

*Companions ,*

Remember that **DC Night in Virginia** is on 11 June at **Sharon Lodge in McLean**. We will be dedicating this annual event to Most Excellent George D.

“Kingfish” Stevens. He was a co-founder and one of his beloved events in masonry. Let’s do him a great honor and **ALL** show up!

A meatloaf supper will begin at 6:30.

The time has come to address a couple of issues that have been on our minds for some time. First is the idea of moving our meeting venue to Sharon Lodge permanently. Next is the issue of increasing our dues. A committee has been formed to explore these issues and they are due to make their recommendations at the July conclave. No vote will be taken on either of these issues till after proper notification of the membership. However, NOW is the time to contact the committee with your thoughts on these very important issues. The committee consists of Right Excellent John Bullach, Excellent Ralph Woodrow and Companion Phil Graves. See the officer list for their contact information. Or contact me at:

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**Fifty Year Members**

<i>John P. Funkhouser</i>	1949
<i>David H. Graham</i>	1950
<i>Elgin B. Kirby</i>	1950
Henry J. Bausili	1952
Oscar L. Buchanan	1945
Robert A. Kelly	1949
Elwood S. Nichols	1949
William T. Guise	1950
James W. Brown, Jr.	1951
Robert L. Connor	1951
John E. Wise	1952
John G. Dudley Jr.	1953
Walter W. Cosby Jr.	1955
Wilbert Kahoun	1954
Cleveland F. Oliver	1955
James W. Smith	1956

**Trestle board**

Remember, we serve **refreshments at 6:30** before every meeting.

11 June DC Night at **Sharon Lodge McLean**, 9 July. Stated at Cherrydale Lodge.

**Laughs of the month:**

Remember that love makes the world go around. But then, so will a swallow of tobacco juice.

Printed on the back of a leather jacket worn by a motorcyclist: “If you can read this, my girlfriend fell off”.

Remember that the older you get the tougher it is to loose weight. By then your body and your fat have become really good friends.

**From the Editor:**

Companions for the past few years I have been able to print and fold the monthly trestleboard for five cents a copy. This compares for eight cents for copying only and nearly 12 cents for copying and folding at a commercial business. However, my access to this great deal will end this autumn. We mail about 120 trestleboards a month, so the estimated total expense will increase by at least \$60.00. Of course the increase in postage has also increased costs. If you would like to receive the newsletter by e-mail, send your address to me at:

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**Did You Know:**

The Declaration of Independence was written on hemp (marijuana) paper.

In Webster's 1996 Dictionary 315 entries were misspelled.

By raising your legs slowly and lying on your back, you can't sink in quicksand (and you thought this list was completely useless)

# Capitular Birthdays

**JUNE**

<b>David H. Grahm</b>	1950
<b>Jackson G. Garrett Jr.</b>	1963
<b>George A. Shoemaker</b>	1964
<b>Phillip E. Graves</b>	1965
<b>Eugene A. VonGonten</b>	1977
<b>Paul W. Chesser</b>	1978
<b>William U. MacBrayne</b>	1978
<b>Roy L. Daisey</b>	1982
<b>Autrey B. Harmon</b>	1982
<b>Harry A. Walch</b>	1988
<b>Ronald G. Bechtel</b>	1994
<b>Glenn R. Fillmore Jr.</b>	1994
<b>Kenneth L. Hall</b>	1994
<b>Bernard Rice</b>	1996
<b>Roy N. Winkler</b>	1996
<b>Peter Terrill</b>	2007

**Educational point**

We often say that the Ritual is what makes us Masons. Many have questioned whether we would be better served if we were to change it, or modernize it. The current York Rite Crusader newsletter, published by the York Rite Sovereign College in Detroit, makes an excellent defense of the Ritual as we now have it. One point is that the ancient words are (mostly) the words used by those who preceded us. It is a direct link to George Washington, the Brethren in the early 1700’s and indeed men before then. I would suggest that everyone contact a York Rite College member to see if he can read a copy.

