

## The Lowcountry Trestleboard

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Brethren

Another weekly heads-up from the Semi-official Charleston Masonic Town Crier on what's coming up in The Lowcountry that I know about. Thank you to the brothers who sent me word of upcoming events, and thanks for the help and encouraging words I've received from so many of you on this project over the years, as well as everyone's patience with my typos.

*"Everyone is entirely free to reject and dissent from whatsoever herein may seem to him to be untrue or unsound."*

- *Albert Pike, Preface to Morals and Dogma(Original Edition).*

**Thursday 24Jan2019** – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> District Instructional Meeting to be held at The **Charleston Scottish Rite Bodies** ([1051 Sam Rittenburg Blvd](#)). **All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> District Lodge Officers are Expected to Attend.** Meal at 6:30 PM, meeting to follow.

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The **Wardens Workshop** will take place **Saturday, February 23rd** at the **Scottish Rite Center in Charleston** located at 1051 Sam Rittenberg Blvd, Charleston, SC 29407. Registration will begin at **8:00AM** for all current Senior and Junior Wardens. The meeting will last from 9 until 12. The other Wardens Workshop is upstate, so make your plans to attend this one.

**SC DeMolay** is selling a **SC Centennial coin** to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of DeMolay. \$10 each in a round plastic protector case. 2 types available, shiny or antique. Just reach out to a SC DeMolay advisor to get your coin today. 500 of each are available.

There will be a **DeMolay State Meeting** Saturday, January 19, 2019  
2:00 PM – 6:00 PM at 101 W Pine St, Blacksburg, SC 29702  
All DeMolays, Senior DeMolays & Master Masons Welcome  
**The DeMolays of today will be the Masons of tomorrow.**

**The National Sojourners** is an American [patriotic](#) organization of [Freemasons](#) who have served in the [United States Armed Forces](#). The National Sojourners will be celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> year in 2019. There are three Chapters in South Carolina, one right here in Charleston. If you are currently an active duty member, retired military, or a veteran, you are eligible for the Sojourners. To learn more About the Sojourners, visit [www.nationalsojourners.org](http://www.nationalsojourners.org) If you have any questions or would like to join the National Sojourners, please contact Gregg Schneider at 843-367-9874 or at [ghs722@aol.com](mailto:ghs722@aol.com).

If you haven't heard, both the Scottish Rite Building and the CCMA Building are available to be rented for business meetings, civic club meetings, wedding receptions etc in an effort to defray some of the costs of maintaining and insuring those buildings. Our rates are competitive with the rates charged by similar venues, we're easy to get to, and we have plenty of parking. If you or someone you know is having a special event of some kind, and you need a place to have it, deal with your brothers - call 843-224-3271 for the Scottish Rite or 843-708-5365 for the CCMA, or just send me an email.

### Sick & Distressed:

On 7 January **RWB Carey Baxley of Summerville Lodge** had back surgery. The doctor says that he will be in hospital for 2-3 days then rehab for 3-4 days.

Please keep in your prayers **RonTraver, Charlie Edgeworth, Herb & Helen Goldberg, David & Billie DeChant, Theodore E. Driggers, Jr., Wilton "Lankie" Lancaster, Charles Hiers, John Fisher, Bob Knight, Ralph & Mary Lou Bokern, Sybill (Mrs Phillip) Russell, Archie Davis, G Ray Marsh, Frank Shealy, Billie Jean Faulkner, Al Moesner, Guy Hancock, Ben Kirbin, Gene Nabors, Myrtle Johnson, Barbara Covar, Matthew Hogan, Richard Wooden, Micah Roane Auld, Carey & Carolyn Baxley, Sam Leviner, Phil Hawkins, Ricky Chubb, Joe Dorning and Tommie Epting. Barry Klein** said it was OK to take him off the list, but I'm still praying for him anyway.

These brothers (and their ladies) have all been workers in the quarries of Masonry and deserve to be lifted up in prayer to the Grand Architect of the Universe by each of us. "The prayers of good men availeth much." These are who I am aware of at this time, if there are others the brethren need to be made aware of please email me and I will pass the word.

### **4 Things to do this month (please!):**

- 1) Go to Your Lodge's next Stated Meeting - SERIOUSLY! Please do it.
- 2) Attend the next Masters & Wardens meeting.
- 3) Visit another lodge this month (times & places are all in the Trestleboard).
- 4) Pray for those in distress.

Guys, we are ALL paying good money to be Masons, why are we not all reaping the benefits of that membership? **No Lodge can survive, even if all the members pay dues, if no one attends the meetings.** Show up!

### **Quote of the Week:**

**"In times like these, it is helpful to remember that there have *always* been times like these."**  
—Paul Harvey

### Here's This Week's Scoop:

#### (2<sup>nd</sup>) Wednesday 09 Jan 2019

- **The Masters & Wardens Club** of the 1st and 2nd Masonic Districts will meet at **Solomon Lodge #1** ([1285 Orange Grove Road](#)).

High on the list of things to do will be Election & Installation of the 2019 Officers.

ALL Master Masons are invited and encouraged to attend. Collation at 6:30, Meeting 7:30

#### (2<sup>nd</sup>) Thursday 10 Jan 2019

- Mariner Lodge #2 ([1285 Orange Grove Road](#)) will hold their Regular Stated Communication.

Dress: Coat & tie, slacks & dress shoes. Light Collation at **6:30PM**, Meeting begins at **7:00**.

Harmony Lodge #22 (2710 Depot Rd Beaufort, SC) will hold their monthly Stated Communication. Meeting begins at **7:30**.

- Blackville Lodge #63 ([10920 Solomon Blatt Avenue Blackville](#)) will hold their Regular Stated Communication. **Collation at 7:15, Meeting at 8:00PM.**

- **Etiwan Lodge #95** ([438 Whilden Street](#) Mount Pleasant, SC)  
Etiwan Lodge will be conferring an **EA Degree** on Thursday January 10th.  
Collation at 6:30. Work begins at 7:30. The craft is fraternally invited to attend.

- Vance Lodge # 230 (1316 Camden Rd, Hwy 310, Vance) will have their Regular Stated Communication.  
Collation at 7:00 pm, meeting begins at 8:00

- Berkeley Lodge #269 ([101 California Avenue](#) Moncks Corner) will hold their monthly Stated Communication. The meal will consist of - Baked Chicken, Lima Beans and rice, toss salad and desert  
Collation at 7:00 PM, Meeting at 8:00.

- Ridgeville Lodge #361 ([119 Academy Street](#) Ridgeville) will hold their monthly Stated Communication.  
Collation at 6:45 PM, Meeting at 7:30.

- **Dorchester Lodge #369** ([3567 Dorchester Road East](#) North Charleston)  
Dorchester 369 will be having a **Masters Degree** on Thursday, January 10  
6:30pm for collation and 7:30pm for the degree. All fraternity invited.

- MacArthur Lodge #427 ([145 St. James Avenue](#) Goose Creek) will hold their regular Stated Communication. Collation at 6:45 PM, Meeting at 7:30.

#### **(2nd)Saturday 12Jan2019**

- **Egeria Lodge #71** ([150 Judge Street](#) Harleyville)  
Egeria 71 will confer the **Master Mason degree** on 4 candidates on Saturday, January 12.  
Breakfast at 8am, open at 9am

#### **(2nd)Monday 14Jan2019**

- Orange - CharlesTowne Lodge #14 ([1285 Orange Grove Road](#)) will hold their Regular Stated Meeting.  
NO Collation, meeting at 7:30PM.

- Mt Hope Lodge #128 (110 Brick Church Cl - St Stephens) will hold their Regular Stated Meeting.  
Collation at 7:30 PM, meeting at 8:00PM.

- Jacksonboro Lodge #206 ([6085 Hwy 165](#) Ravenel) will have their regular Stated Communication.  
Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30PM

- **Fellowship Lodge #400** ([3567 Dorchester Road East](#) North Charleston) will have their regular Stated Communication.  
Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30PM

#### **(3<sup>rd</sup>) Tuesday 15Jan2019**

- **Charleston York Rite Bodies** ([1285 Orange Grove Road](#)) will have their regular Communication. **The Chapter will preside, so wear your Red Coat** if you like.  
We have a lot of business to cover and two sets of minutes to read so we won't be conferring degree work on the 15th. Several of our candidates have health issues and we're hoping to confer degrees on January 22,2019; so stay tuned. By way of saying that, we can take petitions and dues as always on January 15th.

- Egeria Lodge #71 ([150 Judge Street](#) Harleyville) will hold their monthly Stated Communication.  
Collation at 7:00, meeting at 8:00

- Round Lodge #270 ([10761 Cottageville Highway](#), Cottageville) will hold their monthly Stated Communication. Collation at 7:00, meeting at 8:00

- Hilda Lodge #426 (51 Railroad Avenue Hilda SC) will hold their Regular Stated Communication & Installation of Officers. Collation at 7:15, Meeting at 8:00PM

### **(3rd) Thursday 17 Jan 2019**

- Union-Kilwinning Lodge #4 ([945 Wappoo Road](#) Charleston) will have their regular Stated Communication. In keeping with the lodge's Scottish roots Kilts are encouraged (if you dare!) Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30PM

- Hudson Lodge #373 (14385 Sniders Hwy Islandton, SC) will have their regular Stated Communication. Collation at 7:00 PM, Meeting at 8:00PM

- Fort Moultrie Lodge #428 ([338 Whilden Street](#) Mount Pleasant) will have their regular Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30PM

- Azelea Chapter #192 OES ([3567 Dorchester Road East](#) North Charleston) will have their Regular Business Meeting. Dinner at 7:00 and meeting at 8:00pm.

### **(3rd) Friday 18 Jan 2019**

- **MacArthur Lodge #427** ([145 St. James Avenue](#) Goose Creek) Friday, January 18th will be a **Masters Degree** for 2 Brothers. Our SW Rudy Arciaga will be conferring Open @ 530 for FC Proficiency Eat @ 630 Work @ 730

**The 3rd District instructional meeting will be Jan 18, 2019. The meeting will start at 6:30 PM at Cottageville United Methodist Church in downtown Cottageville, SC. Supper will be served. Dress Appropriately.**

### **(3rd) Saturday 19 January 2019**

- **30th Masonic District Square and Compass Club Instructional Meeting** @ Indiantown Lodge in Hemmingway. The Square and Compass club business meeting will begin at 11am. Lunch will be served at Noon. The Instructional meeting will begin at 1pm. All Master Masons are welcomed.

#### **- DeMolay State Meeting**

Saturday, January 19, 2019 at 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

101 W Pine St, Blacksburg, SC 29702

All DeMolays, Senior DeMolays & Master Masons Welcome

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### **Monday 21 Jan 2019**

#### **5<sup>th</sup> District 2019 Instructional Meeting**

Will be held at Harmony Lodge #17 ([30 Burr Street Barnwell](#)) on the Circle Meal at 7:00pm, Meeting will follow.

**(4th) Wednesday 23 January 2019**

- The **Charleston Scottish Rite Bodies** ([1051 Sam Rittenburg Blvd](#)) will conduct their Business Meeting. **Dinner at 6:30PM**, with the Business Meeting to follow.

Knights Commander Court of Honour (**KCCH**) meet at **6:00PM** outside the General Secretary's office. **Knights of St. Andrew** will hold their monthly meeting at **6:00pm** in the auditorium. **Membership in the Knights of St. Andrew is open to all 32° Masons.**

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**(4th) Friday 25 Jan 2019**

- **MacArthur Lodge #427** ([145 St. James Avenue](#) Goose Creek)

Friday, January 25th will be an **EA degree** for 4 candidates. Br J D Brown will be conferring

Eat @ 630 Work @ 730

**(4th) Saturday 26 Jan 2019**

– **Jacksonboro Lodge #206** ([6085 Hwy 165](#) Ravenel) will be having its famous monthly breakfast, on the 4th Saturday from 7:30 to 9:30. Pancakes, Bacon, Eggs, French toast. \$5 donation. Help us support brotherly love in Ravenel. We would love to have you visit us. Come hungry, leave happy!

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**(4th) Monday 28 Jan 2019**

- **Mariner Lodge #2** ([1285 Orange Grove Road](#)) will confer the Entered Apprentice Degree on 2 candidates **Dress: Dark Suit & tie, dress shoes. Collation at 6:30PM, Meeting begins at 7:30.**

**- 5th District Square and Compass Club Meeting**

Will be held at Hilda Lodge #426 ([51 Railroad Avenue Hilda](#))

Come and enjoy the fellowship. All Master Masons are invited. Meal at 7:30pm, Meeting will follow.

- Carolina Chapter #25 OES ([6085 Hwy 165](#) Ravenel) will have their Regular Monthly Communication. Collation at 7:00PM and meeting at 8:00pm.

**(4th) Tuesday 29 Jan 2019**

- Allendale Lodge No. 109 ([500 Barnwell Highway](#) Allendale) will hold their Regular Stated Communication. **Collation at 6:45, Meeting at 7:30PM.**

- St. Andrews Lodge #367 ([945 Wappoo Road Charleston](#)) will hold their Monthly Stated Communication. **Collation at 7:00 PM, Meeting at 8:00**

### (1st) Friday 01Feb2019

- St. James Lodge #275 ([227 Scotia Street](#) McClellanville) will be holding their Regular Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM and meeting at 7:30 PM

- Loyalty Chapter #136 OES ([1285 Orange Grove Road](#)) will be holding their Regular Business Meeting. Collation at 6:30 PM and meeting at 7:30 PM

### Saturday 02Feb2019

- **Summerville Eastern Star** ([111 North Main Street](#) Summerville)

Saturday December 1, our Eastern Star Chapter's **First Saturday Breakfast** begins at **7:00 am and runs until 10:00 am**. Breakfast is an Eastern Star fundraiser so please be generous with your donations. Everyone who eats is expected to give at least \$7.00 for one of the best buffets in town. This includes the drink. Come hungry, leave happy.

- CCMA Work Day at the CCMA Center ([1285 Orange Grove Road](#)).  
08:00 AM until ...

### (1<sup>st</sup>)Monday 04Feb2019

- **Solomon Lodge #1** ([1285 Orange Grove Road](#)) will hold their monthly Stated Communication followed by a **FellowCraft Degree**. Suit and tie preferred. Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30.

- Harmony Lodge #61 ([5355 East Jim Bilton Boulevard](#) St. George) will hold their monthly Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30.

- James Island Lodge #396 ([1613 Fort Johnson Road](#) James Island) will hold their regular Stated Meeting. No collation served. Meeting @ 7:30PM

- Goose Creek Lodge #401 ([145 St. James Avenue](#) Goose Creek) will hold their Regular Stated Communication. Collation at 6:45 PM, Meeting at 7:30.

### (1st)Tuesday 05Feb2019

- Denmark Lodge #246 (308 S Palmetto Ave [Carolina Hwy/Hwy 321] Denmark, SC) will hold their monthly Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30.

- Hammerton Lodge #332 ([1085 East Montague Avenue](#) North Charleston) will hold their monthly Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30.

- Old Fort Lodge #420 ([10935 Dorchester Road](#) Summerville) will hold their monthly Stated Communication Collation at 6:45 PM, Meeting at 7:30. <http://oldfortlodge.com/>

- Charleston Chapter #56 OES ([3567 Dorchester Road East](#) North Charleston) will have their Regular Business Meeting. Dinner at 6:30 and meeting at 7:30pm.

### (1st)Wednesday 06Feb2019

- Landmark Lodge #76 will be holding their Regular Stated Communication. Coat, tie and white gloves required. 6:00 PM at the Charleston Yacht Club Building

- The Low Country Past Masters Unit ([1285 Orange Grove Road](#)) will be holding their regular monthly meeting at 7:00 PM

- The Columbia Scottish Rite Bodies ([7230 Garners Ferry Rd](#)) will conduct their Monthly Business Meeting. Dinner at 6:30PM, Business Meeting to follow.

**(1<sup>st</sup>)Thursday 07Feb2019**

- Harmony Lodge #17 (30 Burr Street **Barnwell**) will hold their Regular Stated Communication. Collation at 7:00, Meeting at 8:00PM

- Harmony Lodge #61 (5355 Jim Bilton Blvd St George, SC) will have its regular communication Meal at 7:30, Meeting 8:00 PM.

- Etiwan Lodge #95 ([438 Whilden Street](#) Mount Pleasant, SC) will hold their monthly Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30PM.

- Franklin Lodge #96 ([145 St. James Avenue](#) Goose Creek) will be holding their Regular Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM and meeting at 7:30 PM

- Bethlehem Lodge # 338 ([13819 Round O Road](#) Round O) will be holding their Regular Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM and meeting at 7:30 PM

- Dorchester Lodge #369 ([3567 Dorchester Road East](#) North Charleston) will be holding their Regular Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM Meeting at 7:30 PM

**(2nd)Saturday 9Feb2019**

- **Carolina Lodge #375** (5929 Murray Drive) will confer the **Master Mason Degree** on 4 candidates. Breakfast will be served at 8:00am and the Lodge will open at 9:00am.

**(2nd)Monday 11Feb2019**

- Orange - CharlesTowne Lodge #14 ([1285 Orange Grove Road](#)) will hold their Regular Stated Meeting. NO Collation, meeting at 7:30PM.

- Mt Hope Lodge #128 (110 Brick Church Cl - St Stephens) will hold their Regular Stated Meeting. Collation at 7:30 PM, meeting at 8:00PM.

- Jacksonboro Lodge #206 ([6085 Hwy 165](#) Ravenel) will have their regular Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30PM

- **James Island Lodge No. 396** ([1613 Fort Johnson Road](#) James Island) will confer the **Master Mason Degree** on Fellow Craft Brother Thomas Dale at 7:30 PM on Monday, February 11, 2019; The Low Country Past Masters Unit will fill Stations and Places with MWB David J. DeChant, PGM presiding in the East. Craft fraternally invited. Collation at 6:30 PM.

- Fellowship Lodge #400 ([3567 Dorchester Road East](#) North Charleston) will have their regular Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30PM

- Harmony Lodge #61 ([5355 East Jim Bilton Boulevard](#) St. George) will hold their monthly Stated Communication. Collation at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:30.

**(2<sup>nd</sup>) Tuesday 12 Feb 2019**

- Pythagoran Lodge #21 ([3567 Dorchester Road East](#) North Charleston) will hold their Regular Stated Meeting. Collation at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30PM.

- Ornan Lodge #38 (50 Ornan Street Bamberg) will hold their Regular Stated Communication Collation at 6:45, Meeting at 7:30PM.

- Unity Lodge #55 (35 Trevor Dr, Walterboro) will have their Regular Stated Communication. Dinner at 6:30 and meeting at 7:30pm

- Hope Lodge #126 (13088 West Main Street Williston) will hold their Regular Stated Communication **Collation at 7:30, Meeting at 8:00PM.**

- **Summerville Lodge #234 ([111 North Main Street](#) Summerville) will hold their Regular Stated Communication Collation at 7:00, Meeting at 8:00PM.**

- **Fidelity Lodge #304 ([2827 Maybank Highway](#) Johns Island) will have their regular Stated Communication at 7:30pm. Dinner at 6:30 and meeting at 7:30pm**

**(3rd) Tuesday, February 19:**

- **Carolina Lodge #375** (5929 Murray Drive) Carolina 375 will confer the **Entered Apprentice Degree** on one candidate, who is a Hanahan police officer. A meal will be served at 6:30pm and the Lodge will open at 7:30pm.

**That's all I know about for now.**

Please forward this email as you see fit - it's cheaper and faster (and usually more accurate) than the newspapers. Everyone has a few email addresses that I don't have. If they get it twice it only takes a second for them to punch "delete".

The deadline for submissions to run in next week's Trestleboard is **10:00AM on Wednesday**. **Please bear in mind** if you wait until you get next week's newsletter to remember to send me something happening that weekend or the following Monday or Tuesday I'm not sending a special for you unless **I** hosed something up – **you snooze, you lose.**

PLEASE check and make sure my email address [thlwm2010@gmail.com](mailto:thlwm2010@gmail.com) is in your address book – this newsletter is so big and goes to so many people (over 600 directly from me, and over 1000 with forwards!) that some spam filters mis-identify it as spam. Email addresses that consistently bounce back MailChimp will automatically delete after a few bounces.

**The Masonic Light** is available online in a downloadable format for anyone to read and keep up with what is going on in our Grand Jurisdiction. Look under the resources tab to find the page or just click [here](#). ( <http://www.scgrandlodgeafm.org/masonic-light.html> )

The Grand Lodge also has a **Lodge Locator** on the website that tells you where any Lodge in South Carolina is located and when they hold their Stated Meetings. Everything but what's for dinner. Here's the link: <http://www.scgrandlodgeafm.org>



For Candidates background check, [Click here for infocheck USA.](#)

**DeMolay is back on the Move Forward in South Carolina with their Personal Rep Br Damon Lam!!** Should your Lodge be interested in starting a Chapter or have a young man or group of young men between the ages of 12 and 21 please Contact **WB Joe Thompson at 803-673-0484** [thompson.josephc@gmail.com](mailto:thompson.josephc@gmail.com), <http://www.palmettodemolay.org> or Damon Lam at [Damonlam1@gmail.com](mailto:Damonlam1@gmail.com) or (843)597-7113. **The DeMolays of today will be the Masons of tomorrow.**

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