



# Merry Christmas



### Good Of The Order

God give us men! A time like this demands  
Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands;  
Men whom the lust of office does not kill;  
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;  
Men who possess opinions and a will;

Men who have honor; Men who will not lie;  
Men who can stand before a demagogue  
And damn his treacherous flatteries without winking!  
Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog  
In public duty and private thinking;  
For while the rabble, with their thumb-worn creeds,  
Their large professions and their little deeds,  
Mingle in selfish strife, lo! Freedom weeps,  
Wrong rules the land and waiting justice sleeps.  
**Josiah Gilbert Holland (1809 - 1894)**

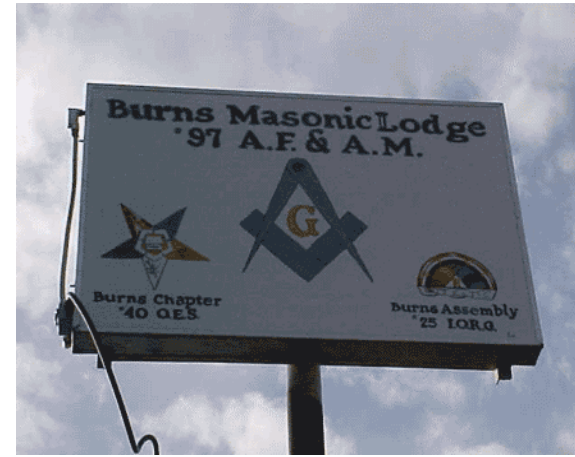
### Wages of a Mason

Masonic labor is purely a labor of love. He who seeks to draw  
Masonic wages in gold and silver  
will be disappointed. The wages  
of a Mason are earned and paid in  
their dealings with one another;  
sympathy that begets sympathy,  
kindness begets kindness,  
helpfulness begets helpfulness,  
and these are the wages of a  
Mason.

**Benjamin Franklin  
(1706-1790)**

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## Robert Burns Masonic Lodge #97 AF&AM

541-573-2220

## Calendar of Events

### December 2008

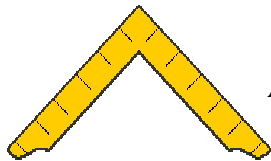
- 1st Officers Meeting 6:00 pm
- 1st Stated Meeting 7:00 pm  
Official Visit – RWB Dave Johnson
- 7<sup>th</sup> Open Installation of Officers  
12:00pm, Refreshments Following
- 15<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting 7:00 pm

You are cordially invited to attend the Open Installation of,  
Rodger Dale Boyd  
as  
Worshipful Master of Robert Burns Masonic Lodge #97 AF & AM  
Sunday, December 7, 2008  
12:00 Noon  
Ceremony will be held at the  
Robert Burns Masonic Lodge #97  
1210 W. Taylor Street  
(Refreshments Following Installation)



Robert Burns Masonic Lodge  
No. 97 AF&AM  
P.O. Box 997  
Burns, OR 97720

## FROM THE EAST



### Greetings Brethren,

Another year has again brought us to our annual election & appointment of officers. Our election was held on Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>

It is my pleasure to present to you these Officers (here-in listed). With this new Masonic year, I am troubled by the great challenge they face. The reason is, year by year we have seen fewer & fewer Brethren showing up for Lodge to assist with keeping the Lodge open, functional & going forward. With several of our new and youngest Brethren having moved out of the area our hopes of a renewal and resurgence of energy bringing our Lodge back from the edge, adds to what has me truly troubled. It should also trouble those Brethren in the local area for what may be coming down the road for the Lodge in the near future.

I can say though, that our new Master, Brother Beau Boyd, while moving to the east from the south, has the energy, will power and "can do" attitude that will make a start on a resurgence in our activities as a Lodge & as Masons.

Again though, I must strongly charge you, who have been away from lodge, to come back and help him and the other officers get us back on track.

**Fraternally, Perry Cooper, Worshipful Master**

## Events & Activities

### Lodge Officers, 2009

<b>Worshipful Master</b>	<b>Beau Boyd</b>
<b>Senior Warden</b>	<b>WB Bill Quier</b>
<b>Junior Warden</b>	<b>Scott Shaw</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>WB Dick Tabor</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>WB Ken Mullenex</b>
<b>Senior Deacon</b>	<b>Open</b>
<b>Junior Deacon</b>	<b>Open</b>
<b>Senior Steward</b>	<b>WB Perry Cooper</b>
<b>Junior Steward</b>	<b>Open</b>
<b>Marshal</b>	<b>WB Perry Cooper</b>
<b>Chaplain</b>	<b>WB Dale Eggleston</b>
<b>Tyler</b>	<b>Jim Gardner</b>
<b>Historian</b>	<b>WB Dale Eggleston</b>

**You will notice that there are several appointed positions open, Help is needed. Please call Bro. Beau Boyd, & see how you can help!**

**541-589-1095**

## LODGE INFORMATION

### MASONIC LODGE

Worshipful Master	Perry Cooper, PM <i>kadet91@yahoo.com</i>	573-1619
Senior Warden	Guy Holloway <i>hollowaygh@yahoo.com</i>	589-1282
Junior Warden	Beau Boyd <i>Beau_chelle@hotmail.com</i>	589-1095
Treasurer	Bill Renwick <i>william_renwick@hotmail.com</i>	573-6147
Secretary	Ray Breshears, PM <i>knightkadosh30@yahoo.com</i>	573-2639
Senior Deacon	Jeff Roher	573-1770
Junior Deacon	Scott Shaw	573-1730
Chaplain	Ken Mullenex, PM <i>kmullenex@uci.net</i>	536-5309
Marshal	Bill Quier, PM <i>quinws@hotmail.com</i>	573-2588
Senior Steward	Open	
Junior Steward	Open	
Tyler	Jim Gardner	573-7404
Historian	Dale Eggleston, PM	573-3833

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

President	Perry Cooper, PM	573-1619
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### TEMPLE BOARD

President	Beau Boyd	589-1095
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### AFFILIATED BODIES

HARNEY COUNTY SHRINE CLUB		
President	Bill Renwick	573-6147



### Chaplain's Corner

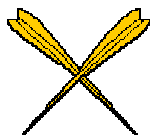
Masonic dedication means making an effort to attend lodge and participate in the activities. If participation is not possible, attendance to support the brethren who work to keep the lodge alive is important beyond measure. Too often we tend to stay comfortable at home thinking "Tonight is Lodge night and I should go. No, tonight I'm tired, perhaps next time. "That decision shows apathy and indifference. Dedication will overcome apathy, but it takes some positive action on all our parts. Please attend and help keep Robert Burns Lodge No. 97 alive. "



### Greetings From the South

On this the eve of installation I think it of a paramount of importance that we acknowledge the issues before this lodge that threaten to wither us on the vine. My year in the East will be spent not only trying to address these issues but also in asking each and every brother to do what he can to ensure a collaborative effort to make our lodge a stronger and more productive one. At the top of my list of concerns, and hopefully yours as well, is dwindling attendance. We have to take an aggressive approach within reason, to bolster our numbers not only to procure the future longevity of our lodge but also to help do our part in reversing the gradual decline of numbers in masonry as a whole.

**Beau Boyd, Junior Warden**



### From the Secretary's Pen

Just a reminder about payment of dues. There are some who are about to be dropped for non-payment of dues. Please send dues payment to

**WB Richard Tabor 763 S. Mc Gowan Burns, OR 97720**