



WHIDBY ISLAND LODGE #15 F & AM

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TRESTLE-BOARD

November 2011

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From the "East":

Brethren, as the year winds down, I have been looking back at our year in the Lodge. For me this has been an amazing and educational experience. While we didn't accomplish all of the things I had hoped this year, I am satisfied that it has been a successful venture. We have changed a few things, met some challenges and started the ball rolling on a few new endeavors.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your friendship and support. While I stumbled a lot, I never felt like I had lost your support. While I will not be able to commit to full time job at the Lodge this year, I intend to continue to be involved and to continue to learn more work.

I am confident that Worshipful Master Elect Bob Clark will enjoy the same level of support from the Brethren of Whidby Island Lodge #15 and District 9. Please remember that the more you put into the Craft, the more you get out of it. See you at the installation!

Best wishes and thanks again for all you do! Rick

From the "West":

Greetings from the west, it's hard to believe November is already here and it's time to take that next step. I would like to extend my thanks to all the brothers who are moving up to the additional responsibilities of the various chairs and offices for 2012. For the benefit of those who were unable to attend the Oct. stated meeting, the installation will be on December third at 2:00 PM with a dinner to follow. It will be an open installation so bring friends and family. Dress for those being installed will be black suits.

Robert Clark, Senior Warden

From the "South":

Brethren, my thanks for this last month, we had another successful dinner, Oyster Stew prepared by W/B Chef Lynn Bailey. That wouldn't have been possible without the help and cooperation of all of you. Especially our thanks go to Bros. Bruce Freeman, and Jeff Roush. We again had those that attended and those who helped to prepare the dinners, serve, setup, and clean up by: washing dishes, taking out the trash, and preparing the dining room for the next event. Thank you again. As our November stated meeting will be Step-up night I'm not aware of what the menu will be. Now let's get ready for another month of great fellowship and please let our new Junior Warden know what you would like to have as refreshments for next year.

I would like to thank everyone who has stepped up to make this year a memorable one and would invite all Brothers to do what they can for this Lodge. W/B elect Bob Clark is still recruiting for next year and in order to make next year successful we need everyone to participate. On a final note I congratulate our new slate of officers, especially Bro. Michael Belle Isle the new Junior Warden.

From the Secretary:

Dues notices for the 2012 Masonic year have been sent out, and dues cards to the Life Members and 50 year Brothers. As you will notice on the statement, dues for the year are \$110. For our non-dues paying members you will notice the request to send in a voluntary donation of \$40 this year. Please pay attention to the

details in the dues letters that were sent with the notices/cards. As this is my last month as Secretary I will be collecting and monies until the end of November, so please send them to me until that time. Beginning in December PLEASE send them to the new Secretary at his address listed in the dues letter/notice. Please make every effort to send in dues/donations ASAP. It is a Masonic obligation to pay the new dues by the end of the year. After December 31st we have a huge stack of cards still to go out because of how long many of the Brothers wait to pay their dues. Please don't be one of them, and get them in early.

W/B Jim will be very busy learning all of the functions that the Secretary is required to perform, so please help him out by keeping him apprised of any changes in your contact information should they arise. I am sure you will all give W/B Jim the same support that you gave me. I promise to leave him well trained, and I have every confidence he will do a fantastic job for the Lodge.

Fraternally, W/B Chris

Highlights of the “Stated”:

- The W/M reported that there is no news on the Lodge’s tax exempt status. He is pushing them on it, but so far the government hasn’t reported anything new.
- Elections were held, with the following results:
 - Worshipful Master – Robert Clark
 - Senior Warden – Dale Thayer
 - Junior Warden – Michael Belle Isle
 - Treasurer – Lynn Bailey
 - Secretary – Jim Gaskill
- A motion was made that the incoming Worshipful Master be given \$150 to help cover the costs of the Installation. The motion passed.
- A motion that the Lodge purchase one full set of blue cloth backings for the officer’s collars, and one full collar device be purchased for using as repairs was made. The motion passed.
- Bro. Robert Clark asked that the upcoming installation of officers be an open installation on the 3rd of December at 2PM. This request passed.

In Memoriam

None

November Anniversaries

Fennie Haisten	59	Roy Lopaus	58
Robert Mankin	60	Thomas Caraway	58
Ralph O'Dell	56	Christian Olsen	51
James Waldrip	48	Frederick Noyes	46
Robert Jackson	45	Paul Steinsiek	44
Lynn Bailey	41	Glenn Wright	35
Guerrero Calamug	33	Wayne Prior	31
Charles Oliver	30	Randolph Alquetra	29
Brian Weaver	25	Daniel Verble	22
Norman Bonson	20	Theodore Christensen	16
Soren Brown	10	Thomas Weaver	7
Bernard Donlon	4		