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Monthly Newsletter April 2011 – May 2011



In April, our Lodge hosted Guest night, further enabling prospective Masons the opportunity to become acquainted with the fraternity. A delightful rendition of many musical pieces was performed by John Dupagier, a jazz pianist of "The Rampart Street 6" and Honorary Member of the Baton Rouge Music Club.

Worshipful Brother "Chuck" Morgan III gave one of the most impressive addresses, illuminating not only the importance and values of honoring Honesty and Integrity, but also other salient values embraced by Masons, present and past. The recipients, Robert Whitley and Abby TerHaar, both graduating seniors at Episcopal High School, each exceeded the virtues these awards embrace.

Among her many accomplishments, Abby founded the "Tortoise and Hair 5K run" raising \$125,000 for medical grants. Additionally she helped in the raising of over \$30,000 for schools in Colombia, the Fistula Fund, Educating Women in Africa, and "Bead for Life" parties aiding Ugandan women selling beads. She is a volunteer with the Southeast Ministries Food Pantry, Hope ministries, Greater Baton Rouge food Bank, and MASH Community Service Week. She was Captain of the Cross Country Team and selected Most Valuable Runner for two years. She is a member of the Chapel on the Campus Student Leadership Team.

Likewise Robert provided community service with a Heifer Ranch Mission trip, a mission trip building homes in Tennessee, serving meals to the homeless, a St. Luke's Carnival worker, a Food Bank volunteer, and participating in the Kay Fenton Power Lifting Meet to benefit Cancer Services of Greater Baton Rouge.

Both candidates received accolades for outstanding academic performance. It has been both an honor and privilege for St. James Lodge to acknowledge the stellar qualities that these individuals have exhibited in their lives. It must be recognized that our Lodge has enjoyed the benefit of recognizing these students because of the nominations of Brother Mote and the work of the Honesty and Integrity Committee.

The month of May recognizes and honors the mothers in many countries of the world. We, as Masons, should be particularly grateful to our mother as she is the most important person responsible for shaping our core personality, which leads us to live a life exemplified by the Fraternity.

Welcome to our new Entered Apprentices. Once again, the practice and dedication of this and previous degree teams has been clearly evidenced in the excellent performance that our Brothers delivered and for the diligence of the coaches in teaching the required material for the conferred degrees. The Entered Apprentice Mason degree produced was excellent. We continue to be indebted to these Masons for their commitment and hard work in the delivering these degrees and we look forward to this continued diligence.

The increase in attendance has been maintained with the advent of sitting down to hot meals with accompanying conversations at the dinner tables. I would like to thank you for your support of the "Red Apple" fund in sustaining this endeavor.

Lastly, we are fortunate to be blessed with the company of like-minded individuals. It is continually a pleasure to meet Brother Masons on such a regular basis. On May 19th we will receive the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of Louisiana and His Official Family at "Guest night," once again affirming the ideals that we as Masons embrace.

May Peace and Harmony prevail,

James William Robinson, Worshipful Master

Bring guests!

to the open Lodge meetings at 6:00 pm
on **May 19, September 1, October 6,**
November 17.

**Invitations are available at
the sign-in-desk.**



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PLEASE notify our Secretary, W.Bro. Mark Paxton and W.Bro. Joe Richard whenever your mailing address, email address or telephone number changes.

Other Masonic Events

Acacia Shrine meets at 6:00/7:00 PM every 3rd Wednesday at 7991 S. Commerce Ave.

Downtown York Rite Bodies meet regularly on the 1st Saturday of each month at 8:00 a.m. with breakfast at 7:30 a.m.

Valley of Baton Rouge meets on the 2nd Monday of each month, dinner at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7 to 9 PM, at the Consistory on Florida Boulevard. The Advisory Council meets at the Consistory at 6:00 P.M. on the 4th Monday of the month.

Livingston Certificate Association meets at 6:00 P.M with dinner, on the first Friday of each month at Hurd Merrill Lodge # 454 in Livingston, LA and Baton Rouge Certificate Association meets at 6:30 P.M. with dinner on the third Friday of each month at Trinity Union Lodge # 372.

Lodge of the Nine Muses #9, F&AM, meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. The meeting on May 11th will be held in the Red Room at St. James. The meeting starts at 6:00 PM. Light refreshments are served before the Lodge meeting. If you are interested in visiting, contact one of the members for dress code and other details.

From: Glenn Cupit glenncupit@msn.com Date: Sun, 20 Mar 2011 11:54:02 -0700

Guys & Girls,

Please join Betty & I at Germania's annual Crawfish boil, Sat, May 28, at

Germania Lodge #46,
 4415 Bienville St,
 New Orleans, Louisiana 70119

\$10.00 per person, under 12 free. Noon till.

Please RSVP, to Klaus "Joe" Kueck, PM, 504-737-6767 kkueck@bellsouth.net so the amount of crawfish to buy can be determined.

Open event for family and kids.

Bring family & kids!

Mark your calendar.

Best regards,
 Glenn

FUTURE EVENTS

Practice every Monday at 5:30 pm at the Lodge.

May 5	TBA
May 19	Grand Master's Visit (Open/Meal 6:30 PM)
Begin Casual Summer Attire	
June 1-4	Scottish Rite Bicentennial symposium
June 2	TBA
June 5 (Sunday 2:30 PM) 13 th Masonic District Meeting	
June 16	St. John the Baptist Program & Flag Day
July 7	4th of July celebration
July 21	TBA
August 4	Report by Treasurer & Finance Committees
August 18	TBA
End Casual Summer Attire	

September 1	Guest Night (Open / Meal 6:30 PM)
September 11 (Sunday 2:30 PM) 13 th Masonic District Meeting	
September 15	TBA
October 6	Past Masters, Widows & 25/50/60 Yr (Open / Meal 6:30PM)
October 20	TBA
November 3	St. John the Evangelist & Election of 2012 Officers
November 17	Thanksgiving Banquet, Veterans' Recognition (Open / Meal)
December 1	Installation of 2012 Officers
December 4 (Sunday 2:30 PM) 13 th Masonic District Meeting	
December 15	Necrology

BICENTENNIAL SYMPOSIUM

The 200th Anniversary of the New Orleans Scottish Rite is June 1 - 4. This portion of the celebration is a Symposium complete with speakers from around the globe and all details are complete - all that is needed is YOU. Plan to attend all or part of this celebration of Freemasonry.

The deadline for registering with the Royal Sonesta Hotel is May 4, after that date the block of reserved rooms will be released. The Hotel is completely booked for other events and will not hold the Symposium rooms any longer than next week.

Please register now, if you plan to attend.

Call the Hotel directly - 504/586-0300 - name under "Scottish Rite" - and rates are \$139 per night. Register directly for the Symposium - www.neworleansaasr.info - use PayPal, or mail your Registration Fee (\$125) directly to C. J. "Chip" Borne - 433 Metairie Road, Suite 100, Metairie, LA 70005.

Events begin on Wednesday late afternoon, June 1, and conclude on Saturday, June 4, with tours of historic Masonic sites.

Do not miss this opportunity to celebrate 200 years of organized Scottish Rite in New Orleans.

Your article could have been here. Submit articles to Bob Zinn, N5bz@cox.net