MS, NJ, NV, NY, OH, PA, RI, TN, UT, VT, WA, WI.

All Prince Hall lodges are also F. & A.M.

AFM State: Ancient Free Masons

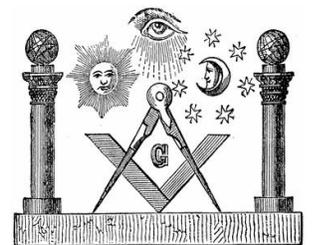
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