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2021 LODGE OFFICERS

WM - Skip Donnell

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SECRETARY - Brian Hooten

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JD - Derek Cheek

SS - Wayne McCullough

TYLER Wayne Moody

CHAPLAIN - W. Russel Taylor II

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Stated Meetings are the first
Wednesday of the month unless
this is a holiday, then it is the second Wednesday of the month.
Meal begins at 6 pm with the
meeting beginning at 7 pm
(Looking forward to this months
hot dinner!). Every meeting has
new business as we work to become more active and we continue to welcome new men into the
craft, come enjoy in the excitement!

Brotherly love to Aaron Lauber for being raised to a Master Mason by the Lodge on the 25th! And congrats to the lodge for conferring the degrees in-house!

OAKLAND LODGE 140

F&AM NEWSLETTER



"In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong me shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out the windows be darkened." - 2 Chronicles—12-3

Craft Club —every Wednesday @ 6:30pm. Contact Brother Earl Jacobs with any questions!

Masonic History

Military Masonic Lodges are of an early date, having long existed in the British army. In this country the first of which we have any record was one the warrant for which was granted by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in 1738 to Abraham Savage, to be used in the expedition against Canada. A similar one was granted by the same authority in 1756 to Richard Gridley for the expedition against Crown Point. In both of these cases the warrants were of a general character, and might rather be considered as deputations, as they authorized Savage and Gridley to congregate Masons into one or more lodges. In 1779 the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania granted a warrant to open a military lodge, which, in the warrant, was called a "moveable lodge."

In England the system of military lodges is regulated by special provisions of the Grand Lodge Constitution. They are strictly limited to the purposes for which the warrants are granted, and no new lodge can be established in a regiment without the concurrence of the commanding officer. They cannot make Masons of any but military men who have attained some rank in the army above that of private soldiers, although the latter may, by dispensation, be admitted as "serving brethren;" and they are strictly enjoined not to interfere with the Masonic jurisdiction of any country in which they may be stationed.

It is quite probable that the thought that led to the issuing of dispensations to military lodges in Indiana was incubated by Grand Master Elizur Deming in his address to the Grand Lodge in 1849. He said: "Two traveling lodges have been organized in this State for California— one composed of brethren from Lafayette and its vicinity, named Sierra Nevada; the other composed of brethren from Wayne county, named San Francisco. These brethren will, we trust, do honor to the Craft, and Indiana will be ranked in future Masonic history as one of the pioneers in dispensing light to the golden regions of our country. For the preservation of order, Henry C. Lawrence was appointed Deputy Grand Master, being a well-tried, true and trusty brother. It will be necessary for the Grand Lodge to confirm the validity of the acts relating to these traveling lodges."

The Grand Lodge approved the action of the Grand Master, but as no reports were made by these perambulating lodges, and they have not been heard of since, it is impossible to state what became of them.

October 20—On this date in 1953, The Grand Lodge of the State of Israel was constituted.

Challenge Coin Sales Continue!

Everyone should have received your tickets for the fall breakfast, its virtual again this year due to safety concerns—thank you brothers for your support!

Will be starting our Fall raffle soon—check the Facebook page for info!

#140 MASON OF THE MONTH

John Patton III, PM

For keeping us all honest and in-line as we all have been working on perfecting the craft and rituals!



October 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6—Monthly Stated Meeting	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	14	16– OES Stated Meeting
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27—Lodge of Instruction @ 6pm	28	29	30—Lodge Cookout
31—Halloween						

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Words cannot express how proud I am of the officers, Past Masters, and members of this Lodge. Last Saturday, we had the honor of raising a new Master Mason – Aaron Jacob Lauber. Welcoming a new brother is always fun, exciting, and rewarding – but this time, it was even more special. We were able to complete all three degrees for Brother Lauber without the assistance of another Lodge. Thanks to several of our Past Masters, we were able to re-establish the Craft Club – which enabled us to study and fine tune our Craftwork – allowing us to successfully perform all three degrees. Working with you all, watching as we gained proficiency, confidence, and often stepped outside of our comfort zone, has been a truly outstanding journey. THANK YOU for your hard work and dedication to the craft. You are all truly outstanding individuals, and I am honored to call you Brother



Year 1136—Melrose Abbey Church was built, traveling Masons placed their mark on some of the stones.