



# Trestle Board

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## Calendar of Events

- 10/1:** Stated Communication & DDGM Visit, Dinner at 6:30pm, Meeting at 7:30pm  
**10/3:** Masters & Wardens, Eola 207- 8am breakfast, meeting at 9am.  
**10/3:** Memorial Lodge DDGM Visit directly following Masters & Wardens  
**10/7:** EA Degree at Winter Garden, Light Dinner 6:00 PM, Ceremony 7:00 PM  
**10/8:** York Rite Council at Eola Lodge 207, 7:30 PM  
**10/15:** Our Stated Communication Dinner at 6:30pm, Meeting at 7:30pm  
**10/23:** Orange 34 Rainbow 5th Annual Paint Night 6:30 PM (flyer page 7)  
**10/28:** District School Of Instruction, Eola Lodge 207 at 7pm  
**10/31:** Open Books at Winter Park No 239 – 8am-12pm



## October Charity

United cerebral palsy  
of Winter Garden



Winter Garden Lodge presented Birthday cards and placed American Flags on the lawn of 100th year old WWII veteran Larry Cheever. Thanks to all the brothers who participated and assisted in this wonderful and touching event.

## From the East



### Greetings from the East

I hope that as of the publication of this Trestleboard every one of the Brethren and their families are fine and enjoying great health.

September saw a very productive month and much was accomplished at the lodge. Brother David A. Seurattan arranged for a guest speaker/consultant to inform us about the health benefits of water softener systems. The Consultant, Miles Chilupe, also educated us about the benefits of reduced chlorine and hardness in our drinking water. For every system purchased the lodge will receive a donation from the company. This is definitely a win-win opportunity for both your health and the lodge. If you want your free in-home consultation contact Mr. Chilupe at 407-955-0038.

We also had a guest speaker from the Central Florida Coalition for the Homeless. Ms. Meredith Bekemeyer made a presentation about the fine work the coalition

does to reduce homelessness, tackle hunger and poverty and provide temporary assistance to those having difficulty making ends meet. She also made a picture presentation about the family that received some of the bicycles we donated to their organization. The Coalition is always in need of supplies and volunteers. If you would like to help them they can be contacted at 407-426-1250.

Also noteworthy in September was the catechism return of our newly raised brother Rolf Vladimir Mitton. A mere five days after being raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason he returned his Master Mason Catechism. This is a distinguished feat that was only accomplished once before at our lodge by Worshipful Michael Kilgore. It was indeed a pleasure having Worshipful Kilgore present when this brother matched his noteworthy accomplishment. Senior Deacon Jose Morales has set up a box in the lobby for pet food and pet supplies to assist no kill animal shelters. Please try to contribute to this worthy cause so that we can help those who care for God's most defenseless creations.

Finally our Lodge presented Birthday cards and placed American Flags on the lawn of 100th year old WWII veteran Larry Cheever. Thanks to all the brothers who participated and assisted in this wonderful and touching event. R.W. Jerry W. Clark and W. Mike Kramer continue teaching the second portion of the Master Mason Degree (MMD). The classes are extremely informative and the R.W. encourages questions from the craft. I encourage all brothers to go and learn either the whole section or certain parts. It would indeed be fantastic when we at Winter Garden can perform our own second section part of the MMD. The classes are informal and require very little of your time. The classes are conducted every Wednesday at 7:00 pm.

As I indicated last month, Communication, Accountability and Unity are the words of our M.W. Grand Master Thomas L. Turlington Jr. He believes it is important that we not only seek to encourage and grow our fraternity but to help, aid, and assist the brothers we already have. With this in mind I have been asked to please continue to provide sources of assistance for our Brethren in need. I encourage all brothers who know of ways to help, aid and assist our brethren to please share it with me for publication in our Masonic Trestleboard so that myself and/or others may announce it during our Masonic communications.

## From the East Continued

### Health, Mental and Social Services

There are free and Income based clinics in Orlando, Florida. You can locate these by going to [www.freeclinics.com](http://www.freeclinics.com)

### Food Assistance

Residents in need of food assistance can visit either the Human Crisis Center or the Second Harvest Food Bank. The Human Crisis Center is located at 5514 Edgewater Drive in Orlando Florida. Their telephone number is 407-521-7750. They are opened Monday through Saturday from 9am to 6pm. The Second Harvest Food Bank's online food locator has links so as to find a list of feeding partners near you. The Second Harvest Food Bank's telephone number is 407-295-1066. Also, Brothers Chuck Norman and Jose Morales have indicated to me that they want to reach out to Second Harvest to have a representative come to our lodge to let us know of their programs, the needs facing our community and how we can help. The date of their presentation will be at our October 15 stated communication.

The lodge has set up a food cart at the entryway of the lodge to collect food donations. We are also accepting cash donations for the food bank. Brother Chuck Norman indicates that for every \$10.00 of donations the food bank receives it translates to \$90.00 of purchasing power through their partnerships. Let us help those that are in great need.

Our Brother, J.W. Steve provides two meals a month for our stated communications. If there are any leftover meals and you know of a brother, neighbor, friend or anyone in need who would benefit from a warm cooked meal please ask either Brother Steve or anyone assisting him in his labor to please pack a meal for you. It brings great joy and comfort knowing that someone is enjoying and benefitting from our labor of love.

There are also numerous organizations that provide free food to those in need. Go to [www.freefood.org/c/fl-orlando](http://www.freefood.org/c/fl-orlando) to find an organization near you.

### Social Media Requests

At our stated communications it has been mentioned that people in need start "GO Fund Me" pages to raise much needed funds. I myself have contributed to needy causes on this platform. You can contribute whatever amount you want and hopefully others will do the same. If you know of a brother or family in need that have set up this type of social media request platform please let Brother S.D. Jose or myself know so that we can investigate the need and let the craft know of these requests. We are currently asking all Brothers and their families to spread the word to assist Brother Stephen Dimond's brother Gavin, who was in a terrible accident which almost cost him his life. The Go-Fund me information for Gavin can be located at [https://www.gofundme.com/f/gavin-dimond?utm\\_source=facebook&utm\\_m](https://www.gofundme.com/f/gavin-dimond?utm_source=facebook&utm_m) Also you can speak with Brother Stephen to see if you can assist him and/or his family in any other manner.

### Evictions and Housing

The Orange County Eviction Diversion Program is a program designed to assist Orange County residents who are in imminent danger of being evicted due to COVID-19 crisis. The program was funded by 20 million dollars from the CARES Act. The program provides up to \$4,000 in past due financial assistance for landlords and tenants who meet eligibility criteria. Please go to the [ocfl.net](http://ocfl.net) Eviction Diversion Program – Orange Cares, for more information.

### Orange County Energy Bill Assistance Program

The Orange County Energy Assistance Program provides help toward paying your power bill. To see if you qualify go to [www.orangecountyfl.net](http://www.orangecountyfl.net) and click on Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

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

## From the West



Greetings from the West my Brethren.

I wanted to thank everyone who was able to attend all of the events that we had in September. Congratulations to Bro. Rolff Vladimir Mitton who returned his Master Mason proficiency during our last stated communication in September. We had a great audience last meeting in September. We received 3 petitions for the symbolic degrees. Membership is growing pretty well this year. A huge thanks also to Brother Chuck Noman who invited Meredith Bekemeyer from the Central Florida Coalition for the homeless who was the speaker on Sep 16th. We also had his wife Elena who was a Board Member with the Coalition for over a decade and was the Chairman in 2013-2014. In September we had the Road clean up – several brothers showed up to support. Thanks to all that showed up to help on this event.

On Sep 19th a few brothers were present to celebrate the 100th birthday of a Winter Garden resident, World War II Veteran and Bronze Star Medal recipient Larry Cheever. W.: Mike Kilgore found out about his birthday Facebook and that Larry's granddaughter was asking for birthday cards to see if she could collect 100 cards for her grandfather. W.: Frank Lopez reached out to her to coordinate the cards through the lodge and some brothers of the lodge presented them to him.

Remember that we will be conferring an EA Degree during on October 7th. 7pm. Light dinner at 6pm. Br.: Jose Morales will be in the East for his very first time. where we will initiate 3 candidates. Brother Jose and the degree team have been busy preparing for this degree.

I hope you will be able to attend and support the new brothers. Our lecturer for the evening will be W.: Reg Lyle.

“To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy of the benevolent design of a Masonic institution; and it is most fervently to be wished, that the conduct of every member of the fraternity, as well as those publications, that discover the principles which actuate them, may tend to convince mankind that the grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race.”

– George Washington

Br.: J.: W.: Luis F Oliveira  
407-600-9241 (cell)



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## From the South



Greetings from the South!

As previously mentioned, our DDGM's official visit is this week. I hope to see you at the lodge for all our meetings, but this one especially. It's a great opportunity to hear from our District leadership and have the Grand Masters' yearly message relayed. We'll be having a nice spread at our first meeting instead of a light meal, in honor of our DDGM.

I went to this month's district school last week. My Brothers, I encourage each of you to make time for our District Schools. Our RH DI Romano does an outstanding job of teaching important facets of our ritual. There are always lively discussions as some of our learned brethren come and discuss and debate how to improve ourselves and make our ritual come alive. Every time I go I learn something new, so if you're looking for another way to seek light in Freemasonry, our District Schools are a great way to do so.

See you at the lodge!

Steve Czerniejewski

Junior Warden

## From the Secretary



Greetings Brothers,

I hope that you are all doing well and staying healthy. We continue to move forward through this pandemic with great resolve and dedication to the craft. We have now collected approximately 95% of our dues payments for 2020 through the end of September. For those that are still outstanding, I hope that you will be able to pay them soon so that you are not suspended for non-payment of dues. If you are having financial difficulty with what is happening with Covid-19, please contact me and we can arrange payment for later in the year once things normalize. We will be sending out late dues notices to those few remaining in October. Thank you for your quick attention to this matter.

Our current membership is up to 152 members. We have 3 new candidates that are waiting to be initiated on October 7th. The candidates' names are Mr. Shaka Lakente Stephens, Mr. Rodrigo Segovia Landivar, and Mr. Bartholomew Nyarady. We have added 6 new master masons and 3 new affiliated Brothers. That makes a total of 9 new members to our great Lodge. We have also lost two Brothers to the great celestial lodge above. We still have a lot of interest in our lodge and are continuing to receive new petitions for membership that are currently being processed.

I would like to send the following Brothers warm Birthday Wishes in the month of October: Arthur Beach, John Anderson, Paul Izzo Jr., Kevin Johnson, Mark Kirkley, Chris Lingan, James Morgan, Bart Patria, David Suerettan, Robert Sommers Jr., Marvin Wise, and Steven Eckwielen.

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. We are now serving meals at each meeting starting at 6:30 pm. Hope to see you at our next stated communication in October.

Fraternally,

W.:Frank Lopez (2015), Secretary

## Chaplain's Message



My Brothers,

As we move into the fall of the year it is really a time to count our blessings and turn to our God with thanksgiving on our lips. It has for many of us in the lodge been a trying year fraught with emotional and physical challenges, but through it all we were not alone, we had each other and our God with us. As the scriptures tell us God has a plan for each and every one of us, and He works His plan, we may not see it but He is always at work on our behalf. How blessed we are to have a Father who loves and protects us!

Let us all offer our heartfelt thanks to our God. Let us pray for each other and our country. Pray that He will continue to be in charge of the ultimate future of our country, and give us the faith to follow His commandments. I am so blessed that I am overwhelmed by God's love, I pray that each one of you feel this love and live in His grace. May He continue to bless you abundantly, focus on Him.

As you know, none of us get out of this alive, focus on Him and His love and that eternal home for each of us.

Bless you and be safe,

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





**ORANGE ASSEMBLY #134**  
proudly presents their  
**5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PAINT NIGHT**  
Presented by: Lindsey Harris  
Former Art Teacher LCPS

October 23, 2020  
DINNER: 6:30 PM  
PAINTING: 7:00 PM

Join us for a night of FOOD, FUN AND PAINTING

Painting: \$25  
Paint and Pizza \$30

Come out and support our assembly of girls!!

Fundraising going towards Grand Assembly trip  
coming Summer of 2021

For more information or questions, please contact:

Tamara Jenkins  
Email: [tajenkins@cfl.rr.com](mailto:tajenkins@cfl.rr.com)  
Phone: 407-625-4277

**Event held In-person at:**  
Mokanna Lodge  
4925 Clarcona-Ocoee Rd  
Orlando, FL 32810

Virtual link will be sent to out after deadline to sign up of Oct 16.

# Winter Garden Lodge No. 165

230 West Bay Street  
Winter Garden, FL 34787

Meetings: 7:30 PM – 1st & 3rd Thursdays each month  
Email Address: info@wintergardenmasoniclodge.org



We're on the Web!

[www.wintergardenmasoniclodge.org](http://www.wintergardenmasoniclodge.org)



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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. Donahy *	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.Niblaclt *	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. Duppenenthaler	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. Octoberberry *	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*		