

# CLAUD L. AUSTIN LODGE NO. 1450

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## STATED MEETING

The next Stated Meeting is Monday, November 26th, at noon in the Green Room of the Scottish Rite Cathedral. Plan to be there. Lunch, always good, will follow.

- To leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition,
- To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived.

This is to have succeeded."

## FESTIVE BOARD

The Fall Festive Board will be held on Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. Reservations are already pouring in and we are looking for a few more good men before we close the book.

We always post the following because we are all in need of constant reminders: *Timeliness and commitment in making reservations is absolutely necessary...as food costs, and now room costs, are rapidly increasing. Honoring reservations made becomes more and more important as any reservation made and not fulfilled must still be paid for. Your cooperation is appreciated.*

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## LODGE ANNIVERSARY

The Lodge will celebrate its Silver Anniversary in connection with the Annual Holiday Brunch on December 15<sup>th</sup>. This is a Dining Member and spouse or significant-other only event, however, guests may attend at our usual guest fee of \$75 per person. There will be the usual bloody marys and mimosas (but not overdone), plenty to eat, a short program on the Lodge history, presentation of three 50-year Awards and some really good (and new) entertainment.

## SUCCESS

From Ralph Waldo Emerson, "Success is:

- To laugh often and much,
- To win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children,
- To appreciate beauty,
- To find the best in others,

## 2012 CALENDAR

### NOVEMBER

Stated Meeting  
Festive Board

Monday, November 26  
Friday, November 30

### DECEMBER

Grand Lodge  
Holiday Brunch

December 6-8  
Saturday, December 15

## IN MEMORIAM

Brother and Doctor George Ellison Hurt, Jr. passed away November 11, 2012. He was Mason for only 14 years, but an over 40-year contributor to the welfare of many, many kids who were spina bifida patients at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children. We are proud that he was a member of our Lodge.

*May his name be inscribed for blessing in  
the Book of Life*

## INFIRMERY

Larry Winkle PM/Treasurer recently had a knee replacement. He is at home and, at last word, is chasing Lucretia around the house.

If you know of anyone in our Lodge's family who is sick or distressed, please let me know so we can all share in wishing for their quick and complete recovery.

## FROM WILL ROGERS – ON AGE

I don't know how I got over the hill without getting to the top.

Being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable.

Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.

**“Time waits for no one.  
Treasure every moment you have.”**

## FEEDBACK, PLEASE

From our previous newsletter, “In an effort to be more fiscally responsible, I am considering the cost of supplies, printing and postage in mailing the newsletters and postcards.”

We had two (2) responses. Thanks a lot everyone.

## GRAND LODGE

While we are not “allowed” to campaign for those seeking Masonic office, we are certainly proud to announce that our own brother **Wendell P. Miller** PM and Chaplain has made himself available for the office of Grand Junior Warden. I know that we will proudly support him in this endeavor.

There are some 26 proposed resolutions, 1 carry-over resolution, 2 candidates for the Grand South, 3 candidates for the Committee on Work and 1 candidate for the Board of Directors of the Masonic Home and School. If you plan to go....be prepared to sit, and maybe sweat. Again, nothing’s changed.

## SOMETHING FOR OUR CHILDREN TO TEACH OUR GRANDCHILDREN

1. How to make a bed and maintain an orderly room
2. How to cook and clean a kitchen
3. How to do yard work
4. How to clean a bathroom
5. How to get a job outside the home
6. How to do laundry
7. How to do handyman jobs
8. How to host a party
9. How to work together
10. How to run errands
11. How to pt others first through service
12. How to act mannerly

## ‘TIS THE SEASON (BUT WITHOUT THE AGGIES)



## THANKSGIVING

“When we choose not to focus on what is missing from our lives but are grateful for the abundance that’s present.....We experience heaven on earth.”

Sarah Breathnoch

## 2013 CALENDAR

Please take note, so you won't forget or have to ask...even though it's listed every quarter.

### FEBRUARY

Festive Board Friday, February 22  
Stated Meeting Monday, February 25

### MAY

Stated Meeting TUESDAY, May 28  
Festive Board Friday, May 31

### AUGUST

Festive Board Friday, August 23  
Stated Meeting Monday, August 26

### NOVEMBER

Festive Board Friday, November 22  
Stated Meeting Monday, November 25

### DECEMBER

Grand Lodge December 5-7  
Holiday Brunch Saturday, December 14

**HAPPY, HEALTHY AND  
PROSPEROUS**  
**Thanksgiving, Channukah,  
Christmas and New Years**