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*“Real integrity is doing the right thing, knowing that nobody’s going to know whether you did it or not.” Reader’s Digest February 2002*

Thanks, Ed.



Coffee Stops that I know about. Are there others?

1. 2/26-3/1/2010 Union City – Elma
2. 3/15-18/2010 Mt. Moriah – Elma
3. 3/19-22/2010 Welcome Ch. - Elma

4. 4/12-15/2010 Welcome Ch – Elma
5. 5/14-17/2010 Union City – Elma
6. 5/28-30/2010 UCMTC – Elma
7. 6/14-17/2010 Canal Ct. – Elma
8. 7/2-5/2010 Canal Ct. – Elma
9. 9/3-7/2010 Canal Ct. – Elma
10. 10/16-18/2010 UCMTC – Maytown
11. 11/06-08/2010 UCMTC – Maytown
12. 11/05-07/2011 Welcome Ch – Maytown
13. 12/03-05/2011 Welcome Ch – Maytown
14. 5/05-07/2012 Mt. Moriah – Maytown
15. 6/02-04/2012 Union City – Maytown
16. 8/04-06/2012 Union City - Maytown

This list is always subject to update/correction/addition. If you find any errors, please advise the Editor.

"There's a mighty big difference between good sound reasons and reasons that sound good"

Unknown



If I miss someone who should be listed in Memoriam, please advise me by e-mail, or letter to your secretary, and include the obituary. Secretaries, please advise the editor.

### IN MEMORIAM

Wilfred T Jackson, Mr. Moriah, November, 2009  
Richard Mosier, Canal Court, February 2010  
Peggie Voorhees, Welcome Chapter, January 2010



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Chartered November 29, 1864

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#### 2010 Meetings are:

January 27; February 24; March 24; April 28;  
May 26; June 23; July 21; August 18;  
September 22, Past Masters & Widows Night.;  
October 20; November 17, Election of Officers;  
December 11, Installation of Officers –2PM;  
December 15, New Officers First Meeting.



### GREETINGS FROM THE EAST:

Brethren,

The days are getting longer and this week the sun is out. It seems that spring may be a little early this year. As I think about how blessed we each are let us remember our brothers who are sick and are going through surgery this month. Give them a call and let them know we care. Your Officers have been working hard in the quarries to make our Lodge the best it can be. The web site is just about done. We will be adding pictures shortly. We have a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree

coming up on Jesse Fulkerson and Eric Wulf on March 3<sup>rd</sup> 7pm. Our investigation committee has conducted three investigations this month on potential new members who we will be balloting on. We have a coffee stop starting on February 26<sup>th</sup> in Elma at 0600hrs. Brothers if you have the time contact Bro. Wayne Souza for the sign up schedule. There are 3 more coffee stops in March & April. Contact VWB Robert Shaw for these sign up schedules.

We have committed once again this year to selling ice cream at the Elma Tractor show July 10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>. Our fundraisers are very important to the livelihood of our Lodge. Please help when you are able. Our next stated meeting March 24<sup>th</sup> is our honor to welcome are District Deputy Marv Romack for his Official Visit. Brothers, please come one and all and show your support.

Brothers, how the year is going by. As I ponder my time as Worshipful Master, I often think about my time coming up through the chairs. I remember watching all the Past Masters and brothers on the sidelines and how hard we have all worked and the fun we had doing it. Remember brothers to always keep the tenants of Masonry in your heart. As we make decisions in our daily lives and have outside distractions look to your heart and remember your obligations you took. Yes, we all make mistakes but we can always step back onto the path and follow that road which takes us to more light in Masonry.

Humbly submitted,

WM Mike Gettle,  
Mt Moriah #11



### SPECIAL NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

There are four (4) addresses in this newsletter. The first is the address the editor uses for bulk mail. The other 3 are for the Masonic Bodies serviced by this newsletter. To communicate with them, please use their address. *Ed.*



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Meetings are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday in the month except 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday in June.

**GREETINGS FROM THE EAST:**

My special thanks to each of you attending our Stated meeting Feb. 11, 2010. The mystique of true harmony and Masonic fellowship was manifested throughout the visit of our Prince Hall Brethren. Our esteemed visitors were M.W.B. Jasper Warren, HPGM M.W.B. Julian Harris, PGM W.M. Allen Estes III, and J.W. Edward Brydie, all Free and Accepted P.H. Masons of Washington and Jurisdiction. The tenor was warm reciprocal affection. What a pleasure. We have been invited to attend their Lodges and share with them more Masonic friendship and fellowship. Let us strive to keep this Path open and well traveled!

Our Official Visit by the District Deputy was changed from Feb 11 to March 11. Please come and share our evening with V.W.B. Marv Romack as he performs his visit and Official duties.

Mark your calendar for a very special Stated meeting April 8. It will be a rare opportunity to enjoy warm fellowship with our Brother, John R. Sleeth. Bro. Sleeth, present Grand Organist, has been given Carte blanche for a program of music and enlightenment for the evening. If your Ladies are interested we will go off-session and share this gift with them. Bro. Sleeth is available for the Junior Grand South in June. Bro. John is staying over-night at Little Creek and warmly invites us all to come share a Dutch treat breakfast at the buffet with him. He will be available until the last question is asked of him. What an opportunity for us to share and gain insight for more informed choices.

May peace and harmony prevail as we work to Find The Path!

W. M. Dick



**Door Handle Loose in your Hand?**

To all those who have a key to the Lodge Hall in Valley Junction, Greetings. Many of us have had

the experience of opening the front door of the Lodge only to find we have pieces in both hands. The following instructions will prevent this from happening. To open the Lodge, first unlock the deadbolt. Then insert the key into the door handle and **do not touch the handle with your hand.** Turn the key 90 degrees, pulling slightly, **without touching the handle.** When the door opens, return key to the neutral position and remove key. You have opened the door, but it is still locked. On the inside of the door, turn the button so that the ridge is vertical and then operate this inside handle so that the button pops out. The door is then unlocked. *Ed.*



Note: There was a deadline for this newsletter. Things happened and I wasn't able to get it out as soon as I wanted to. Do you want this job? *Ed.*



**From The Temple Board:**

I would like to thank Bro. Skip Hash & Bro. Wayne Suza for installing the urinal flushers in the men's restroom. It has been in the works for some time, thanks a lot! All other projects are on hold at this time awaiting more funds to build up. Remember our meetings are at 7PM on the last Monday of every month, except when it falls on a holiday, the meeting is on the preceding Thursday. All are welcome to attend

Fraternally

Bro. Jerry Watters, chairman  
 Lodge Phone 360-877-5964



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Established July 20, 1957

*Meetings are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month except 2<sup>nd</sup>*

*Monday in December, Dark January & February.*

*Potluck Dinner at 6 PM.*

From The Throne:

Remember that our first meeting will be March 15<sup>th</sup>, Potluck dinner before. Elections are in April.

Do to a family emergency Sir Knight Allan and I could not make the February dinner. I heard that everyone had a good time.

If you are going to Grand Court you must have a current dues card

H.L. Dorthy Crick Royal Matron  
S.K. Jerry Watters Royal Patron



Greetings From the Western Travelers,  
The Western Travelers Masonic Riding Club #8 of Washington would like to welcome any brothers to join us on our many scheduled rides this year. If you would like to become a member of the Western Travelers contact WB Mike Gettle or Brother John Vaughan for an application.



From the Editor,

To keep the editor happy, please get your articles in before the deadline. NOTE THIS CHANGE: The DEADLINE is the **THIRD MONDAY** of each even numbered month. If I don't send them back to you via email, I haven't received them, so send them again.

This job is always open to anyone who wishes to take it over. The Editor serves at the pleasure of the Master of Mount Moriah Lodge No. 11, F. & A. M. That means, whenever he would like to make a change, it is his pleasure to make the change. Each Master must appoint the Editor.

If you would like to see something in this newsletter of a general Masonic nature, let the Editor know. If you want something particular to one of the organizations subscribing, contact that presiding officer.

Please note that the Editor has listed 2 email addresses to use for the newsletter. Please use both: **oyster7@hctc.com**, & **skokmason@yahoo.com**, Subject line: Trestleboard. Send to both e-mail addresses. Note that anything sent to **skokmason@yahoo.com** will go into the newsletter.  
*Ed.*



National Camping Travelers, Inc., (NCT) was founded in 1966 at Gettysburg, PA, by the late Brother Myron Fox and twenty-one other Masonic families with the idea that a **CAMPING CLUB FOR MASTER MASONS AND THEIR FAMILIES** would be an added opportunity for fraternal fun and fellowship. Brother Fox's idea has since spread to most of the continental United States and Canada. The only requirement to join NCT is you must be a **MASTER MASON** in good standing in a Lodge of which its Grand Lodge is recognized by the other Grand Lodges of the United States of America, Canadian Provinces and Mexico.

For more information on the NCT activities in your area, contact one of our **STATE, PROVINCIAL OR DISTRICT DIRECTORS**.

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES** are \$25.00 for one family unit consisting of the husband, wife and all children to the age of twenty-one. The new member initiation fee is \$10.00. Dues are also paid to the Chapter or if a member-at-large, the annual member-at-large fee is an additional \$10.00. (National dues are **PRO-RATED TO \$12.50** for new members who join between January 1 to June 30.)

**THE BASIC UNIT OF NCT IS THE CHAPTER.** Each **CHAPTER** is led by a Master of Travel (MOT), Wagon Master, Secretary-Treasurer, Chaplain, Safety Director and the Chapter Trustees. Between the Chapter Officers and the National Officers, there are, in many cases, a State or Provincial Director and a District Director. A District is usually composed of about four (4) States and/or Provinces.

The Chapters schedule a **MONTHLY CAMPOUT**, weather permitting for their part of the country, and dinner meetings or "camp-ins" when the weather is not favorable for camping. During the winter months, the sunbelt Chapters are very active. Many of our members are "Snowbirds" and go South and West where the climates are warmer to participate in campouts. When Spring blossoms, most of our campers pull out their RV's and hit the roads again.

For members with young children, there is the **YNCT** (Youth of National Camping Travelers). They have their own elected Officers and have an enjoyable time at all the scheduled Campouts and Rallies.

