



Germania Lodge No. 46, F. & A. M.

4415 Bienville Street New Orleans, Louisiana 70119

NEWSLETTER



JULY, 2004

LODGE NEWS

It was a very busy month for Germania. We have three new members but unfortunately we also lost a long time one. Brother Albert Rohr was called home by the Grand Architect of the Universe on June 9. He was a Master Mason for 50 years, 6 months and 14 days. Last year his wife and he were present to receive his 50 year certificate and pin. Well done thou good and faithful servant.

The good news is that we have three new members! We raised possibly the oldest member in our history (in age only) to probably the youngest member in our history in one month! Bro. John Markley by his words is no ordinary 80 year old man, (he is only 79), but he is a dynamo and active in many civic and social entities around town. The last 28 years of his career he was President of the MPB Engineering Corp. His two main clients were the Boeing Co. and N.A.S.A.. They were inventors and new airplane and space craft concept engineers. He has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Aerospace Engineering, a Master of Business Administration (MBA) Degree, and a Professional Engineers License. He was in the U.S. Naval Intelligence and O.S.S. (now called C.I.A.) during WWII. He is a member of four German Groups and two Art Guilds. His hobbies are the German language, art (mixed media realistic painting), dancing, archery and Gun Club and Gardening and Home repair. We are proud he joined Germania!

We also raised Robert "Chase" Cockrel a 20 yr. old Tulane student who is double majoring in Physics (with a focus in Biophysics) and Classical Studies (with a focus in Ancient Christianity and Second Temple Judaism). This summer he is working in Baton Rouge at the Center for Advanced Microstructures and Devices (CAMD) doing research. CAMD is one of only 8 synchrotrons in the United States. He enjoys bicycling and martial arts in his free time. (Free time?)

Last but not least Bro. Ken Roberts lives in Virginia and is friends with Bro. Michael Poll who also resides in Virginia. He took advantage of new Grand Lodge rules allowing plural membership without residency. He wanted to belong to a Scottish Rite Lodge! "I was born in 1951 and grew up and attended public schools in Highland Springs, Va. I became a Master Mason in Babcock Lodge in 1972. In 1974, after a couple of short-term jobs, I was accepted as a recruit firefighter with the city of Richmond. I retired from the dept. in 1999 after 25 years of service, twenty of which as a Lieutenant. I took over my Dad's small Masonic publishing business after his death in 1997 and moved the business to Lancaster County VA in 2002, where my wife, Suzanne, and I now reside. We have 2 grown daughters, Kristin and Tiffany, and 2 grandsons. I gave up sport hunting for relic hunting about 15 years ago. I've always been very interested in U.S. history and I dig and collect Civil War relics as time and money permit. I enjoy fishing and reading Masonic and historical books. I was elected a Fellow of the Philalethes Society in 1998 and now serve as its business manager and write a bi-monthly column for "The Philalethes". I was named to the Masonic Brotherhood of the Blue Forget-Me-Not in 1997. I'm proud and grateful that the members of Germania Lodge have accepted me into their wonderful Lodge and hope that I can soon come and thank them personally."

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS FOR JULY

Michael Poll P.M.	7/22/1975 - 29 yrs.
Larry Tomlinson P.M.	7/22/1981 - 23 yrs.
Alan Cox	7/14/1982 - 22 yrs.
Billy Carter	7/10/1991 - 13 yrs.
Patrick Kueck	7/14/1993 - 11 yrs.
Ian Cairns P.M.	7/23/1997 - 07 yrs.
Robert Rapp	7/22/1998 - 06 yrs.
Wayne Plaisance	7/25/2003 - 1 yr.

TRESTLE BOARD

- Wednesday, July 14, 7:30 p.m., joint meeting with Indivisible Friends #404 in Gretna.
- Wednesday, July 28, 7:00 p.m. joint meeting with Indivisible Friends #404 at Germania. (*there will be an E.A. degree at this meeting*)
- Saturday, November 13, 7:00 p.m. Germanfest at Germania Hall

Directions to Indivisible Friends #404

Take Belle Chase Hwy. (Hwy 23) from West Bank Expy. to Whitney (red light), take a left one block to Carol Sue and take a right then one block to Fairfield. Take a left one block 39 Fairfield.

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

The soldiers listed below belong to a group serving in Iraq with Tim Cooke, the husband of Enid, who is the daughter of my friend Robo. Robo has been at the lodge many times. Tim said that these eight never get mail so we had a letter writing campaign. Many of the brothers that are on Germania's email list wrote them letters. We want to do more and send them a "New Orleans" care package. If you want to contribute give me a call. If you want to write them and show your appreciation go ahead.

Soldiers name - A/1-82 FA 1CD - Alpha Unit # 90017 - APO AE 09373

PFC Nathaniel Wallace	Spc Jonathan Harowicz
Spc. Damien Badal	Spc Bienuemedu Rubina
PV2 Steven Compton	Spc Felipe Melendez
PV2 Michael Eslick	Spc Dannie Martin

More News

It's July, and that means it's our time for our joint meeting with Indivisible Friends #404, a tradition since 1999. The first meeting on July 14 will be at their lodge and we will host the July 28 meeting. We will have an EA degree at the meeting on the 28th. Many of the brothers at Indivisible Friends have never seen a Scottish Rite EA degree and they expressed a desire to see one. **This is a real degree, not an exemplification! Please try to make both meetings especially the one on the 28th.**

The Concord Chapter of Demolay will start having meetings at Germania Hall in the near future. The new advisor told me that getting boys to join is not the problem; the problem is getting adults to volunteer. They are desperately trying to keep this historic and old Demolay chapter realistic. Please consider being an advisor, helper, roll model or assistant. Call Brad Maruschak at 225-667-4806.

W. Brother Warren Hawthorne attended the funeral services for Brother Albert Rohr and the family was very pleased that the lodge had a representative there but they didn't know that a Masonic funeral was an option for them. **Brothers, if you want to have a Masonic service at your demise you MUST let your family know while you are alive!** The same thing happened at the services for Brother Emile Henley. Please let your family know if you want one and put a notice in your will or with important papers.

Only three members of Germania and one from Etoile Polaire showed for the Grand Master's Relay Run and we didn't raise as much money as last year but... There is always next year. Thanks to Julia and Whitney Rodosti from the Rainbow Girls who did show up and participated. Julia walked with the old man (me) and Whitney ran with the runners. Whitney raised \$70.00 by her self! It was the day of the Scottish Rite Reunion and a plethora of other things about the city so the small turn out was understandable. It's hard to say no to this group of brothers from the Lake Charles area considering they are dedicated lawmen, take their own vacation and pay their own expenses to travel around to different lodges all over the state to raise money for Special Olympics. It's not too late to send in a check for this year. **Thanks to Eldred and Althea Gilmore and our custodian Ken Cox for their unselfish help.**

Sick Call: Bro. Nolan Pansano has arthroscopic surgery on his left knee which he injured at work. He is expected to make a full

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Brother Will Rogers, who died in a plane crash with Wylie Post in 1935, was probably the greatest political sage this country has ever known.

Enjoy the following:

- 1. Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.**
- 2. Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.**
- 3. There are 2 theories to arguing with a woman...neither works.**
- 4. Never miss a good chance to shut up.**
- 5. Always drink upstream from the herd.**
- 6. If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.**
- 7. The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back in your pocket.**
- 8. There are three kinds of men:
The ones that learn by reading.
The few who learn by observation.
The rest of them have to pee on the electric fence and find out for themselves.**
- 9. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.**
- 10. If you're riding' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.**
- 11. Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back.**
- 12. After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him.**

The moral: When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.