Masonic Temple Thursday Evening, September 19th, 2024. At a Stated Communication of Fellowship Lodge No. 84, A.F. & A.M. Smithfield, NORTH CAROLINA. HELD ON THE ABOVE DATE PRESENT:

WM: Ben Wagoner SW: Top Lock JW: Matthew Marek, PM Treas: Sec'y: Wil Wynn Chaplain: John Cook SD: Dennis Edwards, SD JD: Steward: Steward: Tyler: Chandler Parrot Marshal: Hutch Earp, PM

Other Members Present:

Sam Hardy Mike Davidian, PM

Guests:

James Kolb, Plato Lodge #469, Plato Missouri Mark Phillips, Lee Lodge, Waynesboro VA

Lodge was opened on the third degree of Masonry in Due Form at 7:30PM.

Minutes from the previous SC (05SEP2024) were read.

DEATHS REPORTED:

1. Eva Baker, Widow of Kenneth Baker.

SICKNESS REPORTED:

WM asked for the Secretary's Correspondence:

- We are still owed dues from 3 brothers: Anthony James Allen Cecil Berry Heavner Rodney A Wilson
- 2. Received affiliate for James Kolb. Was read on 06SEP2024. We will vote affiliation for Bro Kolb at the second SC in October, 17OCT2024.
- 3. Bushes need trimming. Last year we decided not to pay our landscaper to trim. Instead, 2 brothers donated their time to complete.
 - a. WM and Bro Secretary will take care of this task.

WM Correspondence:

- 1. WM has been getting calls from Widows for help with various items that need licensed contractors. Discussed current fund we have setup to take care of these things
- Table Lodge: 14DEC2024. WM would like to see a good turnout from our Lodge since it's our 200th anniversary.
 - a. Bro Lock noted how great previous Table Lodges have been. He also noted last time we did not sell out. Hoping that word of George Washington Bible being here will draw more people.
- 3. Bro Chandler Parrot presenting Masonic Education tonight. Bro Hutch is presenting in October. Bro Secretary presenting in November.

OTHER:

- 1. Bro Sam Hardy spoke about the history of the start of the Highway Patrol.
- 2. Bro Dennis Edwards talked about the Eastern Star Blood drive.
 - a. Held one earlier in the year. Everyone who donated got \$45 in gift cards. Also the Eastern Star Chapter got \$500 donated to them.
 - b. Eastern Star wants to do another Blood Drive on 28JAN2025, 1PM- 6PM.
 - i. Bro Dennis noted they just need Lodge permission.
 - ii. WM granted permission as Bro Secretary noted date was free. Eastern Start will proceed with Blood Drive.
 - c. Eastern Star also requests use of Lodge on 22FEB2025 for official visit and homecoming for Worthy Grand Patron
 - i. Permission granted. The calendar will be updated to reflect both dates.
 - d. Bro Dennis also spoke about how well the official visits have been going this year.

MASONIC EDUCATION:

Brother Chandler Parrot presented our Masonic Education for the evening.

Meal Cost: \$20 to James Kolb for meal, \$10 to Ben Wagoner for beverage Meal Collection: \$95 (\$65 to the Lodge)

There being no further business the minutes were read and approved, and the Lodge was closed in due form and harmony at 8:30 PM.