

THE TRESTLEBOARD

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Anson Jones Lodge #1416 AF & AM

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D F Prince Deck Dedication 11/14/10

A packed house occurred on November 14th when Anson Jones Lodge



(l to r David Prince, son; Bessie Prince, widow; Lodge Member Dr. Robert Griffon and Lodge Treasurer Robert Griffon)

dedicated our recent deck addition to the memory of our Brother D F Prince who passed away last October. The turnout included many Past Masters and visitors from other Lodges including League City Lodge where Dee was a Past Master and over ten members of D F's family. In addition, a traditional Pot Luck Thanksgiving Dinner was served after the ceremony and was



enjoyed by all. Much thanks to

(Worshipful Master Leon Shapiro (right) and Master of Ceremonies Kevin Perry present the Plaque)

our Senior Steward John Stanfield who decorated and organized the event, and to our Master of Ceremonies Kevin Perry for the great Turkeys he smoked with our new Pit and Pit Room.

Also to our Secretary Richard Perry for his direction during the event and for his assistance in set up and clean up. The Prince Family was very appreciative and wanted to thank all the members of Anson Jones Lodge and League City Lodge for their help and support over the past year. (In photo l to r, Kemp Jacks, Arleigh Meyer, Jerrick Juliette; Tom Boone, and more)



Lodge Workday Visitors

Despite rainy weather, our spirits prevailed as Anson Jones Lodge held it's second Pancake Saturday and Lodge Cleanup day. Secretary Richard Perry and Master of Ceremonies Kevin Perry completed most of the work before the rest of us showed, but we still had a great turnout. We were fortunate to have several Past Masters visit us that day including Earnie Butcher, Dennis Postel and Jackie Baston.



(Pictured Dennis Postel (l) Past Master and Jackie Baston, PM)

Thoughts & Prayers

It is with great sadness we announce the passing of Past Master **Gene Greathouse** on November 25th. Gene was the first Master Mason raised in Friendswood Lodge and the first Worshipful Master to have taken all 3 of his degrees at Friendswood Lodge – he will be missed by all. **Paul**

Baughman of Friendswood – a 64 year Mason raised on 11/29/1946 - is in failing health. Please keep our Brethren and their relatives, friends, and acquaintances in your thoughts and prayers through any sickness or distress.

Masonic Birthdays

The following celebrate Masonic Raise Dates during the Month of December: Richard Donley, 56 yrs; Edwin Murphy, 55 yrs; Herndon Gregory, 44 yrs; John Roberts III, 40 yrs; Jacob Poonshock, 39 yrs; Lee Stallings, 35 yrs; Herbert Noakes, 35 yrs; Tommy Seaman, 33 yrs; Michael Latham, 31 yrs; Joseph Sellman, 29 years; Robert Griffon, 20 yrs; Mark Griffon, 20 yrs; James Johnson, 15 yrs; Erik Lee, 13 yrs; Richard Rodgers, 13 yrs. Congratulations and many more to you all!



December Birthdays



The following members have Birthdays in November: Marty Abbe 12/6, David Davis 12/24, Charles Duke 12/14, Jay Evans 12/29, Terry Feist 12/3, Billy Lee Foreman 12/6, Robert Griffon 12/25, Mike Hamm 12/24, Oran Hampton 12/12, Donald Hart 12/23, James Hodges 12/24, Garvin Holman 12/29, Vernon Inman 12/13, John Joyce 12/27, Franklin Lemmon 12/21, Joseph Mares 12/6, Donald McCullough 12/31, Robert Michaels 12/12, Richard Perry 12/4, Curtis Rose 12/22, Clarence Russ 12/26, Thomas Squashingkoff 12/19, Tom Sullinger 12/2, Fred Thomas Jr. 12/15 – Happy Birthday to you all from Anson Jones Lodge!

MWSA 31st District Meet the Candidates & Thanksgiving Dinner

The Masters, Wardens, and Secretaries Association of the 31st District will have a stated meeting on Wednesday, December 8, 2010. Dinner will be served at 6:30 PM the meeting is at 7PM. All Master Masons are invited to attend any MWSA meeting.

Received From A 64 Year Brother:

“Members of Anson Jones Lodge, My Brothers All:

Thank you for the greetings on my 64th anniversary of being raised as Master Mason. How many memories are recalled, and how good these 64 years have been.

1. I was raised in Alvin Lodge by J.A. Jensen, an old family friend who could remember my birth and had followed my life to that moment. Back from a couple of years in finance and Germany, and as a Galveston DeMolay, I was pleased to be accepted.

2. In 1948 I became a Charter Member and Charter Chaplain of Anson Jones Lodge. In 1949 I conducted the first religious service of the Masonic Oak Pilgrimage. In 1999 I repeated this role for the 4th time.

3. In 1959 Randall Briscoe honored me by appointing me as Grand Chaplain.

4. Also this year I became a Charter Member and Charter Chaplain of the Texas Lodge of research and continued in this office for three years. I am one of two remaining Charter Members.

5. In 1987 I served as Roland Mattox's Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandry of Texas, Knights Templar.

6. Currently I am Chaplain of the Cuero Lodge. In 1950 and for two years following, I was Chaplain of the Waxahachie Lodge.

Few have had more blessings of being a member of our Fraternity. Best of all is the gift of friendship and so many wonderful brothers. Thank all of you for that gift."

Sincerely, Herbert L. Polinard

(Please send us **your** Masonic Journey if you would like us to publish it!)

Calendar of Events for December, 2010

Mark your calendars and keep up with these activities and get involved with Masonry!

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| Dec. 2 nd -4 th | Grand Annual Communication - Waco, TX |
| Dec. 2 nd | OES Poinsettia Sale |
| Tuesday, Dec. 7 th | Stated Meeting – Dinner at 6:45p, meeting at 7:30p |
| Wed., Dec 8 th | MWSA – Alvin TX
6:30p – 8:30p Dinner & Meeting |
| Sat. Dec. 11 th | Christmas Parade Entry – Friendswood Parade
Meet at Lodge at 4PM, decorate fire truck, line up by 5pm |
| Tuesday, Dec. 14 th | Lodge Christmas Party – Lupe Tortilla's
891 W. Bay Area Blvd, Webster, TX – All You |



Can Eat Fajitas & more – 6:30pm