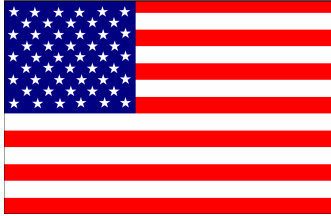




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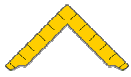
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GREETINGS FROM THE EAST



It is indeed an honor to writing to you as Worshipful Master of Lone Grove Lodge #25. As most of you already know, I am very proud of my Masonic history and as Worshipful Master I can now say that I have accomplished a major milestone in my life. Masonry has been in my family for at least four generations that I know of and possibly longer than that. I know for a fact that my grandfather and father were Worshipful Masters of their Lodges and that my great grandfather was very active in his Lodge according to my grandmother. At my installation I brought my great grandfathers cane with me as well as photos of my grandfather, father, and mother. All of which who have already gone to that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. If it weren't for their support and loving guidance I would not be the man that I am today. They may not have been there physically but I know that they were looking in on me from heaven that day. I am lucky to have such a rich Masonic heritage and it means a lot to me that the brethren in my Lodge have enough confidence in me to have elected me to the East. I can only hope to do as good a job as the men in my life that have come before me. I am excited about all the possibilities that have presented themselves to me so far this year. I look forward to working with other organizations such as the Lone Grove Band Boosters and the Boy Scouts. There has been a renewed interest in ritual work, as well as a desire from the Lodge to explore Masonic history and the meanings behind some of our symbols and ceremonies. This is very exciting for me because this is one of the reasons that I got into the Lodge in the first place. I believe, that as Masons, we should be more of an

authority on our own fraternity than the general public. That is why, this year I want to focus on Masonic education as well as ritual work.

I also believe that if we keep our members interested in what it means to be a mason that they would want to be more Masonic. Masonry is an individual experience and it means something different to each of us but we can all agree that Masonry brings out the best in us all and that through the fraternity we can accomplish great things. As this year progresses I want to play an active role in the promoting the art. With the continued support of my officers and Lodge brothers I look forward to over coming all the challenges that face our Lodge this year. Our fraternity will be what ever we want it to be. Let's make it great! May peace and harmony prevail.

~ BRANDON W. GOSDIN ~  
Worshipful Master

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We lack many things, but we possess the most precious of all ~ liberty.  
~ BROTHER JAMES MONROE ~

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends  
JOHN 15.23



FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK



Patience is a virtue. (patience) ~ the ability to accept without complaint, as inconvenience or delay. When a man masters patience, it is an achievement that will enhance his endeavors.  
~ DANNY B. BARNETT ~  
Secretary

When I was 14, I could not stand to be around my father, since he was so ignorant. When I became 21, I was amazed at how much knowledge he had gained in the past 7 years.  
~ MARK TWAIN ~

Honest conviction is my courage; the constitution is my guide.  
~ ANDREW JACKSON ~

Masonic life is a measure to be filled, not a cup to be drained.

The trouble with the rat race is that even if you win, you're still a rat.  
~ LILY TOMLIN ~

Never argue with an idiot; they'll drag you down to their level and beat you with experience.  
~ anonymous ~

A lie can travel half way around the world while the truth is putting on its shoes.  
~ MARK TWAIN ~

Half our life is spent trying to find something to do with the time we have rushed through life trying to save.  
~ BROTHER WILL ROGERS ~

GOD BLESS AMERICA



*OUR BRETHREN'S  
MOST WORSHIPFUL  
GRAND MASTER  
~ JOHNNY D. ONKST ~*



*SCHEDULED REUNIONS  
Tulsa Scottish Rite  
March 29~30  
Guthrie Scottish Rite  
April 4~5  
McAlester Scottish Rite  
April 19~20*

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*America is not anything if it  
consists of each of us.  
It is something only if it  
consists of all of us.  
~ WOODROW WILSON ~*

*This quote should also apply  
to our Masonic Fraternity.  
Freemasonry is not anything if it  
consists of each of us.  
It is something only if it  
consists of all of us.  
SO MOTE IT BE*

*To know well, even if late we come  
to know it, is at least some gain.  
~ SOPHOCLES ~*

*Ritual and Floor Work  
JUST DO IT*

*Masonic life is a  
measure to be filled,  
not a cup to be drained.*

*LIGHT*

*In the beginning God created the  
heaven and the earth. And the  
earth was without form, and void;  
and darkness was upon the face of  
the deep. And the Spirit of God  
moved upon the face of the waters.  
And God said, Let there be light:  
and there was light.  
GENESIS 1.1~3*

*The proper office of a friend is to  
side with you when you are in the  
wrong. Nearly anybody will side  
with you when you are in the right.  
~ MARK TWAIN ~*

*There are three kinds of men.  
The one that learns by reading.  
The few who learn by observation.  
The rest of them have to pee on  
the electric fence for themselves.  
~ BROTHER WILL ROGERS ~*

*The Mission of the  
McAlester Scottish Rite  
The Ancient and Accepted Scottish  
Rite is above all else an educational  
institution. Throughout its history it  
has stood as a beacon on the shores  
of ignorance. Instruction about the  
great ideas of morality, philosophy,  
religion and philanthropy permeates  
the ritual and the writings,  
unencumbered by sectarian doctrine.  
The Scottish Rite seeks not to teach  
men the truth, but rather a way to  
the truth. Each must find it for  
himself. The Scottish Rite does not  
teach religious truth, but does teach  
the great ideas of religion, along  
with morality. The rituals of the  
Scottish Rite do not teach anyone  
what they should think, but how  
they should think for themselves.*

*The degrees presented in the  
Scottish Rite do not teach what  
to believe, but how to find a  
belief through moral clarity  
and informed knowledge.  
<http://mcalesterscottishrite.org/>*

*Mystery isn't something that  
is gradually evaporating,  
it grows along with knowledge.  
~ MARY FLANNERY O'CONNOR ~*

*Happiness lies in the joy of  
achievement and the thrill  
of creative effort.*

*BROTHER*

*~FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT~*

*It is difficult to make a man  
miserable while he feels he is  
worthy of himself and claims kindred  
to the great God who made him.  
~ ABRAHAM LINCOLN ~*



*Our prayers are with  
the family and friends  
of our beloved brother  
who entered the  
Celestial Lodge Above.*

*BROTHER WILLIAM F. WINBLOOD  
10~12~1916  
01~22~2008  
HE WAS A TRUE  
AND FAITHFUL  
BROTHER AMONG US*

*The only things we can take  
beyond this lifetime are our  
Faith in God and Morality.*

*The internal, and not the  
external qualifications of a man,  
are what Masonry regards.  
<http://thenortheasterncorner.com/>*

*Whatever America hopes to bring  
pass in the world must first come  
to pass in the heart of America.  
~ DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER ~*

*Four Cardinal Virtues  
Prudence ~ Temperance  
Fortitude ~ Justice  
and those three others  
Faith ~ Hope ~ Charity*

*WHAT COME YOU HERE TO DO?  
Making men better ones,  
one Mason at a time.*

# JANUARY 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<u>1st</u> New Year's Day	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u> Lone Grove #25 Stated Meeting 7:30 PM Rainbow Meeting Ardmore	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
<u>6th</u>	<u>7th</u> Templars DeMolay Practice 7:00 PM	<u>8th</u>	<u>9th</u>	<u>10th</u> Lone Grove #25 Practice or Degrees 7:00 PM	<u>11th</u>	<u>12th</u>
<u>13th</u> Job's Daughters Bethel #8 Meeting 2:00 PM	<u>14th</u> Templars DeMolay Meeting 7:00 PM	<u>15th</u>	<u>16th</u>	<u>17th</u> Lone Grove #25 Stated Meeting 7:30 PM Rainbow Meeting Ardmore DeMolay Workshop OKC	<u>18th</u> DeMolay Workshop OKC	<u>19th</u>
<u>20th</u>	<u>21st</u> Templars DeMolay Practice 7:00 PM Martin Luther King Birthday	<u>22nd</u>	<u>23rd</u>	<u>24th</u> Lone Grove #25 Practice or Degrees 7:00 PM	<u>25th</u>	<u>26th</u>
<u>27th</u> Job's Daughters Bethel #8 Meeting 2:00 PM	<u>28th</u> Templars DeMolay Meeting 7:00 PM	<u>29th</u>	<u>30th</u>	<u>31st</u> Lone Grove #25 Chili Dinner Fundraiser 6:00 PM	<i>There is no limit to the greatness of America. ~ GEORGE W. BUSH ~</i>	


*Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy Youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them. While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain: In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened, and the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of musick shall be brought low: Also when they shall be afraid of that which is high, and fears shall be in the way, when the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail: because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets: Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern. Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it. ECCLESIASTES 7.1~7*

### MY WISH FOR YOU

*Where there is pain, we wish you peace and mercy. Where there is self~doubting, we wish you a renewed confidence in your ability to work through them. Where there is tiredness, or exhaustion, we wish you understanding, patience, and renewed strength. Where there is fear, we wish you love, and courage.*

*~ Love and Peace to you my friend ~*

# FEBRUARY 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u> Membership Summit <u>OKC</u> Groundhog Day
<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u> Templars DeMolay Practice 7:00 PM	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u> Ash Wednesday	<u>7th</u> Lone Grove #25 Stated Meeting 7:30 PM Rainbow	<u>8th</u>	<u>9th</u>
<u>10th</u> Job's Daughters Bethel #8 Meeting 2:00 PM	<u>11th</u> Templars DeMolay Meeting 7:00 PM	<u>12th</u> Abraham Lincoln's Birthday	<u>13th</u>	<u>14th</u> Lone Grove #25 Practice or Degrees 7:00 PM Valentine's Day	<u>15th</u>	<u>16th</u> District #36 School of Instruction 9:00 AM ~ ? PM Lone Grove #25
<u>17th</u> Open House President's Day Observance 2:00~ 4:00 PM Lone Grove #25 Ardmore #31	<u>18th</u> Templars DeMolay Practice 7:00 PM President's Day	<u>19th</u>	<u>20th</u>	<u>21st</u> Lone Grove #25 Stated Meeting 7:30 PM Rainbow Meeting Ardmore	<u>22nd</u> George Washington's Birthday	<u>23rd</u>
<u>24th</u> Job's Daughters Bethel #8 Meeting 2:00 PM	<u>25th</u> Templars DeMolay Meeting 7:00 PM	<u>26th</u>	<u>27th</u>	<u>28th</u> Lone Grove #25 Practice or Degrees 7:00 PM	<u>29th</u>	

*A legend is told about George Washington as a boy. Young George had a new hatchet and with it he cut down a small cherry tree. When his father saw the tree, he was angry. "George," he said. "Did you do that?" George was afraid to admit that he did. Nevertheless, the boy decided to tell the truth. "Yes, Father," he said, "I cut down the cherry tree with my hatchet. I cannot tell a lie." George Washington's father was proud of George for telling the truth.*

### Julius Caesar ~ Father of Leap Year

*Julius Caesar was behind the origin of leap year in 45 BC. The early Romans had a 355 day calendar and to keep festivals occurring around the same season each year a 22 or 23 day month was created every second year. Julius Caesar decided to simplify things and added days to different months of the year to create the 365 day calendar, the actual calculation were made by Caesar's astronomer, Sosigenes. Every fourth year following the 28th day of Februarius (February 29th) one day was to be added, making every fourth year a leap year. In 1582, Pope Gregory XIII further refined the calendar with the rule that leap day would occur in any year divisible by 4.*



*The Lincoln Penny was first issued in 1909 to commemorate Abraham Lincoln's 100th birthday. It was the first American coin to bear a president's image on its face. Lincoln is facing to the right because that was the direction he was facing in this photograph. The photograph of Lincoln is from the Library of Congress and was taken February 9, 1864. This profile was chose for the penny and approved by President Theodore Roosevelt. The photograph which adorns our \$5 bill was also taken on that same date.*

# MARCH 2008

E. A. MONTH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<u>1st</u> Masonic Light Weekend
<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u> Templars DeMolay Practice 7:00 PM Labor Day	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u> Lone Grove #25 Stated Meeting 7:30 PM Rainbow Meeting Ardmore	<u>7th</u>	<u>8th</u> Masonic Light Weekend
<u>9th</u> Job's Daughters Bethel #8 Meeting 2:00 PM Daylight Savings Time Begins	<u>10th</u> Templars DeMolay Meeting 7:00 PM	<u>11th</u>	<u>12th</u>	<u>13th</u> Lone Grove #25 Practice or Degrees 7:00 PM	<u>14th</u>	<u>15th</u> OETA Telethon
<u>16th</u> Palm Sunday	<u>17th</u> Templars DeMolay Practice 7:00 PM St. Patrick's Day	<u>18th</u>	<u>19th</u>	<u>20th</u> Lone Grove #25 Stated Meeting 7:30 PM Rainbow Meeting Ardmore Spring Begins	<u>21st</u> Good Friday	<u>22nd</u> Masonic Light Weekend
<u>23rd</u> Job's Daughters Bethel #8 Meeting 2:00 PM Easter Sunday	<u>24th</u> Templars DeMolay Meeting 7:00 PM	<u>25th</u>	<u>26th</u>	<u>27th</u> Lone Grove #25 Practice or Degrees 7:00 PM	<u>28th</u>	<u>29th</u> Scottish Rite Consistory Tulsa

<u>30th</u> Scottish Rite Consistory Tulsa	<u>31st</u>	<i>Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power. ~ ABRAHAM LINCOLN ~</i>
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<i>March 1st <u>Masonic Light Weekend:</u> Delta, Pilgrim Rock Woodward, South McAlester, McAlester, Oklahoma City, Lawton</i>	<i>March 8th <u>Masonic Light Weekend:</u> Sand Springs Muskogee, Weatherford, Shawnee, Durant</i>	<i>March 22nd <u>Masonic Light Weekend:</u> Ardmore, Pond Creek, Guthrie, Checotah, Bartlesville</i>
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*Brotherly Love means to act in word and deed as a brother to all Masons ~ but not without conditions. Every Freemason makes a solemn promise never to use his membership improperly, especially by either seeking or granting favors at the expense of others. Relief means charity. As well as being charitable in nature, all Freemasons are encouraged to contribute financially to Masonic Charities according to their ability, though never at the expense of their families or other personal obligations. Truth simply means what it says. Every Freemason must promise to be a law abiding citizen and honest and truthful in his dealings with all other people ~ not just fellow Masons.*

PRESIDENT'S DAY

Back in Seventeen ninety~six  
Is when this Holiday began  
For the birthday of ol' George  
At least that was the plan.  
It was his last full year  
Of his Presidency  
Born February twenty~second  
Or the Eleventh, 'cause you see  
The old calendar was different  
Than the one we use today  
And some celebrated one  
Some people on the other day.  
By the early Nineteenth Century  
Celebrated every year  
Birthright Balls were held  
Taverns reveled in good cheer.  
Public figures gave their speeches  
And Receptions given by a few  
Then along came ol' Abe Lincoln.  
His Birthday in February too.  
In Eighteen and sixty~five  
The year after Booth's fatal shot  
Both House's of Congress gathered  
For a memorial and solemn thought.  
Not a Federal Holiday like George's  
But legal in more than one State  
And then a Resolution was enacted  
Back in Nineteen sixty~eight.  
They made the third  
Monday of the month  
To make for a three day weekend  
To honor Washington and Lincoln  
And this story comes to it's end.  
~ DEL "ABE" JONES ~

Ohio claims they are due a president  
as they haven't had one since Taft.  
Look at the United States, they  
have not had one since Lincoln.  
~ BROTHER WILL ROGERS ~

There are no great limits to growth  
because there are no limits of human  
intelligence, imagination. and wonder.  
~ RONALD REAGAN ~

May your troubles be less, your  
blessings more, and may nothing but  
happiness, come through your door.

A MASON'S WORD IS HIS BOND  
<http://www.yorkrite.org/>

Our Father, Who Art in Heaven,  
Hallowed Be thy Name;  
Thy Kingdom Come, Thy Will be Done;  
On Earth as it is in Heaven;  
Give us this Day our Daily Bread;  
And Forgive us our Trespases;  
As we Forgive those who  
Trespass against Us;  
And lead us Not into temptation,  
but Deliver us from evil;  
For Thine is the Kingdom,  
the Power, and the Glory;  
Forever and Ever,  
AMEN

*Wisdom ~ Strength ~ Beauty*

BY THE WORK YOU DID TODAY

Can you say tonight in parting  
with the day that's slipping past  
That you helped a single brother  
of the many that you passed?  
Is a single heart rejoicing  
over what you did and said?  
Does the man whose  
hopes where fading,  
Now with courage look ahead?  
Did you waste the day or lose it,  
Was it well or poorly spent?  
Did you leave a trail of kindness,  
Or a scar of discontent?  
As you close your eyes in slumber,  
Do you think God will say,  
You have earned one more tomorrow,  
By the work you did today  
~ BROTHER CHARLES L. MEAD ~  
Boynton Lodge #236

Partnership is not a principle, but  
a relationship between persons who  
share in a common enterprise, involving  
common risks, common privileges,  
and common responsibilities.  
Everything depends on the reality  
of our partnership with one another  
and of each of us with God.  
~ GEORGE CRAIG STEWART ~

America is becoming so educated  
that ignorance will be a novelty.  
I will belong to the select few.  
~ BROTHER WILL ROGERS ~

A MASON'S WIFE

From active Masons, resolute,  
Our wives and families we  
salute; We surely know the  
price you pay, Who sit alone  
while we're away; No high  
degrees on you conferred,  
In Lodge, your name is seldom  
heard; You serve our cause  
though out of sight,  
While sitting home alone  
tonight; Masonic papers list  
our names, Awards are given,  
fit to frame; But yours is  
absent...you who strive,  
To keep our fortitude alive;  
You're part of every helpful  
deed, On your encouragement  
we feed; Without your  
blessings, how could we,  
Continue acts of charity?  
And so, this poem, we dedicate,  
To every Master Mason's mate;  
And offer our undying love,  
Rewards await in Heaven above.  
~ SO MOTE IT BE ~

No person was honored for what  
he received. Honor has been  
the reward for what he gave.  
~ CALVIN COOLIDGE ~

*God Bless America*

Experience is the hardest  
teacher because it first  
administers the test,  
then teaches the lesson.

LONE GROVE LODGE #25  
MASONIC FAMILY



Lone Grove Masonic  
Lodge #25



International Order  
Of Job's Daughters  
Bethel #8



Templars DeMolay  
Chapter

WE WISH THESE  
BRETHREN A HAPPY  
AND BLESSED BIRTHDAY

01-02- Michael Edward Brooks  
01-03- Eldon Lee Clark  
01-05- Samuel W. Karr, Jr.  
01-07- John Clinton Pruitt  
01-07- Kenneth Wayne Brown  
01-12- Lester Louis Stewart  
01-14- Chester Francis Fry  
01-14- Barnes Eugene Turner  
01-17- Ronald Lee Loyd  
01-18- Neil Allen Stitt  
01-18- Jacob Warren Vines, IV  
01-25- Byrl Vernon Howard  
01-26- Cecil Monroe Colson  
01-28- Jesse Everett Cross  
02-01- John Willard Burkett  
02-08- Ronald Wayne Davis  
02-12- Hullen Boyd Musgrave  
02-16- Johnnie Carl Crutchfield  
02-17- Aldon Keith Martin  
02-18- Raymond Lewis Turner  
02-20- Teddy Wayne Hammer  
02-24- Terry Gifford Jones  
03-02- Herman Floyd Godwin  
03-03- Paul Gene Hughes  
03-12- Robert Joseph Williams  
03-12- Joe Neil Carrell  
03-17- Ralph Myron Cochran  
03-19- Shawn Brian Allen  
03-20- Michael Rex Kerley  
03-21- Craig Carlton Cummins  
03-30- Melvin David Vernon

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*I hope I shall possess firmness  
and virtue enough to maintain  
what I consider the most  
enviable of all titles, the  
character of an honest man.*

**BROTHER**

~ GEORGE WASHINGTON ~

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*Learn all the lessons the Craft  
can teach you; veiled in allegory  
they may be, but look around,  
there are the symbols to  
illustrate the story. Do not be  
content to be merely a member  
of a Lodge ~ be a Mason.*

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PLEASE SUPPORT OUR  
YOUTH ORDERS  
THEY ARE OUR FUTURE



MASTER MASON'S  
MASONIC BIRTHDAY

~ date raised ~

01-04-1957- Alvie H. Ogle  
01-06-1954- Byrl Vernon Howard  
01-09-1997- Ronald Wayne Davis  
01-16-1981- Phillip Eugene McBain  
01-22-1998- Joe Barnes  
01-22-1998- James A. Hollar  
01-24-1984- Stanley Eastman Foster  
01-24-1991- Danny Boye Barnett  
01-31-1953- John Clinton Pruitt  
02-02-2007- Travis Craig Nipp  
02-11-1982- Jesse Everett Cross  
02-11-1993- Owen Earl Russell  
02-12-2002- Dale Eugene Wade  
02-14-2002- Colby Ree Eastman  
02-15-1990- Keith Gerard Miles  
02-16-1958- Chaunce Arlie Bean, Jr.  
02-16-1990- Paul Gene Hughes  
02-16-1996- Timothy Joe McCullers  
02-17-1958- Donald Douglas Davenport  
02-17-2001- Jacob Warren Vines, IV  
02-22-1962- Lester Louis Stewart  
02-28-2004- James Edward Tackett  
03-01-1968- Charles J. Taylor  
03-08-2001- Jay Floyd Christian  
03-09-1991- Robert Cosbey Phillips  
03-10-1950- Tommie Wilburn Crowell  
03-13-1947- Burney Combs Cope  
03-20-1952- Clyde Dempsey Akers  
03-20-1981- John Wilford Dark  
03-22-1997- Grant H. Adams  
03-22-1957- Robert Joseph Williams  
03-23-1965- Joe Neil Carrell  
03-23-2001- Jack Dean Jones II  
03-26-1996- Byron Vance Porter

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THE GOLDEN RULE

*Do unto others as you would  
have them do unto you.*

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WAGE OF A MASON

*Masonic labor is purely a labor  
of love. He who seeks to draw  
Masonic wages in gold and silver  
will be disappointed. The wages of  
a Mason are earned and paid in  
their dealings with one another;  
sympathy that begets sympathy,  
kindness begets kindness,  
helpfulness begets helpfulness, and  
these are the wages of a Mason.*

**BROTHER**

~ BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ~

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*Wisdom ~ Strength ~ Beauty*

The Blessings of Brotherly Unity  
*Behold how good and how pleasant it  
is for brethren to dwell together in  
unity. It is like the precious  
ointment upon the head, which ran  
down the beard, even Aaron's beard,  
which went down to the skirt of his  
garments. It is the dew of Hermon,  
and the dew that descended upon  
the mountains of Zion; for there  
the Lord commanded the blessing,  
even life forevermore.*

PSALM 133.1~3

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*Peace is a journey of a thousand  
miles and it must be taken  
one step at a time.*

**BROTHER**

~ LYNDON B. JOHNSON ~

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*I always wanted to be somebody,  
but I should have  
been more specific.*

~ LILY TOMLIN ~

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YOU ONLY GET ONE WISH

*The Worshipful Master of our Lodge  
found a bottle with a Genie in it.  
In accordance with custom, the  
Genie offered to grant him a wish.  
"OK," said the WM, "I've always  
wanted to go to Hawaii, but I hate  
to fly. So my wish is for you to  
build a bridge so I can drive to  
Hawaii." "I can't do that!!!"  
exclaimed the Genie. "Don't you  
know that's impossible? No Genie  
could do that. It's too far, the  
water is too deep, it's just totally  
beyond anybody's power. You will  
have to make another wish." "OK,"  
said the Master. "I wish that at our  
next Stated Meeting all the old PMs  
would just get along and not cause  
any trouble, not have to tell us how  
they did it their year, not complain  
about the ritual, not put down the  
current officers ... just sit on the  
sidelines and behave!" "HmMMMM,"  
said the Genie. "Do you want that  
bridge with 2 lanes or 4??"*

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*We should not let our fears hold us  
back from pursuing our hopes.*

~ JOHN F. KENNEDY ~