



# Mokanna Lodge #329 F. & A. M.



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## “TRESTLEBOARD” October 2007

“Stated Meetings: Second & Fourth Mondays, 7:30 PM, Dinner 6:30 PM”

### “FROM THE EAST”

Dear Brethren,

We lost a very honorable and friendly member on September 12. Mokanna’s Chaplain since 1988, James T. Yonts, passed away. He had been ill for several months. He would have been a 50 year member next year, after receiving his 40 year award in January of 1988. He was well liked by the members and will be greatly missed.

An event honoring the Past Masters of Mokanna, living and deceased, will take place on Saturday the 13th starting at noon. Also honored will be the widows of deceased Past Masters. The hosts for this event are the 2007 officers of Mokanna Lodge. Invitations have been sent out for the occasion.

Last year the prospect of Mokanna Lodge becoming a voting location for elections was investigated and talks began with the appropriate representatives from Orange County Elections Office. The plan was that should we become an election polling place and our members run the polling place and donate any earned monies to the Lodge to cover Lodge expenses through the year. It was thought a nearby polling place would become available next year and Mokanna would have the opportunity to acquire this vacancy. That does not appear to be going to happen next year.

But there is another opportunity that would be almost as profitable for us, and that is to adopt another polling place or be available to work at other polling places.

There are about seven different job descriptions required for each polling place. First there is the CLERK who is in charge of the polling place. Then there is the PR/PL or PRECINCT REGISTRAR/POLL LIST person who checks registrants to verify they are on the polling list. After that is the BALLOT ISSUER (2 or 3 people) that gives out the ballots to the voters. Next is the TABULATOR INSPECTOR and TOUCH SCREEN TECHNICIANS, followed by the POLL DEPUTY and INTERNET OATH PERSON. The TOUCH SCREEN TECHNICIANS instruct the voters on the usage of the voting machines while the TABULATOR INSPECTOR ensures the ballot counting system is working perfectly. The POLL DEPUTY is charged with keeping order outside the polling place. The INTERNET OATH PERSON needs computer expertise as he is the one who verifies the correct voting place for registrants and has contact with the central Elections Office. Each of these positions pays a certain amount depending on a set value.

In order to properly staff a polling place requires approximately seven to nine people or more. You also have to have completed a class provided by the Elections Office for whatever position you would be interested in performing. These classes are operated by the Elections Office several times a year and must be completed before you can participate.

Worshipful Don Martin is our contact person for this project. If anyone is interested, please contact either Don or myself to get your name on a list for future classes. Once you have completed a class, you are eligible to work at any polling place that needs your specialty. Working hours are usually from 7 AM to 7 PM, hours the polling places are open.

I am fully behind this opportunity for us to have a chance to raise money for the Lodge.

Future events are a Charity Bar-B-Que coming in November and our annual Christmas party for children in December

This word from the Secretary: The dues cards for 2008 are in and will be mailed soon. However, there are still several members that have not submitted their dues for 2007 and are in danger of being dropped.  
Fraternally Yours,  
W.: M.: Frank Walker

## Mokanna’s October Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Mokanna School 7 PM	2 S/R 30th Degree Practice 7 PM	3	4 Bahia Mtg	5	6 M/W Mtg at OB 80 8:00 AM
7	8 Stated Mtg Dinner 6:30 PM Mtg 7:30 PM	9 Amaranth Dinner 6:00 PM Mtg 7:30 PM	10 District School OB 80 7:30 PM	11	12 Bahia P/M Mtg	13 Masters and Widows Dinner 12:00 noon
14	15 Mokanna School 7 PM	16	17	18 S/R 32nd Degree Practice 7:30 PM @ S/R	19	20 S/R Reunion
21 S/R Reunion	22 Stated Mtg Dinner 6:30 PM Mtg 7:30 PM	23 (Amaranth)	24 District School OB 80 7:30 PM	25	26 KSA/SR Mtg	27
28	29 Mokanna School 7 PM	30	31			

