



# UNION LODGE NO. 3, A. F. & A. M. OF OREGON

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## MASONIC NEWS & TRESTLEBOARD JANUARY 2008

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are far too many empty seats in lodge. I ask each of you to encourage members who have not been to lodge for some time to come a join us for labors.

I am excited about the coming year; we will have a great time together. During the holiday season, I wish for you and all of your family Happy Holidays and a joyous New Year.

Fraternally,  
Scott Magers  
Worshipful Master, Union Lodge #3

### TIDINGS FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

First let me say what an honor it is for me to serve as your Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. I look forward to this next year and getting to the good work ahead of us. As I mentioned during the installation, I am dedicating this year to my belief that we need to get back to our roots of charity and helping others, most especially our widows and orphans.

Union Lodge has already begun this charity work by donating our wood from the cemetery to the people of Vernonia. While I was deployed there recently, working for the State, it became apparent there was a great need for firewood since most of the previously stored wood, washed down the river. After making a few phones calls and with the help of RWB Magers and WB Bach and others, firewood was moving from our cemetery to where it would do some good. I was deeply humbled by the experience of working there and the tremendous outpouring of donations that were being given to help all of those in need.

It brought back the basic tenets of what I was taught as a Mason, and that is of charity and helping others. Especially this time of year, but throughout the year, we need to concentrate on whom we best can help – the members of our Masonic family and others that we may be able to touch with our good work.

Secondly it is a goal of mine to fill as many seats as possible during our stated communications, there

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Since the first Tuesday of January 2008 falls on January 1<sup>st</sup> proper, a holiday, the stated communication in January will be held on the **second Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>**.

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### Gazette

- On December 18<sup>th</sup>, Union Lodge installed officers for 2008.
- On December 20<sup>th</sup>, Philip Wedge gave proficiency on the EA degree and the Fellowcraft degree was conferred.

One final note. Every month in the Trestleboard we entreat all of you to let us know if you need a ride to Lodge. We'd love to help. If you or someone you know is a Mason who would attend Lodge, but needs a ride to and from, please let us know. Contact the Lodge office at 503-472-2341 or any of the officers listed in the masthead. We can't help if we don't know and the quickest way to do that is just give us a call. We'll make sure that transportation is arranged.

We hope to see you in Lodge January 8<sup>th</sup>.

If you know of a Brother or a Widow who is in Sickness or Distress, please contact the Lodge Office at 503-472-2341.

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

- JAN 1** Happy New Year!
- JAN 3** Union Lodge #3 Officers Mtg, 7:00pm.
- JAN 5** Tuality #6 stated. 10:00am
- JAN 8** Union Lodge #3 Stated; Dinner 6:30pm;  
Lodge 7:30pm
- JAN 8** Holbrook #30 stated. Lodge 7:30pm.
- JAN 9** Sheridan-Dayton #64 stated. 7:30pm.
- JAN 10** Newberg #104 stated. 7:30pm
- JAN 14** Intrepid #224 stated. 6:30pm.



**\$6.00 January 8th \$6.00  
Dinner Menu**

**Vegetable Beef Stew  
Cottage Cheese and Pear Salad  
Cornbread with Honey Butter  
Cookie and Pudding  
Coffee, Tea, or Milk**

Prepared by Knowles Chapter #12, O.E.S.



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- Jan 1** **Happy New Year!**
- Jan 12** **12:00 Noon**, Practice with Grand Officers for Grand Initiation  
**12:45 pm** Lunch with Grand Officers  
**2:00 pm** Grand Initiation, Candidate is Kaleigh Webber, Grand Worthy Advisor  
**5:30 pm (approx)** Practice for School of Instruction
- Jan 14** **6:00 pm**, Pot Luck Dinner  
**7:00 pm** All Officers in their stations for preliminary School of Instruction  
**8:00 pm** Stated Meeting, School of Instruction, Instructor Terry McKinley, Associate Grand Matron
- Jan 15** Honor Night for Grand Secretary, Gresham
- Jan 24** Honor Night for Grand Treasurer, Portland
- Jan 28** Stated Meeting, Speaker – Janet Smith, Youth and Membership

**YOUR SUPPORT AND ATTENDANCE AT OUR MEETINGS IS GREATLY APPRECIATED**