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### Greetings from The East,

Brothers it has been an honor and a pleasure serving as Master this last year. I am very proud of what we have accomplished this year with such a small cast and in a year the world was in such turmoil. Lets all throw all our support and love behind Worshipful Brother Johnson

And his officers as we march forward into 2022. Thank you all I love you. WB Barnett

WB Ted Johnson would like to send his greetings for a New Masonic year and thank the Brothers for putting their trust in him as he takes his place in the East for the 2022 Masonic year. Tillamook Lodge No. 57 Ancient Free & Accepted Masons Publisher: Ted Johnson Editor: Kristopher Torrey

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#### The Trestleboard

You were taught that the Trestleboard is to keep Masons informed about their responsibilities, of what is expected of them and what their overall objectives are. Remember, the Trestleboard is for you, for your guidance and for your 'need to know.' If the Trestleboard is not achieving its objective, then please let your editor or publisher know that we may endeavor to meet your every need. Please do make suggestions for its improvement.

On the other hand, if the Trestleboard is meeting your needs, please let your editor and publisher know that too. The Trestleboard is YOUR newsletter. Help to make it what you would like it to be.

## TILLMOOK COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

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2022 OFFICERS Commander - Frank Jordan Lt. Commander - Ted Johnson Adjutant - Kristopher Torrey Finance Officer - Jesse Exton Quartermaster - Jon Dyk

# Silverwave Chapter No. 18, Order of the Eastern Star

Rebecca Jacob is this years Worthy Matron Del Schultz is our Worthy Patron Twila Niemi is Secretary Jesse Exton is Treasurer

We meet the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm.

#### What is a Cowan?

A term of contempt, applied to a person who does the work of a Mason but has not been regularly initiated. This term is an old Scottish word, it is purely Masonic in nature meaning an ignorant Man who puts stones together without mortar. He attempts to pass himself off as a Master Mason without being initiated.

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS for

## Tillamook County Shrine Club Legion of Honor North Coast Platoon

The Tillamook County Shrine Club will be moving to a every other month schedule until further notice. Both TCSC and LoH will host their meetings together. This is due to the constant change in Covid-19 restrictions and mandates in our area and the State. When we will go back to a normal meeting schedule or if any special meetings will be held, you will receive an email and/or written letter from the Club Secretary regarding any

#### changes.

The schedule for the Tillamook County Shrine Club and Legion of Honor North Coast Platoon will be as follows: Meetings will be held at Noon unless otherwise stated January 7— Installation of Officers, Alices Country House March 4th—Location TBT May 6th—Location TBT July 1st—Location TBT September 2nd—Location TBT, Nominations for 2023 officers November 4th—Location TBT, Election of 2023 Officers

Neither, Tillamook County Shrine Club nor the Legion of Honor North Coast Platoon hold tiled or closed meetings, so our Masonic Brothers are always welcome to attend our meetings.

So feel free to join us anytime or anywhere we meet. You will be glad you did.

Keep in mind that we are all Masons and regardless of the titles we are given or the rank we hold in the Shrine or Legion of Honor, we are Master Masons and that is the ultimate honor and no title or rank surpasses that of Master Mason. Tillamook Lodge No. 57 AF&AM 2023 Elected and Appointed Officers

Worshipful Master—WB Ted Johnson

Senior Warden—WB Jack Naval

Junior Warden—WB Jesse Exton

Secretary—WB Kelly Barnett

Treasurer—WB Frank Jordan

Senior Deacon—Bro. Kristopher Torrey

Junior Deacon—Bro. Ronald Benson

Chaplain—WB Del Burk

Tyler—WB Norm McLaren

Senior Stewart—WB Del Schultz

Junior Stewart—WB Sterling Hanakahi

**Ancient Masons** 

"Ancient Masons," was the name assumed by a body of Masons who, in 1738 seceded from the regular or legal Grand Lodge of England. They did this because of changes the Institution made on the ritual work.

The Ancients called themselves "Ancient Free and Accepted Masons" and were the new Lodges. They practiced the old ritual work and condemned the Moderns, as they called them, for changes made in that work. The Moderns, were called "Free and accepted Masons" and were the old Lodges of England. They adopted the new style of ritual work formed by Anderson, Preston, and others.

These differences kept the two bodies apart to the extreme, that there would be both in the same community and sometimes, side by side. They would clam the same jurisdiction and argue over who was right and who was clandestine.

In 1813 the two bodies resolved their differences and joined hands, but the Lodges were spread through out the world, and particularly in America. They turned out to be impossible to align. Both are recognized by the Grand Lodge of England and both have the same rights and benefits which are accorded a legal Lodge of Master Masons. Although you will find the different Lodges in United States their jurisdictions are limited to each state. This is why we have:

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

Ancient Free Masons

Free and Accepted Masons

and on and on.

What is an Eavesdropper?

An eavesdropper is an illicit listener. Eavesdropping is the punishment inflicted on a person, who is caught attempts to receive the secrets of Freemasonry, through other means than that of joining as an Entered Apprentice. "To be placed under the eaves of the house in rainy weather, till the water runs in at the shoulders and out at his heels."

## A Civil War Story

## by John Hohenstein Zerubbabel Lodge #15, Savannah, Georgia

It was a time not long after Fort Sumter and The War of Northern Aggression was well under way. The Yankees, as they are still wont to do, had promptly flocked to Hilton Head and Tybee Islands, the barrier islands on opposite sides of the mouth of the Savannah River. The Savannah Folks didn't mind much that the Yankees had stolen the good beaches, for the water was still a bit cool for Southern preferences and, besides, they knew the gnats and mosquitoes would teach the Yankees a lesson they'd never forget. So, the Southerners, as Southerners are wont to do sometimes, just waited.

They didn't have to wait very long before the Yankees on Hilton Head sent out a messenger under a white flag. It seemed that the Yankees had among them a young fellow who had passed through the Fellow Craft Degree before shipping out. The Yanks were just sitting around slapping gnats when it occurred to one of them that, just maybe, there was a nearby lodge that could test him in the Fellow Craft Degree and raise him to that of a Master Mason.

As luck would have it, there was indeed a lodge in Savannah that would soon be having a Masters Degree.

One morning, not too many days later, a detail of Confederate Cavalry slipped across the Savannah River into South Carolina and traveled through Bluffton to the shore opposite Hilton Head Island.

From there they escorted one Fellow Craft Mason and, I believe, a number of Master Masons of the Northern Persuasion, safely through the Confederate Lines and back through about 35 miles of Confederate defenses to Savannah where the candidate and his witnesses were delivered into the lodge.

The records note that this Brother was indeed proficient in the Fellow Craft Degree and he was raised to the Degree of a Master Mason.

That night another detail of Confederate Cavalry, no doubt Brothers to a man, slipped back across the Savannah River and safely escorted their Brothers back to Hilton Head.