

CLAUD L. AUSTIN LODGE NO. 1450

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STATED MEETING(S)

The next Stated Meeting is Monday, February 22nd at noon in the Green Room of the Scottish Rite Cathedral. NOTE: This will be the Official Visit of our (own) District Deputy Grand Master, R:W: Gerald Claybrook Bradshaw PM, and it is important that we support him by our attendance. He has promised that his message will be brief....only time will tell. Lunch, of course, will follow the meeting. Remember, the May meeting includes the election of officers.

FESTIVE BOARD

The November Festive Board continued the traditional good attendance, and everyone enjoyed the conviviality we have all come to expect....with fine wine, great food and traditional toasts.

Our next Festive Board will be on Friday, February 19th. It is a Dining Member only function at the DAC Country Club.

Attitude adjustment begins at 6:00pm, with a Call to Table at 6:45pm.

Please make sure you have called or e-mailed your RSVP to Zola no later than a week prior to the Festive Board. His contact information is 972-661-8977 and/or zbblick@aol.com.

Reservations are absolutely necessary.
Many thanks for your continued cooperation

PAST MASTERS NIGHT

We will hold our second annual Past Masters Night on Friday, March 26th. This event will be at Lakewood Country Club and is open to all members and their spouses or significant others. Brother Plez Transou JW will present a

program, which will be most interesting. Invitations will be sent and reservations will be absolutely necessary.

DOWN, BUT NOT OUT

Laurie Blicher, wife of Brother Zola Blicher APM, continues her recovery and had some good news from her last visit to the doctors. Tulie Pardue, wife of Brother Billy Pardue PM, is staying close to home. Brother Richard Farr APM reports some up and some down days and has expressed hopes of an up day for the Festive Board.

If you know of anyone in our Lodge's family who is sick or distressed, please let me know so we can all share in wishing for their quick and complete recovery.

NEW MEMBERS

We are always open to receiving outstanding Petitions for Affiliation -- having the chance to keep our membership stable with the best of new members.

IN MEMORIAM

We mourn the loss of our Brother **WILLIAM C. TEAQUIST**. Bill fought an all too short battle with leukemia and passed away on January 5, 2010. Bill was a Mason for more than fifty-four years and was active in the Scottish Rite (33°), York Rite and Shrine. He affiliated with Claud L. Austin Lodge in 1987 as a Charter Member. Like all of us, he is also an Endowed Member. Bill was also active in his community as a long-term member of the important Planning and Zoning Board in Crandall, serving many years as its Chairman.

*May his name be inscribed for blessing
in the Book of Life*

CALENDAR

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Friday, February 19	Festive Board
Monday, February 22	Stated Meeting
Friday, March 26	Past Masters Night
Friday, May 21	Festive Board
Monday, May 24	Stated Meeting
Monday, June 28	Installation
Monday, August 23	Stated Meeting
Friday, August 27	Festive Board
Friday, November 19	Festive Board
Monday, November 22	Stated Meeting
Thursday, December 2 – Saturday, December 4	Grand Lodge
Saturday, December 11	Holiday Brunch

There can always be additions, deletions, changes.....just in case, watch for them.

RANDOM THOUGHTS

Nothing is worse than that moment during an argument when you realize you're wrong.

There is a great need for sarcasm font on a computer.

How are you supposed to fold a fitted sheet?

I would rather try to carry 10 plastic grocery bags in each hand than take 2 trips to bring my groceries in.

I can't remember the last time I wasn't at least kind of tired.

I'm always slightly terrified when I exit out of Word and it asks me if I want to save any changes to my ten page research paper when I swear I did not make any changes to.

I hate when I just miss a call by the last ring (Hello? Hello? Damn!), and when call back immediately, it rings nine times and goes to voicemail. What'd they do after I didn't answer? Drop the phone and run away?

GRAND LODGE RESULTS

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Texas has come and gone, leaving us all confused as to the results – as usual. Some Resolutions were adopted, some rejected. None were “earth-shaking” and in the end, Masonry in Texas continues on.

Of particular interest to our Lodge was the installation of our members R:W: Gerald Bradshaw PM as DDGM of District 14-E and W: Wendell Miller as Grand Junior Steward. Congratulations to these Brethren as they serve the Grand Lodge for the ensuing Masonic year.

The newly installed Grand Master is M:W: Orville Lee O'Neill, formerly of Dallas, now living in Hewitt. That's south of Waco. Our new Grand Junior Warden is R:W: Walter “Wonderful” Rogers of Bedias. No telling where that is. He is yet another in a long line of former members of the Committee on Work to seek the highest office.

COULD THIS BE THE FUTURE OF OUR FESTIVE BOARDS?



**FOR NOW.....
“TH-TH-TH-THAT’S ALL, FOLKS”**