

November 2006						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 OES - 7:30PM	2	3 DeMolay – Installation of Officers 7:00 PM	4
5	6 Bethel – Council – 7:00 PM	7 DeMolay - 7:00 PM - Formal	8 Masons – Dinner 6PM Std Mtg 7:30	9	10	11 Masons – Installation of Officers 3:00 PM
12	13 Bethel – Meeting 7:00 PM	14 DeMolay – Advisory Council 7:00 PM	15 OES - 7:30PM	16	17	18
19	20	21 DeMolay - 7:00 PM – Casual	22	23	24	25 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. - Circle Speakers Meeting (7:30)
26	27 Bethel - Regular Meeting 7:00 PM	28	29	30		

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Tigard-Orenomah Masonic Lodge No. 207 AF & AM November 2006 Meetings 2nd and 4th Wednesday



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Good Evening Brothers!

This is one of the sweetest sounds I can hear when coming to lodge. It checks to see how the Brothers are feeling and are ready to get started with the evening's proceedings. However, you can't hear this or related sounds by watching "Temptation Island" or some other fantasy show on the tube and seeing who gets voted off. Why not see more of the positive side of life and come watch who your brothers are voting in as new brethren to our Masonic Fraternity!

As my year as Master comes to a close, I can only think of the great things we have done and on the flip side, so many things that wanted to do but simply ran out of time. However, we cannot rest as we need to be continually brought to light. As you may notice, I "stole" this line from our Grand Master, William Martin, who, came and visited us in September. I asked him to come visit us two years ago and I was honored by his presence at our lodge. It is the hope of the Master that as he gets to the end of his term, that he has left the lodge a better place.

Please note: The Masonic installation is on Saturday, November 11, 2006. Also, there will not be a Mason's Meeting on November 22, 2006 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Fraternally,

WB Kent Dyer

From the West

A group of brothers sat around the refreshment table after lodge and visited with each other about their lives and jobs. The conversation soon turned into complaints about the stress and problems they encountered at work and in their lives.

The Junior Warden had prepared for the evenings refreshments and offered the Brothers a cup of coffee and homemade cookies. He set before the Brothers a large pot of coffee and a tray full of an assortment of different styled coffee cups. The coffee cups he had chosen varied in size and shape, some were obviously expensive while others were cheap. Some were porcelain with the lodge logo on them, while others had the look of a "thrift store" purchase, there were even several cups made of Styrofoam. Each Brother was offered the tray of cups and picked the coffee cup he'd like to use, filling it with coffee.

After all the Brothers had a cup of coffee in hand, the Junior Warden spoke to the Brothers present and said, "My Brothers, if you notice, all the nice looking coffee cups have been taken and the cheap looking cups have been left behind." He then said that our lives are like a cup of coffee saying that while we all want only the best for ourselves and our families, this desire is very often the source of our problems and contributes greatly to the stress we find in our daily lives.

To make his point, the Junior Warden pointed out that all the expensive cups on the tray were chosen and that while the expensive cups really added no quality to the coffee, they did in fact actually hide some of the qualities of the coffee. He then said that what we all really wanted was just a good cup of coffee and yet we unconsciously chose the expensive cups which didn't necessarily enhance the taste of the coffee.

The Junior Warden's point was this: Life is the coffee while the jobs, money and position in society are the cups. The cups are just tools to hold and contain our lives and the type of cup we chose does not define nor change the quality of the life we live. Sometimes by concentrating only on the cup, we fail to enjoy the coffee that the Supreme Architect of the Universe has provided for us."

"The Supreme Architect of the Universe brews the coffee, not the cups, so come to lodge and enjoy a cup of coffee with your Brothers".

Your humble servant,

Art Bush, Senior Warden

From the South

I spent a little time recently reflecting on some of the good memories from the summer and one of the first that came to mind was the great experience during the last weekend of August at the 68th annual Malheur Cave meeting. I thought I would share a little of the history behind the Indian legend of Malheur Cave and for those of you who have not yet had the opportunity to attend, perhaps this will further your desire to join your brothers next summer.

Many years ago large parties of Paiute Indians were camped along the Malheur Lake border. During their preparations for the winter season an epidemic passed through the camp. The medicine men were unable to stop it and many

Paiutes died most of them children. Survivors began to doubt the abilities of their medicine men.

In order to save their reputation, the Paiute medicine men blamed the entire epidemic on a spell that was supposedly cast by visiting members of Idaho's Bannock tribe. The Paiute warriors were convinced that the Bannocks were to be blamed and so they attacked and killed their guests.

However, as legend has it, at least one or two of the Bannocks escaped and made their way east to tell their warriors at home of the massacre. In anger, Bannock warriors set off to avenge the deaths of their tribesmen. While they were still a few days away from the Paiutes, a coyote wandered through their camp and overheard the plans of the Bannocks to kill the entire band of Paiutes.

It so happened that the coyote was loyal to the Paiutes and he raced ahead to warn them of the upcoming invasion. He told his Paiute friends about Malheur Cave and its living water. Since they could sustain themselves, the Paiutes would be able to barricade themselves inside with rocks and hold out against the Bannocks.


So the Paiutes took their food and equipment to the cave, and although the Bannocks soon discovered the hiding place, they were unable to penetrate the cave entrance. But, not knowing there was plentiful water inside the cave, and thinking they could starve the Paiutes out; the Bannocks remained there for days, sending hundreds of sharp obsidian arrows at the mouth of the cave and into its entrance. When they finally did give up, the coyote secretly followed them as they returned home and then he went back to his Paiute friends to tell them they were safe.

The Paiutes removed just enough rocks to slip


out of the cave and that is why the first white men found the entrance barricaded, with hundreds of arrowheads lying at its mouth and deep inside. It is also why those ancient Paiutes revered the coyote as the wisest and most cunning of all animals and would not kill him. They believed upon death in the transmigration of souls to the coyote and to a heaven where they would live forever in eternal youth surrounded by plentiful wild game, flowers, trees and water.

Captain Louie, Paiute Indian chief who recently died in Burns, had the legend handed down to him from an aged ancestor. It was first told to us by Dr. W. L. Marsden, a Past master of Burns Lodge, at least 50 years ago.

Fraternally – WB NORM Griffin, Junior Warden

Bethel No. 66 Jobs Daughters Meets 2 nd and 4 th Mon		
H. Queen:	Sarah Davis	
Sr. Princess:		
Jr. Princess:		
Guardian:	Sue Coulter (503) 693-6499	
Associate Guardian:	Tom Killion (503) 655-1118	


Come join us the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 7 pm. We'd love to see you there.

Tigard- Orenomah DeMolay Meets 1 st and 3 rd Tues		
M.Councilor:	Richard Massie	
Sr. Councilor:	Gregg Douglas	

Jr. Councilor:	Sean Powell
Dad Advisor:	Dave Mason (503) 649-7547

November 3rd – Installation of Officers 7:00 PM
 November 7th – Regular Meeting - Formal
 November 14th – Advisory Council 7:00 PM
 November 21st – Regular Meeting - Informal

The regular meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of the month at 7pm. We look forward to seeing Masons and Eastern Star on the sidelines. It would be great if you could help us to include the young men (ages 12 to 21) in your family in the fun and learning to be found in DeMolay. If you would like more information please contact the Chapter Dad Dave Mason or the Chapter Advisory Board Chairman Dan Douglas.

Eastern Star Chapter No. 174 Meet 1 st and 3 rd Weds		
Worthy Matron:	Candi Hampton (503)-910-7955	
Worthy Patron:	Larry Tripp (503) 357-1356	
Secretary:	Sue Guyton (503) 682-2021	

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