

# CLAUD L. AUSTIN LODGE NO. 1450

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## STATED MEETING

Because of the observed Memorial Holiday, the next Stated Meeting is TUESDAY, May 28th, at noon in the Green Room of the Scottish Rite Cathedral. This is always, perhaps, the most important meeting of the year because we will elect our leadership for the ensuing Masonic Year. Plan to be there. Lunch, always good, will follow.

## FESTIVE BOARD

The Winter Festive Board was held on Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> and we had a record 42 in attendance...and that's without any guests. Now, reservations are pouring in for the Spring Festive Board and we need only a few more good men to beat the record. The date is Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>; the place is the DAC; and the time is 6:15pm for the attitude adjusting.

***Timeliness and commitment in making reservations is absolutely necessary.***

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## INSTALLATION

The annual Installation of Officers will be an open one, ladies and guests are cordially invited. It is set for Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup> in the Green Room of the Scottish Rite Cathedral beginning at Noon sharp. We ask the current officers to be there to open Lodge by 11:30am. As lunch will follow, we are also asking for RSVP's so there will be enough food for everyone. This you may do by calling or emailing the Secretary at 972-964-5760 or [cla1450@aol.com](mailto:cla1450@aol.com).

## MUSINGS

**Hard work pays off in the future; laziness pays off now.**

**I intend to live forever... So far, so good.**

**The hardness of the butter is proportional to the softness of the bread.**

**To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research.**

## MEMORIALS

None to report.....keep living.

## INFIRMERY

Nothing reported or known....stay well.

## PAST MASTERS NITE

The annual Past Masters Nite was held at the DAC on April 12. We had a great turn-out, a terrific dinner and a wonderful program by Dave Tanner. The Worshipful Master and the Senior Warden did a great job in recognizing and honoring our Past Masters for their service to the Lodge. Portraits were professionally made of each...as well as those of the Affiliated Past Masters and widows. Copies were sent to the honorees and digital copies were retained for the annals of the Lodge.

As arranged for by our Senior Warden Mal Fitch..... we were entertained by a program and music commemorating the Greatest Generation. Everyone enjoyed it immensely....and maybe for the first time, no one slept!

## BEING THE BEST YOU

**Trust things will change in your favor.** "You may be going through great difficulties, and you're tempted to think, I'm never going to get out of this. This is never going to change. I'm never going to

win this situation. Stand strong. When negative thoughts come, reject them.”

**Be kind to people even when they aren't kind to you.** “Take the high road, and be kind and courteous. Keep walking in friendship and have a good attitude.”

**Believe in yourself.** “Friend, you've got to believe in yourself and believe that you have something to offer this world that nobody else has.”

**Change your self-image.** “Are you allowing your weaknesses and insecurities to keep you from being your best? Remember, ordinary people just like you and me, faults and all, do extraordinary things.”

**Encourage others.** “Give a compliment. Hold the door for somebody—don't be so busy that you can't take five seconds for somebody else. It's not always the big things. Don't let the big things keep you from doing the small things.”

**Wake up in gratitude.** “How you wake up in the morning sets the tone for the whole day. Find something to be thankful for. Remind yourself you're equipped to do what you were called to do.”

## 2013 CALENDAR

MAY	
Stated Meeting	TUESDAY, May 28
Festive Board	Friday, May 31
JUNE	
Installation	Monday, June 24
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

**We can only know the fullest joys of Masonry when we truly walk the paths of service and of hard work in the quarries.**  
**George E. Burow**

**I don't know the key to success. But the key to failure is trying to please everybody.**  
**Bill Cosby**

## FOR OUR MANY GOLFERS

I was three over. One over a house, one over a patio, and one over a swimming pool.

The only sure rule in golf is - he who has the fastest cart never has to play the bad lie.

Sex and golf are the two things you can enjoy even if you're not good at them.

## GALLERY



Rob Dillard



R:W: Wendell Miller



Larry Winkle



Billy Pardue



Sarah Coursey, Joanne Wilson, Edna Adams