



Trestle Board

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From the East



Greetings from the East

I hope that as of the publication of this Trestle Board every one of the Brethren and their families are fine and enjoying great health. It was great getting together at the Lodge after so much time apart. June was a very busy month as we had numerous catechism returns and degree work. Brother Steve and the brothers who participated in the Fellowcraft degree did an outstanding job. I want to thank them and the brothers who worked tirelessly to get these brothers ready to advance in their Masonic journey. Worshipfuls Paul Tinsley and Mike Kramer along with Brothers Chuck Norman, Keith Kovatch and Robert Borr did a terrific job in preparing these brothers during this difficult time. I and the entire craft thank you for your tireless efforts.

I would also like to thank Worshipfuls Ken Lyons and David Barron and our R.W. Jerry W. Clark for taking the time to beautify, restore and maintain our lodge. Brothers W. Ken Lyons and R.W. Jerry Clark repaired the lights which were out in the lodge room. This was no easy feat considering that the broken fixtures had to be removed and then replaced with new ones. W. David Barron has kept me informed of all the footwork he is doing to try to get the best possible price on paint and meeting with building professionals to discuss ways in preserving our lodge. Thanks also go out to Brothers Steve Czerniejewski, Luis Oliveira, Glenn Miller and Jose Morales for cleaning, disinfecting and getting our lodge ready for our fellowship meetings. Brother Morales in addition to setting up the social distancing guides around the lodge also provided the lodge with an infrared digital non contact thermometer in preparation for our reopening. Thanks to Brother Ernie Harper for always stepping up on short notice to perform repairs and maintaining our lodge in fine working order. Thank you all for the fine work you do on behalf of the lodge. It was indeed sad that we had to cancel our annual 4th of July parade. This was done because of the alarming increase in Covid-19 cases. The health and safety of the Craft, their families and the community is always paramount. Nevertheless, mention should be made on the fine work Brother Chuck Norman did in gathering funds and bicycles for needy children. He reached out to organizations and individuals and was able to obtain both new and refurbished bikes for needy children. The distribution of the bikes will be done at a later date when conditions get better. A special thanks to all the bothers who contributed to this worthy cause. Finally I would like to thank all of the brothers who assisted our brethren and their families during this difficult time. This was perhaps one of the hardest times I have had as Worshipful Master. There was so much need and very little by way of resources but we were able to help those who really needed it. Thank you to the brothers who delivered toilet paper, gloves and hand sanitizer. Thank you to the brothers who delivered food to brothers and their families who needed it. Thank you to the brothers who mailed out supermarket gift cards so that brothers and their families could nourish themselves. Finally thank you to the brothers who simply got on the phone and reached out to the brothers and prayed for and with them. While it was an extremely sad time for me and others it was gratifying to see the kind acts by our brother Masons. (Cont. pp.2)

From the East Continued

Please continue to practice social distancing, reduce the amount of time you are outside in the presence of people and wash your hands as often as possible especially after touching objects. With the Lord's help we will get through this. Finally, I would like to ask the Brethren to please continue to pray for the sick and needy in 2020. God Bless you all and I will see you at the Lodge!

Fraternally, Gil Alvarez, Worshipful Master

From the West

Greetings from the West



It's hard to believe that we are approaching the middle of the year. Time really flies.

A big shout out to Brother Steve Czerniejewski and the degree team for the amazing FC Degree that they conferred on June 23rd. We passed 5 brothers: Jesus Collado, Vladimir Mitton, Boris Khovitch, Brian Selkowitz and Steven Eckwielen. Congratulations to the brothers for this important achievement in Freemasonry.

On July 30th Brother Robert Opificius was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason at South Seminole Lodge, who did the courtesy work for us.

I just want to say that I am very proud of all these Brothers as they continue to strive in educational excellence. Keep up with the excellent work!

Events:

Open books -July 25 2020 (Possibly, to be determined)

MLT: July 30 – 7:30 pm at Eola Lodge - Modules 01,03,04 (see attached file) This subject had a long discussion last Master and Wardens meetings on SD's current Masonic Education requirements – W ∴ Jay Cebollero is willing to work with those wanting to reach the requirements – call Jay!

Luis F. Oliveira, Senior Warden

From the South



Salutations from the South, Brethren!

As we continue to navigate the choppy waters of this pandemic, I am happy to say that we will resume serving meals before our meetings. Our light meal on July 2nd will be a nod to the Independence Day Holiday as we have hamburgers, hot dogs, and other picnic-y foods. Our second meal will feature smoky bacon wrapped chicken.

Our Masonic Education this month will be provided by Brother Robert Borr and Brother Chuck Norman. They are going to share their professional expertise to help us learn more about dealing with our health and financial issues as we prepare for the time when we have laid down our working tools.

It is with great sadness I report to you that the Kids' Parade has been cancelled this year, at least for the Independence Day Holiday on July 4th. The latest developments with the coronavirus has brought us to the point where officials from the city and the lodge feel like it would be more prudent to avoid a large gathering of people at our event. I am hopeful that we will be back next year or

perhaps could even reschedule this fun event at a later date this year.

Fraternally, Steve Czerniejewski, Junior Warden

Chaplain's Message



My Brothers,

These are indeed difficult times for us and for our country. Just when it seems that things are going to return to normal, whatever that is now days, we get hit again by COVID-19. In spite of this we cannot lose track of in whose arms we rest and who is there for us. Our Great God is in control, it is not for us to second guess Him, but to trust and rely on His great love for us, His prized creation. We don't understand but that is not our role. Our role is to trust and abide in Him. To love and support one another in every way we can.

Be safe, there are more confirmed cases in Winter Garden and many who have been exposed. Support our local businesses in anyway you can, they have families and loved ones to support.

But as the charge says, be ye all of one mind!

Blessing of the Father be with you,

To contact me call me at 407-620-6250 (leave a message) or email me at ecm@cfl.rr.com

W.B. Ed McMullen, Chaplain

From the Secretary



Greetings Brothers,

I hope that you are all staying safe and healthy. I will be sending out late dues notices in the coming weeks for those still needing to pay per Grand Lodge requirements. If you are having financial difficulty during these times, please contact me, so that we can arrange payment for later in the year once things normalize.

We depend on the dues payments to pay for the general operation and maintenance of our building. There are several projects that need to be addressed this year and your dues payments will help pay for these projects. Thank you for your quick attention to this matter.

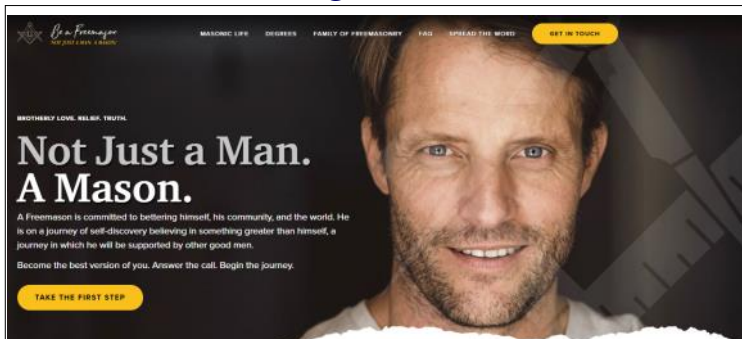
I would like to send the following Brothers warm Birthday Wishes in the month of July: Samuel Bean, Jerry Chapman, Joseph Gracey, Fred Kidwell, Mike Kilgore, Keith Kovatch, Mike Kramer, Phillip Moffses, Scott Penvose, James Russ, Charles Stone, and Gerald Whitlock.

Lastly, please keep an eye on the Trestle Board, our Facebook page, and website (www.wintergardenmasoniclodge.org) for upcoming events and information. If you have new contact information, or a new mailing address, please contact me at 407-435-9198, or email me at gatordoc05@hotmail.com. Thanks again for the opportunity to serve. Remember that we meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of every month. There will not be a meal until further notice, but the lodge should still open around 6:30pm for visitation and socialization with CDC guidelines in place for social distancing and sanitization requirements. Hope to see you at our next stated communication in July.

Fraternally,

W.:Frank Lopez (2015), Secretary

BeAFreemason.org



Brothers,

We need your help in spreading the word about BeAFreemason.org by sharing it on all your social media pages and mentioning the site to your friends and acquaintances who July be interested in becoming Masons.

The new website will serve as a guide for men who are interested in becoming Masons and act as a referral service matching interested men with the Grand Lodge in their area.



Brief Summary of Orange Assembly's Virtual Grand Assembly Experience

This year has seen unprecedented changes in Florida Rainbow, with the coronavirus pandemic changing the way we run meetings and hold events. But the biggest change us Rainbow Girls have seen is Virtual Grand Assembly, held as a combination of Facebook videos and Zoom meetings.

We kicked off this Virtual Grand Assembly with a bang on Friday night with a pizza party social and game night, then spent Saturday hearing remarks and seeing presentations from people inside and outside of our jurisdiction. Among these presentations were the Flag Tributes, with the Florida Flag Tribute and Christian Flag Tribute given by our very own Haley Bonavitacola and Shelby Manley, respectively. The Rainbow youth scholarships were also awarded to Rainbow Girls across the state, including Haley Bonavitacola.

We witnessed the results of the Grand Assembly competitions, viewing the coin jars, t-shirts, banners, and identifiers of each Assembly. Orange Assembly won second place in the banner competition, with our banner made by Haley Bonavitacola, and first place in the identifier competition, with our rocket painted by Jackie Burbank.



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Then we all attended a beautiful majority service to honor those Rainbow girls who are aging out this year. To counteract the sorrowful mood and remind us that this is a time of celebration, that night, the Grand Representatives took the stage with their costumes, flags, and sashes. Jennifer Jenkins won second place in the costume competition. On Sunday, we saw touching presentations and heard sweet remarks bidding the 2019-2020 Grand Officers farewell and began to look forward to the new year.

The new Grand Officer announcements left nothing to be desired, with Shelby Manley being elected as Grand Hope, Jennifer Jenkins as Grand Religion, and Rachel Negron as Grand Representative to Oregon, Arkansas, and Rhode Island. Shelby Manley and Jennifer Jenkins were also selected to be part of the Junior Grand Executive Board. Sunday afternoon, the new Grand Officers were installed, bringing the 74th Florida Grand Assembly to a close.



We would like to congratulate all of Florida Rainbow, but particularly our Orange Assembly #134, on a wonderful year, and on staying unified and hopeful during these trying times. Virtual Grand Assembly was surely an unforgettable event.

Orange Assembly #134



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Calendar of Events

July 2nd: Stated meeting of Winter Garden Lodge, No. 165 F&AM, 7:30 PM

July 9th: Stated Convocation of Eureka Chapter No. 7 Royal Arch Masons at Eola No. 207, 7:30 PM

July 16th: Stated meeting of Winter Garden Lodge, No. 165 F&AM, 7:30 PM

Winter Garden Lodge No. 165

230 West Bay Street
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Meetings: 7:30 PM – 1st & 3rd Thursdays each month
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Senior Steward Bro. Glen Miller	Junior Stewards Bro. Keith Phillip Kovatch Bro. Mike Lillard Bro. Leonardo S. Pedro Bro. Stephen M. Dimond Bro. Charles Norman	Tyler W. Michael A. Kramer II

Past Masters

1907 Joseph Elwell *	1931 H.C. Mink *	1956 M.T. Minor *	1980 Gordon W. Giddens +	2004 J. Steven Teal PDDGM	AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS of
1908 Charles H. Tilden *	1932 Harry M. Smith *	1957 W.H. Hinson *	1981 John H. Linebarrier +	2005 Robert Whyte	ROBERT B. SHUGART LODGE no. 393
1909 Charles H. Tilden *	1933 Harry M. Smith *	1958 L.G. Donahay *	1982 Carl A. Sheperd *	2006 Barton "Bart" A. Patria	1998 Thomas V. Lemoine
1910 George T. Smith *	1934 Waymon A. Wilkes *	1959 W.D. Hartzog *	1983 Charles D. Counterman	2007 George "Jabo" Pellam *	1999 John Carroll*
1911 J.E. Petris *	1935 Thomas D. Mack *	1960 A.J. Thunell*	1984 Bernard C. Williams *	2008 Wilbur A. Smith III	2000 Phillip E Moffses
1912 W. T. Hickman *	1936 Charles Gregory *	1961 Vard J. Hager*	1985 Robert A. Davis + *	2009 Scott Penvose	2001 Fred G McNabb
1913 Joseph Elwell *	1937 L.Frank Roper *	1962 Charles McMillian *	1986 Paul W. Tinsley	2010 Ken Lyons	2002 Jeans Claude Perche*
1914 J.E. Petris *	1938 R.M. Morris *	1963 Clarence E. Heidt*	1987 George C. Woodward*	2011 Garland "Gary" Story	2003 Edward Burchette+
1915 Roy R. Roper *	1939 C.L. Stanford *	1964 Harvey L.Davis *	1988 John W. Carroll + *	2012 Michael Kilgore	2003 Phillip E Moffses
1916 E.F.Niblad *	1940 W.E. Reaves *	1965 John H. Loucks *	1998 L. Wade Rich	2013 Sly Cawley	2004 Robert V Hall+
1917 A.J. Willis *	1941 O.L.Sands PDDGM *	1966 John V. Tyndall *	1990 Robert R. Jones*	2014 Jerry Clark, DDGM	2005 G Scott Penvose
1918 Charles H. Tilden *	1942—1943 O.L. Sands *	1967 D.E. Duppenthaler	1991 Paul O. Harvey	2015 Francisco Lopez	
1919 Louis D. Jones *	1944 W.E. Reaves *	1968 Jonathan N. Branch *	1992 Veryl M. Summerlin*	2016 J. Mark Kirkley	AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS OF OTHER LODGES
1920 Bert H. Roper *	1945 Bruce N. Jones PDDGM *	1969 Charles W. Irrgang III *	1993 Darrell W. Clay	2017 Clawson Peacock	1970 Lou Edge
1921 H.G. Briley *	1946 Bruce N. Jones *	1970 Jack L Quesinberry PDDGM	1994 Charles F. Roper	2018 Michael Kramer	1985 Ed McMullen
1922 A. F. Landstreet *	1947 Robert H. Augustberry *	1971 Billy E. Peavey *	1995 Arthur F.Young Jr.	2019 David Barron	1999, 2000 Lawrence Drake Sr*
1923 W. Fred Roper *	1948 Harry M. Danie I *	1972 J.Gordon Russ	1996 Weldon L.Wichman		1999 Gerald Whitlock
1924 J.E. Clonts *	1949 M.G. Parramore PDDGM	1973 Nial P. Handley *	1997 Frankie D. Colburn		1999 Craig Frazier
1925 Clarence Lau *	1950 Ed C. Reaves *	1974 John Cook *	1998 Thomas B. Jenkins		2002 Mike Hatcher
1926 Waymon A. Wilkes *	1951 R.F. Anderson *	1975 Galen Cline *	1999 Rodney C. Hollis*		2007 Jim Palo
1927 L.H. King *	1952 Roger B. Seidner	1976 Walter P. Carreker +	2000 Lawrence A. Drake Jr.		2012 Adam Alvarez
1928 L.H. King *	1953 J.M. Groover *	1977 Herbert H. Blith	2001 Reid J. Revels		2013 Derek Lacey
1929 W.H. Hamage *	1954 L.E. Johnson *	1978 Zeb C. Peacock Jr. *	2002 Robert E. Burke Jr.*		2015 Fauzi Saab
1930 Harry M. Smith *	1955 Clyde E. Roberson *	1979 Julian L. Revels *	2003 James A. Avera*		