

**COLUMBIA LODGE #31 F.&A.M.  
FEBRUARY 2008 NEWSLETTER**

**CALENDAR**

February 12 <sup>th</sup>	Pulaski 101 MM degree Eat @ 6pm
February 10 <sup>th</sup>	Old Timers Night Eat @ 2pm
February 11 <sup>th</sup>	Hohenwald 618 EA Degree Eat @ 6pm
February 14 <sup>th</sup>	Pulaski 101 MM degree Eat @ 6pm
February 18 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter / Council Stated Meeting
February 19 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Hill EA degree Eat @ 6pm
February 21 <sup>st</sup>	EA Degree Michael Wayne Bridge 7pm
February 25 <sup>th</sup>	Commandery Stated Meeting 6:30pm
February 26 <sup>th</sup>	OES – Initiation Marty & Renee Leland
February 28 <sup>th</sup>	EA Degree Timothy Jason Sanders 7pm
February 28 <sup>th</sup>	Commandery Stated Meeting
March 4 <sup>th</sup>	OES Stated meeting
March 6 <sup>th</sup>	Lodge Stated Meeting
March 29 <sup>th</sup>	8am – 10am Breakfast - \$5.00 Everyone invited

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Old Timer's Night**

February 10<sup>th</sup> 2008  
Eat @ 2pm Program to Follow

50 Year Mason's Class of 2008

Edd Noel Ammons	Dee Cee Neeley
Robert Harold Bates	James Ralph Ussery
Clifford Earl Hutcherson	Robert Conway Wilhite
Alfred Ingram	Justin Lee Wilsford

50 Year Ram Members:

John Edward Darby  
James Edward Bridges

**NEW PETITIONS**

Adam Joseph Ryan – 3 degrees  
Richard Ronald Sofilkanich – 3 degrees

**DEGREES SET**

Michael Wayne Bridge – EA  
Timothy Jason Sanders - EA

Dear Brethren,

Last month I flew to Orlando for a conference. Looking down from an airplane, one gets a real sense of the smallness and insufficiency of man. All of our accomplishments, all of our achievements, all we have built amounts to nothing when compared to the great expanse of the world, created by the spoken word of our Great Creator. It is only through our arrogance that we can possibly conceive a purpose apart from God.

Watching the sunset over the Epoch Center from my hotel room, I realized that we often create an illusion, accepting this cheap imitation for the real thing. We owe it to ourselves and our members to fulfill our responsibilities as Masons, and present an environment that is conducive toward Masonic growth.

I encourage those who have not had the opportunity to attend the meetings of the lodge to make an extra effort during these upcoming months to do so. For those who have been present, thank you for your continued support. My challenge to you is this – bring something to the lodge. Whether it is sharing your experience, Masonic lessons learned, or simply your presence and fellowship – the doors are open.

John Ray Caldwell Jr – Worshipful Master