

# CLAUD L. AUSTIN LODGE NO. 1450

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## STATED MEETING

My apologies for this being as late as it is. There was too much family fun lately "interfering" with my "work."

The Winter Stated Meeting is set for next Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars, as they should be already, and make your plans to attend.

## FESTIVE BOARD

The original date for the Winter Festive Board has been changed – due to a conflict with the Scottish Rite's Membership Committee Dinner.

The new date for the Festive Board is set (subject to change) for Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, DAC Country Club. Attitude Adjustment will begin at 6:00pm and the Brethren will be seated at 6:45pm. There will be no program other than the usual toasts, eating and drinking.

The Fall Festive Board was a really good one.....one of the best attended in many moons. The food was, as usual, outstanding. The program was by Dave Brown PE on Technology in Accident Reconstruction.

**The Festive Board is why we were formed.....why doesn't every member attend???**

For reservations: Zola Blicker at [zbblick@aol.com](mailto:zbblick@aol.com) or 972-667-8977

## GRAND LODGE

At the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Texas, normal was the word of the day. However, there were some things passed that may surprise some Brethren, such as:

18 year-olds may now petition a Lodge in Texas.....

Prince Hall Masons are now recognized by our Grand Lodge.....

## NEW MEMBERS

We have two new members, both of whom are also Dining Members:

Billie (Bill) Cox  
Robert (Bob) Jensen

Come to the Stated Meeting and welcome them into our Lodge. Better yet, come to the Festive Board and drink a toast to and with them.

## THOUGHTS FOR 2007

Number 9: Life is sexually transmitted.

Number 8: Good health is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die.

Number 7: Give a person a fish and you feed them for a day; teach a person to use the Internet and they won't bother you for weeks.

Number 6: Some people are like a

Slinky ... not really good for anything, but you still can't help but smile when you shove them down the stairs.

Number 5: Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in hospitals dying of nothing.

Number 4: All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.

Number 3: Why does a slight tax increase cost you \$200.00 and a substantial tax cut saves you 30¢?

Number 2: In the 60s, people took acid to make the world weird. Now the world is weird and people take Prozac to make it normal.

AND THE NUMBER 1 THOUGHT FOR 2007: We know exactly where one cow with Mad-cow-disease is located among the millions and millions of cows in America but we haven't got a clue as to where thousands of illegal immigrants and terrorists are located. Maybe we should put the Department of Agriculture in charge of immigration.

## GET BETTER WISHES

The wives of two of our members are under the weather, and we send them both our love and best wishes for a speedy and full recovery:

Diane Transou  
Mary Alice Wellborn

## MAY (SPRING) STATED

It's not too soon to mark your calendars for the May Stated

Meeting, as it is one of the most important of the year.

The date is different than "norm" because it falls on **Tuesday**, May 29<sup>th</sup>. Why? Because, the day before is Memorial Day.

It is important because it is when we hold the election of Officers for the ensuing Masonic year. So, be thinking of who can best serve our Lodge for the future, Be there....and vote.

## EYE EXAM

A Polish immigrant went to the DMV to apply for a driver's license.

First, of course, he had to take an eye-sight test.

The optician showed him a card with the letters:

**'C Z W I X N O S T A C Z.'**

"Can you read this?" the optician asked.

"Read it?" the Polish guy replied, "I know the guy."

## RECOGNIZE THIS BROTHER?

