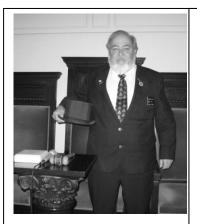
Messalonskee Lodge #113 C/O Dana W. Wrigley, Secretary 453 Fairfield Street Oakland, ME 04963 RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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2009 Officers

Wor. Master: Dick Penney
Senior Warden: Scott Bonnell
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Junior Deacon: Keith Hall
Sr. Steward: Peter Davis Couture
Jr. Steward: Mike Letourneau
Chaplin: Steven Bucknam
Marshal: Kevin Davidson
Tyler: Kenneth R. Libby
Historian: Peter Davis Couture
Organist: Steven W. Bucknam

PLEASE READ This affects You

During the last few years the Oakland Masonic Association has subsidized the Masonic Bodies up to \$4,000.00 per year out of the profits of the Association's investments. This was an effort to keep the dues low.

Due to the financial downturn and the price of heating oil, there are no profits to use to lower the assessments of the bodies resulting in an increase in those assessments.

At the annual meeting of the Oakland Masonic Association it was voted to raise the assessments to an amount that will hopefully just cover the expenses for the 2009 fiscal year.

At the December stated meeting of Messalonskee Lodge, a motion was entered to assess the members \$10.00 over the dues to be able to pay the new assessment. This will be voted on at the January meeting.

Please plan to attend.

The Trestle Board



Messalonskee Lodge #113 Oakland, Maine www.messalonskeelodge.org

Meetings on the Third Tuesday at 7:30 PM

From The East

Happy New Year to you and your families, I would like to thank you for electing me Wor. Master. of Messalonskee Masonic Lodge for 2009. The support I have been shown is over whelming. I will do my best, I assure you. To our Brothers that haven't attended lodge lately, I would like to invite you to come and see the quality improvements made to your lodge in the past two or three years. I think you will be pleased.

Many of the brethren know me, but for those that don't, my name is Richard Penney, my wife and I reside at 35 Cottle Rd. Oakland, Me. We moved to Oakland in 1978, our three children graduated from Messalonskee High School. We have found this to be a fine community to live and raise a family.

I was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in 1981, Wor. Master Dana Wrigley was in the East that year. I can honestly say Masonry would be a big loss if the time ever came that it was not available to me. Oh well, as it is said about anything worth pursuing, you only get out of it what your willing to put into it.

Please Brethren, I encourage all of our members to come out on Stated Meeting Night, have supper and attend a lodge meeting, show your support for the incoming candidate taking his degrees. I hope you will consider this, you might find the evening could bring back a bit of joy and entertainment that has been missing in your regular routine. I hope everyone enjoys the newly revised trestle board and that it keeps you well informed of the upcoming events / activities of Messalonskee Lodge for 2009.

My personal thanks to the Brothers on the trestle board committee, Bro. Blaine Ellis, Bro. Peter Davis Couture and Bro. Scott Bonnell, for their time and efforts.

Fraternally,

Richard Penney, Master Elect