



# 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. July was a very busy month at the lodge. 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 Brother Oscar Gomez ready to advance in his Masonic journey. Brother Steve has also stepped up his culinary skills for our meals. I wish to extend my thanks to him and the entire team who made the meals in July so delicious and memorable.

In July we also distributed bicycles to needy children. It was great getting together and transporting the bicycles to central Orlando where they were donated to a charitable organization that provided them to

needy children. Thanks to all who participated and/or contributed to this worthy cause.

In July Winter Garden Lodge started its video series "Speaking with the East." The goal of the series is to memorialize as much of our lodges Masonic history by interviewing past Masters about their year in the East as well as their recollections of other past Masters and Brothers who are no longer with us. Our first interview was conducted with Worshipful Bart Patria, W.M. 2006. It was great sitting down with W. Bart and listening to him fondly recall his year in the East and the challenges he faced. The series will benefit future generations of masons by actually having them see and hear the wisdom of our treasured past Masters. Best of luck to W. Bart Patria who is moving to Idaho with his family.

In July we also provided service through our "My Brother's Keeper" program. This is a unique and novel program that provides assistance by way of services and/or sweat equity in restoring, Beautifying, and renovating the homes of our more senior members and their families. Our goals for the remainder of the year are to beautify, repair and renovate the homes of other Brothers and their families who require assistance. This program increases our footprint in the community and complements the "Adopt a Highway" program we already participate in. More participation by the brethren is always welcomed and appreciated.

Winter Garden continues to set the standard in Masonic Education. The month of July saw two outstanding presentations which incorporated Masonic teachings into both law and medicine. Brother Robert Borr made a presentation on wills and estate planning and Brother Chuck Norman made a presentation on the use of the Automated External Defibrillator or AED. Both presentations were Informative and provided the brethren with knowledge that will benefit not only them but society as a whole. Congratulations go out to brother Robert Opificio on being raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. Brother Jose Morales, the Senior Deacon, continues to step up in his efforts of cleaning, disinfecting and getting our lodge ready for our fellowship meetings. Thank you Brother Morales for the care you take in sanitizing our lodge, and for all of the hard work you do for our lodge.

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 Lords 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

## August Charity

United cerebral palsy  
of Winter Garden



## From the West



### Greetings from the West

July was a busy month for the Lodge. Unfortunately, we had to cancel our traditional 4th of July Parade. In consultation with the City of Winter Garden it was decided that it would be prudent to avoid a large gathering.

First, I'd like to congratulate Brother Oscar Gomez, who was passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft. Brother Steve Czerniejewski did a great job (as always) in the East. Thanks also to W. Reg Lyle for giving the lecture and W. Ed McMullen for delivering the charge. Congratulations to the entire degree team for putting on an outstanding degree in such short time.

Another huge accomplishment was the first "My Brother's Keeper" event led by Br. Chuck Norman. A large group of brothers did some work in W. Paul Tinsley's yard. The work included laying 33 bags of mulch, power washing the driveway and more. The mission was a success because of the brothers who showed up on a Saturday morning to support this project. Thanks to each and every one of the brothers that made this a tremendous achievement. This is what our fraternity is about!!

### Events in August:

August 1st: Masters and Wardens at Winter Park - 9am (8am breakfast TBD)

August 29th: MLT at winter Park - 9am - Modules 8,10,13, 15

Open books and DSOI: TBD

"Our 2020 Vision is about communicating with the Craft, being accountable for our actions and uniting as a statewide team of upright men and Brother Masons that anyone would want to become a member of." M.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr. Grand Master

Luis F. Oliveira, Senior Warden

## From the South



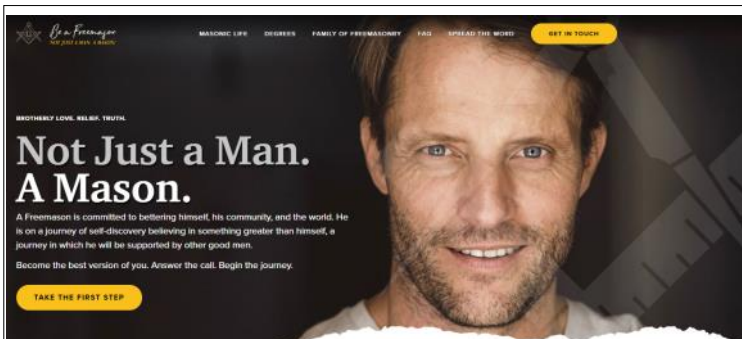
### Salutations from the South, Brethren!

Since we've had so many Brothers passed to the degree of Fellowcraft recently, this month's Masonic Education will explore the Fellowcraft degree. If you would like to participate or lead the instruction, please let me know.

We will be serving some comfort foods for our pre-meeting meals. I am thinking of fried chicken for the first meeting (full disclosure: it will be store-bought) plus coleslaw or some sort of side salad. Our second meeting will feature Meatloaf, green beans and smashed potatoes (if there's room in the oven).

See you at the Lodge!

Fraternally, Steve Czerniejewski, Junior Warden



Brothers,

We need your help in spreading the word about [BeAFreemason.org](http://BeAFreemason.org) by sharing it on all your social media pages and mentioning the site to your friends and acquaintances who August 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.

## Chaplain's Message



My Brothers,

We are still in the midst of our assault by COVID, the media and social media. Do not despair nor be afraid! We declared in Whom we put our trust in the Lodge and at each communication we reaffirm our devotion and trust in the Great Architect. If our God is for us, who can stand against us? A fact that He tells us over and over in His Holy Word.

There is something on my heart that I wish to share with you, we all know of cases where someone has tested positive and in a week with no treatment but fluids and rest are better in few days to a week. And other cases where the person is sick for a few weeks and then is better. These are great things and show that we are not faced automatically with death or major sickness from this virus. However, some people become very sick and end up in the hospital in the ER and on a respiratory with no positive prognosis. Amy's cousin in Ohio is such a case. The most important thing for all of us to remember is that this thing affects everyone differently, so be mindful of those who are separated from the loved one by a hospital and wear you mask when in proximity with others, wash hands and sanitize. Remember, our God is therefore us but we have charge to help and support others in need, not just our brothers. We must be ready to help aid and support all who need our assistance if it only by respecting their situation and acting accordingly.

Be blessed, be safe and turn to your God for your strength and support.

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

W.B. Ed McMullen, Chaplain

## From the Secretary



Greetings Brothers,

I hope that you are all continuing to stay safe and healthy. Late dues notices will be coming soon for the few remaining members that have not paid their dues this year. 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. Thank you for your quick attention to this matter.

I would like to send the following Brothers warm Birthday Wishes in the month of August: Zander Arthur, Luis Oliveira, Slavisha Markovic, Sas Markovic, Freddy McNabb, John Quillinan, Charles Roper, Gary Story, and Lee Van Horn.

Lastly, please keep an eye on the Trestle Board, our Facebook page, and website ([www.wintergardenmasoniclodge.org](http://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](mailto:gatordoc05@hotmail.com). Thanks again for the opportunity to serve. Remember that we meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of every month. Meals are being served at 6:30 pm prior to every meeting. CDC guidelines are in place for social distancing and sanitization requirements. Hope to see you at our next stated communication in August.

Fraternally,

W. Frank Lopez (2015), Secretary

**My Brother's Keeper** volunteers worked on W.B.: Paul Tinsley's yard a couple of weekends ago. There was a great turnout and the work, while hot and sweaty, went fairly quickly. Thanks to all the brothers from Winter Garden and other Lodges in the district that showed up to help care for one of our elder brothers.



## Calendar of Events

**August 1st:** Masters and Wardens at Winter Park. – 9am (8am breakfast TBD), Memorial Lodge directly after

**August 6th:** Stated meeting of Winter Garden Lodge, No. 165 F&AM, light dinner 6:30 PM, Meeting 7:30 PM

**August 13th:** Stated Assembly of Orlando Council No. 5 Royal and Select Masters at Eola No. 207, 7:30 PM

**August 14th & 15th:** Tennessee Cave Degree has been cancelled this year

**August 20th:** Stated meeting of Winter Garden Lodge, No. 165 F&AM, Dinner 6:30 PM, Meeting 7:30 PM

**August 22nd:** Bourbon Tasting at Bahia Shrine in Altamonte Springs. 5 PM, register at bahiashriners.org/bourbon

**August 29th:** MLT at winter Park - 9am – Modules 8,10,13, 15



Brother Oscar Gomez received the F.C. degree at Winter Garden, where, Bro. Steven Czerniejewski and team conferred a wonderful degree. Thanks to all who made it out to support our newest F.C.

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## 2020 OFFICERS

<b>Worshipful Master</b> W. Gil Alvarez	<b>Senior Warden</b> Bro. Luis Oliveria	<b>Junior Warden</b> Bro. Steven Czerniejewski
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## Past Masters

1907 Joseph Elwell *	1931 H.C. Mink *	1956 M.T. Minor *	1980 Gordon W. Giddens +	2004 J. Steven Teal PDDGM	<b>AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS of</b>
1908 Charles H. Tilden *	1932 Harry M. Smith *	1957 W.H. Hinson *	1981 John H. Linebarrier +	2005 Robert Whyte	<b>ROBERT B. SHUGART LODGE no. 393</b>
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	<b>AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS OF OTHER LODGES</b>
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. Blitch	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*		