Anchor Lodge No. 7 A.F. & A.M.

Trestle Board

Charted December 8, 1886

Buffalo Wyoming

Special points of interest:

Anchor Lodge turns
120 on December 8th

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Anchor Lodge No. 7 Begins A Trestle Board

Worshipful Master Dale Sain has asked that a quarterly trestle board be developed and utilized to communicate with the brethren of Anchor Lodge No. 7.

The content of trestle boards across the world vary in content from simple calendars to Masonic leadership lessons.

As this is your trestle board, I would encourage you to provide feedback on the length, content and context of the information you would like to have provided through this

tool. At this time the intent is to provide the trestle board both electronically, through Email and in paper form through the U.S. Postal service.

So what is a trestle board?

Anciently, the trestle board was a slate tablet utilized by the Master to communicate the days labors and assigned tasks to the craft.

Today, we continue to utilize the trestle board as a means to communicate the craft's labors. However, we also have an opportunity to use this tool to



Worshipful Master's Jewel: The Square

provide Masonic education, recognition of the brethren's good works and to encourage greater participation in lodge activities.

Thank you for your feed back in this important endeavor.

About Anchor Lodge No. 7

Anchor Lodge No. 7 has met in Buffalo Wyoming since it was issued dispensation on November 8, 1885. Just over a year later on December 8, 1886 the lodge was granted its charter.

That means the lodge will celebrate its 120th birthday in December of this year!

Anchor Lodge No. 7 currently meets in the Odd Fellows Hall on Cedar Street.

Our regular communications are held at 7:30 pm on the first and third Mondays of each month.

All Brothers are always welcome.

Regular Communications Odd Fellows Hall Cedar Street Buffalo, WY

Monday Nov. 6th

Monday Nov. 20th

Monday Dec. 4th

Monday Dec. 18th



Senior Warden's Jewel: The Level

From The East

I would like to introduce myself to the brethren of Anchor Lodge #7 for whom I have not had the pleasure of meeting.

I was raised on the 3rd degree of Masonry in Matthews, NC, Lodge #461 on the 28th day of August 1969.

In later years I relocated to Wyoming. I made the decision to demit from Matthews and join Big Horn Mountain Lodge #43 in Sheridan where I was a member for a number of years. In 1995 I became the Master of Big Horn Mountain Lodge #43.

I then joined the brothers from Buffalo and for a time was as a dual member of both Anchor Lodge #7 and Lodge #43. Now, I am affiliated only with Anchor Lodge #7.

This year I have the honor of being your Worshipful Master.

I look forward to meeting all of you at a lodge meeting or at one of our social functions.

You will find in this trestle board and those to follow our calendar of meetings and events.

Please enter these activities into your calendar for the coming year.

Fraternally,

- Dale Sain Worshipful Master Anchor Lodge #7

"It takes four movements to give both the due guard and sign of each degree"



Junior Warden's Jewel: The Plumb

Masonic Education From The West

Due-guards and signs:

It takes four movements to give both the due-guard and sign of each degree. Two movements for the due-guard and two for the sign.

Degree work protocol:

When you have more than one officer moving around such as doing degree work, the senior officer precedes the junior officer. When side by side the senior officer should be on the right of the junior officer.

I thought the practice degree performed on November 7th was very good. Brother Matt had an opportunity to practice some floor work and actually walk through the steps would be done in the real thing.

Our newest Master Mason Brother Ronnie was present and got to see how the Entered Apprentice Degree was presented. It was a very good refresher for the rest of us.

It was good that Brothers pointed out mistakes so they could be corrected on the spot. This will just make us better for the next candidate Anchor Lodge #7 initiates. And everyone seemed to enjoy it.

 Jim Sturdevant Senior Warden

2006 — 2007 Officers

Worshipful Master: Dale Sain Senior Warden: Jim Sturdevant

Junior Warden: Dave Guyton

Secretary: Ron McPhee

Treasurer: Wally Ramsbottom

Senior Deacon: Matthew Ramey

Junior Deacon: Ray Clark

Senior Steward: Bob Wagner

Junior Steward: Ephraim Moore

Tyler: Al Benton

Chaplin: Kit Carson

Marshal: Denny Hougard

Historian: Dugal Dickerson

Calendar: Meetings and Events

November 2006:

Monday 6th: Regular Communication

• Business Meeting

• Degree Practice: First Degree

Monday 20th: Regular Communication (Note times)

• Spaghetti Dinner: Bring the ladies! 6:30 pm

- Family In Open Lodge 7:30
- Video in Review

December 2006:

Monday 4th: Regular Communication 7:30 pm

- Business Meeting
- Discuss December 18th Meeting
- Discuss Health Fair Activities

Monday 18th: Regular Communication 7:30 pm

- Children's Party (Hot dogs & Ice Cream) (Presents?)
- Christmas Food From Lodge To The Needy
- Trestle Board & Review Upcoming Activities

Special Events:

November:

Our November 20th meeting will be a family in the open lodge meeting. Please bring your ladies, family or those who may be interested in joining the lodge. We will begin the evening at 6:30 pm with a spaghetti dinner. After dinner we will commence with a family in the open lodge ceremony.

December:

At the December 4th meeting we will discuss and finalize plans for the 18th as well as items for the next trestle board.

Our December 18th meeting will consist of a children's Christmas party with hot dogs and ice cream and perhaps presents. We will also provide Christmas food for needy families in Johnson County.

Remember You're A Mason...

When the pressures of recession Make us concentrate on greed, Take heed, a worthy Mason Cares about another's needs;

Don't let pressures of the moment Make your obligation sway, Stop and help a fallen brother Or another by the way;

What you give is like a bubble Whenever you assist, What it costs in time and trouble Is, soon after, never missed;

Brother, bear that obligation You accepted on your knee, It's in direct relation To your own security; Never hesitate, my brother Square your actions now and say, "I'll remember I'm a Mason, "And behave like that today;"

"With regard to human kindness And the 'Golden Rule', I pray, I'll remember I'm a Mason... And behave like that today."

- Author unknown -

Do you have a favorite Masonic poem that you would like to share with the next trestle board? Give a copy to Matthew Ramey or send it to mramey@sheridan.edu



Anchor Lodge #7 November/December 2006 Trestle Board "Making Good Men Better"

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