

Tidings from the East Brothers,

We are now full steam ahead for the 2015 calendar year! I can not tell you how happy and honored I am to be leading such a great Lodge with a great corps of officers, and active Masons. Each and everyone of you are dedicated to your Masonic labors, and working hard; I am proud to call you Brother.

I would like to thank those who came out the Officer installation in December, the Lodge presented outgoing Worshipful Master Mark Goebel with a beautifully embroidered Past Master Apron, and Master's Gavel. W:Bro. Begue was presented with his long overdue Master's Gavel, and Bro. Jason W. Miller was nominated as 2014 Highland Lodge's Mason of the year, Bro. Jason has demonstrated true tenents of Masonry, and has behind the scenes stretched forth his hand to help out many brothers, congratulations again Bro. Miller!

Many thanks to the brethren who came down this year for founders day, for many it was their first; and what a neat experience it is, it was a very good day for fellowship.

Bro. Bradley Baker, has chosen to seek further light in Masonry, and joined the Scottish Rite, Congratulations Bradley.

Mother nature showed her ugly side at the beginning of February and meeting was postponed till the following Wednesday. Our Junior Warden Bro. Tim Herald, provided us with yet another great home style cooked meal.

After the pledge of allegiance to our nation's colors, the Lodge was opened on the Master Mason degree. Many of us were Clad in our White Leather Aprons in honor of our Masonic forefathers & presidents. Business was conducted, and for Masonic education a presentation on the different appendant Masonic Research bodies that a Master Mason may join was discussed. There are many bodies that one can join after being raised, and it truly is paramount that one should understand our Fraternities history, and understand why Masonry still exists and continues to make good men better. The meeting was then closed in form on the Master Mason degree, peace and harmony prevailing.

Brethren, please take the time to go over your ritual books and study, even if its just for a few minutes a day you will be surprised how much you will pick up over just a short length of time. Also, as stated at the beginning of the year, personal growth is essential for ones journey through life, take time to reflect on your personal knowledge of the working tools of life out side the Lodge room, as knowledge is power, arm yourself. Brethren this is also a friendly reminder to let you know if you have not paid your dues for the 2015 year, please do so as they are now overdue. If you are experiencing any financial hardships please contact myself, or Secretary Bro. Brice Herald, as we would be more than glad to help in regards to this manner, please do not be under the impression that you will be turned away because you are having financial difficulties. May God bless each and every one of you and I look forward to a great 2015 Masonic year.

Be great Brothers!
Lux Ex Tenebris!

Michael S. Doxsee
Worshipful Master

