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## HELP ‘ BEFRIEND AND RELIEVE ANY BROTHER WHO SHALL NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE ... ’

Brethren, we had a fine meeting last week with a lot of good socializing, humor, and the craft took some fine steps towards promoting the best masonry has to offer. If you were able to attend lodge, you know of the many gifts which were given to those who were deemed ‘in need’. You also know that there are still some needs out there. We are still seeking help financially so that we can continue to help those who need our help. If you want to help financially, please call Bro. Ronnie Faircloth or Bro. John Meetze.

Updating us on the situation with the Lamar billboard on the Boyleston property, brother J.J. Gentry brought everyone ‘up to speed’ on where we stand. As a refresher, we had a ten year contract with Lamar which began in 1997 at \$100 per month revenue for the billboard. Specific wording in the contract provided for an automatic renewal at the same cost for an additional five years if nothing in writing was provided to cancel the contract. Lamar responded to our inquiry with some offers which would supersede the current contractual terms, including:

### AUGUST BUSINESS

Boyleston Lodge members met on August 7th and had a fine meal as usual before the business meeting – there were 38 members present, 13 Past Masters, and 1 visitor. Brother Bobby Pittman then read minutes for all the happenings in July (four meetings) ... we should budget for some throat drops for brother secretary! Capping the month was the Master’s degree put on by the Past Master’s Club where we had 62 with 10 visitors and 30 Past Maters seated in lodge! We sure had some good work last month ... good job all who helped put it on. We have meetings every Thursday except one this month, so make your plans to visit Lodge #123 soon!

Brother Lindsey Koon told the brothers ‘Thank You’ for all the calls, cards, prayers, and visits over the past few months. You see, folks, it DOES work! Our Junior Warden, Brother John Meetze, let everyone know of the specifics of the August Barbecue and solicited help from the craft. The event took place on the weekend of August 9<sup>th</sup>, and had the makings of a successful fundraiser. Thanks to all the folks who helped with the many chores involved in our fundraiser. Good job with such an awesome responsibility, brother John!

- ✓ \$23,600 if they purchased it from us
- ✓ \$1750 per year for a 10 year term
- ✓ \$2000 per year for a 15 year term

J.J.’s recommendation, and the one agreed upon in lodge, was to let the next 4 years proceed as is currently contractually obligated. Then take the appropriate action in the correct allowed time frame to end the contract as we know it. We would then renegotiate on a year-by-year basis. Big thanks to J.J. for all the time and effort in pursuing this tricky matter!

More ‘Thank You Notes’ were read in lodge: Christgate Mission sent sincere thanks for the lodge purchasing the needed supplies and toiletries for those being cared for at the mission. Riverland Hills Baptist Church sent a note acknowledging the donation in memory of recently passed bro. Busby. Shortly thereafter, the brothers voted to donate \$150 from the Relief fund to benefit a needy child in the Chapin area. All of this giving brought out some concerns about which funds are to be used for what charities, how to go about giving to widows and orphans in need, and how Grand Lodge treated the same subjects. Someone was going to check w. M.W.B. G. Ray Marsh to see ...

MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN	TREASURER	SECRETARY	LODGE PHONE
Carl Sellers	Ken Peterson	John Meetze	Todd Bedenbaugh	Bobby Pittman	NUMBER
772.8186	749.3052	513.2102	345.0623	772.3011	732.3408
SENIOR DEACON	JUNIOR DEACON	STEWARD	STEWARD	TILER	CHAPLAIN
Tripp Whitesides	Ken Burgess	Glenn Boris	Steve Spreewers	Ronnie Alcorn	Bobby Turbeville
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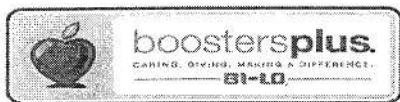
## BOOSTERSPLUS CARD

### BENEFITS SCOTTISH RITE

Speaking of helping other brothers in need, Boostersplus is an easy, convenient way for you to support the local Scottish Rite by simply purchasing groceries, something we all have to do!

**How do they earn money?** The Scottish Rite will earn money by distributing their enrollment cards to their supporters and instructing them to scan the cards *one time* with their BONUSCARD® the next time they shop at BI-LO. One percent of their purchases (excluding, but without limitation, money orders, gift cards, Western Union, postage stamps, and lottery tickets) will be given to the organization.

**How do I enroll my BONUSCARD?** You can enroll your BONUSCARD to support the Scottish Rite by taking this card clipped from this newsletter to the store and scanning it with your BONUSCARD. This one-time scan will enroll your BONUSCARD for the Scottish Rite until May 31 of next year.



1. Give this enrollment card to the cashier with your BONUSCARD one time during the school year to enroll.
2. One percent of your purchases will be donated to your designated group through May 31.
3. Call 800-768-4438 if you have any questions.

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## APPOINTED TO TASK FORCE

W.B. Carlos Gibbons very recently lost his wife of 50+ years to Alzheimer's disease. But Carlos is moving forward and has been appointed by Lieutenant Governor Andre Bauer to the Purple Ribbon Alzheimer's Task Force. This vital endeavor will serve to create a new state plan for addressing issues related to the disease here in South Carolina. While all who knew her will miss Jean, her legacy lives on in what their daughter Leeza's foundation (known as Leeza's Place) stands for and accomplishes, and in Carlos' service to the cause. Good work, brother Carlos and family!

## BEHIND ON DUES?

Brethren, bro. secretary reports that there are still forty-plus members who have not yet paid their dues for this year. October 31<sup>st</sup> is the deadline and afterwards you risk being erased NPD. Please get your dues in to Bobby Pittman in care of the PO Box as soon as possible!

## HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

Please be sure to keep these brothers, their family and friends all in your thoughts and prayers for those things that they may need: Bro. Dutch VanBeek; Bro. Joe Dusenberry, who was recently released from the hospital; W.B. Bobby Lockaby; Mrs. Buster Platt; Bro. Bill Harvey; Bro. Hollis Petersen; W.B. Gene Swygert; W.B. Lindsey Koon and his wife; W.B. Gene Hutto, who went in for surgery on Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, and his wife Amelia – The cancer in Bro. Gene's colon was found early and the prognosis is good; much of this can be attributed to the fact that Bro. Gene gets a colonoscopy every five years and recommends it in practice to all the brothers; prayers and sympathy goes out to the family of Bro. Buzz Busby; Mrs. Eula Lowman; Bro. Heyward Caulder; Bro. David Kibler; W.B. Pappy Wren; Bro Bryce Wren; Deepest sympathies to the family of R.W.B Art Datnoff, who passed August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008; Bro. Pookie Turner's father who has cancer; W.B. Rufus Shealy; Bro. Bryce Wren's son Jimmy; W.B Ken West from Dentsville Lodge; Brother Hal Curtis – we missed you at lodge, Bro. Hal!

*Come visit your lodge – Sept. Business meeting is 9/4*

## SETTING THE WORK

F.C. Degree..... August 14, 7:30 p.m.  
(practice on 13<sup>th</sup>) supper at 6:45  
M.M. Degree..... August 21, 7:30 p.m.  
(practice on 20<sup>th</sup>) supper at 6:45

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

District Inspirational Meeting.....October 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Scottish Rite Temple 7:00 p.m

**Quote of the day:** Never mistake knowledge for wisdom. One helps you make a living, the other helps you make a life.

~Sandra Carey