TRESTLE BOAT

Table Rock Masonic Lodge #680, A.F. & A.M. Kimberling City, MO, U.S.A.

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FROM THE EAST:

May has come and gone. It seemed like such a short month because of all the activity. Bros. Doug DuShane and Ronnie Hall were raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason at a special communication on the 3rd. Bro. Ron Mixer was initiated into our mysteries on the 17th. The election of officers for the coming Masonic year was held on the 10th. Congratulations to Worshipful Master-elect, John Elmore; Senior Warden-elect, Rob Fuqua; and Junior Warden-elect, Kenny Adkins. Congratulations and thanks to Tony Root and Harold Metzger for agreeing to be re-elected to the offices of Secretary and Treasurer. On Saturday the 21st we held a very successful MoChip which was done for the first time in our own building. The response from you brothers and also sisters from Kimberling chapter of Eastern Star was just great! There were over 30 who helped with this event. Thank you all! The next day, the 21st, we held an ice cream social, again jointly with the Eastern Star. It too was a great success with a large sum of donations which were shared by our two organizations. These donations were accomplished in large part by various members who sold tickets on 3 Wednesdays and Thursdays before the event. We Masons can't take much of the credit for it as the Eastern Star members not only came up with the idea but did most of the organizing and preparation. Thanks so much to everyone who worked so hard to put this together. At 5:00, the muchawaited drawing for the door prize was held and Bro. Mike Ward was the lucky winner of the Mossberg shotgun. Congratulations, Mike! At our Stated meeting on the 24th, it was Past Masters Night. All the officers who sat in the chairs did a "masterful" job of opening in form, partial closing, conducting our business and then closing. A motion was passed to contribute \$500 to Fellowship Lodge in Joplin for them to use in disaster relief. Upon contacting their Secretary Richard Lowery, it was requested that we send the donation to the Grand Lodge for a fund they have established. Bro. Lowery emotionally expressed his appreciation to our Lodge.

Following is a message from MWB Bro. Gail Turner:

"Many of you have responded to news of the devastating tornado in Joplin, Missouri, with both offers of assistance and inquiries regarding the most effective method of getting help to the victims. The Grand Lodge of Missouri is able to come to the aid of our Brothers in the Fraternity and the community at large through designated funds.

While it is still too early to know the specific needs of those impacted by the disaster, the Grand Lodge of Missouri is willing to facilitate aid and assistance to those in need. Monetary donations will be restricted to use by victims of the Joplin area devastation and the recovery effort in the community. We are unfortunately unable to accept donations of materials, other than your cash or checks, due to a lack of storage and distribution capabilities.

Your donations made to the Grand Lodge for the disaster relief effort will be acknowledged by a gift receipt letter for your records. Checks should be made payable to the Grand Lodge of Missouri with the notation 'Joplin area disaster relief'. Please keep the Brethren and fami-

lies of southwestern Missouri in your prayers as they endure what will surely be a prolonged period of recoverv."

A group of Table Rock Lodge members traveled to Joplin on Sunday, the 29th, to help out at the Scottish Rite Temple in their efforts to provide meals for the residents whose property was destroyed and the workers helping them. Some of our members have made other trips and helped in many ways. Please keep the people of Joplin in your prayers and try to help them in any way you can!

We have sadly been informed of the passing of Lois J. Newman, mother of Everett Jackson and past Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Chapter of Order of Eastern Star.

June looks to be a little less busy. Bro. Ron Mixer will be passed to Fellowcraft at our stated meeting the 14th. This will also be the night for the Eastern Star chapter to honor the Masons and provide dinner. There will be a 50-yr pin presented on the 28th.

FROM THE SOUTH:

I have enjoyed being the Junior Warden and look forward to being your Senior Warden. I would like to thank all of those that have cooked meals for me and who will help at the golf tournament. I want to say a special thanks to Brother Kenny Atkins who came early and left late to help me cook and clean up. 1 also want to thank Greg Yoder for staying late and helping clean up. Please remember to save Tuesday nights for a meal and brother-

hood. Rob Fuqua, Junior Warden

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MASONIC CALENDAR:

June 7	6:30 pm	Practice
June 14	7:00 pm	Stated Communication; 2nd degree for Ron Mixer; dinner pro- vided by Kimberling Chapter of Order of Eastern Star at 6 pm
June 21	6:30 pm	Practice
June 28	7:00 pm	Stated Communication; 50-year presentation; no meal



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Bro. Mike Ward was the winner of the Mossberg shotgun given in conjunction with the Ice Cream Social on May 22.