



# *The Trestle Board*

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**March 2007**

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Come to Smithfield Lodge's Annual

March 1, 2007 6:30PM

**FISH FRY**

Masons and prospective Masons only

# East

like a lot of “Bunk” but we still have a few pins to hand out this year. Also in years gone by we may have if you are due a pin or have missed one in the past now is the time to get one. We will try to pass them out at have plenty. Let us know if you can’t make it and we’ll get it to you someway.

the next event coming up for us. Right Worshipful Elmer Murphy III will be our speaker. There will be a lot on’t want to miss this! Bo and Bunk will be in charge of the cooking again---thank you both so much for . Your faithfulness has kept our fish fry tradition going on for over fifty years!



we will be taking donations for our garage sale on May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. The garage sale has been going on for over twenty years. It is the main re stayed in the black. It has allowed us to make charitable donations and stay out of our endowment money. So if you have been thinking about getting that old lava lamp this is your chance.

wonderful. We hosted the Masonic Service Bureau. We had a very nice Sweetheart dinner. MahrKay Byers brought gift baskets for the ladies. M and brought flowers. Ernie Runyon cooked a great meal. There were several who helped out or offered to help out. Thank you all. I think out

Wingate is still not doing very well. Things didn’t work out in California. The tumor in his Brain has grown too big to operate. They have sent or further testing. His tumor is not responding to the normal treatment for shrinking. He has lost almost seventy pounds and isn’t taking this very help and prayers. I hope to see you all soon.

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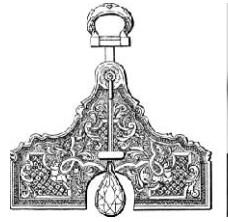
## **Do you have unwanted “Stuff” around the house or garage?**

**donating it to the Lodge for our annual garage/yard sale! This benefits the Lodge greatly, and keeps us out of Endowment I tion. We will take most anything and will also need volunteers to help out on sale days. (May 4th & 5th)**

# Garage Sale

# West

busy year and it's just getting started! We have helped out at the Ft. Worth Stock Show, hosted the Masonic Service Sweetheart Banquet. And there is MUCH more coming up! I hope that you will keep watch of the Events Calendar and be aware of these events. You can also keep up with the [events](#) on our web site.



Smithfield is still in possession of the Traveling Gavel! It doesn't take much to grab it for your Lodge, just 10 members at our Stated Meeting and it would be a great time for this. We are having our Annual Fish Fry on March 1st. Come see our members wearing their overalls! If you need transportation to the lodge or an officer and we will arrange for someone to pick you up and take you home. Our speaker for this Stated Meeting will be Past Grand Master Murphey III. I understand the Right Worshipful will be wearing his overalls as well and this should be a great speech from a great man.

My father-in-law, he will be doing his proficiency on his Entered Apprentice March 6th at Arlington Lodge #438, and if I understand it, they will perform their proficiency as well. It has been a real joy to be able to see his progress and even get to help him in his work. Speaking of which, our first 18yr old member is starting his work and we expect he will also be doing his proficiency of the EA soon.

# Editor

# South

Reading this it's possible that another great Smithfield annual fish fry will have been logged in the history book. I am sure that everyone will have a great time. A lot of hard work by early rising brothers goes into making this a success. It's an event you won't soon forget. The key players to making sure everything goes as planned. Each year we have returning fish fry veterans and some new members who are well to lend a hand in this great event. We have all the fun you can handle and still manage to fry up some fish and potatoes in the kitchen as a time for us to engage in fellowship with the brethren of Smithfield Lodge and visiting Brothers from other Lodges.



Take this opportunity to remind everyone of the upcoming garage sale. It has been a great help to the Lodge in the past, and I know we will continue to be of help in the future. While we will never get rich from it, it has helped us from dipping into the endowment funds for our daily operational needs for maintenance, donating items, or your time working. If you have something to donate, but don't have a way to get here, please call an officer of the Lodge and we will help you.

# Secretary's Desk

...ne a good job in keeping Smithfield Lodge on the go. Still to come is the Fish Fry in conjunction with the Public  
...bserved by the Grand Lodge of Texas. Make arrangements to visit a public school during this month.

...to present the Lamar Award to a worthy senior at Birdville High School this year, along with this we will present a  
...00.00. The funds for the scholarship will be by donation. If you wish to be a part of this, just send the donation to  
...e will return a receipt for the donation. This is a worthy cause for our Lodge.



...ny causes, the results of the information booth at the Stock Show were presented at the Masonic Service Bureau held at Smithfield Lodge. Over  
...nt to local or other Lodges by the Master's, Warden's, and Secretary's Association. Brother Joe Rush from Tabernacle Lodge did a great job  
...effort. Thanks to the guys who helped when we had our day.

...t paid their '07 dues, please look at your dues card, and make sure you are not one of these!

## **A note to our Widows**

...formative talk from Brother Kirby Rudisill, superintendent of the Texas Masonic Retirement Center in Arlington. He explained the make-up of  
...ne center.

...o was eligible to enroll at the center. Basically a widow of a Texas Mason, mother, unmarried daughter, or unmarried sister is eligible. This pr  
...ne Home and School board. There are a couple of ways to pay for this program. I fear that as a secretary I have not done a very good job of explain

...information about this program please contact me at 817-282-1764, and we will visit with complete information.

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# Sweetheart Banquet Pictures



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### Masonic Birthdays for March, 2007

following brethren will observe their Masonic Birthdays. They were raised to the sublime Degree of Master Mason during this month.

03/23/1968	O.B. Adwell	03/18/1971	R.L. Montey	03/08/2003
03/17/1992	R.M. Evans	03/24/1983	J.L. Horn	03/12/1991
03/17/1994	K.R. Hestilow	03/22/2001	J.W. Luster	03/19/1970
03/13/1954	R.D. Levings, PM	03/07/1995	E.R. Musquiz, Jr.	03/31/1992
03/12/1981	Hudson McKeehan	03/18/1965	R.D. Nelson, PM	03/10/1990
03/18/1965	W.R. Myers	03/22/1968	H.W. Webb, PM	03/16/1982
03/15/1973	R.K. Rice	03/12/1996	G.E. Carmona	03/18/2000
03/29/1973				

### Congratulations Brethren!

## Calendar of Events

<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Time</b>
John Fry	Smithfield Lodge #455	6:30PM
Joint Meeting	Smithfield Lodge #455	7:30PM
Masonic Service Bureau	Crowley Lodge #1437	6:00PM
Committee on Works Open Forum	Phoenix Lodge #275 Weatherford, TX	6:00PM
Wardens, Wardens & Secretaries	Arlington Lodge #438	6:00PM
Grand Master's Visit	Ft. Worth Temple Ballroom	6:30PM

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