Masonic Temple Thursday Evening, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025. 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**: Matthew Marek PM

JW: Zach Stanley
Treas: Jack Wooten PM

Sec'y: Wil Wynn Chaplain: John Cook

SD: Ted Sohn JD: Jim Kolb Steward: Steward:

Tyler: Hutch Earp

Marshal:

## **Other Members Present:**

Jack Temple
Craig Lee PM
Grover Dees PM
Dennis Edwards PM
Mike Davidian PM

#### **Guests:**

JGD Deacon Alvin Billings, Oxford 761 DDGM Matthew Moore, Relief Lodge 431 Eric Ledford Orphans 761

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

## **Deaths Reported:**

## **Sickness Reported:**

#### **Reports From Summer:**

- 1. Bro Cook is now a grandfather of 3! Previously had no grandchildren going into this year
- 2. Fredericksburg Lodge visit in June by 4 of our members. Thanked them for brining George Washington Bible.

#### **Special Business:**

- 1. 50 year Pin for Jack Wooten PM by JGD Alvin Williams and DDGM Matthew Moore.
- 2. Grover Dees awarded framed Secretary apron for his service. As you know, we recently got new aprons. Grover was presented his original apron he wore for many years.

## WM asked for the Secretary's Correspondence:

- 1. Scholarship:
  - a. Awarded to Jana Lee who will be attending UNC Chapel Hill. Jana was a graduate of South Johnston High School. Funds have been disbursed.
  - b. \$4668.03 will be sent to our Scholarship investment fund.
  - c. Current balances of our Scholarship Investment:

 Income Fund
 \$13,582.73

 Stock Fund
 \$21,754.72

 Total
 \$35,337.45

 Sep deposit
 \$4,668.03

Total \$40,005.48

- 2. By the end of 3Q, The Secretary is required read aloud the list of members who received the Official Notice of Delinquency. The Master should then refer the list to a Committee of Investigation in accordance with Reg. 77-19.2
  - a. Official reading of members with delinquent dues:

Matthew Lawrence Casey

Scott Andrew Dorman

Stephen Barry Hales

William Joseph Harrell

Michael Lee McLamb

Anthony Martin Woodall

- b. Notices will be signed and mailed.
- c. Master appointed Committee of Investigation to contact delinquent members.
- 3. 2026 dues notices will go out in November.
- 4. Officer voting reminder of our vote at the last SC in November, install at the 1<sup>st</sup> SC in December.
- 5. DAR rentals confirmed for 2025/2026. MOU to be signed. Rate is \$200 for each rental date.
- 6. Rental Calendar up to date. PLEASE REFER AT CALENDAR on the board and attached.

# **WM Correspondence:**

- 1. Cleaned out clutter in office area.
- 2. Education coming up at next SC, bro Jim Kolb will present.

#### **Masonic Education:**

1. JGD gave an update on our Masonic Home in Oxford. Outstanding recent fundraising events over this year. Presented a video message of the retiring administrator.

# Other:

- 1. Bro Eric Ledford gave his moving testimony about his time at the Masonic Home.
- 2. Bro Dennis talked about his previous tour of the children's home campus.
- 3. Bro Grover talked about his visit to the home and Temple Lodge.
- 4. WM directed the Table Lodge committee to give report at the next SC.

Meal Collection: \$114

Meal Cost: \$40 – Bro Kolb donated the remaining(\$74) 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.