

Trinity Lodge #694 Calendar for June 2008

June 10th – 7:00 PM – Practice.

June 17th - 7:00 PM - Master's Degree
for Andy Phillips with the
meal to start at 6:00

June 24th – 7:00 PM – St's John
Celebration hosted by Pulaski
Heights Lodge in the South
End of the Scottish Rite
Building. A meal will start at
6:30 PM

July 1stth – 7:00 PM – Stated Meeting

From the East

My Brothers,

I want to thank you for a great stated meeting. I will say I was a bit disappointed with the number of participants. I thought there would be a larger number of members show up and give their two cents especially when we were discussing the fate of Trinity Lodge. There was about 20 members there with each having something important to say, plus, I received two letters in the mail written from brothers who are physically unable to be there who both wanted to say there peace. I don't know about you but this

lack of participation or concern bothers me. I just feel very saddened that we have less and less overseers of the work than we do workers, and out of this we have even less show up for the job.

On a positive note, the stated meeting was a very heart felt and thankful one to me. A, we found that we Masons sell ourselves short, a common theme from many members. B, we heard some historical elements towards Trinity Lodge by a few of the older brethren and C, a hearty and fierce battle wants to be fought for Trinity lodge #694.

- A) Selling ourselves short: We must all be proud to be a Mason and hold our heads up when talking about our fraternity and we must not cheapen ourselves with dues so low yet raise ourselves and help each other sustain a nobler price to bring back the want to be an active participant.
- B) History: History teaches us that the strong survive. Trinity Lodge was founded for this specific lodge. But, if we learn anything from history, it is that history should be passed down from the ages so that the new can work on and strive to change the history for the betterment of the future.
- C) Hearty and fierce battle: Many of the new members want to hold traditions and fight for what they believe is true. They pledged at the

alter to work and fight for Trinity Lodge and for Masonry.

These three things my brothers have shown me that there is still hope for Masonry and for Trinity Lodge. This has shown me that a brotherhood of men can overcome any obstacle and keep moving forward. This has shown me that a care for ourselves is first and foremost essential to the lively hood of Free Masons everywhere.

Our offer to the Scottish rite will be discussed at the next stated meeting. I pray I see each of you, able to come, next month.

Peace to all and may the cement of brotherly love always hold us together.

Anthony A. Francis
Worshipful Master,
Trinity Lodge #694